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USF Chronology

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The first issue of “Accent on Learning” said that USF had started with no name, no staff, no students, and no buildings… Only a future.

Introduction

Despite our efforts to make this chronology as comprehensive as possible, some topics simply could not be covered because they would have taken an inordinate amount of time. Greek activities, theatrical/dance productions, art exhibits, and athletic events do not receive as much attention as some other issues. These topics are not neglected entirely, but because of limitations in size and space, could not be featured as prominently as other social and academic issues. The overwhelming majority of entries have been culled from the campus newspapers, so there is a bias toward the students’ point of view. When proceeding with this research, I asked that our guiding principle should be to look for stories and events that demonstrate how much and how little USF has changed over the years. Another thing worth noting is that student newspapers were
not always objective or accurate, so we may have passed some inaccuracies along in the chronology.¹

1954: The Florida Board of Control for Institutions of Higher Learning created a Council for the Study of Higher Education to embark on a fact-finding mission exploring the formation of a new public university in the state.²

In December, Legislators Sam Gibbons (later in the House of Representatives) and James Moody (later a circuit judge) sit down for a cup of coffee in the Maas Brothers Neptune Room to talk about the legislative session for the coming year. The two men pore over materials in preparation for representing Hillsborough County. They begin talking about the report of the Council For the Study of Higher Education, initiated by legislator Farris Bryant in 1953 (later governor). The report would be a vital subject in the upcoming session. Gibbons and Moody talk about making UT a state university. Gibbons remembers, “Looking back now we can see this was the wrong approach but many great projects have had false starts. From the start this project sparked the civic pride of all.” But not all. The two men bring their idea to the Chamber of Commerce Education Committee, but UT is soon dropped from consideration. The U.S. Supreme Court announces its decision on Brown vs. the Board of Education, mandating racial integration in public schools. UT’s leadership strongly opposes falling under state

¹ A note on sources. On June 1, 1958, The Tampa Morning Tribune became The Tampa Tribune; the Tampa Daily Times became The Tampa Times. In 1965, the Tampa Times University of South Florida Campus Edition became The Tampa Times USF Campus Edition.

control, largely because it resists racial integration. UT expects pro-segregationists to flock to UT rather than attend the new state university. USF proves them wrong.³

After the Big 1953 Tampa Annexation, Farris Bryant, Speaker of the House, introduced a resolution studying higher education in Florida. That summer, local papers wrote about what other delegations got in the session. State Rep. Sam Gibbons ate lunch regularly with a group at the Maas Bros. tea room. The lunch group grew to over twenty, and they talked family, business, sports and politics. They joked to Gibbons and Jim Moody, “they got to kidding us, ‘well we don’t read that you got anything for the city. All these guys got the poultry inspection stations, and these citrus stations, and these highway patrol stations. What the heck did you get for us?’ We took it as good-natured kidding. After lunch, we [Gibbons and Moody] walked outside and sat down on a bench right outside of Maas Bros. and began to talk. [We] went over it, and said, “maybe we should lay out an agenda. And got us to thinking [about a college in Hillsborough County].”

At the time, Gibbons participated in a fund raising drive for UT, which fell on hard times by 1952 as vets graduated. Most people were disinterested in donating, as only the most privileged attended. The funds fell short. That spurred Gibbons to think about converting UT to a state U. He also flirted with the idea of getting UF’s medical school located in Tampa, but it was futile. In his 1954 re-election campaign, he suggested a new state university should be located in Tampa. He met with UT planners, and thought he had their votes. That year the Brown vs. Board of Education Supreme Court decision mandated integration of public schools. The court also ruled that private schools didn’t have to integrate. According to Gibbons, “the trustees of the University of

³ O 8/17/60.
Tampa said, ‘everybody will flock to the University of Tampa because it doesn’t have to desegregate, we don’t have to admit blacks. There will be all these blacks in the state institutions and nobody will want to go there.’ That was their thinking.” UT’s trustees did not supply enough votes to become a state university.4

1955: While sitting at his kitchen table one night, Florida legislator Sam Gibbons drafts a simple 80-word bill in hopes of establishing a state university in Hillsborough County. John F. Germany, then an aide to Governor LeRoy Collins, remembers, “Gibbons very effectively handled the bill in the house and Jim Moody, as chairman of the powerful House Appropriations Committee, was able to work closely with the Senate in lining up support.” The bill is one of the shortest in history, reading, “The State Board of Education is hereby authorized to establish a State University or a branch of existing State University in Hillsborough County. Said Board is hereby directed to have a study made as to the feasibility of such action. The Board of Control and the State Board of Education are hereby authorized to enter into all contacts necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.” The legislature thought the bill innocuous, a mere feasibility study, and passed it with very little dissent, no small feat in the Florida Legislature. On 6/18, LeRoy Collins signs House Bill 1007, an act authorizing the State Board of Education to establish a State University in Hillsborough County. Tampa’s Chamber of Commerce swings into action, trying to sell Hillsborough County as the new college’s location. By September, an attractive hard-cover study is given to every member of the

state’s Board of Control and Board of Education. The race for Florida’s then-third state university is on.  

By that time, Gibbons considered alternatives. Early in 1955 session, Gibbons was appointed chairman of education committee and Moody was chair of appropriations committee. Moody appointed Gibbons chair of Higher Education Appropriations Committee, and he drafted the short bill. Hillsborough County was specifically designated because location in Pinellas, with the only Republican legislators in the state, would kill the new institution before it started. John F. Germany worked for the Collins campaign, and later as an assistant. Collins had his doubts about a new college, especially being a rep. for Tallahassee, and by implication, FSU.

When Gibbons addresses the BOC about the passed bill, John and Grace Allen sat along the aisle and smiled as Gibbons left. “We’d been good friends because I had been handling his appropriations [at UF],” Gibbons says. “They must have thought I was on a wild goose chase, but the chase developed. I became a permanent resident of the Board of Control’s meetings.”

1956: The BOC’s Higher Education Council found the following facts. The state’s population was predicted to grow from 2,771,000 in 1950 to 6,119,000 in 1970, to be concentrated mostly in the urban areas. College enrollment is expected to leap from 44,500 in 1955 to 132,000 in 1970. The population and enrollment figures were revised (respectively) to 7 million and 158,000. The council suggested that three new institutions be opened in urban centers rather than expanding the existing institutions in the relatively

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5 O 8/17/60, Omnibus, O 11/19/75.
rural areas. It also recommended the creation of community colleges in 18 of the state’s population centers.⁶

Hillsborough County representative Sam Gibbons urges immediate local action in support of the proposed construction of a state university in the area. “The time to act is now,” he declares. Addressing the issue of segregation, Gibbons believes that, “It will be a hard battle to try and win against [the Supreme Court] rulings, but we are going to use every legal method we can devise.” He adds, “A special session of the Florida legislature would have to be called to keep the two races separated.” Because Tampa is situated at the geographic center of the populace region, Gibbons asserts, “We will be able to give more education to people at less cost.”⁷

The State Board of Control announces that the proposed St. Petersburg site for the new state university is too small. Tampa follows by making another bid for the university at the Henderson Airfield site.⁸

Gibbons visited Scott Christopher, the director of the Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce to start a public relations campaign. Gibbons worked with Louis Benito, head of the CoC’s public relations and developed a booklet on the need of a university in Hillsborough County. They purposely made it too big for filing cabinets, and so appealing to the eye that legislators would want it on their desks. Later, Gibbons helped Palm Beach (FAU) and Pensacola (UWF) develop university plans of their own, all of which were approved by end of the legislative session. The BOC “finally got to treating me as an ex-officio member of their board, I attended so many of their meetings.”

Construction magnate Paul Smith allowed Gibbons to use his company’s plane to attend

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⁷ Tampa Morning Tribune (TMT): Mar. 19, 1956
⁸ TMT: Mar. 16, 1956
the meetings, which were held all over the state. Just as the planned interstates led to Tampa, the area became a logical choice for the university. Still, many regions and cities of Florida vied for the university. According to Gibbons “Where finessed whether,” meaning that people argued so much about “where” the university would be located that they (politicians included) seemed to forget that it was uncertain “whether” there would be one at all.9

While Jacksonville and Pinellas County pine for their own universities, Hillsborough offers three sites: Vegetable magnate Paul Dickman offers 475 acres near Ruskin; Florida developers offer 1,000 acres on Old Tampa Bay; and 800 acres at the present site by Stanton Sanson, Miami rep of N.K. Winston &Co. of New York. Dickman claims his site is best because of high elevation.10 St. Petersburg had previously weighed in with an offer of 400 acres in the “Toytown” area.11 The BOC later announces that it wants a minimum of 1,000 acres for the site. State Sen. Paul Kicklighter offers a tract of 500 acres to the BOC for free if the Tampa area site does not work.12 Some speculate that the Tampa site will be turned down, and Dickman says the state should act if it wants his property, as he is preparing to sell a massive 6,000 acre tract to a syndicate that plans a large city on the site called Tampa Beach.13 Sen. Kicklighter doubles his land offer to 1,000 acres.14 Dickman accuses BOC member Robert Gore of postponing his retirement to try to locate the new university in Broward County with help from a player in Pinellas.15 Five counties end up vying for the institution,16 and then six.17

9 Gibbons OH.
10 TT 9/1/56.
11 TT 6/5/56.
12 TT 9/5/56.
13 TT 9/9/56, TT 9/10/56.
14 TT 9/16/56.
15 TT 9/20/56.
Sarasota and Manatee Counties push for their own college.\textsuperscript{18}

Young Tampans organize a Booster Club to push for the new university.\textsuperscript{19}

Five different delegations present their proposals to the BOC in an Orlando meeting on Sept. 27. Tampa’s delegation of around 100 prominent businessmen, “which virtually filled the room,” has “the most comprehensive presentation.” Sam Gibbons presents statistics that bolster Hillsborough’s claims. S. Kendrick Guernsey, BOC member from Jacksonville, called for a president of “outstanding ability.” An industrial park run by Hillsborough County is set to go up adjacent to the proposed site, and the two new institutions are expected to work well together. New highways and proposed interstate roads are also seen as a benefit for commuting students. In an effort to sell St. Pete as a location, Nelson Poynter spoke of “gifts” to the BOC in the form of the Jr. College there and the Bayboro Maritime Base. Poynter also mentioned the city’s excellent water. Gibbons later brought a roar of laughter from the board and audience when he pointed out the St. Pete gets its water from Hillsborough County.\textsuperscript{20}

The Board of Control estimates that construction of a new state university in the Tampa Bay region will require a $12,380,000 appropriation. While evaluating the proposed sites, BOC members found that the Henderson Field location was the only one that met all of the criteria for placement.\textsuperscript{21}

St. Pete is ridiculed as “selfish” because it just received $1.25 million to build a Jr. College there. Now it wants a university.\textsuperscript{22}

\textsuperscript{16} TT 9/21/56.  
\textsuperscript{17} TT 9/27/56.  
\textsuperscript{18} TT 9/8/56.  
\textsuperscript{19} TT 9/7/56.  
\textsuperscript{20} TT 9/28/56.  
\textsuperscript{21} TMT: Sept. 29, 1956  
\textsuperscript{22} TT 9/29/56.
The proposed Bayfront site in St. Petersburg will have to be filled to seven feet above sea level, according to local officials, in order to accommodate new construction. Reports predict that it will cost the state approximately $800,000 in additional costs.23

A new brewery is set to be erected at the old Henderson Air Field just south of the proposed campus, and some citizens oppose it. A Rev. Millard Berquist opposes the construction of the brewery, and other citizens think it will make future college students more licentious. Three local high school seniors oppose the brewery, but support the university.24

Gibbons and Moody lead the effort in Tallahassee, but local leaders and Chamber of Commerce members provide the invaluable muscle for the project. Ever since the governor signed the Gibbons Bill, Tampa/Hillsborough boosters attend every Board of Control meeting. Gibbons remembers, “To try and name stalwarts in a project which had such universal backing and support is impossible without missing someone.” Such support was essential, because St. Pete/Pinellas boosters were determined to have the university in their backyard. “Before it was over this thing attained real state-wide interest,” Gibbons said. “The campaigns of The Tampa Tribune and St. Petersburg Times in behalf of the city’s selection as the site was must reading for politicians in Tallahassee. St. Petersburg’s real threat as a possible location welded the Tampa ranks into a real civic spirited force.” While St. Pete demanded that Tampa was seedy with slums and breweries, six Tampa ministers attended Board of Control meetings to act as “character references” for the city. Gibbons said, “Luck and the Almighty were with us on a few occasions during the search for a site.” When officials from Board of Control

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23 Tampa Daily Times (TDT): Oct. 27, 1956
24 TT 10/1/56; TT 9/23/56.
arrived in St. Pete to look at two possible sites, a squall the night before flooded the sites with salt water. “Take us to the high ground,” the officials implored and Gibbons remembers, “The Temple Terrace site looked real good to these men on that day.”

Gibbons maintains that location of the institution in Pinellas would condemn the university, as the Democrat-dominated legislature would not appropriate money to the Republican-run Pinellas site.

Pinellas boosters give two big reasons why Hillsborough should not get the school: because Pinellas is merely being “penalized” because its legislators are the only Republicans in state and because a new Schlitz brewery will degrade students and their morals. The St. Pete Minister’s Assoc. asks the BOC to rule out the Temple Terrace site because of the brewery.

Pinellas desperately invokes the BOC’s desire to locate the facility on waterfront property and offering St. Pete’s maritime site as a “temporary” site “to expedite activation of the new university program and classes.” Weyman Willingham, chairman of the Committee of 100 in St. Pete sends a long letter to the Tribune making these cases and announcing the friendship of the two competing cities. A Tribune editorial say the message of friendship was “nice,” but adds, “But it would be even nicer if they would take their thumb out of our eye.” After the BOC waffled between the two remaining sites, Ralph Miller of the BOC says, “We are not trying to establish yacht clubs. We are trying to run educational institutions.”

25 O 8/17/60.
26 Gibbons OH.
27 TT 10/11/56.
29 TT 11/7/56.
30 TT 11/11/56.
The Henderson Field property was given to board of County Commissioners by the federal government. It was being used as cattle land. “Martha and [our] sons … got in our old station wagon and came out here and drove through this area and I said ‘this is where the university’s going to be.’ And Martha looked at me like, ‘you’re dreaming, Sam.’” About one hundred cows grazed the sandy property, about to starve as it was dry. Gibbons calls the site a “beautiful desolate sandpile.” When driving BOC members to site, he avoided Sulphur springs in favor of Temple Terrace because SS had become so run down.\textsuperscript{31}

Suddenly in September 1956, Gov. Collins wanted the university to be located on waterfront property, which would be expensive on low land. Real estate magnate Stanton Sanson owned the land north and east of the Henderson site. Most was swamp, but some was high ground, such as where the golf course and Riverfront Park are today. Sanson needed a road to be extended to his property farther north, so in a trade, Sanson offered his property to be part of the future campus, and Gibbons arranged for 30\textsuperscript{th} Street to be extended north (present-day Bruce B. Downs Blvd.) to Sanson’s other property. “At least they [students] could get their feet wet,” Gibbons says about fulfilling the governor’s wishes for a waterfront campus. Collins dropped the issue. Not one to give up, Pinellas clamored that they possessed several waterfront sites. Convinced of foul play, the St. Pete Times investigated Gibbons for connections to the Henderson site, but found none.\textsuperscript{32}

\textsuperscript{31} Gibbons OH.
\textsuperscript{32} Gibbons OH.
All the speculation is put to rest when the BOC chooses Hillsborough on Oct. 12. Some first reactions to the news: one citizen said, “The greatest thing to happen to Tampa since Mac Dill Field”; others look forward to “bigtime football games”; population boost; and a fine research library.34

BOC member Hollis Rinehart serves in the corporation that owns the Old Tampa Bay site (First Continental Mortgage Corporation), raising eyebrows. Rinehart claims he does not know he’s vice president of the company, and writes a letter asking to resign his position.35 The Hillsborough Board of County Commissioners has no comment,36 while Gov. Collins reassures the public that all facts will be examined, but also said that Rinehart is an “outstanding” member of the BOC.37

Contractor Paul Smith and attorney John Germany are asked to explore fund raising for the planning stage of the university—projected to need about $50,000.38

Mayor Nick Nuccio agrees to provide $200,000 worth of sewer and water facilities courtesy of the City of Tampa. The funds cover half of the water-related expenses.39

By late October, only two sites are left in the running: Temple Terrace and Old Tampa Bay, a.k.a. the Bower Site. While information on the Temple Terrace site is quick in coming, the Bower site’s data are slow to arrive.40 Hillsborough County owns most of the land associated with the Temple Terrace site.41

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33 TDT 10/12/56.
34 TT 10/13/56.
35 TT 10/16/56.
36 TDT 10/16/56.
37 Miami Daily News, 10/16/56.
38 TT 10/18/56.
39 TDT 10/29/56.
40 TDT 10/24/56, TT 10/25/56.
41 TDT 10/27/56.
The Tampa Daily Times publishes a series of articles on the University of Tampa, its plans for the future, and its value to Tampa. 42

The Bower site would require extensive dirt to be brought to shore up the land. Cost estimates rise to $2.5 million. Nevertheless, many BOC members favor the site. 43 St. Petersburg city officials offer water supply service to the university if the old Tampa Bay location in Pinellas County is selected. “If this site is selected for a four-year university, the city of St. Petersburg is in a position and willing to furnish good palatable water at the site in sufficient quantity to satisfy the consumption demand.” 44

St. Pete leaders say they will supply water to the Bower site if it is chosen, even though Hillsborough County supplies water to Pinellas. 45 Louis Bower, owner of the site on North Tampa Bay, disputes county estimates of the costs to dredge the site, saying they are much too high. Bower’s legal representative, J. Kenneth Edlin, objects to the way he has been portrayed in the press as an “ex-convict” because of a past charge of fraud for which he served 4 years in prison. 46

Iby Nobles, a builder in the Tampa area, floats an idea to build the university on Henderson Field, with half of some of the buildings being underground, built into “depressed” ground. Tunnels would link the underground portions of the buildings, and Henderson’s airstrip would remain to court a government-backed flight school. 47

The Tampa Tribune backs Winton King as representative of Florida’s first district (Pinellas, Hillsborough, Pasco, and Hernando Counties) over William C. Cramer, the

43 TT 11/22/56.
44 TMT: Nov. 26, 1956
45 TDT 11/26/56.
46 TT 11/30/56, TDT 11/30/56.
47 TT 11/27/56.
incumbent and Florida’s first congressman since Reconstruction. The battle over USF has seemingly spilled over into national politics. \(^{48}\)

A syndicate based around a couple families based in Tampa, Atlanta, and Chicago purchase 6,400 acres of land just north of the proposed Henderson Field site proposed for USF. Members of the Greco, Spicola, Garro, Dominguez, Giunta (all from Tampa), Scalla, Cangelosi, Paolella (Chicago), and the Souther family from Atlanta. State Sen. Paul Kickliter from Tampa is also a buyer in the deal consummated on the same day the City of Tampa announces it is backing the Temple Terrace site, and less than a week before the site is chosen. \(^{49}\)

Owners of the Bower site fail to provide a performance bond to the BOC, but the owner claims he has made all arrangements for the sale. \(^{50}\)

Ten representatives of Hillsborough County attend a BOC meeting in Tallahassee to await (and influence) the final decision. Sam Gibbons asks the many factions in the university site to “bury the hatchet,” and support funding for the school for the common good. \(^{51}\)

The BOC is split on the site, with two die-hard stand-outs out of seven: Rinehart of Miami, and Ballard of St. Pete. Despite the fact the Bower was not willing or able to guarantee that his site’s marshes would be filled, the two stand-outs continue to vote against Temple Terrace, to delay the site selection, or even to locate the campus in Pinellas. The majority of board members grow impatient. \(^{52}\)

News soon breaks that BOC

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\(^{48}\) TDT 11/28/56, see also Sam Gibbons Oral History, Florida Studies Center, for the partisan politics scene.

\(^{49}\) TT 12/1/56.

\(^{50}\) TT & TDT, 12/4/56.

\(^{51}\) TT 12/6/56, TDT 12/6/56.

\(^{52}\) TT 12/7/56.
member Hollis Rinehart is the head of an advertising firm that does a good deal of business with Florida A&M University. Governor Collins calls the dealings “dubious.”

Governor Collins rejects any settlement of the site question, opening up the issue for debate once again. Collins concedes that the site should be in Hillsborough County, but also says that the BOC is acting only as an “advisor” and that he will make the final decision with the Board of Education. Collins frets that Florida’s tax revenue might not be enough to support a new university, but also says that it will be needed. Collins “amazes” Tampans, who are shocked at his intervention. Among the leaders chagrined by the governor are State Rep. Sam Gibbons, State Sen. Doyle Carlton, State Rep. Jim Moody, W. Howard Frankland, and attorney John Germany. Gibbons is especially puzzled when Collins says, “I don’t think we are prepared at this time to make a final decision on the basic question of creating the university.” In response, Gibbons says, “It couldn’t possibly start operating until 1960, but we can’t wait until 1960 to do something about it.” Tampa’s leaders rally, and some vow to see the governor personally in Tallahassee.

In what would become a long-time trend, State Sen. Wilson Carraway says, “If, after we take care of the needs of the other institutions, there is any money left, we will give it (the new university) serious consideration.” When Carraway is asked if that meant “there was a chance” for the new university, he quips, “That’s not what I said.” For decades, USF would be plagued its low priority in the eyes of state politicians.

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53 TT 12/12/56.
54 TT 12/9/56.
55 TT 12/10/56.
56 TT 12/12/56.
While St. Pete power brokers try to dissuade Collins from the Temple Terrace Site, Collins remains “Undecided” on whether a new university is needed at all. He considers making it the branch of another institution.\(^{57}\)

In a vote of 5-2, the Board of Control selects the Temple Terrace site as the location for the new state university. The two votes of dissention were advanced by BOC members from Miami and St. Petersburg.\(^{58}\)

Late in 1956, Gibbons sat in Tallahassee with one of Collins’ staff members in kitchen with pregnant wife. Together, they wrote a resolution. On 12/17/56, the BOE passed it.\(^{59}\)

The Florida Cabinet approves USF on December 18, 1956.\(^{60}\) The Council for the Study of Higher Education urges the state to immediately plan more colleges and junior colleges to meet the projected deluge of students.\(^{61}\)

The State Board of Education formally approves the Temple Terrace location in Tampa for the site of the new state university. Among the points of resolution, 1800 acres is to be provisioned for the university’s construction, and every effort is to be made towards obtaining additional property along the Hillsborough River. Recommendations are made that the university be opened for classes as early as Fall of 1960. A final resolution made by the legislature guarantees that the Board of Education will not give the new university “priority over the needs of existing universities.”\(^{62}\)

\(^{57}\) TT 12/12/56.  
\(^{58}\) TMT: Dec. 7, 1956  
\(^{59}\) Gibbons OH.  
\(^{60}\) TT 12/18/56.  
\(^{61}\) TT 1/20/56 (57?)  
\(^{62}\) TDT: Dec. 18, 1956; see also TMT: Dec. 19, 1956
A Tribune editorial reads, “The Board of Education’s action officially establishing the university site at Temple Terrace was the brightest spot in a year of shining progress for Tampa.”

In 1988, Sam Gibbons remembered in a Founder’s Day luncheon, “It was a joyous day for everyone but the St. Pete Times. The Times just knew this site would collapse into a sinkhole, and that students would be perpetually drunk from beer from the two breweries just off campus.”

The land chosen for USF’s campus once served as an orange grove, a hunting preserve, and a military airfield. Baptist ministers object to USF’s location near a brewery, dubbing the planned school “Bottlecap U.” John Allen remembers the campus, “It was a mass of weeds, scrub oak, and swamp that was attractive to alligators.” Harris Dean remembered having to empty his shoes of sand whenever walking on campus for any length of time. Dean was especially unlucky when it came to sand, getting his car stuck on Fowler Avenue during his first visit, then just a dirt road.

The legislature appropriates $8,602,000 for construction and equipment and $140,000 for salaries and staff planning.

1957: John Allen rescinds a prepared statement of acceptance for the position of president at the new state university after the Board of Education rejects his anticipated salary of $17,500 – equal to that of all other state university presidents. Allen is currently

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63 Tampa Sunday Tribune (TST): Dec. 30, 1956
64 TT 10/13/88.
65 Allen, “USF Comes into being.” P. 72.
paid an annual salary of $13,000 in his position at UF. The Board also rejects a proposed name for the new school, the University of Southern Florida.\textsuperscript{66}

John Allen named president by Board of Control on July 16, to begin his duties August 1.\textsuperscript{67} Allen resigns UF’s (acting) presidency to take the position. His academic specialty is astronomy. Allen turned down a lucrative offer at a New York institution to take the job.\textsuperscript{68} Gibbons remembers, “I knew he was so competent, such a fine educator and gentleman, that he would add dignity as well as experience as well as technical knowledge.” He put together UF’s medical school, something that would serve him well at USF ten years later.\textsuperscript{69}

Hillsborough County commissioners are asked to provide approximately 200 more acres of riverfront property for the state university in Temple Terrace. Such a site, proponents argue, “would provide an ideal recreation area.”\textsuperscript{70}

Governor LeRoy Collins calls for funding to begin construction of the new state university in Tampa. “We can and should provide funds for the initial development of the new institution which we have established at Temple Terrace. He also urged expansion of state community colleges in order to supplement “the availability of higher education ... and make it less costly to [students] and taxpayers.” Collins asserts that while Florida has led national efforts in creating educational opportunities, the growth of the state “has sorely taxed our ability to keep pace.”\textsuperscript{71}

\textsuperscript{66} TMT: July 3, 1957
\textsuperscript{67} TT 7/16/57.
\textsuperscript{68} Ocala Star Banner, 7/7/57, 7/16/57, SPT 7/17/57, Jacksonville Chronicle, 7/19/57.
\textsuperscript{69} Gibbons OH.
\textsuperscript{70} TMT: Jan. 21, 1957
\textsuperscript{71} TMT: Feb. 5, 1957
The BOC votes for the name “University of Southern Florida” with one dissenting vote: Hollis Rinehart of Miami, who suggests “Southern Florida State College,” with the idea that the new institution will only be a 4-year liberal arts college, not a university. Other BOC members envision a university that will offer classes in education, business, and arts and sciences. Allen’s salary is set at $17,500, while his secretary will make $4,200. Allen has written 70 articles on astronomy, higher education, and veterans’ education. The Board of Education sets Allen’s salary at $15,000, despite the fact that newspapers and UF students urged a higher salary. The salary will be augmented by an expense account, a furnished house, and an official car. Allen balks at the pay cut initially, which is less than his counterparts at UF and FSU, but finally accepts.

USF’s name becomes official after much debate. Other proposed names: U of the Western Hemisphere, Fla. Peninsular State U, Peninsula State University of Florida, Citrus State U, Gulf Coast U, Sunshine State U, U of Southwest Fla., Florida DeSoto U, Ponce de Leon U, Osceola State University, Collins College, Collins Temple University, Henry B. Plant U, Dan McCarty State U, Richard K. Call State U, Professor Ludwig W. Buchholz U, College of the Sunshine State, Gasparilla College, Tampa Bay College, Excelsior U, Flamerica U, Florida Tropicoast U, and International U. Governor Collins infuriates some when he jokingly suggests “University of Florida at Temple Terrace.” At one point (9/19/57), the cabinet narrows it down to two choices: Florida Gulf Coast U or U of Southwestern Fla. Once it settles upon the USF name, there is a chorus of

72 TT 6/28/57.
73 Ocala Star Banner, 7/17/57, 7/16/57, SPT 7/17/57, Jacksonville Chronicle, 7/19/57.
74 Tampa Free Press 7/13/57, TT 7/16/57, Panama City News 7/16/57, TDT 7/16/57.
75 Oracle, 8/25/86, O 8/16/60.
disapproval from people around the state, for differing reasons. The Lakeland Ledger suggests Tampa Bay University to no avail. The cabinet reaffirms the name after deliberations.76

Miss E. Ann Strickland is named Allen’s secretary, USF’s first career service employee. Headquarters is set up in the Hillsborough County Courthouse. President Allen sets up shop with one ash tray (although he did not smoke), one note pad, a box of pencils, and great hope. “From this office,” the Tribune reports, “Dr. Allen will begin the tremendous task of organizing the new university ‘from the ground up.’”77

The Hillsborough County delegation in the State House of Representatives introduces a bill requesting the appropriation of $6,340,000 to begin construction of the state university in Tampa.78 The Senate appropriations committee approves “most requests” for funding for construction of the new state university.79

St. Pete makes another desperate bid for the new university by offering the Toytown tract in addition to the Bayboro maritime base facilities as a site.80

It is expected that 1,500 will enroll in September 1960 with a projected enrollment of 10,000 by 1970.81

The State Budget Board approves USF’s budget of $93,300 and a planning budget of just $600,000.

Governor Collins is forced to veto some spending after state deficit cuts total an estimated $17 million. Despite the cutbacks, he guarantees that the new state university

76 Jacksonville Chronicle 7/18/57, Lakeland Ledger 7/12/57, SPT 7/19/57, Tampa Free Press 7/13/57.
77 TT: July 21, 1957
78 TMT: Apr. 11, 1957
79 TMT: Apr. 12, 1957
80 TT 6/6/57, TT 6/10/57.
81 Allen, “USF Comes into being.” P. 73.
will still be adequately funded. “We have funds to begin the construction of the new four-year, degree-granting institution near Tampa,” Collins announces in a radio speech broadcast throughout the state.82

Construction crews tear all of the growth (including trees) from the center of the campus to facilitate unimpeded construction. Lack of planning time makes it necessary to have a large space.83

A biennial appropriation of $8,602,000 is approved for construction of the new four-year state university in Tampa.84

USF receives its first gift: $1,000 from the Sanson Foundation. Stanton D. Sanson donates more than 700 acres to USF as part of the 1,700-acre campus.

State Sen. Wilson Carraway, Chairman of the powerful Senate Appropriations Committee, vows to limit any USF spending to “modest” amounts in favor of expanding FSU. Sam Gibbons retorts in the press, “Carraway’s position is not wholly surprising. Naturally, he would favor expansion of educational facilities in his own home town (Tallahassee) rather than in some other area. However, I think he’s a fair man. We’ll just have to sit down with him and present the facts.”85

John Allen is honored in a reception at the Tampa Yacht Club given by the Chamber of Commerce.86

A citizen complains that Dr. Allen has been hired. “Why do we need a university president? We haven’t any buildings yet, so there’s nothing for him to do. It will be two or three years before we need a president.” Pres. Allen chuckles when he hears the

82 TMT: June 18, 1957
83 TT 9/18/67.
84 TMT: May 27, 1957
85 TT 1/26/57.
86 Miami Beach Sun, 7/18/57.
comment. “Long range plans must be made to include successive stages of enlargement
for a university which may be here for a century—or two or three. Logistical planning is
necessary because we haven’t any buildings at all.” Among his biggest tasks: acquiring
library books, forming an educational program, gathering building designs and contracts,
etc. UF honors Allen at a commencement ceremony with a silver punch bowl. Mrs.
Allen jokes, “It will get the university off to a good start, because you can’t run a
university without a punch bowl.” Allen’s phone line in the courthouse is listed as “New
State University,” because a name has yet to be set. With no children of their own, the
Allens enjoy other people’s children. Grace is partial to giving “mitten parties” for
neighborhood girls, using Grace’s home-made mittens. Each girl chooses a pair of
mittens and encloses her name on a piece of paper inside, sending them to Quakers
around the country to distribute to the needy. Grace also embroiders “luncheon cloths”
for the buffet parties she gives, favoring pre-made dishes like veal scallopini. The press
notes that both John and Grace possess an ingratiating charm.87

At one point, only two names for the new school are considered: Florida Gulf
Coast University and University of Southwest Florida. The USF name is expected to be
killed.88 The naming decision is delayed several times.89

Pres. Allen asks that no road be built on the campus, and that Fletcher avenue’s
extension be raised for about 1,000 feet to allow the campus to “flow” under the street.90

Allen plans four buildings, a maintenance building, an administration-classroom
building, a library-classroom, and a union-classroom-cafeteria. The BOC approves the

87 SPT 8/14/57.
88 TDT 9/20/57.
89 Clearwater Sun 9/12/57, TDT 9/25/57.
90 TDT 8/17/57.
master plan. On the issue of a name, Allen opposes the idea of a naming contest as “undignified.”

Paul Kickliter supports the names Orange State U and Tampa Bay U, while Tampa Mayor Nick Nuccio favors USF, saying, “I think whatever name is given ought to have Florida in it.” Gibbons and Pinellas Rep. Thomas M. Carney weigh in on the side of USF. Pinellas Rep. B.E. Shaffer thinks Tampa State U should satisfy everyone. St. Pete CoC President Orville K. Cook likes Suncoast U, saying, “That would be very appropriate, as Tampa is part of the Suncoast area.”

Allen supports the USF name, saying the university will serve citizens from Brooksville to Naples, justifying the “South” in the name. On architecture, Allen wants building designs that would “wear well” for the next century, dignified, and distinctive without being bizarre. Allen predicts a student population of 1,000-1,500 for the first year, and he plans to tune the curriculum specifically for the citizens in his service area. Parking will require extensive planning, and he expects to have large night classes that will draw on teachers in the area. With so many students entering college, Allen suggests there will be no rivalry among Florida’s universities. Allen also plans on transferring many students to other universities when they are ready to study their specialties. Because Allen considers the library to be the heart of any university, it will probably be the first building to go up. Allen says he considers his new job so exciting because he is building a new institution from the ground up.

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91 TDT 9/19/57.
92 SPT 7/18/57.
93 TT 7/22/57.
Elliot Hardaway, who describes himself as a “fanatic believer in the printed word,” is chosen as the library’s director, and is USF’s first professional employee.94

At a welcome luncheon at the Tampa Terrace Hotel, Allen says, “I think we should all pay tribute to the many leaders of this community who have worked long, hard, and effectively in helping the Board of Control make its studies and decision, and in seeing this project through the Legislature. He compared the new institution to a baby that will need “loving care” for growth, “brick by brick, book by book, student by student.”

As the naming decision falls back on the BOC, Gov. Collins suggests FTTU: Florida Temple Terrace University. The BOC and Allen suggest Florida Gulf Coast University, but several cabinet members rejected the name, as there is already a Gulf Coast College in Panama City. Collins says the name sounds more like a fishing camp than a university. That leaves University of Southwestern Florida and FTTU.95 The last two survivors are from an original list of 101 possible names. At an open cabinet meeting, Collins takes a straw poll on which names people prefer. A contingent of Seminole Indians was in attendance to ask for fishing and trapping rights in the Everglades. U of Southwestern Florida got six votes, including one of the Seminoles and four journalists. Gulf Coast U—the “fishing camp”-sounding name, got zero votes. About 25, including the rest of the Seminoles, voted for FTTU (or the other incarnation, University of Florida at Temple Terrace).96 Collins says the FTTU name “would add beauty and charm and would be unique throughout the nation.”97

94 TT 10/6/57.
95 TDT 10/15/57.
96 TT 10/16/57.
97 TDT 10/16/57.
opposes the FTTU name, noting that Temple Terrace is small and pleasant, and writes, “It would make about as much sense, if the university were situated in the Palma Ceia residential suburb, to name it Florida Palma Ceia University. Imagine a student explaining to an outsider the meaning of the school’s name: ‘Temple Terrace University? What’s Temple Terrace?’ ‘Well, it’s a very pretty little suburb of Tampa.’ ‘Oh the university is in Temple Terrace?’ ‘No, it’s near Temple Terrace.’ ‘Then Temple Terrace operates the university?’ ‘No, it’s a state university.’ ‘Then why did they call it Temple Terrace?’ ‘Search me. The governor liked it, that’s all I know.’” The Trib thinks the name will only “mystify strangers” and “convey the impression that the university is a local institution serving a small community.”98 The next day, another Trib editorial pushes for “University of South Florida” as opposed to ‘southern,” citing three reasons: identifying it as a Florida institution, designation of its service area, and dignity and prestige befitting an institution that might have 10,000 students one day.99

About 240 people apply for teaching positions at the new university.100

The Greater Tampa CoC backs the USF name, wiring their wishes to the BOC and BOE, which reads, “Tampans basically more concerned over ultimate successful opening and operation of new State University here than in nomenclature debate, nevertheless recognizing vital need that name selected adequately identify university with entire area to be served and so symbolize it. We respectfully urge that name University of South Florida meets all criteria, best serves all purposes and stands consistent with dignity of state of Florida.”101

98 TT 10/16/57.
99 TT 10/17/57.
100 TT 10/16/57.
101 TT 10/17/57.
The Tampa Times opposes the USF name, saying it is, “entirely unsuitable,” and calling the authors of the wire “a small group within a group (CoC).” In an editorial entitled “Last Minute Sneak Play to Misname New State U,” the Times writes, “Call it ‘south Florida’ or ‘southern Florida,’ the name is just as inappropriate. The Tampa Morning Tribune, which has been licked on this question already, gleefully reported this morning the actions of the small chamber group and put a misleading headline [“Tampans Urge University of South Florida as Name”] on the story implying the misnomer actually was the proper choice of Tampans. The story did not contain the name of a single Tampan, not even the name of the chairman of the committee. The small chamber group failed give a single reason for the South Florida designation.” The Tampa Times does not support any name.102 The Times later reveals that some of the committee members in the CoC were given credit for the wire without their knowledge, and without being able to voice their opinions.103

The Lakeland Ledger writes, “The University of South Florida would be just dandy—if Tampa was in south Florida instead of central Florida.”104

While the Cabinet’s BOE opposes the USF name, the BOC supports it unanimously on 10/17.

The day the name is decision is to be confirmed, the Tribune writes an open letter to the cabinet, saying, “We believe we speak for the great majority of the citizens of this area in urging you to christen our educational infant the University of South Florida and end a long family dispute which threatens to becloud the child’s future.”105

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102 TDT 10/17/57.
103 TDT 10/18/57.
104 TDT 10/18/57.
105 TT 10/22/57.
The headlines say it all. The front page of the Tampa Times reads in large, bold letters, “Temple Terrace School named University of South Florida/Collins, [State School Superintendent Thomas D.] Bailey, [Atty. Gen. Richard] Ervin ‘reluctantly’ accept new name.” The Trib’s page reads, “Shilly-shallying ends/It’s official at last; Cabinet Wearily makes it University of South Florida.” Ervin did not consider the name logical for a school in Hillsborough County, but thought “the legislature can always change it … but it ought to be settled.” Gov. Collins thinks the name lacks spirit and vision, and thinks it unfortunate that Florida’s “sectionalism” has come to the fore on this issue. Collins admits he wants “to get this thing out of the way … I don’t see why the Board of Control couldn’t have come up with a better name.” Secretary of State R.A. Gray said he could not vote for the USF name in good conscience. At least seven senators and representatives, mostly from SE Florida (with a host of city and county officials), voice their disapproval of the name. Bailey held a sheaf of their telegrams at the Cabinet meeting, and all four voting members said they’d been besieged by letters and telegrams individually. In West Palm Beach Sen. Fred Dickinson said the name was a “misnomer” because “Tampa is not in south Florida.” Ervin said that if a college is built in Boca Raton, “we will have ample time to think up a more glamorous name.” A frustrated Bailey said he would have voted for any name, “up to Integrated U … I’m willing to do almost anything to get this settled.”

Shortly after the name news hits, John Allen speaks to a variety of civic clubs in Temple Terrace, and applauds the “dignified and descriptive name.” The Tampa Times disagrees in an editorial, “more than half of the new university’s students will have

106 TT 10/23/57, TDT 10/22/57.
107 TT 10/23/57.
to travel north to reach the University of South Florida. Another quarter will have to travel west.”

The Miami Herald calls for a special session the legislature to turn out a new name.

The county designs a zoning plan for the new college designating residential zoning to the north, east, and west. A landscaped strip to the south will act as a “buffer” from the industrial park with its breweries farther to the south. County Commissioners and the County Zoning Director W.M. Harkness Jr. have been bombarded with requests for commercial zooming around the site.

Dan Hackel, a journalist for the UF’s Florida Alligator, says he is “baffled” by USF’s name. He says it “robs” south Florida of the name for a future institution. Hackel also thinks that delaying the naming this long has cost USF some great publicity.

Hillsborough County sues 12 landowners to obtain property to “round out” USF’s campus.

The Russian launching of Sputnik alarms the US. Allen speaks to the Oil Information Committee of Pinellas County at the Detroit Hotel just after the news breaks and says, “It is clear that we need more scientists and engineers. But we do not need scientists and engineers who are politically naïve or economically illiterate.” Allen supports education of students on America’s “political, economic, and sociological history.” He also advocates more financial aid, saying that many of America’s best high school graduates did not go on to college for lack of funds.

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108 TDT 10/23/57.
109 TDT 10/24/57.
110 TT 11/1/57.
111 TDT 11/7/57.
112 Alligator, 11/1/57.
113 TT 11/16/57.
114 SPT 10/17/57.
Allen says the library will serve as the “exciting” geographic and ideological center, with a faculty lounge on the top for the free exchange of ideas. In Bradenton, Allen speaks to over 250 delegates of the Florida Scholastic Press Assoc., saying, “It injures our pride and it is a matter of national concern to learn that two years ago Russian graduated 60,000 scientists on the master’s degree level, whereas we graduated only 22,000 on the bachelor’s degree level. [T]here is one principal difference. Their scientists were selected for training on the basis of political reliability, while our’s are free are free to think for themselves and serve humanity in many ways. In this connection, let us remember that atomic power cannot teach a Sunday school class, write a poem or compose a song. Scientists must be citizens in the fullest sense if their country is to perform its responsibilities to the world at large.”

Architecture students at the University of Florida work “day and night” to prepare a scale model of a proposed layout for the new state university in Tampa, “replete with buildings bearing the stamp of modern architecture which has been developing around the world in recent years.” The project is being rushed so that it may be finished in time to present at the upcoming Florida Home Show in Gainesville. Allen tells the BOC that USF’s buildings are being designed in the “Progressive Contemporary” architectural style.

In his Christmas Eve address, Governor Collins said that the state is in financial trouble, and will have to “take a hitch in its belt for the next 18 months.” He suggested that by cutting the vast building program outlined by the legislature would be a first step

115 Lake City Report, 9/27/57.
117 TST: Apr. 21, 1957
118 TDT 11/23/57.
in balancing the budget. He added that Tampa’s new university might feel the pinch. He also added that the future of the guided missile program will be enormous in Florida.\textsuperscript{119}

The Tampa Tribune runs a photograph of “Miss USF of 1970.” She appears to be about 8 years old. Denise Wink is barefoot, wearing a jumper/swimsuit (conservative beach attire).\textsuperscript{120}

The Hillsborough Board of County Commissioners debates zoning changes surrounding the university site. The Board hopes to control development around the site.\textsuperscript{121}

1958: Offices move to 349 Plant Avenue.

The St. Pete Times alleged that the Temple Terrace site was riddled with sinkholes. To fight sinkholes, constructors placed a huge 50ft pile of sand put over old library site to compact the muck.\textsuperscript{122}

USF acquires Chinsegut Hill property with a 4-year lease.

Abe Lincoln, liaison for the VA visits Sam Gibbons and says he wants a hospital near the new campus and a possible try at med school. As speaker of the house, T. Terrell Sessums becomes involved, and later gets the measure authorized (see Sam Gibbons about exact year).\textsuperscript{123}

\textsuperscript{119} Tampa Tribune (TT): Dec. 12, 1957
\textsuperscript{120} TT: Dec. 27, 1957
\textsuperscript{121} Tampa Daily Times (TDT): Nov. 7, 1957; see also TT: Nov. 21, 1957; TT: Dec. 18, 1957; TT: Dec. 21, 1957; TDT: Dec. 21, 1957; TT: Dec. 23, 1957
\textsuperscript{122} Gibbons OH.
\textsuperscript{123} Gibbons OH.
There is talk in Tallahassee about delaying construction of USF. State officials announce that the construction timetable for USF will be “reviewed.” The uncertainty has arisen because of a tight state budget and a rigorous construction schedule. Tax revenue is low. Construction of USF represents 8.5 percent of the legislature’s construction budget. Tampa leaders appeal to Gov. Collins to make USF a top priority. The *Tampa Tribune* printed an editorial that reads in part, “at a time when the nation has suddenly awakened to the need for expanding and accelerating higher education, the progressive state of Florida would appear out of step in delaying its own university program. In the long struggle to get a state university in South Florida, the people here have come to suspect that there are some interests in Tallahassee which would prefer to see the opening of this institution delayed far longer than a year,” The greater Tampa COC asks the state cabinet for an audience before any decision is made.\(^{124}\)

The BOC holds a secret meeting in Gainesville and agreed that USF should be given top priority. Cuts in other university construction budgets would come before any of USF. The first contracts will be awarded in July and construction should begin in August.\(^{125}\)

In a Tallahassee meeting, the BOC continues to wrangle over the construction budget, and once again raises the possibility of a year’s delay for USF. The BOC knocked USF’s construction budget to seventh in the list of priorities. President Allen displays models of two of the planned buildings, pointing out that they are designed around central A.C. and have very few windows. Allen even refers to them as “refrigerators.” Gov. Collins opposes a proposal to paint the buildings gold, instead

\(^{124}\) TT: Jan. 11, 1958  
\(^{125}\) TT: Jan. 17, 1958
favoring green. The projects that have been given higher priority than USF include: a dorm at FSU, a dorm for single students at UF, repairs to the Ringling Museum of Art in Sarasota, and expansion of utilities at UF, among others.126

In a St. Augustine meeting, the BOC once again gives USF top priority. Pres. Allen announces at the meeting the appointment of Mary Lou Barker as the library’s cataloger.127

The BOC approves the leasing of a former doctor’s office by USF as temporary office space. Allen explains that the space is needed for office work and the storage of the rapidly expanding library collection.128

The cabinet budget commission cuts the state operating budget by 5 percent and cuts construction funds by 50 percent. USF’s budget is trimmed from $8.6 million to $7.6 million, with most of the cuts going toward equipment. Construction is not expected to be delayed.129

The BOC approves Pres. Allen’s recommendations of Dr. Sidney French as dean of the College of Basic Studies and Director of educational research, as well as Robert Lee Dennard as business manager. French comes from Rollins College, while Dennard arrives from UF. Pres. Allen tells the BOC that the officials of the appointees’ respective institutions were notified before the jobs were offered. Allen said it was not his intention to “raid the staffs” of other state institutions. He currently has a list of 350 faculty applications.130

126 TT: Apr. 9-10, 1958
127 TT: Apr. 19, 1958
128 TT: Apr. 20, 1958
129 TT: Apr. 29, 1958
130 Gainesville Sun (GS): Feb. 21, 1958
In a speech to the Association of University Architects in Gainesville, Pres. Allen announces that there will be no immediate plans for a stadium or athletic facilities. A swimming pool may be requested at a later date. Allen says that the arts will be emphasized on the campus, with galleries in the library and theater.\footnote{TDT: Feb. 27, 1958}

Pres. Allen announces that USF’s library will be modeled after a supermarket. The idea is to make books easily accessible for student browsing and circulation as opposed to closed stacks. At five stories, the library will be USF’s tallest building, to “symbolize it as the heart of the campus.”\footnote{TDT: Mar. 22, 1958} President Allen announces plans for one of USF’s first buildings: a five-story library with space for 250,000 volumes, seats for 2,000 users, and “the usual administrative and technical facilities necessary to provide service.” Plans also call for a listening room in the building, where “in a comfortable and relaxing atmosphere a person may hear good music played continually on high-fidelity equipment.” The floor-by-floor breakdown is as follows: first floor – general education including a reading room; second floor – an area for technical processes, a reading room, and a reference room; third floor – a reading room and a government documents collection; fourth floor – a reading room and free space for expansion; fifth floor – faculty lounge and committee rooms.\footnote{TMT: Mar. 22, 1958}

Pres. Allen begins to lobby for cheap housing in the USF area.\footnote{TT: Apr. 6, 1958}

Construction of the University of South Florida is slated to begin before the end of summer, according to President John Allen. An invitation for bids for the first six
buildings will be extended on July 14, and the first contract will be awarded by July 31.\textsuperscript{135}

Pres. Allen meets with religious leaders from the community to discuss the establishment of student religious centers on or near the campus. Allen is concerned that rising property prices around the campus will prevent the thrifty establishment of such centers.\textsuperscript{136}

Prior to the groundbreaking ceremony, a special breakfast is served at the Floridian Hotel on 8/19/58. The meal begins with “citrus juice,” followed by cantaloupe, double-yoked eggs fried on one side only, country ham, hot biscuits, syrup, jelly, and marmalade.

Governor Collins turns the first spade of sand, in unison with 42 high school juniors, each from a different school in the state. The students symbolize those who will comprise the charter class, because each will reach college age when USF is expected to open in 1960.\textsuperscript{137}

September 5, 1958, Governor Collins turned the first shovel full of soil at the site. About 40 high school juniors from Duval to Dade Counties turned shovels together as a crowd of 500 looked on. The sound of running bulldozers could be heard in the background. Collins: “This event will not be measured solely within state limits. It is a prominent landmark in America’s educational history. We no more than pause here today—not to praise, but briefly to reflect upon the task ahead.” The first 5 buildings are expected to be finished for classes by September 1960. President Allen accepted the golden shovel from the governor and he invited all to return for exercises marking the

\textsuperscript{135} TMT: May 16, 1958
\textsuperscript{136} TT: May 6, 1958
\textsuperscript{137} Allen, “USF Comes into being,” P. 78.
beginning of classes in 1960. Mayor Nick Nuccio said, “We have waited a long time for this day. You know, there is often many a slip between the cup and the lip, but now this makes it official—the university is in Tampa.” About 20 presidents of other colleges attended, and Chamberlain’s High School band played and the dancing majorettes performed. The crowd collected in the shade of the small oaks just north of Fowler Avenue, near the eastern boundary of the campus. The Greater Tampa COC planned the event, and its chairman, John Germany announced the formation of USF’s foundation. The Rev. Withers Blake said the invocation, which was in part “Bless this hour and the days and years ahead when this institution will serve the people.”

The ceremony lasted only 30 minutes. Dr. James Love, president of the BOC, said, “It is our intent that this university will be the best that we can design. Dr. Allen is the man with the goods that can make it so.” When Allen introduced Collins he said, “Here for the once in a lifetime event. The job ahead is one that will require the best from all of us.” Collins spoke to the high school students. “You are Florida’s most valued resource. This institution will say to you: We want your fresh, clean minds to work with. Florida can make no better investment.” Collins gave Allen the golden shovel after the groundbreaking, and the students were allowed to keep their shovels as souvenirs.

The Tampa Tribune editorial reads: “A governor with a golden shovel today will spade-up a richer treasure for Tampa than old Pirate Chief Jose Gaspar ever dreamed of. To the perceptive eye, the soil turned up in this morning’s groundbreaking ceremony will glitter with gold. The man who did more than any other one person to bring the

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138 Tampa Times: Sept. 5, 1958; see also Temple Terrace News: Sept. 11, 1958
139 TT: Sept. 6, 1958
University of South Florida to Tampa was State Rep. Sam Gibbons. He caught the vision early; he worked tirelessly, at the sacrifice of his law firm, arguing Tampa’s claim from one end of the state to the other. The logic of his case and his personal prestige in Tallahassee gave Tampa a head start in the competition. When the struggle was finally decided in Tampa’s favor, the St. Petersburg Times, a bitter-end opponent, conceded that Gibbons was the man who beat St. Petersburg. We think there ought to be a silver shovel, too. And it ought to go to Sam Gibbons.”

President John Allen says that construction plans for USF are proceeding despite Florida Governor LeRoy Collins’ announcement that the state budget is short $24,000,000. “It is a problem they will have to work out in Tallahassee, and I am confident they will work it out,” says Allen. “We are going ahead under the authorizations we already have to start to do what has to be done.”

The USF Foundation receives its first major donation: a $2,000 student loan fund from the Mutual Finance Company of Tampa. Sam Gibbons is elected to head the Foundation.

Construction begins on USF’s first five buildings: the Teaching Auditorium / Little Theatre; the Science Laboratory / Classroom Building; the Cafeteria / College Union / Classroom Building; the Library Classroom Building; and the Classroom / Administration Building. President Allen announces that construction is approximately six weeks behind schedule.

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140 TT: Sept. 5, 1958
141 Tampa Times: Sept. 22, 1958
142 TT: Sept. 23, 1958
143 Temple Terrace News: Sept. 4, 1958
144 Tampa Times: Sept. 18, 1958
Hillsborough County pledges an $80,000 subsidy to the state of Florida in order to avoid delays and interruptions in construction at USF.\textsuperscript{145}

Miss Mary Lou Barker has catalogued 2,776 books thus far for the USF library and anticipates approximately 2,000 others awaiting classification at the University headquarters.\textsuperscript{146}

Library Director Elliot Hardaway wants 50,000 books by the time of the University’s opening. The library will be built to accommodate 250,000 volumes.\textsuperscript{147}

Termites threaten to ruin nearly 7,000 books being stored at USF’s temporary home on Plant Avenue in Tampa. Library Director Elliot Hardaway and his assistant, Mary Lou Barker, are forced to go through the pages of every book, killing the termites and spraying insecticides. “We had to act fast, they were ruining the books,” Hardaway says. “They ate completely through some books. You could look right through the hole – like a small drill had been used.”\textsuperscript{148}

County Commissioners intend to create a “buffer zone” to prohibit the sale of alcohol around the vicinity of the University. “It’s not up to us to tell people they can or cannot drink,” says Commissioner Elbert Moore. “But it behooves us to do what we can to preserve the dignity of the campus.” Moore continues, “We don’t want to cheapen the University by allowing a string of juke-joints to spring up out there.”\textsuperscript{149}

USF is scheduled to “open for business” in September 1960 as planned, although state budget cuts have limited construction to three of the five proposed buildings. The

\textsuperscript{145} TT: (date unclear)
\textsuperscript{146} TT: (no date)
\textsuperscript{147} TT: Sept. 24, 1958
\textsuperscript{148} TT: Sept. 24, 1958
\textsuperscript{149} TT: Sept. 27, 1958
two buildings cut are the Library-Classroom Building and the Teaching Auditorium, valued at $2,500,000.\(^{150}\)

Despite a limited state budget, the State Board of Control recommends “top priority” for USF’s $7,543,500 in construction projects.\(^{151}\) Given the lowest priority in the budget is an $87,500 residence for the university president, of which President Allen asks that construction be “modest in view of its uses.”\(^{152}\)

President Allen articulates his vision for the University, espousing a comprehensive approach to academics that emphasizes basic studies for all students. Says Allen, “It is important that every educated person have some understanding in each of the principal fields of liberal learning.”\(^{153}\)

**1959:** The first concrete is poured for the $988,307 administration building, marking the beginning of construction at the University of South Florida.\(^{154}\)

A “smart little folder” is mailed out to thousands of prospective USF students, offering “the chance of a lifetime to be a pioneer in establishing the traditions and standards of a fine new state university.”\(^{155}\)

President Allen is asked, “What sort of football team will [USF] have in 1960?” Allen responds, “Football! The first year? That will have to wait until we grow up. I don’t know when we’ll have football.”\(^{156}\)

\(^{150}\) Temple Terrace News: Oct. 9, 1958
\(^{151}\) Tampa Times: Nov. 21, 1958
\(^{152}\) TT: Nov. 21, 1958
\(^{153}\) TT: Nov. 19, 1958; see also TT: Nov. 28, 1958
\(^{154}\) TT: Jan. 13, 1959
\(^{155}\) Tampa Times: Feb. 11, 1959
\(^{156}\) Tampa Times: Feb. 11, 1959
Board of Control members officially approve the USF seal, and announce the new university’s colors to be green and gold. President Allen explains the green is to symbolize life on the earth, while the gold illustrates the life-giving heat and light from the sun. Regarding the official seal, Allen explains, “The program of [USF] will include the study of the earth, its geology, geography, and life. The study of life means both plant and animal life, culminating in man and his social, economic, political, and spiritual development. Our studies will extend beyond the earth to the universe, symbolized in the seal by the sun.” The seal was designed by Henry Gardner, Executive Vice President of Industrial Supply Corporation of Tampa.\(^{157}\)

The Board of Control grants USF permission to make provisions for future religious centers on the University campus.\(^{158}\)

St. Pete officials pitch a stadium to be built just north of their city on Big Island with funds also coming from Tampa and Clearwater. Some Tampa officials express little interest in the joint project because it would be too far from Tampa, and USF will probably want its own stadium anyway.\(^{159}\)

State budget cutbacks halt plans for the construction of dormitories on the USF campus, according to President John Allen. “This is one of our basic needs, to get ready for residence halls by 1961-62,” Allen protests. “If not, it’s a community college,” agrees State Representative Woodie Liles of Hillsborough.\(^{160}\)

President John Allen expresses some concern that, while an adequate budget has allowed him to make the necessary hires for the University, a five percent raise leeway

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157 TT: Feb. 21, 1959
158 TT: Feb. 21, 1959
159 TDT 2/23/59.
160 Tampa Times: May 12, 1959
for the salaries of distinguished faculty members is not enough to “attract anything more than mediocrity.”  

A Detroit syndicate purchases eighty acres next door to the USF campus with the intention of building a shopping center, restaurants, and motels there.  

Much of the land surrounding USF is being zoned for commercial use, to President Allen’s consternation. “Our desire,” he wrote to the county Zoning Board, “is to have the remaining area around the campus developed into a residential area which will be compatible with the character, dignity and program of the University of South Florida.”  

A group of Tampa residents organizes a fundraising campaign called “Dollars for Dorms” in hopes of raising $55,000 to ensure that adequate dormitory facilities are provided for incoming students at USF. “For the first time, Tampans are having an opportunity to demonstrate their faith in this wonderful new institution which will mean so much to our city,” says Judge John Germany, Chairman of the University Committee. A month later, the campaign has far exceeded expectations by raising $83,498 for the University.  

USF begins accepting student applications for enrollment next fall. The University is expected to have an enrollment of 11,000 students by 1970.  

The Board of Control approves plans to make USF the first state university in Florida with air-conditioned dormitories. 

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161 TT: May 12, 1959  
162 TT: June 19, 1959  
163 Letter from Allen to Harkness, 12/1/59. USF Archives, Box 1.  
164 TT: July 12, 1959  
165 TT: Aug. 16, 1959  
166 Temple Terrace News (?): Oct. 1, 1959
Dr. Sydney French is appointed dean of the newly created College of Basic
Studies at USF. “Every student will come into this college of basic studies for his
freshman and sophomore years,” explains President John Allen. “A typical student will
take three of the comprehensive courses offered in this college, and two other courses he
may elect, in anything he wants to try.” Near the end of the student’s academic work,
he/she will be required to take an exit course in effort to “pull together all the years” at
the University. Explains Dr. French, “Here we will seek to give the student a sense of
values and judgment and morality. We will try to relate these to the student’s own
education and selected vocation. Here will be his last chance in college to define more
sharply his own philosophy of life.”

Workmen begin pouring concrete for the six-story, $1,700,000 library at USF.
Construction of the library is to be followed by two residence halls on campus.
Completion date for the library is set for April 1961.

President John Allen announces the opening day of USF to be September 26,
1960. Plans are being made to accommodate some 1500 incoming freshman for USF’s
inaugural semester.

President Allen and 22 faculty members meet at the Tampa Chamber of
Commerce building for a three-day conference to discuss academic issues and plan
programs.
Pres. Allen claims that USF buildings are being built for $14 per square foot, $4 less than recent buildings at UF and FSU, even with the addition of air conditioning. As of Christmas 1959: Admin, “science,” UC, library, and “central heating plant.” Bids have been opened for two dorms and a life science building. Five architects worked on the buildings presently under construction, but tried to lend their styles into what is called “Florida functional.” Planners hope to make the College of Basic studies (the first two years of curriculum) “exciting” and “challenging.” Underclass students will be allowed to “jump ahead” to take advanced courses in their specialty to see if that is what they want to pursue. The SUS has made a gentleman’s agreement that all freshman/sophomore credits will be transferable. Exceptional students will also be able to test out of courses if they make a B or above in the course’s final exam. All classrooms will have close circuit cables, and all science rooms will have gas and power outlets, so labs can be conducted anywhere with the addition of facilities on carts.\footnote{Undated TDT article, circa 12/26/59.}

USF motto approved: “Truth and Wisdom,” as well as colors green and gold.

Collins refused to supply money for dormitories. As a result, Allen (as President) and Gibbons (as head of USF’s Foundation) began a fund drive called Dollars for dorms. The campaign for USF had galvanized Hillsborough’s community spirit and the money exceeded all goals, with the surplus going to the foundation. When Sanson came to the dedication, he saw no sign on Fowler Avenue. He wrote a check to build a proper entrance.

The State Cabinet mercifully designates USF as an all air-conditioned university.

USF approves its first applicant, Mrs. Barbara Holley Campbell (later Johnson).
1960: Between twenty-five and thirty university officials and administrators will begin moving from their downtown offices into the newly completed Administration Building at USF. The move, according to Business Manager Robert Dennard, will require approximately two full vanloads to complete.¹⁷⁴

College of Education Dean Jean Battle writes in his article “The New Idea in Education,” “The educated man must no longer be afraid to stick out his neck.” Battle advocates an educational philosophy “which will serve as an intermediary between the almost unyielding past and the compelling future. [What] our age is probably most lacking is a true sense of history. Unfortunately, modern men are few enough who learn from their own mistakes and even fewer are those who learn from the mistakes of their ancestors. Thus an intelligent study of history is a necessity for those who are trying to teach what is most relevant to today.”¹⁷⁵ Battle also supports the “All-University Approach,” meaning that students and future teachers are to get an education broad and deep. Battle says, “I think this total program approach is the salvation of education, for education is not methods alone but a total program.” He says opponents “think I’ve sold out to the Liberal Arts people” for his advocacy of a broader liberal arts education in addition to professional educational courses for education majors.¹⁷⁶

The Federal Housing and Home Finance Agency approves a $1,200,000 loan to USF for the construction of its first two dormitory facilities.¹⁷⁷

¹⁷⁴ TT: Mar. 6, 1960
¹⁷⁵ Undated clipping, 1960. From College of Education Scrapbook, USF Special Collections.
¹⁷⁶ TDT 8/16/60.
¹⁷⁷ TT: Feb. 20, 1960
President John Allen announces the implementation of “Project Brainpower” at USF, designed to make college available to exceptional students who could not otherwise afford to go. “To be strong, America must make the best possible use of the brainpower of its people,” Allen explains. “America has been a leader in scientific, technological, social, and business developments. Russia is now a competitor and is gaining fast.”  

USF is set to officially occupy the new campus on April 26, 1960. Freshman Lee Ann Doane is the very first student to register for classes at the University of South Florida. Members of the charter class at USF all receive bronze medallions displaying replicas of the University’s official seal. The medallions will be awarded at an opening ceremony in which the 125 new faculty and staff members will participate in a flag raising and tour of the University campus.

More than 6,000 people gather on the 1,700-acre USF campus for the dedication of Florida’s newest university. Governor Collins and President Allen are joined by the 125 university staff members. “This is a day of joy,” Governor LeRoy Collins tells the crowd. “It is an event of great pride for all assembled here and for many elsewhere.”

USF’s first honorary degree is awarded to George R. Cooley, research fellow with the Gray Herbarium of Harvard University and a retired businessman and banker.

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178 Tampa Times: Apr. (?), 1960
179 Tallahassee Democrat: Apr. 21, 1960; see also Tampa Times: Apr. 20, 1960
180 TT: July 17, 1960 (?)
181 TT: Sept. 22, 1960
182 TMT: Sept. 27, 1960
183 TT: Sept. 27, 1960
184 TT: Sept. 27, 1960
Forty-five girls make up the first residents at the University of South Florida. They are housed in twenty-two rooms located on the fourth floor of the University Center. Residence halls are currently under construction.  

Responding to student inquiries about the amount of sand on the new campus, Grounds Superintendent Curtis Carver replies, “Our immediate goal is to landscape the 640 acres surrounding the three major buildings now in use. A major part of the work is transplanting nearly 500 trees. We hope to have the immediate area completely landscaped by next spring.”

USF enrollment tops predictions with 1,965 students.

Members of USF’s charter class contribute to the university’s landscaping efforts by planting twelve young oak trees on campus.

The Board of Control (BOC) offers congratulations to USF. Dr. J. Broward Culpepper of the BOC said, “In this great undertaking the citizens of Tampa may well experience a glow of satisfaction in this magnificent result of community endeavor. … Through these past three years Dr. Allen has shown unusual capacity to provide leadership and to direct planning in all of the areas necessary for developing [a] complex university operation.” Joe K. Hays said, “Here can be built, unhampered or hindered by established precedents of unproven thought or theory, a great university.” Frank M. Buchanan, “I think it is most significant that the establishment of this new institution of higher learning clearly demonstrates that the people of this great state are determined to

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185 Tampa Times: Sept. 26, 1960  
186 Tampa Times: Sept. 26, 1960  
187 Tampa Times: Oct. 3, 1960  
188 Tampa Times: Dec. 2, 1960
have an educational system second to none and one that will keep pace with our phenomenal growth.”

Administration building opens, one of three on campus. The two Life Sciences buildings and the library are under construction. The library collection is in the University ballroom. Fowler is still a dirt road. Alum and St. Pete lawyer Julian Piper, who was 18 years old at the time, remembered the campus, “You felt like Lawrence of Arabia at times. It was really an amazing experience, when the wind whipped up between the buildings you had to cover your mouth against the blowing sand. There was no grass or trees.”

The student newspaper is actually the *Tampa Times* with “Campus Edition” printed on the front page.

Barbara Campbell is the first student whose application is accepted by USF (#00001). A graduate of Jefferson High (1956), she went on to get married to husband Bob and have three children (aged 2, 4, and 6). She applied as an Elementary Education major reluctantly. “In the summer of 1959 my mother was having dinner with us. We had begun talking about the university and Mother and Bob, my husband, said that this would be a good opportunity for me to go to college. I agreed but I was not really too enthusiastic. I had my family and wanted to be with them. But the more I thought about it, the more enthusiastic I became. So I sent in my application. And it just happened that mine was the first completed application that was received. I feel that even if I do not teach, my education will have been worthwhile. I find that I love all children more and, more importantly, I understand my own children better. I feel that I can better help and

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189 O 8/17/60. 
190 Tt 9/26/95.
guide them both in school and out.” The Campus Edition writes, “Had it been planned, there could not possibly be a better, more suited person to be the number one student at USF than Barbara Campbell.”\textsuperscript{191}

76 students enroll in preliminary courses. 1,997 (some say 1,993) students enroll in the first official term. USF offers 61 classes with a decidedly young faculty of 134 with an average age of 39. Students can attend a year of classes for $180. Textbooks for one year cost $50-$100. A year-long food plan costs $374, or $11 per week and 52 cents per meal. Of the charter class, 1,188 are men and 803 are women. 1,238 are taking 12 credit hours or more. Student ages run from 16 to 68.\textsuperscript{192}

On August 15, orientation and registration of the charter class begins in groups of 72, lasting until the 30\textsuperscript{th}.\textsuperscript{193}

A convocation opens USF for classes. Governor Collins says in his speech, “A curious manifestation of our time is the ‘beatnik.’ I am not a specialist on this subject, but I do not think beatniks are merely reacting to or protesting against what they consider to be wrong values of our society, as some would have us believe. They seem rather to represent an astonishingly stupid and egotistical rejection of our entire culture without making any meaningful effort to effect corrections of what they regard as wrong. These beatniks are not disappointed and disillusioned men and women burning with a desire to further some cause of reform. They apparently find all causes, all ideologies, all societies to be unworthy of their time and supposed talents. The beatnik is rejection and withdrawal into self in an obvious form. But we have more beatniks in America than you will find wearing beards and dirty clothes in coffeehouses. The same egoism and self-

\textsuperscript{191} O 2/4/63.
\textsuperscript{192} Tdt 1/15/79, O 10/24/60.
\textsuperscript{193} USF Archives, Box 1.
centeredness is also found in people living in ranch-style houses and driving expensive cars. We have many, many people who are looking at the problems of the 20th century with 18th century field glasses, and with their vision thus blurred they cannot see any cause which they think is worthy of their efforts. The extreme of these citizens say unto themselves: Nothing in this world is really worthy of me. Some of the less extreme will say that nothing is worthy of me but my family, or my business, or my profession. But basically they absolve themselves of responsibility of their local communities, their state, their nation and the world by telling themselves that there is nothing outside their own little spheres that deserve their allegiance in a struggle against wrong and injustice.” He ends the speech by saying, “[S]eek out the opportunities for leadership through which you may repay society and enrich the democratic process which has made it all possible. This, students, will be Florida’s claim upon you. And in discharging it you will not only give—you will in turn receive your crowning reward.”

One thousand members of the charter class attend, along with 200 officials and leaders, USF’s academic staff of 125 and a crowd of spectators. Governor LeRoy Collins honors John Allen with a 3-inch silver replica of the university’s seal, a symbol of the presidency that is supposed to be passed on to his successors. A bronze replica of the seal is given to every charter student. An Honorary degree is conferred to George R. Cooley, a retired businessman who spearheaded a botanical study in the southeast. Cooley is instrumental in making USF’s growing botanical collection the largest ever held by a new institution. Allen says, “Young people whose curiosity has survived parental discipline, and who manage to grow to college age before learning all the answers, are invited to join our university community where they can continue asking

194 Collins remarks, USF opening assembly. USF Archives, Box 1.
their questions and trying to find the answers.” Upon opening, USF becomes the 4th state university, with two others planned: one in Boca Raton and another in Pensacola.195

Based upon demand at existing State Universities, USF administrators create four colleges: Basic Studies, Liberal Arts, Business Administration, and Education. Five buildings occupy the sparse campus. Parking will penetrate only the periphery, while the interior will be reserved for “instructional areas.” Large buildings are planned with an eye on fast growth. Because USF is so far removed from Tampa and so many students will be commuters, the student union or “University Center” is one of the first buildings to be erected. Because of climate control considerations, the buildings have a minimum of windows. “Masonry grillwork” provides shade where there are windows, most notably on the admin and UC buildings.196

First jukebox delivered to the University Center (UC).

Pres. Allen becomes irritated with the county Zoning Board because he had not been informed when two nearby parcels were given commercial zoning without his knowledge. When Allen had earlier informed the board that USF opposed their decision, he was overruled without being informed of the hearing. “We believe this has not been properly handled and we think it should be brought up for our reconsideration.”197

President Allen wants to ensure that students won’t be “nearly educated” at USF. “We have organized in our basic studies a program to be sure that every student is educated for living.” There are seven courses. Every student must take 6 and are encouraged to take all 7.198

195 O 9/26/60.
196 Tdt 1/15/79; Allen, “USF Comes into being.” P. 75.
197 Letter from Allen to Ellsworth Simmons, 6/2/60. USF Archives, Box 1.
198 O 8/16/60.
To welcome students and the community, USF holds a Tea Dance in the UC at a September 30 open house. Another tea dance crowns the first two weeks of classes. 45 female students are the first to live on campus, on the 4th floor of the UC. Students form a preliminary SG. Five SG members serve on the University Senate.

The first university-wide book to be assigned is “The American Presidency” by Clinton Rossiter. The activity, when the entire university reads on common book, reflects Allen’s interest in a broad liberal arts education.

Parking is free, although students and staff must register their cars with USF. Tickets are issued to those parked illegally, although no signs yet exist to designate restricted parking areas.

After a year of fundraising, “Dollars for Dorms” brings in $80,000 to make up for a $55,000 shortfall from Tallahassee. By making up for the shortfall, the campaign made millions of dollars in federal grants possible.

USF clubs begin to be organized from the ground up, and mostly based upon demand. The university’s business office handles the finances for all of the clubs. From a historic point of view, it is interesting that the Young Republicans are the first political club to form on campus, but it may be because they have been a political minority in Florida for 100 years. Editorials decry the lack of school spirit, writing, “USF, through the fault of everyone of us, lacks this important element in campus life. We are either not

199 O 8/17/60.
200 O 9/26/60.
201 O 10/3/60.
202 O 10/10/60.
203 O 10/10/60.
204 O 10/10/60.
willing to take on added responsibilities, or interested in activities under way now, or
willing to form activities that are interesting to us individually. Examples of this lack of
school spirit are found daily: non-attendance at group meetings, lack of help on
decorating committees for the dances, the overall ‘I can’t be bothered’ attitude, which is
contagious, and has even spread to those who are capable of being the spark plugs in
organizations.”

Females begin wearing shorter skirts. A USF poll among students finds they are
unpopular, but many choose to wear the short skirts. In this case, “short” means above
the knee. One male complained, “I don’t like to look at the back of girls’ knees,” and a
female said, “No one has beautiful knees.”

USF’s first mixed bowling league team is called the “Arabs.”

The AAUP waives accreditation procedures for USF in light of the high quality of
the faculty.

Anthropology students conduct a dig at Mac Dill AFB’s Indian mound. They find
several projectile heads of agatized coral—extremely hard material that requires a
diamond-cutting saw to slice through. They also find the remains of an adult and a 12
year-old. All remains and artifacts are thought to be 1,100 years old.

USF mails out its first mid-term grades.

Kappa Kappa Psi is the first fraternity/sorority on campus. It is an honorary band
organization.

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205 O 10/17/60, O 11/28/60.
206 O 10/31/60.
207 O 11/7/60.
208 O 11/14/60.
209 O 11/21/60.
210 O 11/28/60.
211 O 12/5/60.
Although USF is touted as Florida’s first urban university, then-Director of Student Personnel Margaret Chapman later remembered, “Urban, my foot, this place was as rural as you could get. There were more owls here on campus than there were students. It took the hunters awhile to realize it was permanently closed season on hunting here. Every once in awhile a bullet would zing across the mall.”

USF’s band plays its first recital in the cafeteria.

Exhibits/Performances: “Pullman Car Hiawatha” drama.
Concerts/Speakers: Contralto opera singer Mary MacKenzie.

1961: The USF Orchestra makes its inaugural performance in the university’s newly constructed theatre / auditorium.

Approximately 1,300 people attend the opening ceremonies for the new USF library. Construction of the building lasted eighteen months and cost nearly $1.5 million. The library is designed to hold 250,000 volumes, though presently there are only around 35,000 books.

Nearly 150 USF students protest the University policy prohibiting students from wearing shorts, despite the warming springtime temperatures. Guy Ross, the student who organized the rally, complains, “Dissatisfaction on campus doesn’t mean a damn thing.” Another student disagrees however, asserting that, “They’re acting like a bunch of juveniles. Don’t they know these things happen on all college campuses? We’re here to

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212 Omnibus, O 11/19/75.
213 O 12/5/60.
214 TT: Mar. 7, 1961
215 TT: Apr. 10, 1961
study and to learn, and this is the wrong way to go about settling any disagreement.”

After the Dean of Student Affairs reminds students that they are becoming “careless in their dress,” the students stage a demonstration by exhibiting “tacky dress of all sorts.”

The State Senate Appropriations Committee votes to raise President John Allen’s salary to $17,500, equivalent to that of the other major state university presidents.

USF students send two telegrams to state legislatures in Tallahassee. The first sends support to Rep. Sam Gibbons in the form of a petition bearing the signatures of 500 students in an effort to gain further appropriations for the University. The message reads: “USF needs funds urgently. We the students are counting on you. Don’t let us down.” The other telegram is a general grievance sent to all legislators over the prioritization and allocation of funding to state universities. It concludes, “We hope that the senate will realize our urgent need and act accordingly.”

Newspapers report that Ernest Boger, a “Tampa negro,” has applied for acceptance to the University of South Florida. Boger was valedictorian of his high-school class, and scored 492 out of 495 on his college entrance exams.

USF announces an “indefinite deferment” of all athletic programs at the University.

The University of South Florida anticipates an enrollment of 3,500 students for its second year of classes.
Sidewalks completed between three major buildings (ADM, CHEM, UC). Before this, students walked through the blowing sand. One area between ADM and UC is known as “the desert.”

Tuition increases from $90 a semester to $113.

The Oracle publishes an editorial admonishing students for bad dress habits. “During exam week it was noted by many students and faculty members that our previously high standards in dress were abandoned for a more casual attire. In some people’s opinion, casual should be replaced by sloppy. … Our dress patterns are of prime importance in making the proverbial good first impression. … The proper dress for recreation and play is not acceptable for attending class… . It is the feeling of many, however, that certain problems shall arise as the weather becomes warmer and spring fever attacks… It is feared that the persons who now are setting the trend in appropriate dress will fall into the traditions set by other southern colleges to see who can become the most outlandishly dressed campus personality. Surely we can adopt a more sophisticated outlook than many of our sister colleges.”

In a letter to the editor, a student who calls him/herself “Free Thoughts” wrote, “A recent and somewhat rabid editorial … committed the logical blunder of equating educational excellence with formality in dress. I fail to see even a remote connection. A movement is underway on campus attempting to establish a strong precedent which, coupled with official disapproval, will arbitrarily prohibit most of the more casual and comfortable modes of dress popular with, and available to the college student. USF is not, and cannot be, a wealthy man’s college, despite the apparent desires of some few of its students. The editorialist … has urged us to recall that this university is in its formative years and that our actions now will have a

223 O 2/20/61.
profound effect upon its future. I heartily agree with this consideration but let me phrase the threat in a more lucid way. Oppressive restrictions on personal liberty have a way of snowballing. Rigidity in the control of individual actions instituted now will set an evil precedent for the future of our school. Our nation was founded upon the great democratic principles of the right and of the ability of each individual to control his own life. Can it be that the guiding principles of American democracy are inadequate as the guiding principles of an American university?"  

An editorial talks of the coming of spring, concluding, “God’s gift to woman, the college male, blossoms out in Bermuda shorts come springtime. The coeds silently look at the knobby kneed specimens and say a prayer of forgiveness for their thoughts toward the administration. But, nevertheless, they humbly attend classes clad in the full regalia of the sweet old fashioned girls, and the good Dean of Student Affairs and his staff’s ‘Gestapo’ smile a big smile of victory.”

Students stage a protest demanding better food service and the addition of Cuban sandwiches to the menus. The real protests are reserved for the dress code. They gather as a reaction to Dean of Students Johnshoy’s “red memo.” Printed on red paper, the memo warns all students to conform to USF’s unofficial dress code. Students called newspapers around the state before staging a protest, usually using fictitious names, warning of upcoming unrest. The news director of a TV station called USF’s news bureau to ask about a “riot by 5,000 students.” On May 5, fifty students march around the ADM patio demanding the right to choose own dress and chant, “We want Johnshoy, we want Johnshoy.” The event is later called “The Shorts Riot.” The demonstrators play bongos and sing the national anthem and other songs. Student Pat Boole played guitar.

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224 O 3/6/61.
Johnshoy refuses to meet with students, saying his schedule is booked solid. Administration plans punitive action for those who wear Bermuda shorts. Protesting student Guy Ross said of USF, “This school is nothing more than an air-conditioned high school with ash trays.” Ross falsely claims to have organized the event. In fact, it happened rather spontaneously. Arete, a campus club for men, lynches Ross in effigy to show their displeasure. In turn, students become uncomfortable with the club. Arete members threaten Ross with further “treatment,” and are said to be planning a burning cross demonstration in his yard. When it is discovered that a Sheriff lives next to Ross, such talk stops. On May 11, Johnshoy stages an open meeting with students, and 150 attend. He makes a formal announcement about the unofficial dress code, saying that a revised conduct policy will appear in USF’s catalog. Johnshoy also fires back at the students in the press, saying that they have become “careless in dress” and discourages blue jeans. Fifty students retort by staging a display of “tacky” clothing. Days later, Johnshoy announces that while there is not a formal clothes policy “It is hoped that rigid regulations of personal conduct will not be necessary,” students will be punished for not conforming to the de facto dress code, including suspension and expulsion.\textsuperscript{226} The dress policy exposes the poor communication between administration and students. Administration communicates policy directly to faculty through memos. Faculty are expected to communicate these policies to the students, but rarely do. Many students are left in the dark about policies, including the ban on “inappropriate dress.”\textsuperscript{227}

Dean Johnshoy says, “Unsupervised off-campus housing will not be condoned. Things have been too lax so far.” In the future, no USF student will be allowed to live in

\textsuperscript{226} O 5/15/61.
\textsuperscript{227} O 5/22/61.
off-campus housing unless an authorized person is in charge. He says that unsupervised housing makes life difficult for students, who often move out on short notice, leaving their former roommates in the lurch. He also said that unsupervised housing leads to affairs that require disciplinary action, which has already been taken on several occasions.228

Margaret Fisher kills the drive to get a stereo for the UC. Students would have taken part in a contest to save packages of cigarettes in return for a stereo provided by Phillip Morris. Fisher cites “administrative policy” for her decision. After a heated debate on the power of the Social Club Council, Dean Johnshoy warns them, “I had you organized and I have the power to disband you.” Students complain, that like the dress policy, administration claims there are no iron clad “rules” but then sets rigid “policies” with no input from students.229

Fisher announces that there will be no beauty or popularity contests on campus, no homecoming king or queen. She explains, “The evaluations we make of people need to be serious.” The only campus election will be for SG.230

Dean Johnshoy convenes a conference at Chinsegut Hill to plan student activities for the coming academic year. 18 faculty and a group of students selected by their peers and faculty attend, having discussions in small groups. The topics are curriculum, leisure activities, instruction, and long-range planning. Students provided their points of view to improve services on campus, from class scheduling to curriculum coordination, and say they enjoyed the experience. The student paper describes the manor house as “historic and awe-inspiring.” In December faculty and staff are invited to a retreat at Chinsegut

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228 O 4/10/61.
229 O 5/29/61.
230 O 11/6/61.
for a chance to communicate with the administration. 75 attend and complain that more
campus news is needed in the Tampa Times. Advisors complain that they were not
consulted on the new registration schedule.231

Ten committees oversee USF’s activities, and each chairman reports to the UC
Program Council. The committees include: recreation, dance, lessons, movies,
hospitality, personnel, culture, talks and topics, music, and exhibits. Special activities
include opportunities to travel to the Bahamas and Jamaica.232

USF offers its first telecourse, Survey of Mass Communications, through
WEDU.233

USF’s first full-time black student applies, Ernest Page Boger, Jr., coming from
Blake High in Tampa.

Research grants total $21,000 for USF’s first year.

A local steak house welcomes students back with a “collegiate” steak special for
$1.75.

The Florida Historical Society makes USF its home.

Buildings slated to open in 1961: the library (Student Services), the first dorms,
Life Science, a small theater, and the Physical Education buildings. The Library open
house takes place on April 9 with an art exhibit, a concert, and a ribbon-cutting ceremony
held by President Allen. The $1.7 million dollar library has 25,000 volumes and is
designed to hold ten times that number. 1,500 attend the ribbon-cutting, and as many as
3,000 attended the open house. After library use appears to be low, the term paper
deadlines bring a rush of students to the new facility. Faculty and staff fill the lounge on

232 O 11/13/61.
233 O 7/31/61.
the 5th floor, buying coffee, tea and donuts for 5 cents each. Alpha Hall, the first residence hall to open, is completed days before students arrive in September. A co-ed dorm is planned for the fall. The Life Sciences building opens in time for classes, and bring the number of buildings on campus to 10, with a collective value of $12 million. The building will temporarily house psychology, humanities, anthropology, and geography. Governor Farris Bryant breaks ground for the $1.8 million Humanities building.²³⁴

Students and faculty work on a USF exhibition to be shown at the State Fair.²³⁵

Social clubs are organized by students. The Fides and the Delphis are both women’s groups, and Arete is a male social club. The groups form a “Rushing Committee” to set rules for rush week. By summer, 12 such clubs operate. Whenever an Arete member is engaged to be married, members throw him an informal party and a free trip to (or in?) the Hillsborough River. While the party commences, the bride-to-be is given a bouquet of 13 roses, one for every pearl in an Arete pin. Rush week brings in 47 new club members in the fall.²³⁶

According to B. Chris Olson, manager of the University cafeteria, he serves 2,600-2,700 meals on campus daily. Of these, 700 are a breakfast, 1,300 are at lunch, and 700 are at dinner. Most popular items are burgers and fries, and macaroni with meat sauce. The most popular vegetable is string beans. The favorite desserts: apple and custard pie, yellow cake with chocolate icing, and red Jell-O bowls. Students ask for Cuban sandwiches and Spanish Bean Soup, but the items are still not offered in 2003.²³⁷

²³⁴ O 1/16/61, O 3/20/61, O 4/10/61, O 5/22/61.
²³⁵ O 1/16/61.
²³⁷ O 10/16/61.
Students vote in the first SG elections.

Of the 132 faculty members, 73 hold a doctorate degree, and several others will be receiving theirs in the coming year. With a few students dropping out, there are 1900 enrolled. Administration hopes to break the 2,000 mark in the next year. All indications point to 4,000 students in the fall and 9,000 in 1962. However, fall enrollment totals 2,982. Many students are transferring from Jr. Colleges to USF. 57 more faculty are hired in the fall. Administration expects 700 students in the summer. Air conditioning is said to be the lure that brought almost 1,000. In the fall, 440 students live on campus.

When surveyed, students all like the dorms, but insist upon an elevator.\(^{238}\)

Out of about 135 faculty, 30 of them live in Carollwood.\(^{239}\)

In an attempt to reduce petty jealousy and rivalry, president Allen’s administration proposes abolishing all titles for faculty except for “Professor” and “Lecturer.” Besides reducing jealousy, the policy would offer incentives other than titles and promotion for faculty. Arguments in opposition to the policy include: ranks are rife in other colleges, and new faculty expect a title; ranks act as an incentive for greater quality of teaching; and other universities may look down on USF if there are no ranks or titles.\(^{240}\)

USF’s chapter of the American Association of University Professors seeks members.\(^{241}\)

\(^{238}\) O 1/23/61, O 2/27/61, O 5/15/61, O 6/26/61, O 10/16/61.
\(^{239}\) O 5/29/61.
\(^{240}\) O 3/13/61.
\(^{241}\) O 7/3/61.
The Physical Plant breaks up its personnel into five groups: utilities, securities/communication (including post office), janitorial services, maintenance, and grounds/transportation.242

The University-Community Orchestra presents its first concert in the new Teaching Auditorium-Theater to a capacity crowd of 600. The versatility of the half million-dollar auditorium is demonstrated by hosting three rehearsals at once: the orchestra on the stage, the university band in the basement, and the drama club in the large foyer, which will be used as an art/photo gallery.243

USF is home to four student unions: The Baptist SU is the first religious organization on campus, the Jewish union, the Catholic union is the largest, and the Methodist union. Other denominations (Episcopal, Presbyterian, etc.) form unions by year’s end.244

The informal theater group schedules its first play: “Antigone” by Sophocles.245

An English Professor refuses to teach class when he discovers that none of the students have read the assigned text, “The Horse’s Mouth.”246

In perhaps the first incident of theft from USF, $66.70 disappears from the UC’s Records Office. The money was taken from a steel cabinet after it had been forced open.247

Four students are dismissed for stealing three works of art from UT. They might be re-admitted at a “later date.” The four boys were about to give the art back when their

242 O 1/30/61.
247 O 3/20/61.
244 O 3/13/61, O 10/23/61.
245 O 3/13/61.
246 O 3/20/61.
247 O 3/20/61.
resident supervisor discovered the theft. One of the boys asked that they be given a warning for their first offense, which the catalog said would be treated as an “error in judgment.” Dean Johnshoy replies that in college, individuals must be responsible for their own actions, and that “college pranks” do not justify inappropriate behavior. 248

Parking fines are reduced to $1 per offense. 249

The campus bookstore defends its prices. Students complained that the store was charging Canada prices. John P. Goree, a manager in Auxiliary Services, said that publishers had risen prices, so that the Canada prices have increased as well. Goree also defended the 50% book buyback rate, saying that the figure was arrived at by the National Association of College Stores as a fair rate. The bookstore is said not to profit from textbooks, but on paperbacks and other sundry items. 250

In what will become an annual ritual, area legislators and USF officials try to wring more money from Tallahassee. Although USF asked for a budget of $9 million, Governor Farris Bryant offers only $2.3 million. 251

The Physical Education Division is allowed to proceed with the development of their proposal for a Physical Education program that would augment the existing Basic Phys Ed program. Until recently, students played Tennis in the sand before the six courts were completed. 252

A long-running sports column in the campus edition of the Tampa Times is cancelled due to conflict between the writer and administration. The column was originally an op-ed feature, but soon was relegated to reporting just facts. Although it is

\[248 \text{ O 11/13/61.} \]
\[249 \text{ O 3/20/61.} \]
\[250 \text{ O 4/10/61.} \]
\[251 \text{ O 4/10/61.} \]
\[252 \text{ O 4/10/61.} \]
not stated, it seems clear that the column, which often pushed for increased sports activities on campus, was in opposition to the administration’s determination to focus entirely on academic issues. In July, President Allen announces that USF will indefinitely defer any and all plan for intercollegiate athletics, saying that his administration will emphasize activities “designed to serve all students at the university.” Allen says that USF may pursue intercollegiate sports when it has the finances and facilities to ensure that they would not disrupt existing programs, especially in Physical Education. Football kicks off on campus in the fall, but it is the “touch” variety.\footnote{253}{O 4/24/61, O 8/7/61, O 10/16/61.}

Committees are set up to allow students to appeal decisions made by student, instructional, or business affairs on campus.\footnote{254}{O 4/24/61.}

When asked, students are not pleased that mid-term grades are sent to their parents or guardians and want the practice to be stopped.\footnote{255}{O 5/1/61.}

Southern Methodist University copies USF’s student paper by having the \textit{Dallas Times Herald} publish a small campus edition of it paper there.\footnote{256}{O 5/1/61.}

With Dean Johnshoy, student senators (on the university senate) draft a constitution for SG. It meets opposition from women and part time students. Many take umbrage with the proposal that only full-time students are covered under the constitution. USF’s large contingent of part-time students would not be represented by SG. The Constitution is approved, with a paltry turnout of 326 votes. Election chairman Frank Hancock complained, “It was rather disgusting. These people have as much school spirit
as a grammar school. I should remind the students, if you didn’t vote, don’t gripe.” A series of elections will determine SG’s officers, and activity will begin next year.\textsuperscript{257}

Crippled from polio at age 5, Tom Davis takes 17 credit hours of classes at 3 different colleges. He likes USF especially for its elevators, “I believe that USF has the only complete elevator facilities for students in any college in the country.” The mathematics major takes classes at SPJC, UT and USF.\textsuperscript{258}

For the first time, a student officer is impeached. Group 17 relieved president Jack Boyd of his post for gross negligence and failure to call meetings.\textsuperscript{259}

A four-foot alligator is removed from the Patio Pool by Dr. Glen E. Wolfenden of the biology department. The professor and his lab assistant wrestled the gator out of the pool. Two “garter” (gardener?) snakes cause a commotion with two females and their dates on the patio. (after mentioning “patio dates,” the editor writes, “Have you ever wiggled your toes in that grass in the library patio? Cool man, cool.” Pranksters pollute the pool with dye, soap, shark repellant, and ink.\textsuperscript{260}

The UC Recreation Committee plans to clear a park on the banks of the Hillsborough River with the help of interested students.\textsuperscript{261}

USF hosts the first Southeastern Conference on Aerospace Sciences in July, co-sponsored by NASA and the National Science Foundation. Thirty of the country’s leading aerospace scientists are expected to attend. The first U.S. satellite to enter space,\textsuperscript{257} 5/8/61.\textsuperscript{258} 5/15/61.\textsuperscript{259} 5/22/61.\textsuperscript{260} 5/22/61, 6/19/61.\textsuperscript{261} 5/29/61.
named Echo, and a Mercury space capsule are on display. Mac Dill AFB is being considered as the assembly point for NASA’s booster rockets.262

USF issues a new catalog, entitled “Accent on Learning.” It is the second such volume. The student handbook, called “Pipeline,” is issued in the fall. When surveyed, students said that the handbook was useless. When informed that the handbook was printed with tuition funds, one responded, “then I was robbed. I’d prefer to have a good student directory now.” Most students said that a directory would be more useful and that the handbook just repeats information from the orientation. Johnshoy said that if any funds are available, they will go towards a handbook and not a directory.263

President Allen releases the list of USF’s 55 honors students, with a GPA of 3.5 or higher. In the spring, students complete 6,803 courses. 793 students dropped courses or withdrew from USF entirely. Of the grades earned, 11% are A’s, 26% are B’s, 37% are C’s, 16% are D’s, 7% failed and 2% are still pending.264

USF begins a Work-Study pilot program, placing 18 students (out of 124 applicants) in Tampa businesses for the summer. Participating businesses include, Hillsborough County School System, Borden’s Dairy, Exchange National Bank, General Telephone Co., Marine Bank, Maas Brothers, TECO, Tampa General Hospital, and USF Library.265

Students, staff and faculty cooperate to stage the All-University play “Midsummer’s Night Dream.” For example, besides the student actors, Assistant Reference Librarian Don Dougherty plays Theseus, the Duke of Athens; Assistant Prof.

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262 O 7/3/61, O 7/10/61, O 7/17/61, O 7/17/61.
263 O 7/10/61, O 11/27/61.
264 O 7/10/61.
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of Zoology Jerome Krivanek plays Quince; Instructor of Philosophy Max Hocutt plays Bottom; Asst. Prof. of Chemistry Jack Fernandez plays Thisby; Jim Teske of Educational Resources plays Snug; and Dr. Chris Kiefer plays Snout. Everyone had to audition just like the students. The troupe stages a special performance for the Scottish Rite Temple, who compensates USF with contributions to its scholarship fund. Associate Prof. of Theater Arts John Caldwell directs the play. One hundred hours are devoted to rehearsals alone.266

USF acquires a new automatic switchboard to handle the increasing phone traffic. It can handle 300 internal lines, and will handle 1,400 by 1971.267

The transformation of the campus continues unabated, spearheaded by Superintendent of Grounds Curtis L. Carver. His first priority is to create a rich layer of topsoil, using 5,000 cubic yards of peat mined from USF’s own peat bog. The original thin layer of topsoil was destroyed when the land was graded for construction. Carver says, “After we distribute peat and regrade the land, we install the sprinkler system. Then we grade the land again in preparation for seeding with grass. We used about 1,500 pounds of Paraguayan Bahia grass seed last year and expect to use that much this year. This grass does more than add beauty to our campus, it also cuts out those dust storms we used to have.”268

Three weddings of USF students have occurred by August.269

USF distributes $25,000 in scholarships for tuition, books, and materials to 129 students. Almost 300 applied. 110 students receive loans.270

266 O 7/17/61, O 7/24/61.
267 O 7/17/61.
268 O 7/31/61.
269 O 8/7/61.
As more U.S. military advisers are sent to Vietnam, the government announces that students with GPAs of 2.0 or better will not be drafted while in college.\textsuperscript{271}

The State Board of Control approves trimesters for state colleges. The plan would allow for more efficient use of the SUS’s physical plants and facilities by keeping students in classes year round, with each semester lasting 4 months. The new plan may actually reduce student fees and tuition.\textsuperscript{272}

USF observes its first birthday with a convocation on October 2. It is a little later than the opening ceremonies the year before, and it is also acknowledged that USF’s true “birthday” was in December 1956.\textsuperscript{273}

The state cabinet approves Florida Governor Farris Bryant’s proposal to borrow $15 million in order to construct buildings and facilities at state universities.\textsuperscript{274}

USF receives approximately 3,000 new applications for enrollment, including “a dozen or so Cuban refugees and ‘a few Negroes.’” The University began its first classes last year with 1,992 students, and registration is expected to exceed 3,500 this fall.\textsuperscript{275}

University officials are attempting to place more than 450 USF students in part-time jobs this fall. Without the additional income, the majority of these students will be unable to continue paying for classes at the University. The Division of Personnel Services at USF found employment for nearly 400 students last year and hopes to do the same for all interested students this year.\textsuperscript{276}

\textsuperscript{270} O 8/7/61.
\textsuperscript{271} O 8/7/61.
\textsuperscript{272} O 10/23/61.
\textsuperscript{273} SPT, August 1961 (date not further specified in Coll. Of Ed. scrapbook.).
\textsuperscript{274} Tampa Times: Sept. 12, 1961
\textsuperscript{275} Tampa Times: Sept. 11, 1961
\textsuperscript{276} Temple Terrace News (TTN): Sept. 7, 1961
State Representative Sam Gibbons, “self appointed historian for the University of South Florida,” speaks to more than one hundred faculty members about the founding of the University in 1956. He also discusses the important relationship between the University and the state legislature.277

State Board of Control members announce that the dormitory currently under construction at the University of South Florida will be equipped with an atomic fallout shelter.278

State Board of Control member Frank Buchanan expresses amazement when learning that maid service was being provided to students living in residence halls at state universities. “They use maids? Am I that behind in the times?” he asked. “All the time I was in school I did it myself or paid the janitor to do it for me.” Robert R. Dennard, business manager for the University of South Florida, explained, “We use maids to keep the public areas clean. Once a week they give a thorough cleaning of the rooms.” The paper reports that the respective state university presidents “sat in silence” during the exchange.279

The State Board of Control formally approves a trimester plan for state universities in Florida beginning next fall.280

All incoming full-time students at USF participate in required fitness tests to evaluate physical conditioning and motor skills against established national norms. The

277 Tampa Tribune (TT): Sept. 19, 1961
278 TT: Sept. 25, 1961
279 TT: Sept. 23, 1961

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approximately 800 freshman are involved in such events as: pull-ups, sit-ups, shuttle run, standing broad jump, fifty yard dash, softball throw, and a 600 yard run/walk.\textsuperscript{281}

At a meeting of more than 350 scientists and engineers from the Tampa Bay area, State Board of Control representative Myron Blee reveals plans for post-graduate studies at the University of South Florida. Blee expresses some concern that unless Florida is able to fulfill the demand for higher academics, the state will lose many capable students. No timetable has yet been established for the opening of such programs at South Florida.\textsuperscript{282}

USF issues its first student suspensions to four students for the theft of three paintings from the University of Tampa. Howard Johnshoy, Dean of Student Affairs, explains that the student pranksters may apply for readmission, “At such time as they appear willing to accept the responsibilities of a mature person.”\textsuperscript{283}

USF begins a series of lectures entitled, “The University Forum Search for Truth Series” to publicly discuss and debate “issues of significance in contemporary national and world affairs.” Future subjects of debate include: the struggle for liberalism in contemporary society, the Berlin crisis, Communist China and the United Nations, the Soviet blueprint for conquest, and the Cuban problem.\textsuperscript{284}

USF is scheduled to receive a 10-watt FM radio station within the next six to eight months. The station will cover a radius of five to ten miles, and will be used primarily for instructional purposes.\textsuperscript{285}

\textsuperscript{281} Tampa Times: Nov. 1, 1961
\textsuperscript{282} Tampa Times: Nov. 9, 1961
\textsuperscript{283} TT: Nov. 17, 1961
\textsuperscript{284} TTN: Nov. 16, 1961
\textsuperscript{285} Tampa Times: Nov. 16, 1961
10,000 people from the USF community sign a petition requesting President John F. Kennedy to speak at the University.\textsuperscript{286}

Florida Governor Farris Bryant disagrees with a pronouncement made by the State Board of Control and insists that talk about graduate programs at USF is “too early.” “We should be positive that our undergraduate programs ... meet the needs before we begin considering a graduate program,” he explains. “There is too much institutional urge for graduate schools.”\textsuperscript{287}

To raise money for a USF yearbook, the staff will sell Christmas cards in cooperation with Hallmark.\textsuperscript{288}

Prof. R. Wayne Hugoboom pens the winning entry for a contest seeking a school song. The first verse reads:

“Hail to thee, our alma mater, may thy name be told

Where above thy gleaming splendor, waves the green and gold.

Thou our guide in quest for knowledge, where all men are free.

University of South Florida; alma mater, Hail to Thee!”

Among the University books are “The Ugly American,” “The Devil’s Advocate,” and “Animal Farm.”
1962: After months of rumors, it is confirmed that Dr. Howard Johnshoy, Dean of Student Affairs, has resigned. He gives no reason why, but many say it is because he has obviously lost “The Battle of the Shorts.”

President Allen approves Riverfront Park, with student organizations volunteering time and money to clear the land.

USF plans a major expansion to accommodate significant growth in the Tampa Bay region. The blueprint for development includes enrollment capabilities for up to 20,000 students, and facilities for engineering, dentistry, medicine, and graduate level research.

The Johns Committee begins an investigation of USF, searching for Communists and homosexuals. Some parents of students complain that evolution is being taught as a fact, that “sex among the whites and coloreds” is advocated in books, and that instructors were taking a “vile approach to sex, destruction of faith in God, and extolling of ideas that are of a socialist or Communist origin.” Immediately, the committee singles out Thomas Wenner, a lecturer for the American Idea, for assigning “pornographic” materials in class, leading it to suspect that he is also homosexual and/or “soft” on communism. President Allen suspends Wenner immediately. Allen invites the committee to conduct its investigation on campus “in the open.” The Campus Edition formally “welcomes” the committee on May 28, writing, “We didn’t know they were so interested in our welfare. What we admire most about these people is their vocabulary. Communist, homosexual, pornography; communist, homosexual, pornography. There is rhythm, beat and emotional impact in that chant. It will serve as the perfect background

289 O 4/16/62.
290 O 5/7/62.
291 TT: May 13, 1962
music for any play they wish to direct on campus during the next few weeks. We do hope it won’t be ‘The Crucible.’ That was a clear case of righteous townspeople v. the witches, and by the end of the play we didn’t like the townspeople very well.” Students respond with a flurry of letters to the campus paper, but none of them are printed for fear that they violate libel laws and will only make the situation worse. The *Tampa Tribune*'s front page of 8/25 features two big stories: one on a Soviet military buildup in Cuba, and another on the rooting out of commies, gays and obscenity at USF. All alleged wrongdoers are assumed to be guilty. Some staff are singled out for picking up on young male students. Others are ridiculed for scheduling speeches by “known communist sympathizers.” Atheists on the faculty are singled out for teaching evolution as fact. Some professors are under scrutiny for assigning “obscene” books like *The Catcher in the Rye*, which the committee considers “intellectual garbage.” The testimony alone stretches to over 2,500 pages. Many deans object to the Committee’s activities, and editorials blast it as “a disgrace,” and the report as “a shameful document.”

President Allen suspends Dr. Sheldon N. Grebstein, assistant professor of English, after he is singled out by the Johns Committee. The AAUP vigorously protests the move. Grebstein was scrutinized when he handed out reprints of literary criticism aimed at the “Beat” writers. His book on the Scopes “Monkey Trial” probably did not endear him to the God-fearing Johns Committee, either. Allen appoints a 9-person committee to investigate the charges and make recommendations. Allen reinstates Grebstein after the committee unanimously votes to retain the instructor, but Grebstein still receives censure for “poor judgment.”

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292 O 5/28/62; Tt 8/25/62; tt 8/15/62, Omnibus O 11/19/75.
293 O 10/29/62.
A letter to the *Campus Times* editor reads, “The enthusiasm [for USF] was here two years ago at the convocation, and right up until last spring. Since then its has received blow after blow [by the Johns Committee]. Now President Allen is in the position of choosing between alienating the BOC or the faculty. What we fear most is desertion by our best faculty. We can only hope they will feel enough loyalty to stay with the ship until we plug up the holes. If they don’t, if they leave for attractive job offers in the north, USF will never recover from the broken morale they will leave behind. They must remember their enthusiasm of two years ago. They came looking for ‘something of value.’ It is still here. It will leave with them and the students they take with them.” To make matters worse, the BOC has placed restrictions on what materials professors can use for class, one of the criteria being the elusive term “decency.” USF’s AAUP asks the Southern Association of Colleges and Universities to investigate the BOC policy. The Student Legislature passes a resolution supporting academic freedom at USF. On 12/7, the BOC announces that the universities will from this point on handle the selection of their materials without interference.294

John Allen cancels a lecture to be given by Dr. Jerome Davis because he once appeared before the House Committee on Un-American Activities. Allen cancels the lecture because it is in a class, and attendance is mandatory. Some students disagree, and the AAUP issues a resolution against the decision.295

To illustrate Allen’s predicament on political issues, here are some conflicting viewpoints. The first is an excerpt of a letter to a Tampa newspaper editor on the cancellation of the Davis lecture. “Whether Dr. Allen’s actions were spurred by fear of

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repercussions from some ultra-conservative faction or merely concern over marring the
arbitrary public image of the university, I cannot say. But in any case it was a direct
infringement of academic freedom. This problem is not new to the Tampa Bay area and I
would hate to see it disease and destroy the cultural-intellectual potential of USF.” In a
letter to John Allen a local woman wrote, “Your selection of ultra-liberal and even
atheistic personnel has been a tremendous disappointment to many people. This is
criminal! Then for you to allow these enemies of the American way of life and Jesus
Christ to import obnoxious Communists to lecture is despicable.” Her letter was
accompanied by pamphlets decrying a Communist conspiracy, independence for the
Third World, and promotion of Christianity in the workplace. Zephyrhills News called
Davis “a workhorse for communist fronts” that raises money for questionable causes and
gives annual tours of Soviet Russia. The paper also writes of a “surge in [student]
conservatism … a revolt against liberal indoctrination by left-wing professors. Rep. Joe
McClain of Pasco County, whose fine service to his constituents over the past four years
was climaxed with his work Monday in demanding the cancellation of Dr. Davis’s talks,
has appealed for ‘a continued investigation.’” Amidst all the clamor, some calm voices
could still be found. A Methodist minister wrote to Allen, “I appreciate the influence of
[USF] on our community. You are a constant leavening force for rationality, sanity and
intellect.” Another letter from a student accused an employee of speaking positively
about Castro’s regime, implying he should be fired. Several letters thanked Allen for
upholding “high ideals” by canceling the Davis lecture. The writer of a Christian
newsletter in Brandon thanked Allen for his stand and wrote, “May the dear Lord in
Heaven always give you a good horse and an easy saddle when the trails get rough and I
am telling you for sure Dr. Allen, they look plenty rough on down the hill.” Another wrote, “Perhaps if these Davises spent a little more time carrying a Bible or a gun it would help their thinking.” Another letter to Dr. Thomas Wenner (and also sent to Allen) read, “As Professor of Political Science … you should know that this world-wide conflict is a war between God Almighty, and Lucifer the Devil, the Christian and the non-Christian. There is no such thing as a right-wing extremist. It is not possible to go to the extreme right in dealing with a damnable gang of butchers known as World Communism.” A group of six students protested the decision in a letter to Allen reading, “We are proud of the new directions taken by our university, but would be greatly disappointed if it failed to maintain this essential principle [academic freedom]. Hence, if our concerns are justified and this ideal has been violated, we express a very vigorous protest; if you feel, however, that the policy which rejected Dr. Davis does not encroach upon intellectual freedom, we sincerely invite comment from you in order that we students might better understand the kind of learning that is accented at USF.” In response, Pres. Allen invited all six students to discuss the issue in his office during free hour. The Washington Post printed an editorial sympathetic to Allen and USF. Another letter sums it well, “I am sure there are times when you must feel like a voice crying in the wilderness.”

Dr. Wenner eventually denounces USF after attracting accusations from the Johns Committee. In a letter to Allen Lewis Mayhew, formerly a state education official, writes, “I had always suspected that Wenner was a little bit extreme but I had always supposed his extremity would be on the opposite end of the continuum than the one he appears to occupy.” Allen responds, “As I review the years with Mr. Wenner, last fall he

seemed to be anti-Fascist, and then in the winter some time he shifted to become the University’s ‘great anti-Communist.’ This leaves me in doubt as to what he really is.”

John W. Caldwell, associate professor of theater arts, who was recently reinstated after being investigated by the Johns Committee, resigns, citing “extended and continuing harassment” by the committee. Caldwell pays tribute to president Allen by commending his behavior during the ordeal. His letter of resignation reads, in part, “The brief history of this institution has been indelibly marred by this fruitless investigation[.]. During this time I have been prominently attacked and vilified in what has been an obvious attempt to destroy me and my career, though for what reason I am still unaware. These police state methods have made me and my colleagues almost physically ill, and I cannot tell you the contempt I feel as a result. I consulted my attorneys about bringing a libel suit against Mr. Johns, but was informed that such action would be hopeless, since Mr. Johns but was informed that such action would be hopeless, since [he] was speaking as the chairman of a legislative committee and not as a private citizen. I am a native of this state … [and] I leave it sadly, but with the fond hope that the citizens of Florida will again make it possible for their Universities to be governed through the Board of Control in a dignified and intelligent manner, free of political interference.”

It has been difficult to recruit a Fine Arts teacher to replace recently-departed Dr. Teske, with many prospective applicants citing the Johns Committee as a major factor in avoiding employment in Florida.

USF signs a 20-year lease for Chinsegut Hill. If all conditions are met, it will officially own the property at the end of the lease.

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297 USF archives box 4.
298 O 9/24/62.
299 Memo from Eicholz to Allen, USF Archives Box 4.
The $1.5 million Life Sciences building opens on March 4. All departments in the building display exhibits.\textsuperscript{300}

USF releases a short film called “Birth of a University” that documents the first years on campus. Dr. Anthony Zaitz narrates, John Egerton pens the script, and the music is written by John Tarlaglia (a student) and performed by the University String Quartet. Filming began in 1956. The original length is 1.5 hours, but is edited down to 20 minutes. “The film is not a sparkling public relations film, but a documentary,” Egerton says.\textsuperscript{301}

Among student issues handled by the Auxiliary Services Committee: a barrier will be erected to keep people from cutting in line at the cafeteria; revised menus; faster service of food from the kitchen to the cafeteria; proposals to use the UC ballroom or state dining room for a cafeteria that will be able to accommodate next year’s influx of students; laundry service will be moved from its inconvenient location at the bookstore to Alpha Hall; coed housing is considered briefly because of its acceptance by faculty and students—the rooms would have connectible beds. Future “co-ed” dorms are segregated by gender.\textsuperscript{302}

In the spring, 20 people run for SG (then the Student Association). Among the candidates there is only one female. One Lee Moffitt won the Treasurer position in a landslide. Student leaders often complain that attendance at SA (Student Association) meetings is so low that no legislation can be accomplished. Many students on campus characterize SA as a popularity contest that has no bearing on student life.\textsuperscript{303}

\textsuperscript{300} O 2/26/62.
\textsuperscript{301} O 2/26/62.
\textsuperscript{302} O 1/22/62.
\textsuperscript{303} O 3/12/62, O 3/26/62, O 5/14/62.
Students take advantage of reduced prices for the David Brubeck concert at the Municipal Auditorium.\textsuperscript{304}

Registrar Frank Spain implements a new experimental registration system that results in chaos. Students complain in a forum to a panel of administrators. The forum came about as a result of student suggestion after being inspired by the American Idea course. They wanted to see democracy in action.\textsuperscript{305}

Students unknowingly have a great blues singer in their midst, working in the cafeteria. Helen Jo Rhynes serves food at USF, but has performed as a singer throughout the country. Born in New York, she sang in night clubs from New York to Wyoming. She sang twice a week on a TV show in Cheyenne. She says, “Sometimes I feel something, but can’t quite say it. When I sing it just seems to come out.”\textsuperscript{306}

Students complain that the Campus Edition newspaper is inadequate. They want it to be issued more than once a week with more editorials. The paper’s budget is too small to permit any expansion, and USF still has no journalism professor to advise.\textsuperscript{307}

When the power is cut around campus at midnight on March 4-5, resident males plan a “panty raid.” 150 men gathered in the parking lot of Alpha hall, talking and setting off fireworks. A resident instructor and four resident assistants go out to the parking lot to get everyone back inside and quiet, but the rowdy noise simply begins somewhere else. When power is restored at 2am, the crowd finally disperses. All seem

\textsuperscript{304} O 1/22/62.
\textsuperscript{305} O 2/5/62.
\textsuperscript{306} O 1/29/62.
\textsuperscript{307} O 2/5/62.
to enjoy the so-called “riot,” and one female resident said, “You men should do this more often.” 308

All traffic and parking fines are funneled into a scholarship fund for USF students, not to pay the UP. 309

Administration holds the second annual Chinsegut Hill conference retreat on April 7, attended by 17 faculty and 37 students. Dean Sydney French, Dean of the College of Basic Studies said, “This is the place where both administration and student voices mix to discuss philosophically the problems of growth.” One of the biggest complaints to surface is against the administration’s attitude toward students. They often make decisions that affect the students without explaining them. Students especially feel that their rights have been undermined, and that clear rules should be published if administration wants to exercise such strict control of behavior and dress. Administration replies that college students should be responsible enough to conduct themselves, but persist in enforcing “unofficial” rules. During a break in discussions, students enjoy Southern fried chicken and potato salad. Incoming and outgoing SA officers hold a planning session at the end, where student Lee Moffitt served as chair for budgets. 310

The third Chinsegut Hill retreat occurs on 10/6, with 44 in attendance. One of the top issues is a USF “morale builder,” or concert, which was seen not only as a morale builder, but also a good way to point out the need for a venue for such events. Over 1,000 students are asked to name the musical act they would like to see on campus. The top choices: Kingston Trio (702 votes), Brothers Four (492), Peter, Paul, and Mary (403), and the Limelighters (355). Later in the conference, administrators realize there is no

308 O 3/5/62.
309 O 4/2/62.
money in the budget for such a concert, and the idea is shelved. The dress code came up again, and most participants agreed that dress was a personal matter, and that USF had the right to set standards, but suggested they shouldn’t be enforced. A tour of the manor house and a buffet lunch rounded out the afternoon.\textsuperscript{311}

President Allen pens a chapter for “Casebook on Campus Planning and Institutional Development,” a book meant to guide those founding new universities published by the Office of Education of the US Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.\textsuperscript{312}

The library opens the Special Collections room. The library’s rare books, Florida collection, and USF’s entire archive are housed in this single room. Robert Simmons, USF’s earliest construction contractor, donated the collection’s first items, including an 1864 Civil War pamphlet and family correspondence going back to 1820. Also of note is the acquisition of a two-volume facsimile set of Lindisfarne Gospels (written in 700 ad), a handwritten colored set originally written in the Dark Ages in northern England. Another notable acquisition is “Breves Narratio Eorum Quae in Florida,” a first edition printed in 1591. All departments send their minutes and notes to the archives. The library has 50,000 volumes, with a capacity of 250,000, and acquires 20,000 more every year. The library has 45 full-time and 45 part-time employees. Professional librarians hold twenty of the full-time positions. One high-tech attraction is the Xerox 914 copier located in the reference room on the second floor. Students make prints for five cents

\textsuperscript{311} O 10/15/62.
\textsuperscript{312} O 10/15/62.
apiece. A library survey finds most students concerned with excessive noise and talking in the library.\textsuperscript{313}

The BOC gives USF $1.3 million to attract new faculty members. Existing faculty members think the money should be used for merit pay increases for existing faculty. State representative Sam Gibbons explains that the money was given by the BOC specifically for new faculty.\textsuperscript{314}

Petty theft on the increase across campus, with a rash of missing textbooks, ripped-off vending machines, and so on. Auxiliary Services moves all vending machines to a central location to be watched. The old machines had been damaged on a regular basis.\textsuperscript{315}

A wide variety of new vending machines dispense drinks, sandwiches, coffee, and cigarettes. Coin-operated washer/dryers serve the residence halls.\textsuperscript{316}

USF’s literary magazine “i.e.” goes on sale for the first time. Sales are low and sloppy student records fail to track the publication’s funds. The magazine is published $100 over budget. After expenses, sales only raise $80, compared to an investment of $325 or more.\textsuperscript{317}

NASA approves a USF Work Study Cooperative Program. Eleven teams will help NASA in a variety of locations and projects.\textsuperscript{318}

As many as 3,500 are expected to enroll for the fall trimester. In the end, 3,663 register.\textsuperscript{319}

\textsuperscript{313} O 4/2/62, O 4/16/62, O 7/9/62.
\textsuperscript{314} O 3/26/62, O 4/16/62.
\textsuperscript{315} O 4/30/62.
\textsuperscript{316} O 10/22/62.
\textsuperscript{317} O 7/2/62.
\textsuperscript{318} O 5/21/62.
\textsuperscript{319} O 8/6/62.
Administrators expect 12,000 students by 1970 and 20,000 by 1985. Both prove to be underestimates.\textsuperscript{320}

The Florida Historical Society transfers its headquarters and collection to USF Library’s Special Collections Room.\textsuperscript{321}

For the second year, USF hosts an Aerospace Conference with a variety of government and industry speakers.\textsuperscript{322}

A three-member committee representing the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools cites USF as “an institution with unlimited potential. The state should have pride in its youngest of its universities.” According to their report, students “show almost no evidences of frustration from organizational factors.” Of USF’s staff, the report read, “young, excellently qualified, and very enthusiastic over the challenge offered for participation in the birth of a university. In training, this faculty is equal if not superior to that of any university in the region.” The report concluded, “Within a short span of years the University of South Florida should be among the stronger state universities of the region.”\textsuperscript{323}

From the campus edition: “Alpha Hall has a non-paying, non-studying female resident, who enjoys the privilege of open hours and does not subscribe to the food plan.” The resident is “Duchess” a white mutt adopted by summer students. “Duchess enjoys the run of the campus, and is treated to her meals by students, whom she repays by

\textsuperscript{320} O 6/18/62.
\textsuperscript{321} O 6/25/62, 9/24/62.
\textsuperscript{322} O 6/25/62.
\textsuperscript{323} O 7/2/62.
walking to class.” Students hope the Humane Society will not get the dog like last semester’s “George.” 324

Interviews with students draw varied response, but there are some definite complaints. Much of the food is served cold, such as stew for lunch and bacon and eggs for breakfast. Students are frustrated by long lines at the hot sandwich station, where the chef cooks one burger at a time on the large grill. Students also found the cost of entrees and whole meals to be excessive averaging over $1 at times. Some students want butter rather than margarine, and are willing to pay for it. One student said, “Compared with hospital cafeterias, it’s not so bad; however, it’s nothing compared with Morrison’s downtown cafeteria.” Another asked, “All I can say is—what do they do to the eggs?!” Others thank the foodservice for curbing their appetites. Campus edition opined, “At a time when the university hopes to establish a good student feeling and keep students interested in campus activities it seems unfortunate that each mealtime sees a large exodus of both students and faculty to restaurants that have recently opened nearby. [I]t could certainly profit the university if something could be done to remedy the condition of our food facilities.” Cafeteria staff defend their fare, saying that the same quality and variety cannot be found elsewhere at the same low price. 325

The coffee shop on campus receives the Coffee Brewing Institute’s “Golden Cup” award for a perfect cup of java. The Institute sends tasters around the nation to find that perfect cup o’ joe. 326

324 O 7/16/62.
325 O 7/30/62.
326 O 10/1/62.
Four buildings will be complete by year’s end. Beta residence hall; the $1.5 million humanities building; Gamma residence hall; and the Argos residence complex. Of the $1.5 million Physics building will begin this year.\textsuperscript{327}

Construction begins on a new resident hall and the Student Service Center—or the “core” of the residence halls, with a cafeteria (with a kitchen on the same floor to speed service of hot food), a book store annex, a study lounge, and an activity/ballroom area. The new hall, named Beta, brings the campus resident capacity to 850.\textsuperscript{328}

A sign mysteriously appears in the classrooms of the UC asking students to solve the “All University Problem.” It reads, “ALL-UNIVERSITY PROBLEM. Can you work the Butterfly Problem? It is on the blackboard in rooms AD 1030, AD 2007, AD 2073. Investigation revealed actual existence of the problem, a trigonometric enigma. The problem reads as follows:

Given: circle with center o

Construct: (a) chord ab which is bisected at c
(b) chord gcf  (c) chord ecd

Draw: chords ghd and eif—points h and i are on ab
To Prove: chord ch equals chord ci
Hint: first try to prove that chord ah equals chord ib.”

When drawn, the problem looks like a butterfly in a circle, hence the name. The origin and purpose of the problem are unknown.\textsuperscript{329}

\textsuperscript{327} O 3/5/62.
\textsuperscript{328} O 7/30/62, 9/17/62.
\textsuperscript{329} O 7/30/62.
A student counts the number of empty beer cans on campus on a Monday morning, finding a total of 150. He/she found the most near Alpha hall, on the drive to Fletcher Avenue, and near the UC.  

USF holds a contest to choose the school’s mascot. The need for a mascot is discovered when USF orders class rings for 1964 in the spring. The salesman set aside a part of the ring for an engraving of USF’s mascot, but there was no symbol to put there. The SA unanimously decides that the students should choose the mascot. In a similar contest in 1960, some students suggest “the fighting desert rats” or “fighting desert camels.” With more grass on campus, administration hopes for a more fertile-sounding mascot. Student participation is so low that some wonder if USF needs a mascot. The students vote for “Buccaneers” by a margin of three votes, but the name is already believed to be taken by a junior college in Pensacola. The number two choice is Golden Brahma, a name introduced by Bob Bickle, who lives in Beta Hall, and wrote, “The Brahma bull is a Florida symbol. It is not used by any other university. The Brahma bull is an unconquerable animal, further, the ‘golden’ or palomino Brahma is one of the most beautiful of beasts.” “The Golden Brahman” designated as USF’s mascot. Other choices included Olympians, Athenians, Dolphins, Porpoises, Hawks, El Compeador, Buccaneers, Barracudas, Golden Eagles, Cougars, Sting Rays, Maverick—the Southern Bull, Conquistadores, and Florida Crackers. Some students don’t want a mascot at all. When the naming committee discovers that the Pensacola school uses “Pirates” and not “Buccaneers,” they agree to approve the name. The chairman of the committee disqualified many names because he did not deem them worthy. Many students criticize the bumbling contest, and blame the SA. After a petition forces a referendum, students

330 O 8/6/62.
vote on Brahma, Buccaneer, or to have a mascot at all. Eventually, the Brahma wins the
day. The Golden Brahma is unveiled at the “All-University Weekend’s” Trimester Fun
Fest, just as the *Tampa Tribune* points out that a Brahma is an Asian chicken, not bovine.
USF quickly adds an “n” to the name, forming “Brahman Bulls,” the correct spelling.331

USF and UF vie for engineering school funds. Presently, USF students who have
finished 3 years can transfer to UF for 2 more to get an engineering degree. President
Allen openly asks for an engineering school at USF. UF claims that a USF school would
only hinder its chances at becoming one of the top 10 universities in the nation.
However, the UF *Alligator* contends that engineering schools should be close to high-
growth areas like Tampa or Orlando.332

A student nightclub opens in the UC, called “Poise ‘n’ Ivy,” a venue for monthly
“stereo dances” and concerts.333

USF’s security office on the 3rd floor of the UC has 6 officers (deputy sheriffs)
and one cruiser.334

College of Education Dean Jean Battle writes an article for the USF Educational
Review entitled, “The Purpose of a University, or Is to be Great to be Misunderstood?”
He begins with a quote from President Woodrow Wilson, “The use of a university is to
make young gentlemen as unlike their fathers as possible.”335

The Florida State Beverage Commission alerts USF that several of its student ID
cards have been sold on the “black market” to help underage people acquire alcohol.

332 O 10/15/62, O 10/22/62.
333 O 10/1/62.
334 O 12/10/62.
Some sell for as high as $25. All businesses selling alcohol in the area are warned, and some USF students that are of age have difficulty making purchases.\textsuperscript{336}

USF officials expect an enrollment of 4,000 to 5,000 students next fall as the University opens its doors to upperclassmen for the very first time.\textsuperscript{337}

USF President John Allen cancels a scheduled lecture by the controversial educator/minister Dr. Jerome Davis. Allen cancelled the event, he explains, “After it was called to my attention and after I had looked into his background.” Apparently Dr. Allen also received phone calls from State Representative Joe McClain and State Senator Charlie Johns who both expressed opposition to the speaker. Meanwhile, the House Un-American Activities Committee confirms that it has “a lengthy file on a Mr. Jerome Davis dating back to 1953-1955.” Explains USF Professor Robert Warner, “In talking to President Allen it was decided that it would not be advisable at this time to have a man of this controversial nature to speak.”\textsuperscript{338}

Thirty-seven USF faculty members sign a petition in protest of the University’s class scheduling procedures and “a general discontent with the way things are run by the university administration.” The group asserts that they are “fighting for the students.”\textsuperscript{339}

The second dollar bill changer in Tampa is installed in the University Center game room, much to the delight of USF students. “It’s the greatest!” exclaims one student. “It’s wonderful!” says Ervin Meeth, recreation area supervisor. “It has cut my change making in half.” The caption underneath the photograph reads as follows: “Eddie Neal put a $1 bill into the new dollar bill changer at the University of South Florida, and,

\textsuperscript{336} O 10/1/62.
\textsuperscript{337} St. Pete Junior College Paper: Jan. 12, 1962
\textsuperscript{338} TT: Feb. 22, 1962
\textsuperscript{339} Tampa Times: Jan. 31, 1962
as usual, the female gets her hands on the money. Ready to receive the dollar’s worth of change that falls out is another student, Judy Hagin."^{340}

University officials anticipate a crowd of 3,000 visitors at the opening of USF’s $1.5 million Life Sciences Building. A wide variety of animals will be on display, ranging from dead birds to live animals such as white rats being used for psychological experimentation. Refreshments will be provided by the Women of the University Foundation, while members of the University Women’s Club will serve as roving waitresses at the event.^{341}

The American Association of University Professors at USF protests President Allen’s cancellation of a scheduled speech by Dr. Jerome Davis, controversial educator/minister and former professor at the Yale Divinity School. The group issued the following statement: “The [AAUP] asserts the principle that the teacher is entrusted with the selection of teaching materials and the conduct of his classes. Only under such conditions can the student receive the best education we can give him. The integrity of education demands that it be free from tendentious criticism and pressures from outside the responsible faculty. The decision concerning exclusion of Dr. Jerome Davis from a class violated this principle of academic responsibility.”^{342}

The federal government grants USF a $2,430,000 loan for the construction of a new residence hall on the campus grounds. The dormitory is expected to stand five stories tall and house 440 male students. It will be the University’s third.^{343}

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*340* Tampa Times: Jan. 11, 1962  
*341* TT: Mar. 4, 1962  
*342* Tampa Times: Mar. 10, 1962  
Construction begins on a $1.8 million Fine Arts / Humanities Building at the University of South Florida. The expected time of completion is May of 1963.\textsuperscript{344}

2,640 students enroll for classes in the spring term at the University of South Florida.\textsuperscript{345}

Headlines announce “Gibbons lists goals in fight with Reds” as Representative Sam Gibbons speaks to the Young Democrats Club at the University of South Florida in support of the U.S. fight against communism. “Knowing your enemy and understanding his ideology and strategy requires study and application,” Gibbons tells the group. “Working to strengthen the United States is an even bigger task.”\textsuperscript{346}

The first student religious center at USF, sponsored by the United Campus Christian Fellowship, is scheduled to open on April 15.\textsuperscript{347}

The USF library opens a rare books room for students researching and writing papers. The collection includes books concerning the earliest years of Florida’s history.\textsuperscript{348}

University officials predict an enrollment of 20,000 students by 1970.\textsuperscript{349}

USF librarian Mary Lou Barker leaves Tampa for a temporary assignment in the African nation of Nigeria. Barker will be assisting a group in the establishment of a national library at Lagos.\textsuperscript{350}

President John Allen discloses plans for the creation of a USF branch campus across the Bay in St. Petersburg.\textsuperscript{351}

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\textsuperscript{344} Coral Tribune (Key West): Mar. 10, 1962  \\
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\textsuperscript{346} Tampa Times: Mar. 12, 1962  \\
\textsuperscript{347} Tampa Times: Apr. 2, 1962  \\
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The Winn-Dixie Stores Foundation establishes a $600 scholarship at the University of South Florida. The Foundation will continue adding to the fund for ten years. It is to be awarded to students “on the basis of merit and need.”352

A special study committee at USF submits a proposal to the State Board of Control for a medical and dental school at the University. “It is doubtful that the state can, in the near future, stand the cost of constructing and operating a third complete four-year medical school,” the report reads. “However, it must look forward to doing so within the next twenty years. In the meantime, it is recommended that the University of South Florida start a two-year medical school.”353

Beta Hall, USF’s newest dormitory, opens to more than 400 male residents. USF’s first residence hall, Alpha, will be converted to an all-female dormitory.354

A new sign marking the entrance to the University of South Florida is installed on Fowler Avenue. “The sign ... has the university seal in terrazzo centered in a buff brick wall, with aluminum letters on both sides of the seal.”355

Dr. Gilman W. Hertz, USF Director of Physical Education, proposes construction of a new $45,000 student recreation facility at the University.356

USF President John Allen receives the University of Minnesota’s Outstanding Achievement Award from his alma mater for distinction in his field.357

USF chooses a mascot: the Golden Brahman. After polling students who chose their favorite among five finalists, a run-off election was held pitting the Brahman against

352 TT: June 28, 1962
353 Tallahassee Democrat: May 27, 1962
354 Tampa Times: Aug. 24, 1962
355 Tampa Times: Sept. 5, 1962
356 Tampa Times: Sept. 17, 1962
357 Tampa Times: Oct. 9, 1962
the Buccaneer. Frank Meiners, Student Association President, announces that a “real live” Golden Brahman bull will make its debut appearance at USF during the Alumni Antics all-university weekend.358

The State Board of Control grants “tentative approval” to the establishment of an engineering school at the University of South Florida. The project, however, is placed at the bottom of the Board’s list of priorities for the 1963-64 academic year.359

The Tampa Tribune reports that the mascot situation at USF has been “fowled up” once again. After a tenuous selection process, the University chose the “Golden Brahmas” as its mascot. However, after the announcement was made, two cattle industry organizations informed University officials that a “Brahma” is not a bull, it’s a chicken. A “Brahman” is a bull. “Since the American Brahman has been the salvation of Florida’s cattle industry, I think it fitting that a Florida college should adopt this noble animal as its symbol,” says George Elkins, Secretary of the Eastern Brahman Association. “I would like to point out, however, that the spelling used ... is incorrect insofar as cattle are concerned. The brahma is a breed of chicken.”360

The American Association of University Professors protests USF President John Allen’s dismissal of Professor Sheldon N. Grebstein. Dr. Grebstein was removed from his position at the University because he assigned students in his class material on beatnik literature. Though the material was in criticism of beatnik literature, University officials assert that it was “not in good taste.” The AAUP chapter at Florida State University also issues a resolution urging investigation of state infringements on academic freedom, and

358 Tampa Times: Nov. 1, 1962
360 TT: Nov. 7, 1962
asks that a statement be drawn up “in laymen’s language” explaining the meaning and significance of academic freedom.\textsuperscript{361}

A group of ninety-four students taking the National Teaching Examination at USF score “well above” the national average for the examination. The students score an average of 631, ranking them in the 71\textsuperscript{st} percentile nationwide.\textsuperscript{362}

British author and lecturer James Avery Joyce speaks at a meeting of the Wesley Foundation at the University of South Florida on the subject of “international relations in the United Nations.”\textsuperscript{363}

The Right Reverend William L. Hargrave delivers the sermon at a ceremony to dedicate the Bishop William Francis Moses Episcopal Center on the USF campus.\textsuperscript{364}

The State Board of Control approves a graduate degree program at USF in the biological sciences. An investigation is currently underway to determine the needs for an expanded medical education program at the University.\textsuperscript{365}

State Senator Bernard Parrish of Titusville delivers a vitriolic speech on the floor do the Florida Senate in denouncement of academic freedoms at state universities. In a “shocking demonstration of legislative irresponsibility,” Sen. Parrish says that any professors unhappy with the actions of the Johns Committee should resign from the state university system. “If they want to leave, let them,” he said. “I hope their mothers run out from under their front porches and bite them. We don’t teach religion in the universities,” he continued, “Why should we teach atheism? Why should it be permissible for known

\textsuperscript{361} Tallahassee Democrat: Nov. 7, 1962; also see TT: Nov. 11, 1962
\textsuperscript{362} Tampa Times: Nov. 16, 1962
\textsuperscript{363} Tampa Times: Nov. 30, 1962
\textsuperscript{364} Tampa Times: Nov. 17, 1962
\textsuperscript{365} TT: Nov. 17, 1962
communists to teach in Florida universities?” USF professors demand censure of Senator Parrish for his comments.366

Florida Governor Farris Bryant announces that construction projects at USF will be reevaluated because of sinkholes and unstable soil around the campus. “I would feel awfully foolish,” says the governor, “if a building went down at one end.” In the meantime, the governor’s cabinet has postponed the construction of a $1.7 million science laboratory and classroom building at USF.367

It is said that USF students began skateboarding in Fall of ’62.368

Activities: a European trip.

Speakers/Concerts: Writer John MacDonald.

Theater productions, “The Importance of Being Earnest,” “Hamlet”

All-University books: “Platero and I” by Juan Ramon Jiminez. “The Conscience of a Conservative,” by Barry Goldwater (some say a concession to the Johns Committee), and “Lord of the Flies” by William Golding.

1963: WUSF Radio begins broadcasting 3-4 hours a day with a 10-watt transmitter, the second noncommercial public radio station in the state.

Dr. Herbert Wunderlich, the new Dean of Student Affairs, announces that shorts are inappropriate except for Physical Education classes.

USF acquires $900,000 in gifts to date.369

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368 O 4/12/67.
369 O 1/7/63.
A large open house greets visitors all over campus.

Classes are suspended in memory of slain JFK. John Allen wrote after the assassination, “The loss of our President is a very personal loss to me, as I am sure it is to everyone at the University of South Florida. As we join the grieved family of the President and all citizens of the nation in this period of national mourning, all university flags will be flown at half mast.” Just a week before, Kennedy had been in Tampa (and Miami) on a visit.370

USF students picket and petition the University Restaurant to serve USF’s black student, Ernest Boger. When Boger and friends are denied service on November 24, they decide immediate action is necessary. Students and administrators meet to decide a plan of action. Most administrators and faculty advocate a “behind the scenes” approach to persuade management to integrate. The more militant students walk out of the meeting to picket, precluding a more cooperative approach. Early on the morning of December 6 (shortly after midnight), 7 to 12 white men approached USF students picketing the restaurant. They beat several students while they were about to leave the site, pulling one from his car before hospitalizing him with facial lacerations. A small foreign car with three students inside was almost flipped by the hooligans. When the students attempted to drive away, the assailants followed them at high speed in two cars before pinning the students against a barricade. The thugs pulled the student driver from his car and beat him about his face. Advocating a non-violent approach, the student picketers did not fight back “since this would defeat the purpose of the picketing.” The Campus Edition publishes editorials condemning the picketing as unconstructive. One student fires back by writing, “Your position on the UR shows the hypocrisy of your eulogy to President

370 O 11/25/63.
Kennedy, a friend of human equality, which appeared on the same page. If segregation triumphs in this area, the bigots will have the *Campus Times* to thank for it.” Another student observes of the campus paper, “There was this wonderful defense of students’ rights to wear Bermudas. Now there is an issue [integration] fraught with significance.”

Poet Carl Sandburg performs a reading of his work during a two-day program sponsored by Fine Arts. Due to overwhelming demand, administrators move the event to an outdoor venue on Crescent Hill.

USF announces the creation of giant fallout shelters beneath the Chemistry, UC, Library, Alpha Hall, and Teaching Auditorium buildings. The shelters are meant to help students, staff, and faculty in the event of a nuclear attack. Preparations were already underway when the Cuban Missile Crisis occurred last October, but the rising tensions sped the process along. Together, the 5 shelters can hold 4,000 people. Each is stocked with food, medical supplies, and has a hand-operated well. The civil defense group supplied half of the food, while USF is stocking the rest with food turned over from Morrison’s.

USF confers 325 degrees during the first graduation ceremony.

Proportionally among colleges, USF produces the highest number of Peace Corps volunteers in the nation. The first, Joel Jackson, went to Sierra Leone in 1962 to teach fishermen how to use and maintain motorboats. This year, history grad Karen Lee

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371 O 12/16/63.  
373 O 6/10/63.
Seufert becomes the second to go, this time the Rio area of Brazil, where she will help residents with health and home economics issues.\textsuperscript{374}

In a speech USF President John Allen says, “It is part of our job to see that Florida is also a pacesetter in making changes that are real improvements. We are changing fast. The tradition of establishing colleges in small towns away from the evil influences of the city has been broken. [Without USF,] there would be no college in the lives of many of our students.”\textsuperscript{375}

In a campaign stunt, SG Presidential candidate Lee Lombardia brings a Brahman bull to Crescent Hill to drum up support. He wins the election. His administration forms a polling committee that asks students various education-related questions once every few weeks.\textsuperscript{376}

January SG election run-offs draw a record-breaking 1,261 votes.\textsuperscript{377}

The Student Association and Legislature (Government) evaluate two amendments to the student constitution. Student representatives and President Lombardia, who are aggressively pushing the amendments, claim that one amendment will foster greater representation by SG at the over-arching University Senate. The amendment reads, “Every member of the University Senate will necessarily realize that the student senators are expressly and specifically representing the \textit{exact wishes} of the student body.” In effect, the amendment would allow the Legislature to elect student representatives for the U Senate instead of students.\textsuperscript{378}

\textsuperscript{374} O 5/13/63.
\textsuperscript{375} USF Newsletter (?) 1983, or O 1/10/83.
\textsuperscript{376} O 1/28/63, O 2/18/63.
\textsuperscript{377} O 1/28/63.
\textsuperscript{378} O 4/1/63.
Students form two political parties in April: the University Party and the United Students Party.\textsuperscript{379}

The Student Association drafts an ambitious budget. After receiving $2,700 in 1962-63, SA now asks for almost $85,000, including about $20,000 for travel, $10,000 for officers’ salaries, $5,800 for advertising, $9,500 for printing, $7,100 for vague “benefits”, and a whopping $9,550 for office furniture and equipment. Dean of Student Affairs Herbert Wunderlich scoffs at such a large budget, saying that the money simply is not there. SA President Lee Lombardia says that UF’s SA has a budget of $180,000. If USF were to spend a proportionate share of funds as UF, it would have $64,500 to work with. The budget is cut back to $5,720 when “word drifts down” that it is all that’s available. Much of the budget would have duplicated services already offered by the many UC committees.\textsuperscript{380}

SA President Lee Lombardia resigns his post in June and leaves USF. His letter of resignation does not state the purpose of his departure, but hints that obstructers of his policies are to blame: “Perhaps someone decided that SG was working and that this was bad.”\textsuperscript{381}

The BOC grants tenure to 12 USF professors. The recipients: T. Ashford, A. Beecher, Robert Zetler, Edward Preodor, C. Clark, John Hicks, Leslie Malpass, James Parrish, James Ray Jr., Donald Rose, Robert Warner, and H.W. Dean.\textsuperscript{382}

\textsuperscript{379} O 4/8/63.
\textsuperscript{380} O 5/13/63, O 5/20/63.
\textsuperscript{381} O 7/15/63.
\textsuperscript{382} O 2/18/63.
Litter is an increasing problem on campus. The Physical Plant has only 15 employees to keep up with the trash. The parking lots are the most dirty, with many students emptying ash trays and food-related garbage.\textsuperscript{383}

Another Chinsegut student/faculty conference takes place on Feb. 9. Committee members propose an Asian Culture Center on campus. Later, Dean Russel Cooper considers a proposal to create an international cultural center at Chinsegut Hill. Some inquire of the possibility of erecting a large bull statue on campus, and acquiring a live one for special events. Problems of “student apathy” were also discussed, including commuters, possible abolition of Civic Units, publication policies, more campus news in the student paper (and more ads), and low student pride on campus—many walk on the grass.\textsuperscript{384}

A few weeks after the first article on student morale and walking on grass, Clyde Hill of the PP erects a barbed wire fence to keep students off a patch of grass near Alpha Hall. Various sardonic signs appear on the fence by the end of the day. Upset students meet in the dorms to plan a way to protest the offending barrier, and decide to descend upon it at midnight and dismantle it. Someone leaks the plans, and a security guard stands watch at the fence. A small group of police and RA’s meet the students at the fence at midnight. A debate rages in the residence halls that night, and a compromise is reached when students agree to stay off the “cotton pickin” grass in exchange for the removal of the fence.\textsuperscript{385}

Student Lurlene Gallagher weighs in on the grass issue with verse, which reads in part, “I think that there shall never be/A thing more asinine to me/Than in keeping with

\textsuperscript{383} O 2/18/63.
\textsuperscript{384} O 2/18/63, O 2/25/63.
\textsuperscript{385} O 2/25/63.
geometric lines/Sidewalks placed for mere design.” Administrators originally wanted to place sidewalks where students wore paths in the grass so they would conform to the most heavily trafficked areas of campus. Later, personnel placed the sidewalks without considering the footpaths, making for geometric-patterned sidewalks that stretched aimlessly around the campus, with students walking on the grass. Chain fencing would be erected years later for the same reason.\textsuperscript{386}

Designs for a USF ring are finalized, with a (choice of color) stone, circled on top by the words “University of South Florida,” bordered by a gold rope. One side of the ring bears USF’s seal, the other side bears a drawing of its mascot.\textsuperscript{387}

Another student/faculty meeting occurs at Chinsegut Hill on October 5. Dean Russel Cooper echoed the other 40 delegates when he said, “We have to get away and think.” All, including President Allen, wore casual dress for the occasion. Among other things, the delegates discuss the weak civic units and whether they should be abolished from the SA.\textsuperscript{388}

President Allen reveals budget woes at USF. The budget commission consistently underestimates USF’s growth. Allen says, “Our growing rate is phenomenal because of our youth. If USF doesn’t add a classroom building each fall, someday the university will not be able to open. We estimate 4,800 full-time students next fall, the commission says 4,200.”\textsuperscript{389}
Despite Margaret Fisher’s prohibition of “popularity contests”, USF hold a “best dressed girl” on campus contest. The winner, Elaine Usher, has her photo sent to *Glamour* magazine for the national finals.390

The USF Foundation seeks to bolster membership before the end of the fiscal year on April 1. So far in 1963, the Foundation has recorded 400 new members, including 100 faculty. Students are especially encouraged to join, and all have a choice of several areas for their donation to go toward.391

The SA books folk/comedy band the Limelighters for McKay Auditorium. The concert will act as a litmus test for future events.392

The first annual university showcase takes place on March 22. Administration sends out 7,500 invitations, but the event is open, and 4,000 people are expected to visit campus each day. Parents of students are expected. The two-day event features tours, exhibits, open classroom sessions, and talks by the faculty.393

Several resigning professors give their opinions on USF. Dr. A. Hood Roberts said, “In the space of three years, the All-University approach has created more dissension than a traditional approach would have created in a hundred. Disregard for faculty opinion on academic matters seems almost to be a university policy.” Roberts also criticized the lack of a faculty lounge. The lounge at the top of the library is for staff and faculty. In addition, he thinks the Johns Committee was grossly mishandled by USF’s administration. Roberts continued, “A democratic process does not exist on this campus; there is no delegation of authority; and the president’s apparent distrust of the

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393 O 3/11/63.
faculty has had the inevitable and well-deserved result that the faculty (for the most part) no longer trusts the president. The result of the administration’s eagerness for ‘togetherness’ is that a number of faculty members will never attend any event billed as All-University.” Dr. Sheldon Grebstein, a victim of the Johns Committee, takes a job in New York, and says, “I fear that the university and its ideals will be swamped in numbers [of students].” He also added, “The greatest boost that higher education could get in this state would be for the Johns Committee to be put out of business.”

News leaks that 10 professors will resign from USF at the end of the Spring trimester. Rumors begin flying that up to 20 will be leaving. Upon investigation by the Campus Edition, it is confirmed that 12 instructors will be leaving, some (but not all) for reasons of academic freedom and the Johns Committee.

Johns Committee attorney Mark Hawes issues a speech to the state Senate calling USF immoral, anti-religious, and a harborer of sexual deviants. In part, the two-hour Hawes speech is meant to defend the committee’s activities and ask for two more years of funding totaling $155,000. President Allen then makes a calm 25-minute speech, which refutes the report issued by the Johns Committee on USF, saying they did not find a single communist on campus. Allen says that he made the decision to ban Jerome Davis from speaking because of leftist tendencies all on his own. On class materials Allen says that by far, most of the materials are just fine, but instructors must cover the Beats, “Young people are reading many books by beatnik authors that are available on the downtown newsstands, and someone has to find a way to show them the shallowness and poor quality of this so-called literature.” The material in question by the committee

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is a scathing review of the beats in which some passages were quoted. On the teaching of communism, Allen said, “We do not like Communism and we do not like cancer. But to understand and control cancer we take the cells into a laboratory to study them and learn all we can about them. The minister who is talking about sin is not trying to sell it.”

Allen sums up academic freedom as follows, “A college is not engaged in making ideas safe for students. It is engaged in making students safe for ideas.” The senate gives Allen a standing ovation at the end of the speech. Journalist Emmett Peter Jr. thinks that Johns and his kind are a dying breed. “Why?” he wrote, “Because Daddy and Grandpa have ceased convincing anybody but themselves. They are afraid of ideas. They are saying to the young people, ‘We don’t have faith in you. We need to hold you by the hand and lead you in safe and righteous ways. We must protect your minds from the wicked professors.”

President Allen approves some “minor” sports for USF’s intercollegiate league. Among the possibilities are baseball, crew, cross-country, golf, gymnastics, judo, soccer, swimming, tennis, track and wrestling. Basketball and football are notable for their absence, and will not be considered in the near future.

Just as Russian language courses become available, USF purchases a 4,000-volume collection covering Russian literature, history, science, and culture. Many of the rare books were published and printed before the Bolshevik revolution. The collection costs $35,000.

A Campus Edition (now called Southern Accent) writer attends a meeting of extremist anti-Semitic group “The Paul Revere Society” with a friend as part of an
expose. Scheduled to meet in the Marine Corps League Hall, the assembly is moved to Craft Village after (according to Revere members) “some Jews in the league … wouldn’t allow it.” About thirty members gather, with all but 4 or 5 being elderly. Their reference materials include the Old Testament, a German newspaper from the 1930s, and various papers and charts. The speaker, an unnamed minister, speaks about alleged links between Jews and the Communist Party (“If you want to study communism, study Jewish history.”), alleged Jewish domination of various businesses, and gentile solidarity. Among the more absurd allegations: Jews sell poisonous (non-kosher) products to gentiles; Jews put fluoride in toothpaste to kill gentiles; 87 Jews appointed by President Kennedy, control the U.S. government; Jews are not citizens of the U.S., but have their own “state within a state”; and Jews run the U.S. Nazi Party to keep up appearances of Jewish oppression by gentiles. The reporters leave after asking several provocative questions and passing the collection plate. The article motivates many high school/college students/teachers to attend and disrupt meetings. A USF professor suggests that students form a counter-reactionary group called the “Red Fascists for Christ.” An editorial reads, “A ridiculous name perhaps, but certainly no more contradictive than that of National States Rights Party.”

The USF Sports Car Club holds a “Pack Rat Rally” through Hillsborough County. Contestants find designated locations in Tampa and gather information (kind of like a scavenger hunt), using as little gas as possible and without backtracking.

Co-eds from the universities of Massachusetts, New Mexico and Maine visit USF for a semester in a special program. Fifteen visit in 1963-64, but as many as 30 are

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400 O 3/25/63.
expected to visit in 1964-65. Participating students attend universities all over the nation to get an idea of the problems facing education.\textsuperscript{401}

The Board of Control requests that a College of Engineering be added to USF’s curriculum.\textsuperscript{402}

Dr. William Garrett of the English Department teaches students who can speed-read more than 50,000 words a minute, a new record.\textsuperscript{403}

Student volunteers clear 1.5 acres to make room for Riverfront Park on the Hillsborough River. The Physical Plant rules out swimming at the site because of water pollution.\textsuperscript{404}

USF hosts a community-wide event that assembles bay area leaders to discuss various issued facing society. The event has grown so much from last year that it is held in the Teaching-Auditorium-Theater this year, which is filled to capacity. Tampa Mayor Julian Lane attends the event.\textsuperscript{405}

USF’s debate team ties for 1\textsuperscript{st} place against LSU and U of Houston at the Southern Speech Association.\textsuperscript{406}

USF’s Education program is approved by the Board of Education. Board members evaluate the program at President Allen’s request.\textsuperscript{407}

USF is briefly considered as a site for new sports stadium in Tampa.\textsuperscript{408}

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The Physics Building, under construction, is due to be finished by March 11, 1964. The Fine Arts/Humanities building is completed in June, to be opened for classes in the fall.\textsuperscript{409}

Of about 200 faculty members, 36 live in Carollwood, or “Faculty Row.” President Allen and all of his deans live in the area. The homes of Dr. Edward Praedor and Paul Mabury win national awards from Parents magazine for their homes. Observers joke that if another college is added to USF, developers would have to “dig another canal, dredge another lot.”\textsuperscript{410}

Out of about 70 students, 27 USF students exceed the national average on their scores for the American Chemistry Society’s examination covering organic chemistry. USF’s over all score of 87% is well above the average of 50%.\textsuperscript{411}

When asked in a poll, students overwhelmingly prefer jazz and theater as forms of entertainment, and they also prefer events to be held on campus.\textsuperscript{412}

The National Science Foundation awards USF with a $45,000 grant to offer a seven-week Summer Institute in Biology for high school teachers.\textsuperscript{413}

USF has several baseball teams that compete among themselves, such as the Faculty Flops, the Physical Planters, the East-Outers, and Beta West.\textsuperscript{414}

Math major Ignacio Bello, citizen of communist Cuba, attends USF while on a student visa. He plans to join the U.S. armed forces to pay back Uncle Sam for his education. Scholarships from USF have allowed his expenses to be paid. His biggest

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A student criticizes the “All-University Approach.” After Library Director Elliott Hardaway responds by saying that the concept is based upon consideration and unselfishness, the same student, Stanley D. Hayward, fires back. “Many of us, I am sure, would agree with Mr. Hardaway that unselfishness is virtuous and that every academician is responsible to his students; but are we going to clothe these desirable aims under the guise of the All-University Approach? Was not social consciousness here before this university and country were founded? [...] I must admit that unless the “Approach” is defined in more concrete terms so that it represents something, it seems moot to wonder whether it should be continued. At present it seems to suggest everything or nothing, depending on one’s point of view. To me, the motto “Accent on Learning” and what it symbolizes to both students and staff, is worthy of perpetuation. However, the phrase “All-University Approach” and what it stands for (?) are not of comparable stature.”

The County Commission applies zoning restrictions to the area around USF in an attempt to prevent an explosion of unregulated growth. The Commission’s report reads, in part, “Unless proper guidance and restraint are exercised, this bordering land could well become an unsightly and inappropriate hodgepodge of … boarding houses, apartments, motels, gas stations, drive-in restaurants and bars. Speculative and short range could easily ignore the long-range university needs and potentials—and would

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build into this section of the community the same problems that cities and universities throughout the country are now attempting to overcome.”

Saiyed Habiballah Ghoth, a student from Iran, is said to be a descendent of Mohammed, signified by the name Saiyed. He has learned English after just 5 months in the U.S., and is justifiably proud of the “A” he earned in English class.

For the third year in a row, USF hosts a prestigious Aerospace conference in the summer.

The issue of shorts and dress still lingers over campus, as a letter from a concerned student reveals, “I do not like to look at hairy legs. To me it is repugnant and disgusting. I do not desire to be sexually stimulated by seeing girls or women in shorts. Any normal boy or man, I believe, doesn’t desire to have sex flung in his face all day long while on this campus. I base all of my morals on the Holy Bible. I believe that exposing so much of our bodies … is sinful. Jesus Christ said that we can commit adultery with even our minds. This is a sin according to Jesus Christ and God. If you want to show off your hairy legs, then go to a jungle and play Tarzan. Let us think, feel and act (especially in regards to shorts) as Jesus Christ himself would do. Would you respect Jesus if you saw him in shorts on this campus?” – Steven Cibik. Next week, two writers reply, “Would you respect Jesus if you saw him walking around campus with a beard and in sandals or bare feet?” Another chimes in, “I believe I would respect Jesus Christ more if he wore Bermuda shorts on this campus today than if he wore a long white robe. Christ will not respect us any less as human beings because we wear Bermudas.”

Another writes, “I agree that hairy legs look bad—personally I can’t stand a girl with

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hairy legs. However, most girls’ legs look very nice. I am studying for the Methodist ministry, and I’m afraid if Mr. Cibik ever attended my church he’d be very disappointed.  

Student actors in Boicicault’s “Belle Lamar” are said to be hesitant to wear outfits depicting Union Army uniforms from the Civil War era, citing continued allegiance to the South’s Confederacy.

Florida voters approve a $75 million state bond that will finance university construction. Almost $11 million will go to USF alone.

Autumn Antics occurs, a weekend of various activities. Campus Edition describes it as “a sort of homecoming celebration minus football—and, presumably, alcohol and sex.” Sporting events, movies, dances, and concerts round out the weekend. Students lose to staff in a softball game.

Some students take issue with the university policy that no outside vendors or restaurants can deliver or sell food on campus.

The State Beverage Department sends SA leaders a letter warning of a statewide crackdown on illegal drinkers of alcohol.

Directors of the Eastern Brahman Association offer their “full cooperation in securing and caring for a live Brahman mascot for the University of South Florida.”

Liberal Arts Dean Russell M. Cooper reports that “many” USF professors have been searching for jobs elsewhere as a result of the administration’s policies on the

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422 O 10/7/63, O 10/14/63, 11/11/63.
425 O 11/18/63.
426 Orlando Sentinel: Jan. 1, 1963
practice and protection of academic freedom. “You can’t get ... and keep top grade men unless they feel they have freedom and integrity,” Cooper says. “You can’t have a modern university without freedom ... We’ve got to give them their freedom. We’ve got to let them grow up.”

President John Allen reports that despite the University’s lack of accreditation, USF graduates are being accepted at professional and graduate programs at other universities around the country. “We think we’re on our way, even despite the lack of accreditation,” says Allen.

A ten-page spread in the 1963 edition of Florida Architecture International features the architecture of the University of South Florida.

The Governor’s Conference on Higher Education recommends that a college of engineering be established immediately at the University of South Florida, also asserting that USF’s undergraduate programs “urgently need strengthening” and that master’s and doctorate level programs should be “provided quickly.” The emphasis on higher education in the sciences comes, in part, as a result of the urgency of space-age research and the proximity to NASA’s Cape Canaveral.

President John Allen announces that the University will soon have intercollegiate athletics, though no mention is made of either football or basketball.

The Governor’s Conference on Higher Education recommends a “complete overhaul” of the state university system. The current system, as explained in the Conference report, is “basically and irrevocably political, not higher-educational.” The

427 TT: Jan. 16, 1963
428 Tampa Times: Feb. 8, 1963
429 TT: Mar. 2, 1963
430 Tampa Times: Mar. 11, 1963
431 TT: Mar. 12, 1963
findings are in part based upon a study conducted by consultant Ralph McDonald to
determine a feasible course of action for Florida’s state system of higher education in the
space age.”

USF opens its doors to the public in a two-day promotion entitled, “University
Showcase.” During the event, guests are invited to tour the university campus, inspecting
buildings and observing classes in session. In addition to a Picasso show at the library
and performances by the USF band and chorus, various demonstrations are held around
the campus.

State Senator Tom Whitaker introduces a bill into the Florida Senate ordering a
study of the feasibility of establishing a school of medicine at the University of South
Florida.

The Hillsborough County delegation of the Florida legislature argues for the
dissolution of the Johns Committee after an unfavorable report is issued by the
Committee on conditions at the University of South Florida. “I thought it was going to be
a report on the committee activities not an indictment of the University,” comments
Knopke of Temple Terrace, “I don’t think the committee should be continued.” Whitaker
agrees, explaining further that, “I see no justification for the committee’s continued
existence. They have suggested no legislation and this is the purpose of a legislative
investigating committee. If further law enforcement agencies are needed the legislature
should consider establishing them.”

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432 TT: Mar. 13, 1963
433 TT: Mar. 23, 1963
434 Tampa Times: Apr. 9, 1963
435 TT: Apr. 19, 1963
Fifty-three students are currently scheduled to receive their degrees at USF’s very first commencement exercise next December.\footnote{Tampa Times: May 2, 1963}

Pulitzer Prize winning American author Carl Sandburg is scheduled to speak at USF’s “Meet the Author” program on June 25, 1963.\footnote{TT: June 9, 1963}

USF officials set up and stock fallout shelters in the basements of five different buildings on the University campus, potentially accommodating 4,000 people. The facilities were constructed last fall at the instruction of the Governor who advised that it be done “in all areas as soon as possible.” “The Cuban [Missile] Crisis in October just made us move a little faster,” explains Clyde Hill, Director of USF’s Physical Plant.\footnote{Tampa Times: June 13, 1963}

An overflow crowd of over 800 attends a lecture by Pulitzer Prize winning writer Carl Sandburg at USF’s “Meet the Author” program.\footnote{TT: June 26, 1963}

The State Board of Control grants preliminary approval to the establishment of a college of engineering at the University of South Florida.\footnote{St. Pete Times: July 19, 1963}

U.S. Army General John B. Medaris speaks at USF about the technological threat posed by a rising Soviet Communist Power in the East. “The future belongs to those who prepare for it,” Medaris tells the audience. “Those who do not prepare for the future are unlikely to have one of any importance.”\footnote{Tampa Times: July 29, 1963}

Pending approval by the Federal Communications Commission, USF is scheduled to receive an educational television station. William Kessler, consulting engineer to the
Florida Educational Television Commission, suggests that Channel 22 in Lakeland be moved to Tampa for operation by the University.\textsuperscript{442}

Florida voters give overwhelming approval to Governor Farris Bryant’s proposed $75 million state university bond plan. Of those funds, USF is slated to receive $10,755,000 for “immediate capital outlay expenditures.”\textsuperscript{443}

The first student admitted to USF in 1960 is scheduled to graduate alongside some 325 students. The student, Mrs. Barbara H. Campbell, is completing her degree in education, and will become a faculty member at Sulphur Springs Elementary School next year. “Yes, it will be a great day for me,” she says of her graduation.\textsuperscript{444}

Governor Farris Bryant delivers the principal address to 326 graduating students in USF’s first commencement exercises. Of the students, thirty-four were members of the University’s charter class in 1960.\textsuperscript{445}

Governor Farris Bryant speaks at USF’s first graduation ceremony, where 325 students receive degrees. Bryant says, in part, that the graduates are the “first wave of a new force landing on the beachhead of tomorrow. Progress begets progress. Growth in education does not satisfy—it increases the demand for education. We need not just a hot line to Moscow, to deal with the changes in the mind of one man or the actions of one nation, we need a hot line to tomorrow.” More than half of the class will enter the teaching profession and one fifth say they will proceed to graduate school as soon as possible.\textsuperscript{446}

\textsuperscript{442} TT: Aug. 7, 1963
\textsuperscript{443} TT: Nov. 6, 1963; Tampa Times: Nov. 2, 1963
\textsuperscript{444} TT: Dec. 15, 1963
\textsuperscript{445} TT: Dec. 23, 1963
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The “All University approach” as defined by Dean of the College of Education Jean Battle entails 1.) joint appointments in two colleges for almost all faculty members, especially those in Education, and 2.) “allowing a prospective secondary school teacher to take his major concentration only in the college which offers his subject matter specialty.”  

Theater production/concerts/speakers: Molière’s “Invalid”; William F. Buckley on “The Task of the Intellectual”; Sartre’s “No Exit”; CQ/St. Pete Times publisher Nelson Poynter; The George Bernard Shaw Festival, with “Androcles” and “Pygmalion”; 

All-U book: “Robert Frost’s Poems”

1964: The state approves USF’s bid for graduate (MA) programs in all four colleges. USF is also prepared to offer special independent studies programs to mature students.  

The judges of the Associated Collegiate Press awarded USF’s Campus Edition a First Class rating. Out of the 3,400 points needed for the “All-American rating” (the highest), Campus Edition garnered 3,380.  

College of Engineering opens.

Streets on campus given names. Students complain that the initial proposal—to name the streets after various Greek gods—would make the names too long and difficult to spell.

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USF and SPJC hold mock political conventions, simulating party’s presidential conventions. SPJC plays the Republicans, while USF plays the Democrats. Former Governor Fuller Warren speaks at USF’s event, and 280 students participate.451

The State Board of Control approves USF’s first graduate program, for an MA in Elementary Education.452

USF receives a $45,000 grant to conduct a Summer Institute in Biology for local teachers.453

USF hosts the annual winter conference of the Florida Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development. Four hundred Florida teachers attend.454

The regular Chinsegut Retreat occurs in February, with President Allen beginning the meet with a history of the site. Students organize several committees to handle entertainment, food service, book exchanges, sports, race relations, and research.455

USF research grants top $297,000.456

John M. Hillman of Clearwater donates a large collection of mollusks to USF, valued at $10,000.457

A faculty committee agrees that USF has become too large and diverse to sustain the All-University Book program, which is abolished.458
The USF Planetarium opens, assembled by Dr. Armand Spitz, whose firm is the world’s largest producer of projection planetariums. It will be used to educate students and local teachers science and how to teach it.\textsuperscript{459}

The National Science Foundation awards USF a $42,600 grant for oceanography research in the Bahamas. It is USF’s largest grant to date.\textsuperscript{460}

The Veteran’s Administration announces plans to build a new VA hospital near USF. The VA normally builds such facilities near medical schools, which USF does not have. The move has sparked rumors that USF will get a medical school in the future. Sam Gibbons, now in the House of Representatives, is largely responsible for the coup. President Allen begins a long push over the next few months to obtain a medical school. In November, the State BOC approves a $60,000 feasibility study for a Medical school.\textsuperscript{461}

Once again, USF hosts the National Space Conference, an event sponsored by NASA and the National Academy of Science. Two hundred leading space scientists will attend. The discussions focus on such practical problems as feeding/watering astronauts and dealing with human waste while on long missions in outer space.\textsuperscript{462}

The AAUP censures USF for its handling of affairs relating to the Johns Committee. President Allen does not think the move will hinder recruitment of faculty, but Dean Russel Cooper is not so sure. The censure is due to USF’s handling of part-time lecturer Dr. D.F. Fleming, who was offered a job and dropped after he relocated to Tampa due to a warning from Vanderbilt (his former employer) that he had “gone sour.”

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\textsuperscript{462} O 4/6/64.
President Allen defends the decision, saying that Fleming’s contract was never fully processed, so he could not have been unjustly fired. Allen also adds that USF is “in good company,” because other institutions to be censured by the AAUP are Auburn, the University of Illinois, and Texas Tech.463

The Charter Graduating Class gain diplomas, 325 in December 1963 and 208 in April 1964. Of April’s graduates, 22 do so with honors.464

USF hosts a PTA Leadership Conference, expected to draw 1,200-2,000 attendees.465

A campus Edition reporter asks students their opinion of new topless swimsuits for females. One student said, “It takes the mystery out of things, and a woman, to be truly feminine, must have some amount of mystery surrounding her. Others called the suits (and, by implication, the bare flesh they would reveal) “revolting.” A female said, “I don’t like them because they’re too revealing. It’s just not feminine. Another female said, “The swimsuit is finally beginning to come into its own in the fashion world, and is keeping up with and even ahead of the plunging neckline in dresses.” A male said simply, “Yeah, yeah!” When the reporter asked a campus security guard if he would arrest topless sunbathers, he replied enthusiastically, “Shoot, no! We would probably have throw our coats over her or something. I’d probably let her have a couple rounds of the campus before throwing a coat over her.”466

Faculty member and historian Charles Arnade threatens to withdraw from St. Augustine’s centennial celebration because of the city’s racism and “right wing

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466 O 6/29/64.
leadership.” “St. Augustine is dominated by a small narrow-minded power structure which can’t see anything,” adding that St. Augustine is “years behind in everything. The white community has not been able to produce moderate leaders. The tragedy is that the white supremacists suppress all the moderates.” Officials from the city called Arnade a “disgruntled and inaccurate historian” who briefly performed “unsatisfactory historical research … for the historical society.”

In a campaign speech, Gubernatorial candidate (and Jacksonville Mayor) Haydon Burns announces he is “astounded at the number of pinks and Communists on the campuses of higher education in this state.” Burns pledges to “get rid of them” if elected. USF faculty scoff at the notion of communist infiltration. Dean Russel Cooper says, “If this should mean another inquisition to force the same point of view it will destroy the morale faster than anything I know.” The Florida AAUP denounces Burns.

USF raises the rent in residence halls—for $140 to $150 a semester.

Spring enrollment, expected to top off at 4,000, exceeds expectations by peaking at 4,458.

Registrar Frank Spain announces that USF’s fall enrollment is at an all-time high at over 6,475. Other years of enrollment: 1960, 1,997; 1961, 2,982; 1962, 3,664; and 1963, 4,593. UF’s enrollment increased by 800, and FSU’s by 400. Residence halls have been over-booked, with three people per double room in many cases. The cafeterias are
extremely crowded, even at off-hours. Registrar Frank Spain announces early registration is made available to expedite the process.471

John Allen begins planning for 10,000 students by 1968.472

USF is in the midst of a construction frenzy. With enrollment up, more parking lots, sidewalks, road expansions, classrooms, and residence halls are needed. Buildings slated for completion in 1965: Business Administration, Central Receiving and Maintenance, and Outdoor Recreation. For 1966: Physical Education, Engineering, and Education. Proposed projects: a Science Center and the Andros Residence Complex.473

USF professors Gerard Wagner and T.C. Helvey square off in a debate over the roles of Humanities and Science in America. Wagner argues for the humanities, “There is a National Science Foundation, why not a National Humanities Foundation? The humanities are necessary to develop the critical sense needed to understand ourselves and to preserve the best in our culture. I do not believe we are at war, and don’t believe we need competition among nations. The conflict is between pressure groups, and economically based.” After confiding that he really agrees with Wagner, Helvey says, “We scientists do not feel science and humanities must be balanced in education. The well-being of our country comes first. The Russians have just put three men in a spaceship. We don’t know how to do this! Let’s save the humanities until later. We haven’t time for this! We are in a war now. Only the most naïve people call it ‘competition.’ Let’s end the war first, maybe drop a couple of nuclear bombs, and then go on to the humanities.”474

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472 O 10/26/64.
473 O 9/28/64.
474 O 10/26/64.
Students re-evaluate their approach to trying to integrate the University
Restaurant. One alternative is for fraternity members to poll local businesspeople on
whether they would frequent the UR if it was integrated. Owner Basil Scaglione briefly
flirts with the idea of building a separate room on to the restaurant to house integrated
parties, such as those from USF. Scaglione decides to fully integrate the restaurant after
Congress passes the Civil Rights Act. “There is no other way,” he said, “The bill is now
the law of the land.”475

Out of 15 SA positions up for election in the spring, only 17 candidates run, with
two positions lacking any candidate. Turnout for the election, however, is unprecedented
at 1,551 votes cast.476

A student referendum approves the new constitution.477

When polled, 60% of students indicated that they would not participate in the
food plan if local restaurants were in walking distance. And 69% agreed that
independent eateries should be able to operate on campus with no restrictions. The
present food plan requires resident students to sign up for 21 meals a week for $12, or 57
cents per meal.478

Anthony Capitano, a former UF student who transferred to USF, compared USF
favorably with his old school. He described UF as “a constant maze of confusion
possessing machine-like qualities which tend to take away from its primary function of
providing an atmosphere conducive to study.”479

475 O 1/20/64, O 7/13/64.
476 O 1/20/64.
477 O 12/7/64.
478 O 1/27/64.
479 O 3/16/64.
A scheduled appearance by NFL champion Chicago Bears Quarterback Billy Wade is cancelled because the visit may arouse false hopes of college football at USF. Dean Wunderlich cancelled the event a week before it was scheduled to appear, saying, “It would lead us to false hopes that aren’t realizable.” Wade was invited to speak before his team won the NFL championship. When he brought the Bears victory, USF cancelled the event, angering students. One wrote, “Thank you Dean Wunderlich for protecting us again. You are the epitome of Southern hospitality. Why should Bill Wade be allowed to speak on our campus? After all, he only turned down 251 speaking engagements but had accepted ours. We should change our motto to ‘Accent on Learning, but not Everything.’”

President Allen organizes a committee to investigate the causes of a “disturbance” on campus early in the summer trimester. In short, a restless group of young men left the dorms and congregated loudly in the parking lot. Police intervened to minimize disorder, but noise and chaos persisted (see “panty raid” in 1962). Campus Edition reported, “The prevalent theory seems to be that a combination of spring fever and final exam tension unalleviated by a reasonable break between trimesters erupted as soon as students tumbled on to an excuse.” According to Alpha Resident Instructor Joan Tallis, “At first the girls were excited because something new and different was happening, but after the lights went out general consensus seemed to be: ‘We’re tired of this.’” Female residents urged and taunted the boys from their windows, encouraging the chaos. One girl pulled a fire alarm. Many on campus think that such “riots” are started and spread by reckless students who are in poor academic standing and have nothing to lose. Alpha RI Stanley

480 O 3/23/64, O 3/30/64.
Hayward said, “The students are looking for something new and exciting, but the majority are spectators rather than participants. All they need is a leader.”

The SA asks administration for a clearer dress code policy, citing several expulsions of students from the UC for wearing shorts. UC director Duane Lake denies that any one was expelled, but does admit that two incidents found people complaining about students for wearing shorts, implying the expulsions did in fact take place. Dean Wunderlich refuses to get any more specific than “appropriate,” saying, “The University had hoped, not required, that students look upon life in class as a professional thing, rather than sports or leisure activity. We would expect students to want to appear professional in class. The University Center, however, is kind of a twilight zone—hard to define.” UT’s dress code is much more restrictive. For men, no denims, shorts, or dungarees, for women, no shorts, slacks, or “pedal-pushers.”

Dress norms in general appear to be eroding. One disgusted student wrote to Campus Edition, “A few days ago, while walking to class, a new sight confronted me. Not only were the people in view sloppily dressed and in general smelly-looking, but they were also barefooted. Dirty. Holey jeans and wrinkled, stained shirts are bad enough; but, I’m sure the reader can picture the condition and probable smell of those feet.”

A recreation committee sets new hours for Riverfront Park that discourages use by the public, who often crowd out students during the day.

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481 O 5/11/64, O 5/25/64.  
482 O 5/25/64.  
483 O 7/27/64.  
484 O 6/8/64.
Five students narrowly escape when attacked near Riverfront Park by a man wielding a shotgun. They struggle with the man, and the shotgun fires harmlessly above their heads. They finally disarm the man, beat him with the shotgun when he tries to stab them, and make their escape by car.485

USF is home to 101 foreign students, 50 of whom are Cuban refugees. Dr. Marlin E. Scheib teaches a course to teach English to the newcomers.486

An intestinal virus ravages the student body, with 75 severe cases reporting to the Student Health Center in one week. The virus is reportedly unrelated to food poisoning.487

Several incidents of vandalism occur in connection with November’s presidential elections. Goldwater supporters have been peeling Johnson bumper stickers off of car parked on campus. Dr. Arthur Barfield, from the College of Education, finds the paint of his car severely damaged by a generous splash of acid. His car was adorned with a Johnson bumper sticker. In anticipation of the November presidential elections, SA conducts a student poll. Johnson wins by a landslide, and Haydon Burns wins the students gubernatorial election by a narrow margin.488

Gamma Hall slang among female residents: “Feed the Boa Constrictor,” to vacuum one’s room using the tube-like vacuum cleaner; “grunge,” dirt and grime; to “lard,” to hurry, make up for lost time; to “larf,” to laugh; “lounge lizard,” males who loiter in Gamma Hall’s lounge in hopes of meeting a female, also referred to as “bad

485 O 6/15/64.
486 O 11/9/64.
487 O 9/28/64.
488 O 10/12/64, O 11/2/64.
news”; and “Smudgin,” kissing (to smudge lipstick?). The writer offers some advice when “smudgin’ in front of Gamma, Beware of Dean Fisher and her alert staff.”489

When polled, 89% of USF students could not name a single student leader in SA or fraternities. The 11% that could identify leaders averaged only three names each. The poll results are said to reflect apathy among the student body. Students living in the dorms tend to join more clubs, while very few commuting students do.490

Deborah A. Holmes (now McCray) becomes first black staff member on a line item outside of custodial services.

USF’s first Homecoming (Oct. 9-10) proves to be the biggest event yet held on campus, with the Platters performing in a concert. Other events include a luau, a lawn display contest, all-day splash party, sports events, a folk sing-along, and a stereo dance. Another dance is held with live music. Dean Wunderlich calls the event the “beginning of a great tradition.” Tickets cost $2.35.491

USF’s Soccer Club meets its first off-campus competition against Miami-Dade.492

The SA debates the issue of whether the whole student body should decide to invite national fraternities/sororities, or only a segment. The session is packed with fraternity/sorority advocates who oppose a student referendum on the subject, for fears that the small minority of those interested in membership in such groups would be outvoted in a landslide. Those attending the session oppose any referendum 9 to 1. Dr. Robert O’Hara voiced his opinion that only groups based upon achievement should be

489 O 10/19/64. 
490 O 1/6/64. 
491 O 9/8/64, O 10/5/64, O 10/12/64. 
492 O 10/26/64.
allowed on campus, and that most groups required too much of the student’s time, effort and money.⁴⁹³

First student directory and yearbook (Aegean) created.⁴⁹⁴

Count Basie plays two concerts, and tickets cost $1-$1.50 for students and $2 for the public.⁴⁹⁵

USF’s first all-campus picnic held, where students, staff and faculty ate together on the grass. Administration cuts classes short for the first All-University Picnic. A second picnic is held during the summer, with Jazz music supplied by John “Knocky” Parker and friends. Another campus-wide picnic occurs in October, an SA affair dubbed the “Bull Session.” The afternoon will feature impromptu performances by students and faculty, a picnic lunch, and a talent/variety show.⁴⁹⁶

USF students protest to Life Magazine (June 5 issue) that they invented skateboarding, not students of universities in California. The article traces the origins of skating to Fall 1963 in California, but Campus Edition mentioned the skateboarding craze in November and December of 1962, a whole year before the California date. The sport has become so popular on campus that students in the residence halls that skateboarding noise all day and into the night disrupts their studies. The Residence Council asks that all skating take place between 4:30 and 7pm on weekdays, and noon to 7pm on weekends. Dr. Gilman Hertz, USF director of Physical Education, proposes a skateboard “run” or track to be part of the new recreation complex.⁴⁹⁷

⁴⁹³ O 11/2/64.
⁴⁹⁴ O 3/9/64.
⁴⁹⁵ O 3/9/64.
⁴⁹⁶ O 6/1/64, O 10/19/64.
⁴⁹⁷ O 6/8/64, 11/9/64, 11/23/64.
Total enrollment at the USF campus is now reported to be 4,458 students. Registrar Frank Spain describes the enrollment to be “much above the number expected” at the University.498

A five-man recruiting team for the Peace Corps is assigned to the University of South Florida campus in “one of the largest recruiting efforts yet in the South.”499

USF unveils the first edition of its new yearbook, The Aegean. Editor Francis Freeman explains that the name was chosen “to show a parallel between the beginning of the Grecian culture and the rise of the new university community.”500

Speakers/Concerts, Theater Productions, Coward’s “Blithe Spirit”; “Man with the Oboe”; USF Production of “The Tempest”; Poet Ogden Nash; UN General Assembly President Dr. Charles Malik; Spanish Minister of Information Manuel Fraga Iribarne; Senatorial Candidate (and governor 1967-71) Claude Kirk; Singer Lloyd Price (“Stagger Lee” and “Personality”).

1965: VA selects a site to build a $16 million hospital on land adjacent to USF, President Allen optimistic about gaining a medical school and making it operational by 1970 or 1972. Three local doctors propose a hospital for the USF area as well.501

Incoming governor Haydon Burns vows to dissolve the newly created Board of Regents when he enters office. Retiring governor Farris Bryant appointed the BOR, and Burns suspects that they will perpetuate the trimester system, which he thinks places a

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498 Tampa Times: Jan. 20, 1964
499 TT: Feb. 23, 1964
500 TT: Mar. 15, 1964
hardship upon students and faculty. A survey at USF indicates that students like the Trimester system overall (59% liked it and 22% disliked it). Since the last survey, feelings have become more polarized about the trimester system, with more people reporting a like and a dislike for it. Students also indicate that the trimester plan tends to put students under more stress and that it leaves less time for non-academic activities. Faculty did not display passionate feelings about the system, except about salary. Overall, faculty supports the semester plan by a narrow margin. Burns circumvents the new BOR by asking the cabinet at the Board of Education to do a study on the trimester system.\textsuperscript{502}

A construction effort begins to widen all of USF’s perimeter roads to four lanes.\textsuperscript{503}

USF hosts a midwinter conference on the problems facing education.\textsuperscript{504}

The Security Office attests that parking is the biggest car-related problem on campus, not speeding.\textsuperscript{505}

The Administration building is home to a state of the art Data Processing Division that uses computers to crunch numbers. The IBM 1410 was installed in September 1963. In addition to IBM punch cards, the computer uses magnetic tape to store information. The printer can write 600 lines of text per minute, and the magnetic tape machine can read 20,000 figures per second. USF’s College of Business Administration is one of the

\textsuperscript{502} O 1/4/65, O 1/11/65.
\textsuperscript{503} O 1/4/65.
\textsuperscript{504} O 1/4/65.
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first institutions in the country to offer courses in data processing. The computer has helped process poll results and keep records for university entities.  

A federal loan of $2.6 million allows construction of six Andros residences to proceed early to keep up with demand. Housing for married students has stalled due to lack of funding. The service core and dining facilities are also included in the project.  

Library Director Elliot Hardaway announces, “We now have the basis for a great library. Hardaway refers to the use of the library as a “social responsibility,” emphasizing consideration for those who come later. He asked students not to deface property or burn cigarette holes in the furniture.  

Of the 130 finalists for the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship, five are from USF.  

The faculty-staff physical fitness program gets underway, encouraging members to attend orientations sessions and commit to working out as a group for a trimester.  

After closing down in 1963, the Argos Beauty Shop—dubbed the “Suburbanette”—is set to open again.  

SA election rumors abound when VP Ron Johnson is forced to resign because of dropping grades. The constitution stipulates that serving SA members must retain a GPA of 2.0. Johnson earned a 1.3, an average brought down, Johnson says, by illness in himself and his family. Until now, many students thought Johnson was an obvious choice for SA President.
SA President Bob Ashford appoints the judicial branch’s first justices, Arnold Powell and Ben Ernest.\textsuperscript{513}

Instructional Services Dean Elliot Hardaway restores some of the recently-cut library hours. Budget shortfalls caused the cuts in the first place. (m-th, 8-10; fri, 8-5, sat, 1-5, sun 2-10)\textsuperscript{514}

A metal plate of the Jacques Villon etching “Reclining Nude” goes missing from the library. The plate was on loan from Associated American Artists Gallery in New York and is valued at $900.\textsuperscript{515}

When administration makes it clear that calling off a roll call of graduates at the commencement ceremonies would take too much time, irate seniors protest. The students say they will not attend any commencement unless their names are called aloud. John Aileen immediately announces that he will honor their wishes. USF graduates 790 in its first commencement, and festivities include dances, dinners, a torchlight processional, and more. USF has graduated 1,310 students since opening.\textsuperscript{516}

The following Masters programs are available at USF as of September 1965: College of education offers elementary ed., art ed., guidance, music ed., special ed. (mental retardation), distributive ed., English ed., math ed., science ed. (biology, chemistry, or physics); social science ed.; the College of Business Administration offers Master’s of Business Administration (MBA); the College of Liberal Arts, division of natural sciences and math offers chemistry, physics, zoology, and botany; and the College of Education offers Foreign language ed., physical ed., school library science,

\textsuperscript{513} O 1/18/65.
\textsuperscript{514} O 1/18/63.
\textsuperscript{515} O 1/25/65.
\textsuperscript{516} O 1/25/65, 4/12/65.
and business ed. A false rumor in the Tribune says that funding will not available, but USF proceeds as planned.\textsuperscript{517}

USF gets a federal grant of $21,000 as a participant of the Economic Opportunity Act.\textsuperscript{518}

President Allen approves four emergency measures to make more room in the residence halls. All lounges are to be converted to rooms for 4 people. Students who live within a 20-mile radius of the campus are not be allowed to stay in the residence halls. Students aged 21-25 are interviewed (by the dean of man/women) to determine eligibility for living off-campus. Administration lowers rent to $130 for those living in “multiple dwelling” units. Some double rooms are converted to fit three.\textsuperscript{519}

Foodservice manager Ronald Willis braces himself for the estimated 8,000 students who will arrive in the fall. “It’ll be wild,” Willis said, “something like in 1962 when lines stretched all the way to the UC lobby. There’s just so much room. In September, when we serve country steaks, we should have about 2,000 orders ready to serve when the line opens. Our problem is where to put them all.” In a speech President Allen suggests that students stagger their eating times. The cafeteria will be expanded, with no more distinction between student and faculty eating areas. Foodservice managers eventually add a faculty dining area to make more room for students.\textsuperscript{520}

For the first time, budget cuts force USF to limit enrollment of new students. USF asked for a budget of $9.8 million for 1965-66, an increase of 80\% over last year. Instead the state grants $6.3 million, an increase of just 10\%. President Allen estimates

\textsuperscript{517} O 1/25/65, 3/1/65.
\textsuperscript{518} O 2/1/65.
\textsuperscript{519} O 2/15/65, O 3/1/65, O 5/31/65.
\textsuperscript{520} O 6/14/65, O 6/21/65, O 11/1/65.
being limited to a 20% increase in enrollment for next year, while enrollment expanded by 41% last year alone. In preparation for the fall, registrar Frank Spain rejects 1 out of 10 prospective students for fear of overcrowding and budget shortfalls. Another 150 students are turned away because they cannot obtain student housing and do not qualify for off campus housing. Administration Dean Robert Dennard eased faculty fears when he announces that no pay cuts will accompany the budget cuts. One hundred new teaching faculty are hired to cope with the onslaught.521

Controversy over the campus’s grass flares up again when hedges that were planted to deter students from walking on a patch of grass between the UC and the Theater Auditorium. The hedges have all been trampled to the point of death.522

A crumbling cable casting is the cause of a power outage on campus, leading to a crisis that lasts over a week. After the initial outage, TECO set up temporary above-ground power lines to keep electricity flowing to the campus. Several days later, an overload causes the power to shut off on a weekday morning. TECO restored power building by building, but the Physical Plant proved to be too much, and power collapsed again. A committee decided to leave the power off in the library (the biggest power drain on campus) and some residence halls to maintain power to classrooms. Repairs and modifications continue for over a week. Before that week is up, water pressure drops on campus after some major pipes burst due to a faulty bypass installed by a contractor. Restrooms are flooded by sand and water. The pipes burst at 2am, and the PP gradually builds up pressure until water is restored at 4pm. At 11 that morning, power collapses on

campus as well when employees cut electricity because of danger to the power lines, probably caused by lightning.\footnote{O 2/22/65; O 3/8/65.}

Recent power outages contribute to chaos and pranks on campus. For example, the swimming pool has recently been polluted by dye, broken bottles, street signs, corked bottles, and the carcass of a skunk.\footnote{O 3/22/65.}

When administration announces that a new fountain will grace the top of Crescent Hill, at least one student balks. “We simply don’t understand why some planner somewhere thinks that Crescent Hill must be developed. Why couldn’t it just be left as a reminder of untouched nature? Proposed building plans indicate that untouched nature is going to be scarce around here one of these days.” The fountain is installed, and students call the PP to complain. The PP representative asserts that the fountain is “beautiful,” but students beg to differ. In the Campus Edition, student writers ask for a campus picketing policy to be set, probably over the fountain issue. Another student writes, “In an attempt to protect against the thing (or just to raise hell) students have soaped and dyed it. This is expensive.” Students complain that the fountain is a “monstrosity,” is ugly, with “garish” lighting and a bad color scheme. A student senator proposes an integrated (student/faculty) “aesthetics committee” to approve all new installations on campus, but the administration rejects the idea, saying it will duplicate the services of the Space Committee. The issue of students input into campus development is never addressed. A couple weeks later, the fountain bursts into flames late at night, apparently doused with gasoline. A portion of the fountain is charred, but workers clean up the mess. Through Campus Edition, the SA president urges “that students with legitimate complaints contact
the SA … More efficient action might result.” The flames inspired at least one poem, written by Chester Mcullen, which reads, in part, “As I behold thee squatted in pomp atop the hill/Thy statuesque form bathing in a muted spray/I think surely thou art not real./Night cannot hide thee/O variegates sprinkler with an overactive gland./Homer and lesser Milton/Though both blind still knew beauty./But them that created you./Sent you here to profane this hilltop./What manner of men are they?/Those that cursed the darkness/And so lit you./Where are they these night?/Have they not seen you?/Thou art the light of the world./And fain would I hide thee under a bushel.”

Vandalism has become a problem in the residence halls. Vandals cause $600 worth of damage to Alpha Hall Lounge’s furniture with slashes and cigarette burns. Recurring fires set in the trash chutes activated an irrigation system on several occasions that put them out. In April, vandals destroy two ceiling panels in Alpha Hall. Over the last two trimesters, Beta Hall has had two phones damaged and two destroyed. RI’s usually pay for damages by drawing from the hall’s social accounts.

USF uses an IBM 1230 Test Scorer to grade tests using small multiple choice spaces filled in with pencil marks.

President Allen appears before the legislature to urge the passing of a $425 million budget for USF.

The USF planetarium is a hit with the public, and is booked solid for months at a time.
The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools reports that their February/March 1965 visit to the campus is the fourth time a committee has been to the campus in five years since the school opened. President Allen hoped the school would be granted SACS accreditation.\textsuperscript{530}

The SACS report states that USF’s “philosophy and goals” are “a reflection of both the times in which it was created and the setting in which it was placed.” Because it is a new school, in an urban area, “the University has had to seek a balance between traditional liberal education and modern professional education.” Committee members believe that USF has “defined its purposes with clarity and has incorporated this definition into an appropriate statement,” which fulfills the SACS Standard 1: Purpose.\textsuperscript{531}

The SACS committee believes that “President Allen is to be commended for having brought together in a relatively short span an able group of deans and other administrators. The morale of this group is recognizably high.”\textsuperscript{532}

Discussing the College of Basic Studies, SACS representatives commented that “the testimony of many of the professors and the students is that they have been greatly stimulated and challenged by this type of instruction. Certainly it appears that a high quality of teaching and high quality of learning have been generally characteristic of these courses.” (10-11) They worried that it might be difficult to maintain “the educational benefits of the basic studies courses, as presently taught, in an organizational

\textsuperscript{530} “Special Study, University of South Florida,” February 28-March 2, 1965, Special Collections, University of South Florida Library, Tampa, 1.
\textsuperscript{531} “Special Study, University of South Florida,” February 28-March 2, 1965, Special Collections, University of South Florida Library, Tampa, 4-5.
\textsuperscript{532} “Special Study, University of South Florida,” February 28-March 2, 1965, Special Collections, University of South Florida Library, Tampa, 9.
frameword which depends on something more than the goodwill of the people who are responsible for it. There is too much possible conflict of academic interest and prestige in the present system to make one feel comfortable about the future. No system can be better than the people responsible, but it can be worse."

The “general tone of the University seemed to promote continued professional growth,” but many faculty members were worried about the retirement system, social security, and the health insurance. Overall, “freedom to teach, in its true sense, is enjoyed by the faculty.”

In its report on Standard Four, the school’s financial resources, the SACS committee writes that USF got 91% of its income from the state in 1960-61 and was down to 80% in 1963-64. Student fee increases, grants, and donations were responsible for the fiscal change. This move is “indicative of a healthy trend in financial structure.”

The USF library is “at or above the national medians in all important respects except size of the book collection,” which is “understandable in such a new institution.” The school has “90,000 well-selected books, with little or no deadwood.”

Concerning students’ relations with staff, the SACS report stated that “student attitudes toward the Student Personnel staff and faculty are indeed a ‘breath of fresh air.’ Comments by students and student leaders obtained by the visiting team were far more

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533 “Special Study, University of South Florida,” February 28-March 2, 1965, Special Collections, University of South Florida Library, Tampa, 12.
534 “Special Study, University of South Florida,” February 28-March 2, 1965, Special Collections, University of South Florida Library, Tampa, 16.
536 “Special Study, University of South Florida,” February 28-March 2, 1965, Special Collections, University of South Florida Library, Tampa, 38.
laudatory of the staff than might normally be expected. Students are proud of their faculty and deeply appreciative of their concerned interest in their welfare.”^537

SACS committee members commented that the school’s buildings, being less than a decade old, were all up to safety standards and that the school is “attractively landscaped and building courtyards are given special attention and treatment.”^538

“The development of a university from inception to fullness in a relatively brief period of time is admittedly a challenge which is rare. The University of South Florida can be credited with many significant successes. In the area of developing a great library the problem of time has yet to be conquered. Yet, it is in the arena of creating new truths, and in developing faculty and graduate students in an appropriate research climate that the grandeur of a university begins to emerge. Therefore, the decisions of the University of South Florida beginning with the 1965-66 year to devote an equivalent of ten percent of its faculty positions to university-sponsored research is significant.”^539

In their conclusion, members of the SACS committee find that USF is “in violation of Standards Two and Four [Standard 2 is ‘Organization and Administration’ and Four is ‘Financial Resources’].” They are careful to note that the University of Florida and Florida State University are also in violation of these standards because of statewide governance, not anything the schools have done. The committee recommended that membership for USF should not be “withheld because of this situation which is beyond its control” and further recommended that unanimously that “the situation in

^537 “Special Study, University of South Florida,” February 28-March 2, 1965, Special Collections, University of South Florida Library, Tampa, 42.
^538 “Special Study, University of South Florida,” February 28-March 2, 1965, Special Collections, University of South Florida Library, Tampa, 46.
^539 “Special Study, University of South Florida,” February 28-March 2, 1965, Special Collections, University of South Florida Library, Tampa, 51.
Florida is so grave that it merits careful consideration by the Council of the Commission.\textsuperscript{540}

Resident students circulate a petition initiated by Earl Putt against the “carelessness and sloppiness in the operation of the food service.” Among the requests: that Argos Cafeteria stays open 7 days a week, regardless of whether the UC is open; more broiled foods replace “French fried” items; more varied desserts; higher hiring/training standards for cashiers; that both “inexperienced” chefs working at Argos be replaced with more accomplished cooks. Students hope to gather 800 signatures before submitting the petition, and eventually gather almost 700. Ronald Willis, director of university food service, blames student complaints on the poor atmosphere and blaring jukebox.\textsuperscript{541}

With FCC clearance and a $295,538 Dept. of Health, Education, and Welfare grant pave the way for WUSF-TV, Channel 16. The same day, the Florida cabinet approves a $682,737 grant to go toward the engineering building. A 1,024-foot TV tower is erected over Riverview, to be shared between WUSF and WEDU.\textsuperscript{542}

The BOR resigns after being met with hostility by new Governor Haydon Burns. Burns appoints a new BOR.\textsuperscript{543}

Sports events and dances highlight the All-U Weekend.\textsuperscript{544}

John Ciardi and Robert Wallace attend USF’s 2\textsuperscript{nd} Annual Florida Poetry Festival.\textsuperscript{545}

\textsuperscript{540} “Special Study, University of South Florida,” February 28-March 2, 1965, Special Collections, University of South Florida Library, Tampa, 58. Newspaper accounts of the problems with Florida’s state university system are included in the report, 62-66.
\textsuperscript{541} O 3/1/65, O 3/15/65, O 5/31/65.
\textsuperscript{542} O 3/1/65, O 7/12/65.
\textsuperscript{543} O 3/8/65.
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A student columnist complains of people playing the Beatles’ “I Wanna Hold Your Hand” and the theme for Dr. Strangelove (which features nuclear explosions) in the UC jukebox at 7:30 am, while breakfast is still being served. Ultra Right-wing Baptist preacher David Noebel claims to Newsweek that he has uncovered the “Communist Master Music Plan,” an alleged plot by the USSR to get American folk singers to perform Marxist songs with a beat with a rhythm using the “same pulse rate of our college students and making them mentally ill.”

A UT student is shot in the neck by an unknown assailant when he is parked at Riverfront Park with his girlfriend.

John Allen declares Peace Corps week in March. A full 23% of the USF student body applied for Peace Corps slots in 1964. Karen Lee Seufert is still in Brazil teaching home economics, conducting literacy tests, and establishing an indigenous hemp handbag industry. Seufert’s photo will grace the cover of the Peace Corps’ fact book, of which 1 million will be printed and distributed around the world.

Students stage a theatrical farce called “Twenty-Sixth of March.” The “riotous” play is penned by former SA President Bob Ashford. All classes are pushed forward by 5 minutes to accommodate the play. The plot involves Everystudent Jerry and his girlfriend Nancy, who instigate a revolution at a university like USF. In 13 comic flashbacks involving subjects such as foodservice, administration, campus characters, and other university phenomena.
Dr. Herbert Wunderlich, Dean of Student Affairs, and the Board of Discipline suspend several students, two for possession of alcohol on campus or in the dorms, and others for burning bulletin boards in Beta Hall. The alcohol-related suspensions indicate the beginning of USF’s crackdown on alcohol consumption on campus.

USF Administration suspends two male students for allegedly keeping a coed out of her residence hall past her curfew at 11pm. Richard O’Brien (21, New Jersey) and Roger Krohne (20, Orlando) admit they knew of the female’s curfew, but that their studies took precedence over policy. O’Brien was catching up on studies after an illness. The residence hall called O’Brien’s apartment at 3am to ask for the return of the freshman coed. The students also argue that there is no rule against a coed spending time in a male student’s apartment. Before resigning, a student court justice resigns and denounces the administration: “Many of us managed to find a great deal of humor in Bob Ashford’s satiric character Dean Fishy. Unfortunately, the situation Bob alluded in the presentation of this well-meaning dean is far from humorous. On stage, Dean Fishy states that students at USF are expected to exercise their own judgment … of course, if they get caught exercising their own judgment, they will be severely rehabilitated. Under the guise of ‘rehabilitation,’ permission to withdraw from the University (or else have your membership terminated) has been granted to many students.”

USF is said to have a low rate of venereal disease, with two or three cases of gonorrhea annually and only one case of syphilis reported in 3 years. Dr. Robert Egolf, Director of the Student Health Center, surmised that there must be many more cases, but students are probably afraid to come forward, fearing their medical records would be open to administration and/or parents. “This is just not so,” Egolf said. All known

550 O 1/18/65, O 7/12/65.
victims of VD at USF have been teens and all but one contracted the disease off-campus. A much more common condition is “epithelial erythema,” or sunburn, of which the health center has treated 56 cases in from February to mid-June.\footnote{O 3/22/65, O 6/14/65.}

WUSF-FM obtains a 1,000-watt transmitter, making it possible to broadcast all over the bay area.\footnote{O 4/12/65.}

The Associated Collegiate Press again awards Campus Edition status of first class honor, just below the highest “All American” rating.\footnote{O 4/12/65.}

The expanding enrollment and crowded condition in Tampa cause administrators to seek out new facilities to augment Tampa’s. USF obtains approval (through the BOR and federal government) to take over Bayboro Maritime Base for St. Pete Campus. The new campus places special emphasis on oceanographic research and graduate programs to avoid duplicating the services offered by St. Petersburg Jr. College. The new branch is called the “Bay Campus,” (later “Bayboro”) is occupied in July with classes to start in fall, using a cluster of old, small, wooden buildings that previously served as a Merchant Marine training base in the 1940s. USF takes over the site on July 1. Initially, the facilities can handle a mere 250 students, and offers graduate courses in education, business administration, and engineering, in addition to basic studies courses for undergrads. Facilities include a UC, health center, counseling, financial aid and food service. Although the new campus will have its own student legislature, activities and recreation facilities, a bus shuttle links it to the Tampa Campus so all students have a chance to participate in activities there (Day’s later, the administration announces that the air conditioned VW bus is only for faculty, resident instructors, and campus mail. A core

\footnote{O 3/22/65, O 6/14/65.}
of campus personnel live on the base with 252 students. Students are disappointed at the facilities and lack of beachfront property. “The brochures made it sound like it was Miami Beach,” one co-ed complained, “but just look at it.” Another moaned, “It’s just floors and walls.” Only certain parts of the buildings are air conditioned. The pool is in need of renovation. There is as yet no Health Center. Study space is scarce. There is no library. Food service lines are very slow. The accommodations in the residence halls are Spartan. A sink broke in the women’s dorm when a girl dropped a bottle of mouthwash. The sink cracked, the bottle did not. A yawning disparity between the conditions in resident halls A and B have many students upset. Building A includes wood paneling, rugs, and drapes, while B’s units are stark, with little furnishing and bare rugs. Both buildings house women. Female students write Campus Edition to counter the paper’s bad press on the Bayboro Campus, asserting that the facilities are fine. SA President of the Bay Campus Edward Bravo writes a letter to President Allen complaining that the Bay Campus only holds courses under the College of basic Studies. Students offer their own observations in the letter, most centering on the lack of varied courses, and one reading, “We are paying the same money as the Tampa campus students and are receiving a lot less.” Tim Reilly and Harriet Deer are among the first professors on the campus. Deer walks around campus and registers students for classes on the spot, making change out of a shoebox.554 Students call the campus “an island of youth in a sea of senility.”555

All four academic deans at USF reject the “publish or perish” philosophy for faculty. Dean of Liberal Arts Russel Cooper says, “This university rejects the “publish or

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perish!” philosophy that seems to prevail in some institutions. Research and publication must from naturally out of the professor’s genuine interests as her pursues problems that strike him as being truly significant.” Dean of Basic Studies Edwin Martin says, “A fully developed university has many responsibilities which may be conveniently arranged in three categories: Teaching, research, and community service. To neglect any of the three is to be something less than a mature university. Not every member of the faculty has the interest and the talent to do the research, at least in the strict sense. At the University of South Florida, then, a faculty member will be successful if he teaches well, if he does research well or if he works on a combination of the two functions.” Engineering Dean Edgar Kopp says, “Research [that] is performed solely for the purpose of publication has little to say for itself in terms of raising the academic level of an institution or of individual faculty members. Publications are a by-product, not the goal. Business Administration Dean Charles Millican says, “Many faculty members must make individual [research] contributions. But, in all of this, we must not forget that the main function of the university is to teach students.”

An unofficial student humor magazine called “Bullseye” is banned from the University Bookstore for offensive cartoons.

After running the library with no fines for its first two years, the library now imposes hefty fines for late books. Before the threat of fines, students often hoarded books until the end of the semester. The library spends $3,000-$4,000 annually to

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557 O 4/12/65.
replace lost books or replace damaged ones. There is also trouble with students removing assigned pages from books and journals, leaving the rest of the class without materials.\textsuperscript{558}

Kay McKay becomes the first USF student to earn a Fulbright Scholarship (and at 16, USF’s youngest student). She has just earned the Woodrow Wilson Award, and will now conduct graduate studies at the University of Caen for one year before applying to Harvard.\textsuperscript{559}

USF’s bookstore refuses to sell chewing gum to students, but will sell to staff or faculty “under the table.” Allegedly, administration has restricted gum sales to prevent or slow the defacing of equipment and furniture.\textsuperscript{560}

Campus Edition devotes a column to the rising trend of men wearing beards. Students and faculty are taking to the trend, and some professors are mistaken for “beatniks” when off campus.\textsuperscript{561}

Intercollegiate athletics begin with USF’s soccer team taking on Florida Southern, winning 4-3. The game is part of a 10-game season, with a homecoming game against UF in October.\textsuperscript{562}

Yoon-Ja Susanna Chung is a student from Seoul, Korea. When she interviewed while applying to USF in 1964, her brother (Dr. Chung of the Physics department) served as interpreter. One year later, she is fluent in English and is a math major, who hoped to teach in Korea after graduate work at USF. When asked about differences between the two countries, she said, “When Korean boys and girls go to the university, they are no longer children—they are adults. Korean students are very serious and they

\textsuperscript{558} O 5/10/65, O 6/28/65, O 11/15/65.
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discuss political and economic problems and they seem to have more responsibilities than American students [who] are so casual and care-free. American students have a longer childhood and I think this is good. They can study and still jump around and have fun.” Susanna is uncomfortable trying to emulate the fun loving attitudes of her peers. “It is not like me. I am more serious. And American girls worry too much about dates. The names [of boyfriends] change so much.” She is also perplexed by the widespread dieting in America.563

USF’s Herbarium collection grows to almost 70,000 specimens. Exchanges of specimens have occurred between USF and institutions in India, Canada, South Africa, Britain, Scotland, Holland and Denmark.564

A Gala greets new and returning students in the fall, with dances, concerts, exhibits, films, and a concert by Junior Walker and the All Stars.565

As U.S. involvement the Vietnam War escalates, demonstrations begin around the nation. Campus Edition writes, “Within a few weeks you may be approached to join in demonstrations to protest America’s involvement in Vietnam. The Campus Edition hears reliably that demonstrations … aren’t just the spontaneous outbursts of indignant individuals. They are engineered by persons identified with subversive or militant left-wing socialist groups [who are planning nation-wide protests]. Can it happen here? Propaganda from one communist-controlled organization has circulated nearby. A left-wing group has held meetings in the state. Should you be contacted on any such proposition, report it to SA and administration leaders. We believe USF students are too smart to be used for obnoxious propaganda purposes.” In November, students start a

563 O 6/28/65.
564 O 6/21/65, O 10/11/65.
565 O 9/7/65.
petition supporting Johnson’s Vietnam policy, with the Young Republicans endorsing it.\textsuperscript{566}

About 2/3rds of USF’s student body commutes to campus. Although there is a nap room in the basement of the UC, it is hot, the cots are hard, and noise from the nearby laundry and billiards rooms is constant.\textsuperscript{567}

For the second time in 6 weeks, the SA meeting fails to produce a quorum because of lack of attendance.\textsuperscript{568}

Governor Haydon Burns pushes a massive road construction program for the state while slashing education funds. Educators protest loudly, claiming that Burns said nothing of his priorities while running for office. USF’s Young Democrats and Young Republicans unite to denounce the governor’s plan.\textsuperscript{569}

When English department chairman Dr. James Parrish cancels a coffee hour reading of Jack Kerouac’s poetry, students stage a march of protest, demanding academic freedom on campus. Former Speech instructor Gerard Wagner and student Terry Tassem were the scheduled speakers. Student protestors carrying signs marched around the UC to the Administration courtyard (where they circled several times) and back to the UC again. A crowd of 200 students observed, with some joining in. When protesting sophomore Jim Vandewalker spoke to the crowd, some heckled him and chanted “red, red, red…” Other students spoke to the crowd before Pete Gladue began reading some of Kerouac’s work, a piece that reads in part, “I got dressed up and went out and got laid.” The selection brought shouts of derision from the crowd. After one hour of protests, the

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\textsuperscript{568} O 10/11/65.
\textsuperscript{569} O 11/1/65.
class bell and impending rain broke up the gathering. Faculty had wrestled with a proposal to bring Kerouac to campus in the “Meet the Author” series, but it was never pursued. About the time of the protest, Kerouac contacted USF and said that he did not wish to visit.  

Students form a committee promoting intercollegiate football on campus. Co-chairman Pat Paleveda prints literature at his father’s print shop, including cards that read “Why Not? Intercollegiate football at USF.” The committee urges students to pin the cards to their shorts while on campus, but asks that no demonstrations take place. Six days after forming, the committee meets with President Allen, who advises them that the money to form a team (at least $250,000, not counting salaries) simply is not in the budget, and the legislature will not provide it.

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools grants USF accreditation on December 1.

Enrollment surges to 300 students per week, making the dream of 10,000 enrolled students appear all the closer—perhaps in the fall of 1966. In early December, over 8,700 are enrolled.

USF initiates an Oceanography study program that would operate on both campuses.

SA Presidential candidate John Harper has some unusual campaign ploys, including a worker dressed in a Confederate Army uniform in the UC. Urging students to

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571 O 11/15/65, O 11/22/65.  
572 O 12/6/65.  
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574 O 12/6/65.
“Join the Harper Rebellion.” When a student asked the worker what Harper was rebelling against, the worker replied that he did not know.\textsuperscript{575}

Ernest Boger, USF’s first black student, graduates with a degree in Psychology.

Construction of Engineering building begins.

USF granted membership in the Southern Assoc. of Colleges and Schools, bringing with it full accreditation.

Research grants total a quarter million dollars.

USF starts first Upward Bound and head start programs for disadvantaged/minority preschool and high school students.

Speakers, concerts, theater productions: humorist, publisher, and TV personality Bennett Cerf; special assistant secretary to the assistant Secretary of State, Turner B. Shelton, on the growing conflict in Vietnam; USF opera workshop production “Marriage of Figaro.”

\textbf{1966:} Workers from the Hillsborough County Health Department find two cafeteria workers carrying salmonella and shigella organisms. USF administrators suspect that these workers were behind the recent outbreak of intestinal viruses and diarrhea. The health workers inspected the cafeteria after students circulated a petition complaining of unsanitary conditions and foreign objects (usually staples from food crates) in the food. Over 500 students signed the petition.\textsuperscript{576}

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The newly-enlarged bookstore has met with much success because of sales of records (LP’s) and art prints. 577

USF receives two research grants for zoology and chemistry students to help professors with research. The grants total $25,480. 578

Dr. Robert Egolf announces that the Student Health center will not prescribe birth control pills or provide any information about them. All inquiring students are referred to a local gynecologist. 579

When conservative author John Stormer is invited on campus to speak about his book on Communism “None Dare Call it Treason,” USF’s Young Democrats committee on Extremism follows the story. The committee finds that Stormer has slandered numerous elected officials and uses sloppy citations. Campus conservatives cry foul, saying that conservative thinkers deserve protection. When he finally speaks on campus to a crowd of 900, he suggests that the Vietnam War is being run not by Vietnamese, but by the Communist International based in Moscow. Stormer suggests that the US cut off trade to all communist nations to cripple the Vietnamese war effort. In an unrelated matter, student Pete Gladue submits a mock test to the Campus Edition, a test said to determine patriotism. The test is laced with numerous Cold War references and is meant to mock conservatives and zealous anti-communists. Some of statements include: “Make war on those you profess to love. This is very American. / If your father pays social security, income tax … turn him in immediately. / Report USF to the House Un-American Activities Committee. It is federally subsidized, and that’s creeping socialism. / Buy America. Do you want the Indians to get it all? / Remember, the flag is like the

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cross. Carry it wherever you go. (It would also help to take your mother along.) / Don’t be fooled by the National Defense Education Act. Some of that money even goes to English majors.” Days later, conservative students fire back with their own test, this one to determine if you are liberal. Among their missives, “Do you still believe in God, free will, morality and all that other reactionary trash? / Be so liberal as to declare anyone who disagrees with you an extremist. / If they [extremists] try to counterattack, call them McCarthyites. Keep your mind open—to the left. / Tell an anti-Goldwater joke every day, followed by one on the Johns Committee/ Don’t watch TV. The programs are sponsored by fascist businessmen. / Join all groups which advocate surrender to the Soviet Union (inquiries should be sent to Bertrand Russel, London). / Don’t celebrate any national holidays. Celebrate UN Day. / Burn your draft card, and get a second social security card. Take disloyalty oaths—see Pete Gladue. / And remember, what’s good for the USA should be the last consideration of a true liberal.”

The TV show “Batman” has caught on with students, usually as comic relief. Alpha Hall arranges for screenings in the UC to ease the crowds in the residence halls. Hordes of students jam into the UC’s TV room to laugh at the show on an 8 by 10-inch screen.

WUSF evolves to attract more student listeners. Weekly formats include opera, jazz, discussion sessions, drama, and a variety show. A headline in the Campus Edition boasts “from Bach to the Beach Boys.”

Campus facts: 1.8 million acres of land; 35 miles of water lines, pipes, cables, ducts and storm drains; USF uses as much energy as a city of 10,000, such as Plant City

580 O 1/24/66, O 1/31/66, O 2/14/66, O 2/21/66.
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582 O 1/24/66.
or Bartow; bills for one month of operations include $12,000 for electricity, $9,000 for gas, $6,300 for phone (long distance not included), 1.16 million kilowatt hours (most homes average 17-18 kwh per month), and 20 million gallons of water (from five wells on campus).\textsuperscript{583}

Vending machines on campus: 16 for candy, 16 for cigarettes, 14 for soft drinks, 8 for milk, and 8 for sandwiches.\textsuperscript{584}

The Bay Campus operates the “Spider’s Web,” a coffee house renovated from an old military office building. The décor includes many trappings of bohemian the emerging counterculture, such as black walls, violet lighting, and dark imagery. Eleven students volunteer their time to complete the renovations, and the web frequently features comedy and music performed by students.\textsuperscript{585}

Electrical engineering major Bob Serina invents a contraption called the “Blinky Box.” It is a box with several multicolored lights that blink in random patterns. What is it for? “It’s to look at, like a picture. And the best part of it is that you can look at it in the dark—which makes it sort of sexy.”\textsuperscript{586}

The US Army Mapping Service uses USF’s help in assembling its star catalog. They are using a stellar photography technique devised by Dr. Heinrich K. Eichhorn, chairman of USF’s Astronomy department. The technique assembles multiple photos that are formed into a mosaic that approximates the night sky.\textsuperscript{587}

New SA President John Harper passes his proposed budget, which raises SA Presidential and VP salaries from $200 to $500. A student protests that the salaries are

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not made public to the students and vows to investigate whether the salaries should be allowed. Other students follow up with a petition. Students are not angry that the salaries exist, per se, but that the student body has been kept in the dark.588

SA Senator Robin Kirk blasts her SA colleagues for apathy, laziness, and inconsequential work while the administration makes deep cuts in services for students. Administration recently cut trimester III from the schedule, required students to pay for dorms months ahead of time (March for the fall semester), and abolished early registration. SA has been under almost constant fire for its weakness, ineptitude, and lack of focus on substantive issues.589

The BOR adopts the quarter system for the SUS, despite the fact that it is unpopular with most students, who cite reasons such as more class time for less credit, and less opportunities for outside employment over the summer. Students also argue that they just switched to the trimester system and have just gotten used to it. Still others believe the state government (and implicitly, Governor Haydon Burns, who upon taking office, announced his acute dislike of the trimester system, allegedly because his son failed some classes and blamed the trimester system) is changing schedules to cover up mismanagement from the top. Dean of liberal arts, Russel Cooper, who has worked under all three systems, says, “Any system will work if you try hard enough.” Despite this advice, many students dislike the quarter system for as long as it is in place, and many make their displeasure known immediately.590

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The Third Annual Florida Poetry Festival takes place at USF on March 11-12. The festival was founded by Dr. Alma J. Sarett, professor of speech, and this year, Robert Lowell attends. In addition to USF, 15 other colleges and universities participate.591

USF hosts the Suncoast Writer’s Conference, where writers commune for lectures, workshops, and discussions to hone their craft. Four of the sessions are open to students, who are encouraged to bring manuscripts to get advice on.592

SA President John Harper warns students in a cryptic message, “The Cannibal is coming.” As it turns out, the rock and roll band “Cannibal and the Headhunters” (with last year’s hit “Land of a Thousand Dances”) is slated to play a concert on Crescent Hill during Spring Spectacular. When the group cancelled their appearance, Harper and other SA officials burned photos of the band in front of Campus Edition cameras. The Marquis eventually play the Spectacular, which is packed with athletic and social events. The tennis team trounces Stetson, but USF lost convincingly to the more numerous FSU in the “swim frosh” events.593

Most fraternity members are commuting students, while the bulk of sorority members are residents. Between 24% and 29% of sorority members are commuters, while 55% to 82% of fraternity members commute.594

Some campus seniors, 150 in all, gather around a bonfire to name the 10 most notable among them: all 10 are in Greek organizations (6 in Talos alone) and only one woman is named. The Aegean staff select their own notables in an attempt to make them more representative. Of the six notables chose by the Aegean, 5 are in Greek

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594 O 2/21/66.
organizations and one is a female (Monica Harty, the same nominated by the seniors). The *Aegean* revises its choices before the end of the semester in an attempt to select students from several disciplines.\(^{595}\)

In addition to the garbage dump (landfill) on the northeast corner of campus, a new landfill is placed on the southeast corner of campus (future site of Pizzo Elementary). Rev. Jim Keller, a campus Presbyterian minister, makes the Campus Edition aware of the impending move, and complains about the excessive smoke for burning trash on the east end of campus. The two dumps flank the campus religious centers on the north and south.\(^{596}\)

USF’s Center for Continuing Education gains in popularity as students become more interested in attending night classes. Enrollment hit an all-time high in night class attendance at 1,165, compared to 581 three years ago.\(^{597}\)

The Federal government announces cuts in the National Defense Education Act. The cuts will put an estimated 875 current USF students out of school, and local banks are not in the business of student loans, saying that a 6% interest rate is prohibitively low. Students put out by the cuts will probably not be able to pay debts because of their delayed graduation. USF students hurriedly write their representatives, and one calls the White House (collect) to protest directly to President Johnson. He was not available. In the weeks after the announcement, President Johnson says that instead of cutting the program’s funds altogether, he plans instead on reductions, bolstered by government-guaranteed student loans by private banks. A student facing an economic crisis goes to see Colonel Kermit Silverwood (USF military recruiter/advisor?), who it is rumored does

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\(^{597}\) O 2/21/66.
not like beards. Instead of receiving help or advice, the bearded student is asked if he is a model university student and is told he will never land a job while bearded.\textsuperscript{598}

A poll among male students reveals their perspectives on several issues. Of the 273 upperclassmen polled, 63\% favor sex before marriage, 37\% oppose it, 50\% want to marry a virgin, 21\% would have sex with their fiancée, 42\% favor sex with a partner who he does not intend to marry, and 13\% wanted their wife or future wife to conduct themselves the same way, 43\% almost never attend religious services, 17\% attend once a month, 40\% attend services once a week or more, 43\% never attend, 26\% pray daily, 10\% pray once a week, 28\% never resort to prayer to solve their everyday problems, 36\% resort to prayer under extreme conditions, 28\% have never prayed, 78\% consume alcoholic beverages, 22\% do not drink alcohol, 11\% drink twice a year, 24\% drink once a month, and 43\% drink once a week or more.\textsuperscript{599}

In a survey of 51 campus coeds (46 single, 5 married), investigators ask what the women want to get out of their college experience. Forty cite education as their main purpose for attending USF, while one came to “learn about life,” and another to “Avoid work for awhile.” On average, the single women date three times a week. Twenty-eight say they do not want to find a husband at USF, nor do they want to get married before graduation. Three-quarters want a marriage and career after college. One woman came to USF to find a husband, and when questioned, had already found one and tied the knot. Two admitted to attending USF expressly to find a husband. Fifteen said they’d like to find a husband at USF, but education is still their main goal. Marriage is such a hot issue that Maas Brothers has a bridal fashion show for coed only in the UC, where students

\textsuperscript{598} O 2/21/66, O 3/7/66.
\textsuperscript{599} O 2/28/66.
model the clothing. The last page of the *Campus Edition* always has local marriage news with photos and descriptions of the clothing worn.⁶⁰⁰

Nineteen national fraternities visit to consider nationalizing USF’s Greek Organizations. Administrators laud nationalization, hoping the move will provide stability for Greek organizations on campus.⁶⁰¹

The Physical Plant begins a massive tree planting program to using already-grown trees to provide “instant shade.” They also install 18 new benches on Crescent Hill, basking in the shade of magnolias, oaks and cedars. When PP personnel remove the unpopular fountain from Crescent Hill to repair its irrigation system, student speculation runs wild, as well as hopes that the fountain will never return. The Campus Edition jokingly reports some students say that oil has been discovered under the hill, which will be used to power the PP. Others say the hill houses a volcano, and the fountain was removed to relieve pressure—some say caused by the hot air regularly running over the hill. Another students says USF’s mascot died, and would be buried on the hill. Civil War cannon and pirate’s treasure were some of the other speculated secrets beneath the hill. Yet another was that a “dirt company” made a lower bid on creating the artificial hill, which will have to built up all over again. Still another scenario is the USF dug out the fountain to get to all the pennies thrown inside.⁶⁰²

After starting the effort in April 1965, USF is ready to publish its own newspaper in the fall. The USF Executive Committee approves the creation of an independent campus newspaper, tentatively named *The Oracle*. Although students repeatedly clamored for a paper with more space to be released on a more frequent basis, the Tampa

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Times was unable to devote the resources to the Campus Edition, which was published once a week. The additional space will allow for a larger staff to gain more writing experience. Dr. Arthur Sanderson, Director of the Office of Publications, is appointed publisher. Campus Edition staff members chose the name. The Times Publishing Co., which also published the St. Petersburg Times and Independent, won the bidding process. The paper will have an initial circulation of 8,000. John Allen praises the new paper as proof of USF’s progress toward maturity.  

The extremely crowded housing conditions of 1965 persist, with many rooms housing three rather than two students. Dorm lounges are still used as makeshift bedrooms. The crowded conditions are exacerbated by USF’s housing policy, which decrees that all non-commuting students under 21 must live on campus. Once the dorms are filled, all enrollment of corresponding students grinds to a halt. Administration sees fit to evaluate every housing unit before giving students permission to stay there. It is the only university in the state to have such a policy, although housing for women is restricted elsewhere. When weighing in on the policy, a Campus Edition writer asked, “Are we attending an institution for higher learning or an all-university kindergarten ruled by resurrected school-marms in grey business suits and button-down collars?”  

A Campus Edition article dispels the myth of a “Phantom of the Library,” supposedly a student who sleeps in the library at night.  

A student-written parody play debuts on campus, called, “Jest of the Golden Beast.” Seniors Shelby Lewis and John Alston wrote the script with some help from friends.

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Lt. Douglas C. MacCaskill, class of ’64, returns to USF after a 14-month tour of duty in Vietnam to speak about his experiences as a platoon leader. After 106 combat patrols under the 3rd Marine Recon Battalion, MacCaskill met with several close calls and earned a Bronze Star for valor. He spoke to three history classes at the invitation of Dr. Robert Goldstein, and said “The morale of the VC is cracking. The Communists cannot possibly win in Vietnam unless the American people fail to defend themselves and the other people in the world who are too weak to defend themselves.” When his unit overran North Vietnamese positions, they found enemy soldiers chained to their weapons to prevent them from fleeing.607

Glamour magazine selects USF junior Alice Crownover as one of the “Ten Best Dressed College Girls in America.” The Nashville native and English Major wins an all-expense paid trip to New York City, where she will be presented to over 1,000 representatives from the fashion industry.608

Early in April a tornado rips across Tampa, causing millions of dollars in damages to Carrollwood, but USF’s Tampa campus is virtually spared. One USF vehicle is turned over and several others are lightly damaged. The tornado destroyed several nearby concrete block duplex homes, used as residences for students. The violent winds destroyed the homes of 6 staff/faculty members, and damaged the homes of nine others. Joe Beckham took shelter in his bathtub when the storm hit. When his concrete block home collapsed, the walls of the bathtub prevented him from being crushed. The twister tore through the engineering research building with 20 students inside. Although 2 doors, 2 skylights, and several term projects were destroyed, no one was injured. The twister
buckled the roof and tore aluminum siding off of a nearby storage building. Swirling winds disintegrated a construction shack, and drove the shrapnel into a cooling tower of the power plant. As the tornado traveled across the north side of campus, it sounded like a “high speed freight train,” according to witnesses. A third of the roof of Epsilon hall came off in the storm, and workers covered the hole with plastic until repairs could be made. The twister drove winds as fast as 600 mph and did almost $35,000 in damages to the campus.\(^{609}\)

Marcia Hall was crippled by Polio in her hands and legs at age three, but that didn’t prevent her from getting a BA degree in Psychology at USF. When she first enrolled, Dean of Women Margaret Fisher helped Marcia to find a roommate who would be helpful and understanding. After a difficult start, Marcia took to her studies and excelled. She says, “There is no part of USF that I am excluded from because I am in a wheelchair. If people hadn’t cooperated with me, I couldn’t have finished college. People have helped me because they knew I was trying.” She worked at the Development Center and met Robert Harold Jaquay, who will become her husband after graduation.\(^{610}\)

The BOR approves four new MA programs for USF: sociology, art, English, and psychology.\(^{611}\)

USF sets a new record when it graduates 860 students in April.\(^{612}\)

A “Spring Soiree” opens the summer trimester with dancing, singing and music. The Red Hot Profs, led by pianist John “Knocky” Parker, is considered to be one of the

\(^{609}\) O 4/11/66, O 5/16/66.
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\(^{611}\) O 3/21/66.
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best ragtime musicians in the nation, and *Downbeat* magazine calls him “king of the wild men on piano.”

After working on the staff of Congressman Sam Gibbons in Washington, USF senior Pat Leatherby becomes a candidate for Temple Terrace City Council.

The Deans of Men and Women issue a warning to students about the consumption of alcohol on campus. A dozen students have been arrested for underage drinking or placed on Disciplinary Probation for drinking on campus.

USF intercollegiate sports includes men’s tennis, baseball and golf, and women’s tennis and swimming.

Enrollment for USF’s summer semester hits a new high with 4,000 students.

Out of a budget of $144 million for the SUS, the BOR approves USF’s request for $7.48 million, including a 3.5% pay increase for teaching and administrative personnel.

WUSF-TV obtains a microwave dish for its antenna, and a transmitter building and tower in Riverview.

With rising food prices and constant theft and breakage, Morrison’s campus foodservice is losing money fast. Over $12,000 was lost in March, and $6,227 in the first twelve days of May. Breakage of plates/cups/etc. and theft of similar items amounts to a whopping $2,000 every month. In the school year 1964-65, the cafeteria lost $24,000

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617 O 5/16/66.
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worth of silverware and china to theft alone. Many students mistakenly or ignorantly throw their silverware in the trash.  

The UC sponsors “The Way Out” coffeehouse event, where area folk singers gather for a concert. Hundreds of students crammed into the UC ballroom to order espresso from ‘beat’ waitresses (straight hair and lots of eye makeup) and enjoy the music. Barry Sims of the Beaux Arts coffeehouse in St. Pete performs, as does Bossa Nova guitarist Dan Finley and several students.

Tampa police arrest two USF students at 2:30 am for “occupying a room for immoral purposes.” The couple were arrested in the female’s home. Both were sentenced to $500 fines or 100 days in jail for their offense. Some students complain to the Campus Edition that an article about the arrest should not have been printed. Many others questioned the legality of such a law.

When a Tampa furniture dealer complains to the state cabinet that his lowest bid was ignored, they order an investigation into the matter. The Cabinet then finds that USF wrongly denied the bid and ordered the university to accept it. An intensified investigation continues.

USF’s Dean of Administration, Robert Dennard, speaks before the Lion’s Club of Tampa in June. He warns that unless the SUS maintains a high-intensity schedule of construction, the state’s colleges will only be able to accept the top 10% of applicants. This would effectively exclude the “average” students from the SUS and relegate them to Jr. Colleges. Dennard said, “I personally have little faith in some of the statistics and

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tests we do in college … they are not to let students in, but to keep them out.” Some Florida statistics issued in 1966 illustrate Dennard’s point. The statistics are even more dramatic when one considers that the 1975 projections turned out to be conservative.623

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The Selective Service System administers tests to college students to ensure they belong there. Students with low scores and low grades are forced into a 2-years term of service in the armed forces.624

Cratos fraternity embarks on a day of running, and two members manage to run 15 miles in less than 2.5 hours. The previous bay area record was 12 miles in the same time.625

New plans are afoot for the new Bay Campus. Administrators plan a marine sciences research institute, an expanded program of upper-level courses for Jr. College grads, and a greatly expanded Center for Continuing Education. The expanded Center will replace the Florida Institute of Continuing University Studies (FICUS), abolished by

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the BOR last year. Upgraded programs include elementary education, and business administration. All freshman programs are to be phased out and new housing erected.626

Sponsored research at USF tops $2.6 million (68 projects) by June. A year ago, comparable figures topped $208,000 in 32 projects. President Allen establishes a permanent research institute to foster increased sponsored research.627

USF hosts the National Education Association’s annual conference in July, and 350 of the nation’s outstanding teachers participate.628

Students spend 2-4 hours registering for summer classes. One student compared registration to warfare, “People endure it, take it as it comes, but no one likes it.” The usual chaotic process is exacerbated by the fact that there is only one day of registration because of a snag in the trimester system.629

The SA impeaches two representatives for failure to attend meetings. The move is seen as a necessary crack-down on representatives who do not attend mandatory meetings and obstruct the legislative process.630

Administration assigns three-letter prefixes to every building on campus, furnishing familiar codes to future generations: ADM, CTR (later UC and MC), BUS, CHE, FAH, etc.631

True or apocryphal? A USF student, who recently finished active duty in the U.S. armed forces, received a post card from a recruiter asking him if he was interested in re-enlisting. It took but a moment’s thought before the student replied in writing, “Yes, I

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have considered re-entering the service. I have also considered howling at the moon. However, I assure you I shall do neither.”

Recent USF graduate Bob Ashford returns to USF to lecture during a UC coffee hour on the contrasts between his alma mater and his home for graduate school, Stanford in California. “In Florida,” Ashford said, “we tend to see the role of the university as one of political neutrality while at Stanford professors outspoken in their beliefs are not looked down upon. Positions which might be considered radical or liberal here (at USF) are considered moderate there. The notion that a university and its professors should remain neutral in pressing issues is not only not held, but rejected at Stanford.” There are no restrictions on alcohol and women’s policies are much more relaxed at Stanford, Ashford said.

USF opens a “Learning Center” for unskilled workers in downtown Tampa with a $460,000 grant from the Department of Labor. The programs offered there will help counsel and train unemployed workers (mostly high school grads) for skilled work. The center will train 120 students by day and 80 by night.

USF hosts a program called Upward Bound that helps students from low-income families go to college. Two hundred high school students (upperclassmen, 80% of whom are black) participate in the program on the Tampa Campus over the summer. They live on campus and attend special classes (all integrated) to prepare them for college classes. Class attendance is not mandatory, but students go anyway. “The program makes you want to learn,” said one. The two most common complaints are by no means unusual: the food and the 10:30pm weekday curfew. Among the greatest things participants enjoy:

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the relaxed manner with which the races get along. One said, “I expected trouble before I
got here. I thought there would be a lot of fights, but I haven’t seen any.” Another said,
“I expected them (white students) to be like foreign persons. But after you get to know
them, they’re just like everyone else.” All white participants said they have attended
(nominally?) integrated schools, but none of the blacks have. One white girl said, “My
parents don’t accept the fact that I’m living with a Negro. They were shocked.” Bill
Keegan, the RA in charge of some of the boys said, “I have to admit that I was surprised
that there has been no trouble. [T]hey are not merely getting along, but forming close
friendships.635

Drug use increases on campus, prompting experts to discuss LSD with students.
The UC presents a symposium on LSD and other psychedelic drugs. 150 students attend.
In the meantime, students drain gardening stores of morning glory seed (thought to be a
cheap form of LSD) and convenience stores of cigarette papers. The interest is so great
that “There wasn’t a morning glory seed for sale in Tampa,” panelist Dr. T.W.G.
Solomons said. Washington announces that a special corps of undercover agents will
investigate the use of LSD on college campuses. One of their missions will be to gauge
how widespread the use of the drug is by students—some say 30% use the drug.636

A festive weekend welcomes students back for fall classes. It includes raffles, a
Combo Party featuring music by the Go-Mads, a display of several “high camp” films
(“High camp is something that so far ‘out’ that it is ‘in.’”) like “Free to Love” with Clara
Bow, a performance by the Mitchell Trio and the Bad Boys, a poolside Jazz concert, and
billiards and table tennis tournaments. The Mitchell Trio features songs that make fun of

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the KKK, John Birch Society, Alabama Governor George Wallace and his wife. They sang for so long that their soloist—a young John Denver—was a bit hoarse during his solo set.637

Enrollment nears 9,000 in the fall, finally peaking at 9,079, a 15% increase over the student population a year ago. The heavy crowds make registration take longer, and sidewalks are noticeably crowded. Parking woes increase, with numerous complaints from students and tickets ($1) from police. USF begins its long-standing tradition of temporary parking lots. 392 additional students cram into the dorms.638

USF’s Greek organization go national: Arete joins Phi Delta Theta; Enotas joins Sigma Alpha Epsilon; Kappa Iota Omega joins Lambda Chi Alpha; Verandii joins Sigma Phi Epsilon; (and for sororities) Fia joins Kappa Delta; Fides joins Delta Delta Delta; Paideia joins Delta Zeta. Several organizations do not choose their affiliations right away.639

Between March 1965 and September 1966, 70,000 people have visited USF’s planetarium.640

Although student attire seems less formal than ever, the Oracle publishes a guide for dressing on campus for men that seems more appropriate for the 1950s. Among its more dubious recommendations: 6-12 ties, 1 tuxedo, and 2 suits. The guide only recommends 3-5 pairs of shorts, and does not mention sandals, swimsuits, or any of the

637 O 9/6/66, 9/14/66.
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more trendy clothing of the time (bandanas, cut-off jeans, army fatigues, moccasins, etc.).

USF students receive $1 million in financial assistance during the 1966-67 academic year.

In a speech at the beginning of the fall session, President Allen outlines USF’s goals for the near future. They include: production of promotional materials for a medical school; graduate studies expanded to 18 areas; despite stretched schedules faculty have been involved with graduate students and research of their own; research funds up to $2.27 million in September; expanded continuing education programs; and a marine science program at the campus in St. Pete (which the BOT approves).

USF offers 1,000 courses and 75 majors and hired 98 new faculty members to begin in fall 1966.

WUSF-TV 16 begins broadcasting 6 hours a day, 5 days a week. The station offers shows for children (“Miss Nancy’s Store”), in addition to educational programming presented by USF faculty. Dr. Merle Dimbah, marketing professor, offers reports on the stock market. Dr. John “Knocky” Parker presents a show featuring silent films.

The maintenance department says that vandalism is on the decrease on campus, but $110 worth of aluminum letters are stolen from the sign at the main entrance.
Students from USF’s Greek organizations form an SG political party: “Students for Responsible Government.” While the organizers are still considering the levels of non-Greek participation, they said that all are welcome. The SRG Party sweeps the SA elections in November, electing all but one of their candidates.647

The Student Court of Review grants an injunction against the Young Republicans for illegally distributing campaign literature on campus.648

Administration has four proposals of how to utilize the Bay Campus in an experimental manner: a less-structured honors program; a program for “marginal” or disadvantaged students; an integrated honors/marginal program, where the honors students serve as tutors when not in their advanced seminars; or a general program for “atypical” (older) students.649

In an attempt to handle increasing students, Library Dean Elliot Hardaway seeks $10 million for a new upperclassmen/graduate library building. These present library was meant to handle 10,000 students, a figure that USF will top next year.650

Homecoming 1966 includes a lecture from award winning cartoonist Bill Maudlin (G.I. Joe and Willie), intramural sports events, and performances from the MK III Jazz Trio, The Highwaymen, the Charlie Byrd Trio, and Tommy James and the Shondells in the gym. The bonfire reaches 40 feet in height, 1,300 attend the Shondells concert, USF’s soccer team defeats the undefeated Gators, a Tau Kappa Epsilon helicopter buzzes the campus, another crowd of 1,300 watched the Charlie Byrd Trio, MC Jack Espinosa brought down the house with his Spike Jones imitation (a la Jerry Lewis), and a rousing

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performance by folksters the Highwaymen. The *Oracle* editorializes that Homecoming’s success is debatable citing no intense athletic rivalry, no central tradition, and consequently no real drawing power. The writer suggests that planning should begin immediately for next year’s festivities, as planning did not begin in 1966 until the summer. Another student criticizes the fact that just as the soccer game began, the attending alumni were carted off to a local country club for a golf tournament.  

A leftist protest group applies for recognition from SA. Called the “Students for Peace and Freedom,” and after a month, recruited 15 members. The group’s agenda is for an end of hostilities in Vietnam and an alternative US policy to war. They said they would resort to demonstration if and when necessary. After a debate on the radio, many callers denounced the new group and their views. One of their candidates is excluded from the elections due to a technicality, angering the group and drawing the ire of Dean Wunderlich.

A near-fire evolves into a full-fledged party after smoke fills the cafeteria. A match is found in a vent, and is believed to have caused a fire there, feeding on insulation and accumulated dust. Students studying and eating leave the cafeteria with plates and books, and eat on the lawn. Others gather behind the cafeteria to see the firemen come and go, and heckle them with cries of “Burn, baby, burn!” (The phrase recently made popular by rioters) Then USF rock band Joe Bill and the Playboys play an impromptu set on the lawn near the resident halls, 90 minutes after the smoke first appeared. 150 students attend.

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WUSF-TV introduces a show in Spanish, called “Enfoque,” that will provide a weekly roundup of Hispanic-related news.\textsuperscript{654}

The SA Legislature is alarmed by news that there is a proposal that students may have to pay a $5 parking registration fee on campus, and that fines for violators may be raised as well. Over the last two years, parking space has remained unchanged while enrollment has skyrocketed.\textsuperscript{655}

Gubernatorial candidate Claude Kirk visits campus and speaks to the students in the Teaching Auditorium. He warns that his rival for the post, Miami Mayor Robert King High, would mean inflation for the state.\textsuperscript{656}

A young man calls Gamma 5-East and asks to make a date with the coed on the phone. She identifies herself as Linda Peters, and they agree to meet in front of the hall at 11:30 that night. The young man approaches with two friends for moral support. Twenty women stream out of the residence hall. One blows a whistle, and all the females, clad in trench coats and curlers, all line up along the sidewalk. When the man asks which one is Linda, all the women take one step forward and call out in unison, “Take your pick!” The baffled young man reportedly leaves without a date.\textsuperscript{657}

The liberal arts division plans a new major in American Studies.\textsuperscript{658}

Construction of USF’s golf course begins, athletics director Richard Bowers announces. The complete 18-hole course covers over 7,000 yards and 146 yards. Total

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investment for USF is $250,000, but upon completion the land will be worth $3 million. 659

USF’s United Fund Drive begins with a $7,000 goal. 660

In a speech at the UC, Tampa political raconteur Jim Fair blasts Florida’s politicians from behind a prop of a jail cell. He denounces Congressman Sam Gibbons and his law firm for connections with the phosphate industry, whom they’ve represented. He blasts Senator George Smathers for his financial association with Gibbons and his law firm. He denounced the “lawyers union” as the “vicious most ruthless union” in the nation. Fair also outlined his experiences when he took the City of Tampa to court to try to stop construction of a new bridge to Davis Island. The presiding judge charged Fair with three counts of contempt for his caustic remarks in the courtroom. Fair did not hire any counsel for the case, which he argued in his own colorful manner. Claiming he’s been treated unfairly by the courts and stonewalled by news outlets, Fair thanked USF for the opportunity to speak. UT refused to book him. 661

Hillsborough County police arrest a freshman in his dorm room with marijuana. The acting captain says that he got a tip that students were using and “pushing” narcotics on campus. The deans do not plan on any disciplinary action before the trial. The student, the first at USF to brought up on such charges, was freed on a $1,000 bond. The Oracle runs a picture of a tiny amount of marijuana to show students what the mysterious substance looks like. Just days later, the Oracle runs a piece asking, “Use LSD? Pros and Cons.” One RA admitted he would do the drug in the interest of research on the human mind. Another said that he’d rather eat peyote or mescaline first. Two others said she’d

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only do it if they were in the medical field and were conducting experiments. Four more said they’d try it out of curiosity. Only two say they would not try it if it caused no side effects.662

Gamma Hall coeds give unsolicited advice to Dean of Women Margaret Fisher: abolish curfews (extend them, especially on weekends) because male residents have none, eliminate the bed check, and for Fisher to make herself more accessible to students.663

Some students in Alpha Hall celebrated one of their friend’s birthdays with an unusual prank. They bound, blinded, and gagged the man, then wrapped him in a blanket, walked him into Gamma Hall and put him in the elevator. The young man spent five minutes upstairs going from landing to landing, where increasing numbers of ladies gathered around. On the top floor, a sympathetic coed unsuccessfully tried to untie the birthday boy before returning him to the lobby. A security guard untied the man and questioned him. Other oddities: student returns to find his dorm room a sea of newspapers; a large turtle crawling down the road with a list of dorm rules taped to his shell; a bed check at Epsilon one night finds 50 women not in their rooms; a female reports one of the benefits of living off-campus, namely that she could watch a meteor shower; and a student owns a black 1938 Cadillac that he calls the “gasaholic,” with mileage of 6 miles to the gallon (reportedly for sale).664

Under the quarter system, students fees increase by $40 to $300 per academic year. Campus room and board plans will increase from $671 to $866 per year.665

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The Physical Plant beautifies Crescent Hill with magnolia and oak trees, as well as boulders, shrubs and lights around the fountain.\footnote{O 11/30/66.}

Dr. Luis Conte Atuero, a Cuban exile formerly working for the Castro administration, speaks to students in a lecture entitled, “Is the Caribbean Threat Still Alive?”\footnote{O 11/30/66.}

A student editorial illustrates the new times for college students, “Today the average, middle class American looks at a large part of our campus population, not as the rah-rah, bulla-bulla, all-American boy, but as a dirty, pinko, anti-American slob. … The anti-Collegiate usually considers the opposition as a bunch of jerks who don’t bathe.” Although the writer admits that very few students actually protest, most sympathize with his perspective and activities, but are too “chicken” to join in themselves, largely out of pressure from parents. The result: “A clean shaven face yet a bearded heart.” “This generation is not out to destroy America, only to improve it. The role of making people aware will, hopefully, not be needed in our future. It will be an automatic part of our thinking process.”\footnote{O 11/30/66.}

Foodservice on campus produces the following per day, “750 nine-inch pies, 225 two-layer ten-inch pies, 10,800 rolls, 10,000 cups of coffee, 2,880 eggs, 2,640 doughnuts, 20,000 hamburgers/cheeseburgers, and 2,000 half-pint servings of milk. Tampa’s three cafeterias (UC, Andros (new) and Argos) are expected to serve 27,000 meals a day in 1967. Morrison’s most popular dishes on campus: Salisbury steak, fried chicken, wiener and baked beans, corn on the cob, string beans, eggplant and turnip greens. Only 35 employees work in the kitchen, 115 in the UC, 100 in Argos and 150 in Andros. Andros
is the newest facility, and will handle many of the student residents, while the UC eatery will be cash-only for commuters and people not on the meal plan. The UC facilities will be renovated and a coffee shop set up.\textsuperscript{669}

USF’s soccer team wins the state championship, with a record of 10-0-1. USF blasted the Jacksonville Dolphins 7 to 1.\textsuperscript{670}

WUSF-FM is run completely by students, with one experienced faculty member supervising.\textsuperscript{671}

President Allen authorized only one commencement per academic year, forcing December’s graduates to attend May’s ceremony. Many students are upset, and an Oracle reporter points out that the BOR’s rule for one ceremony is non-binding, as UF and FSU hold two commencements per year.\textsuperscript{672}

USF hosts the 23\textsuperscript{rd} Classroom Teachers National Conference in July, which is sponsored by the NEA Department of Classroom Teachers. The conference follows the convention, to be held at Miami Beach. The conference’s theme, “Organizing for Innovation.”\textsuperscript{673}

USF’s Bay Campus offers elementary teacher’s training to those with some college experience. Over 250 members of the community jumped at the chance to be interviewed for the program.\textsuperscript{674}

In a poll on TV programs, USF pick the best and worst: Top five shows “I Spy,” “Run for your Life,” “Star Trek,” “Mission: Impossible,” and “Jericho”, “The Monkees”

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won best new show, Mary Tyler Moore took best actress, Alka Seltzer/best commercial, “Batman”/worst show in history (followed by “I Love Lucy”), Adam West/worst actor.675

Several black staff members are hired, Eva Pride and Sherman Thompson.

Students and faculty march to protest the use of napalm in Viet Nam.

Theater productions: “Six Actors in search of an author,” “The Good Hope.”

1967: USF kicks off the new year and quarter with an open house featuring music by “The Happenings,” and “December’s Children,” along with Open House Olympics and a Barker hawking products, and a new crafts shop.

USF’s Dean of Administrative Affairs, Robert Dennard, becomes Vice Chancellor of the BOR. His transfer is in conjunction with a host of other promotions and shuffles in USF’s leadership.676

USF students, mostly in Political Science, participate in a co-op program to work as a staff member for a Congressman Sam Gibbons, who hosts these students, one per semester (or quarter, or trimester). This year it is Eric Venable, who said, “I have learned far more about government during my experience in Washington than I thought possible. By attending committee meetings, watching proceedings on the floor of the House, and discussing legislation with members and their staffs, I think I have gained much better insight into the legislative process.”677

Two mentions of USF in print, “Church on the Campus,” by Rev. A. Grants Noble in The Living Church, publication of the Episcopal Church in Milwaukee, and

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“South Florida Welcomes the Greeks,” by Jerry D. Kirkpatrick in *Banta’s Greek Exchange*.678

The library obtains a 4,000 year-old Babylonian clay cuneiform tablet from book dealer Philip C. Duschnes. The message scratched into the clay refers to routine instructions for workers on the threshing floor in the 5th year of King Shu-Suen’s reign.679

Because of constant theft problems in Gamma Hall, campus security and Dean of Women Margaret Fisher dusted an “area” (or objects) with fluorescent powder. When the object was stolen, all of the women in the dorm were subjected to a search with ultraviolet lights. Fisher would not say whether the perpetrator was caught in this way.680

Under the leadership of coach Dan Holcomb, the USF Brahmans dominate college soccer in Florida. Freshman forward Jerry Zagarri, despite having played much of the season recovering from a dislocated shoulder, went on to score 13 points and four assists. The All-State Collegiate Soccer team has Zagarri and three other USF students on the 11-man squad, while two other USF players did not make the vote.681

For the first time in USF history, there are vacancies in the men’s dorms, about 100 in all. The cafeterias switch to a “scramble” system, meaning that students can go forward to the items they want without forming a line.682

Administration unveils new plans for the Bay Campus, including oceanography, and undergrad and grad programs in engineering, education, teacher training, and business administration for 550 students. Leaders are hoping the Bay Campus will attract transfer students from local Jr. colleges. Thirty non-credit continuing education-type

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courses include gardening, education, banking, and problems of the National Council of Churches. Anti-poverty and Peace Corps programs there will be continued. Dr. Ashim Chattrojee (physical science) and Dr. Dean Martin (chemistry) examine the chemistry of seawater in an $11,000 study sponsored by the US Bureau of Commercial Fisheries in cooperation with the U of Miami. All lab work for the project, which tests trace levels of metals (tin, zinc, iron, phosphate, and nitrate), is done at the Bay Campus. Another major project is led by Dr. Joe Linton, a USF marine zoologist, to study the effects of pesticides on marine life, and is sponsored by the Bureau of Fisheries. The BOR gives $79,000 to the Bay Campus’s Marine Science program to improve facilities, and more faculty are hired. Because of new dorms on the Tampa Campus, no freshmen will attend Bay Campus, which was being used as an overflow area for Tampa freshmen with no housing. The Center for Continuing Education on the St. Pete Campus sponsors a Peace Corp training program with funds from a federal grant. Most of the time is spent learning Spanish, as most of the recruits will go to Venezuela.

Undercover agents conduct investigations to gauge LSD use among students. Vice Squad Captain R.D. Ramsey told the Oracle that a Neo-American religious cult known to use LSD has representatives at almost all of Florida’s colleges. Director Arthur John Kleps of the neo-American Church is arrested for possession of the drug. Kleps warned that if the government jailed Timothy Leary, the church would wage a holy war by flooding US prisons with LSD.

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USF’s computer research center opens on the second floor of the new science building. The center has full-time faculty helping guide research and teaching computer programming.\textsuperscript{685}

Southeast Asian authority Kenneth Armstrong presents a lecture and film on Vietnam, its people and problems, called “South Vietnam: Endless Circle?” The Air Force Show Band performs a jazz concert on Crescent Hill.\textsuperscript{686}

Dr. John Iorio, English, boasts about the athletic prowess of his department’s football team in an overwrought letter to the editor. Edwin P. Martin, Dean of Basic Studies, writes a letter of his own, accepting the challenge, “Our team will not compete with Professor Iorio in the composition of ridiculous rodomontade, but will be content to settle the issue on the playing field.” A week later, Ernest Cox (asst. prof. In Arts) denounced Iorio’s wordy letter and announced that a new faculty team, “casually put together but with mighty purpose, shall soon put English to the test.”\textsuperscript{687}

Someone leaves a sign near the fountains in the admin courtyard that reads, “Please do not walk on the water.”\textsuperscript{688}

The American Studies Program is born through the cooperation of several faculty members, with emphasis on one of four areas: literature, history, philosophy, and humanities.\textsuperscript{689}

The gym opens for recreational use all week long.\textsuperscript{690}

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USF Administration and the AAUP negotiate to have the censure of USF lifted. The censure dates back to the Johns Committee in 1961-64.\textsuperscript{691}

Six USF students are arrested during a police raid on the Wild Boar Tavern, three for drunkenness, two for interfering with a police officer, and one, the bartender, for serving alcohol to minors. The police justify the raid by claiming that drug deals had been taking place there involving marijuana and LSD. Once again, Captain Ramsey talks of an investigation of the Neo-American Church, and his agents arranged to buy LSD from Chief Boo Hoo of the church, who was a USF student at the time. The deal fell through, but not before police monitored the man’s phone and telegram traffic. On one occasion, a USF professor unwittingly invited two undercover police to a party at his home. Agents also detected “signs of homosexual activities.” The police have kept the BOR informed of all activities of USF students and faculty associated with the investigation. Former USF instructor G. (Gerard?) Wagner, who resigned last year, co-owns the bar. The Dean of Men announced that no disciplinary action would ensue against the students involved until their convictions. An indignant \textit{Oracle} editorial accuses the Hillsborough Sheriff’s Department of trying to “smear” USF by making allegations and not backing them up. The editorial also thought that unless charges are filed, the Sheriff has no right to pass information on to a BOR investigator. The Sheriff’s office admits that no USF faculty member was involved. The police drop the charges against two students when the arresting officer does not produce any evidence against them. Apparently, the two men were just talking loudly. President Allen meets with

\textsuperscript{691} O 1/25/67.
Caption Ramsey but does not say what transpired. The Wild Boar burned down shortly after the raid.\(^{692}\)

Six more students receive disciplinary action from the dean’s office and Board of Discipline and Appeals. The Board found three male students guilty of vandalizing a car on campus, placing them on academic probation and, for two of them, denying use of their cars on campus. In another case, the board suspended a male student for assault and ungentlemanly conduct toward a coed. Another student is suspended and forced to pay restitution for $384 of damage to a dorm bathroom. Finally, a student was put on probation for stealing a textbook and trying to sell it.\(^{693}\)

SG politics gets another party, called Voice of the Electorate (VOTE). Students For Responsible Government loses the loyalty of Enotas fraternity to VOTE. Several other frats say they may follow.\(^{694}\)

The Oracle establishes an “action line” for students, faculty, staff, or citizens to call to bring up issues or concerns.\(^{695}\)

James Farmer, director of CORE, a non-violent civil right group, and author of “Freedom—When,” speaks to students on campus.\(^{696}\)

After spending a semester at the Bay Campus and making friends there, an anonymous student complains of the coldness of Tampa students. “None of the students here had faces. They were all a mass of necks and hair. At the time of this writing I have yet to see a smiling face. It seems that everyone walks around looking at their feet. Three weeks ago I made the mistake of saying ‘hi’ to everyone I happened to meet… . In

\(^{692}\) O 2/1/67, O 2/15/67.
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return I was given a number of mysterious grunts, foot shufflings and strands of hair blowing in the breeze. The next week, the Oracle publishes an article with 18 pictures of beaming USF students. 697

In a letter to the editor, four Floridian Marines stationed in Vietnam ask for USF coeds to write them. 698

A team of researchers led by Dr. Sylvan Bloch works on a project to study electromagnetic radio signals to advance space capsule communications with the earth during re-entry. The National Science Foundation funds the project with a $44,200 grant. 699

Oracle reprints a St. Pete Times’ editorial on the recent resignation of the presidents of FSU and UF. “Handicapped by political tradition and administrative red tape, Florida has … failed to produce a climate essential to the growth of a truly great university system. Outstanding teachers and scholars will not work—indeed, cannot work—where legislative committees intimidate faculties, where local sheriffs smear university staffs, where politics rather than need dictates expansion, where governors crudely interfere with academic decisions or where university budgets are slashed for political reasons. [S]urely a self-governing nation can devise more orderly participation for students than the campus demonstrations that seem to be mostly a contest for television exposure.” Only one bright spot, the creation of the BOR. 700

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10,500 students attend USF, a 17% increase over 1966, but without any new classrooms. Conditions are crowded.\textsuperscript{701}

Bored resident students enjoy interesting weekend activities. A “Goodwill formal” is a dance party where attendees must wear outfits bought from thrift stores. The worn-looking formal culminated with a mock wedding ceremony. The bride wore an old hoop dress, while the groom wore a tuxedo jacket and swimming trunks. Others camp in front of their dorms in mild weather (the sprinkler system opened up on them early in the evening). Some slept under the open stars to watch an all-night meteor shower. Enotas fraternity goes to Busch Gardens and Schlitz brewery every weekend. “Surfaris” at Daytona Beach are popular. Women go to UF to meet boys, and men go to FSU to meet ladies. A Gamma resident roller skates through the dorm at 3am. A local landmark is an 8-foot hollow cypress tree with a spiral staircase inside, set in the middle of a swamp. But it was destroyed by the tornado of ’66. Epsilon coeds enjoy “grassing,” or riding a cardboard “sled” down nearby hills built up for I-75.

The $1.7 million Engineering building opens in February. The dedication speech is given by R.E. Kirby, executive director of the Westinghouse Corporation, Rep. Sam Gibbons also attends. Kirby closes his speech by saying, “Social sensitivity and ingenuity—they are the traits that will ready and engineer of today and tomorrow for change. It is part of the equation to which all engineering should be dedicated.”\textsuperscript{702}

USF’s new literary magazine is called “The South Florida Review.”\textsuperscript{703}

Marijuana use on the rise, its smell ubiquitous around campus and in residence halls. Possession of marijuana is a felony and carries up to a five year prison term for

\textsuperscript{701} O 2/15/67.  
\textsuperscript{702} O 2/22/67.  
\textsuperscript{703} O 3/8/67.
first offenders. VP for student affairs Herbert Wunderlich said, “It is a statutory problem. We expect students to abide by the laws of the state.” Rumors abound of an undercover police force on campus—one source claims there are five undercover officers and 11 student informers investigating at USF. When asked why people smoke pot, one co-ed said, “Well, you do it because it’s there. Why do people climb mountains?”

Four Florida architects urge USF to “humanize the campus.” They say there is too much distance between buildings with no shade. USF’s architect criticizes Governor Claude Kirk and others for meddling in campus design. Some of their suggestions: covered sidewalks, domes experiment areas, learning areas in the center of campus, and small electric trains for students. A total of 70 architects said their don’t like the campus. Among some of their impressions: “I would be very happy here if I were a car, but unfortunately, I’m not a car. There is plenty of space here for automobiles, but there is no room for people to talk to each other.”; “At least one class period is lost each day by a student because he has to travel too far for materials or to get to a place to study.”; “Florida hasn’t provided money for either landscape studies or landscaping.”; “There is a focus on individual buildings—but not the spaces in between. Important psychological elements have been ignored.”

Lance Corporal Tim Moore of the Marine Corps enrolls at USF as a freshman and shares his experiences. He was awarded a silver star for gallantry when he held his position against an attack of 50 VC and saved the lives of three of his comrades. He is glad to be back in the states but is having difficulty adjusting to college life. “I saw men dying for an idea and many of them were my friends. When I got back here I heard

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people saying that we should get out of Vietnam. They say men are dying for nothing over there.”

Recent magazine articles (prematurely) claim that the Vietnam protest movement is “close to extinction” because of alienation of moderates and a “cold shoulder” from President Johnson.

Fraternities claim that 71% of their members graduate, higher than the 50% non-frat average. A student later questions why grades/grad rates tend to be higher: consolidated notes and study groups.

A coffee house and music emporium called The Eighteenth String opens beside campus by owner and folk musician Rick Norcross. Bluegrass/folk singer Carolyn Hester performs at the opening.

Bill Lupole and Ernie Charette write “Is this space taken?” the senior satire for 1967 (sponsored by the senior class and written and performed solely by students).

One night at 10:20pm, someone throws the switch for the campus’s electricity at the TECO substation across the street from Fontana Hall. Predictably, 1,000 male residents pour out of their dorms, some of who enter the female dorms under cover of darkness. When power is restored at 11, police officers arrive to restore order. The male students quickly return to their dorms, and no arrests are made. Dean of Women Margaret Fisher warned the females to lock their door, close their windows, draw their drapes and stay away from the windows. Twenty females opened their windows and

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shouted to the men below. Fisher orders them to read the dorm rules and write papers
about their infractions. 711

USF Foundation receives over $500,000 in donations. Money received for
Marine Sciences Research Program on the St. Pete (or “Bay”) campus. USF gets funds
for a medical school, $6 million in federal funds for construction alone. 712

The Associated Collegiate Press award the Oracle with its highest honor, the “All
American” rating. 713

USF’s Poetry Festival features Archibald MacLiesh. 714

About 500 male students are members of fraternities, about 5% of the student
body. 715

Although sororities accept Jewish members, there is no word about African
Americans. 716

UF’s Alligator prints an account of two UF students arriving to Tampa by bus at
3am, where a hippie offers them a ride to campus. With shoulder length hair and a beard,
they think he must be from Michigan State or Berkeley, but is in fact a “hip” USF student
calling himself “B.” Hailing from San Francisco and unable to attend Berkeley because
his parents would not sign his scholarship, he opted for USF, and having recently turned
21, will transfer to the U of California asap. When asked by the UF students why he
didn’t choose their alma mater, B said simply, “USF is groovier.” “Deeply wounded,”
the students protested, “But … Pamme Brewer … SDS … Alan Levin … peace marches

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713 O 3/22/67.
714 O 3/22/67.
716 O 4/12/67.
… LSD … banana peels … How groovy can you get?” “No man,” B said, “All the action in this state is at USF, and my friends and I are the centers of it.” When asked what was wrong with UF, B answered “Compulsory ROTC,” and that many of USF’s hippies would go to UF if the program was dropped. He bragged that USF “supplied” UF (with drugs), and they could visit his dorm room anytime but Saturday nights, when he had to “Make a run to St. Pete.” He took them to campus. The article closed, “‘We’re just not appreciated in the South,” B muttered as he disappeared in the fog.”

Behavioral Science Prof. H.E. Aseltine objects to seemingly every play performed on campus as lewd and indecent. Although he never claims to have seen the plays, he says they promote pregnancy by college students, citing what others have written. He blames the “free love” movement on illegitimate births, although the figures he cites do not support his argument or specify demographics. An excerpt from one of his long-winded heavy-handed letters to the Oracle, “Let them mouth their vapid twaddle about ‘maturity,’ ‘honesty,’ and ‘reality,’ and the whole reprehensible repertory of sleazy rationalizations to justify the undermining morals, the seductions of the innocent, and the ravishing of womanhood. [‘Tiny Alice’ is] a monument marking the highest level of degradation in the history of USF Theater productions.” Rumors circulate that Jack Moore wrote the letters, signing Aseltine’s name, but Moore writes to deny it and add some thoughts of his own. After saying that he did not write Aseltine’s letters, he said he did consider writing to promote a campaign “against something that happens every year at USF, something alluring and rotten that must be stopped, something that leads inevitably to what Cole Porter sang about, ‘Teens do it, queens do it, on occasion even deans do it.’ What I was going to write about was that we should all try to stop Spring.

717 O 4/12/67.
It has all that nasty business about seeds and germination and fertility. We should all get as quickly as we can to the Fall. So I didn’t write the letter about ‘Tiny Alice.’ But I want to commend whoever did. It’s a little long, but its undercurrent of violence, its lingering upon—I could almost say wallowing in—sex while pretending to be moralizing, is nearly perfect. And who but a satiric master could have imitated the metaphors of edible sex: apples and sirloin steaks and all. So it is with regret that I confess I did not write the letter. Yours for immorality and illegitimacy, Jack B. Moore.”

In a survey of recent USF graduates answered by over 600, 213 say they will pursue careers in business, 201 for graduate study, and 246 for education/teaching. 41 men are in the armed forces. 11 are in the Peace Corps or Defense Department.

Fontana Hall opens, a private student housing building for 800 residents, a welcome addition, especially because the dorms are full—again.

USF Foundation purchases the University apartments on Fletcher Avenue for $550,000, later used as offices.

A new $97,000 Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope is installed into USF’s observatory. The military provided three smaller telescopes for an ongoing project of measuring stars for the U.S. Army Map Service.

A student reportedly takes several library books, wraps them in his raincoat, and throws the bundle out the 4th floor of the building. When someone saw the bundle fly by,
he reported it as a possible suicide. Police rushed to the scene to find the patron collecting his raincoat and stolen books.\textsuperscript{721}

Tampa state Senator Louis de la Parte says that Governor Claude Kirk’s budget trimming (to the tune of $66 million) has dimmed USF’s hopes for a $7.2 million appropriation for a medical school by 1970. Although the medical school was approved by the legislature in 1965, no money was provided. In 1967, USF asks the state for $57 million for construction. In the meantime, Gov. Kirk pledges “no new taxes” but raises tuition by $50 per quarter, with a $90 increase in housing and $105 in food already planned. The fee increase is declared unconstitutional soon after, with the legislature thrown into disarray. Although Kirk does not slash the med school funds, he raises tuition to $150 per quarter, but needs a special bill to raise it from the mandated $130. Tuition is finally set at $125 per quarter. 80% of USF’s capital outlay requests are denied, and no new dorms are set to be built.\textsuperscript{722}

The constant wrangling between the legislature and Governor Claude Kirk frustrates many on campus. Because Kirk refuses to raise taxes and cannot raise tuition, he cuts services and funds for teacher salary increases and other educational appropriations. SG President John Hogue said, “Maybe Gov. Kirk has got his war on crime mixed up with a war on education.” The budget cuts force USF to freeze all hiring.\textsuperscript{723}

Some fear the budget cuts will force professors to search for greener pastures. William H. Taft, director of sponsored research, said that faculty who endured two years under Haydon “Hold the Line” Burns, will be fed up with a third year of tight budgets.

\textsuperscript{721} O 4/12/67.
\textsuperscript{723} O 7/19/67, O 9/18/67.

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Taft thinks 100 faculty members will leave in the next year. Liberal Arts Dean Russel Cooper is not so pessimistic, noting a modest turnover last year. A snafu resulted when USF offered higher salaries to new or returning teachers before budget cuts were announced in the capitol. In most cases, the promised salaries were delivered, making the budget squeeze even worse. President Allen asks faculty to cut down on other expenses such as phone lines and travel expenses.\textsuperscript{724}

USF students are concerned that demonstrations called for by UF and FSU students against tuition hikes might jeopardize the statewide voice of students in Tallahassee, the Florida Council of Student Body Presidents.\textsuperscript{725}

In a speech, Allen denounces the use of universities as centers of social protest. “I am concerned,” he said, “about the manipulation of students from outside. It has been going on in several places. It has been attempted here. I fear it is a cynical effort to exploit the idealism of students.”\textsuperscript{726}

A “VC” organizes on campus with prominent posters, but instead of standing for Viet Cong, it stands for Veteran’s Club.\textsuperscript{727}

USF begins an exchange program with the U of the Atlantic in Barranquilla, Colombia.\textsuperscript{728}

John Audley Grant Jr. becomes the first USF grad to be hired as an instructor, in his case, of Business Law.\textsuperscript{729}

\textsuperscript{724} O 9/18/67, O 9/27/67.
\textsuperscript{725} O 7/12/67.
\textsuperscript{726} O 9/27/67.
\textsuperscript{727} O 5/17/67.
\textsuperscript{728} O 6/7/67.
\textsuperscript{729} O 6/7/67.
The unpopular quarter system begins, cutting classes from 16 to 10 weeks and increasing the credit hours needed to graduate. USF’s deans unanimously dislike the quarter system, which will cost the university $2 million in paperwork changes alone.\footnote{O 6/7/67.}

Due to a dearth of candidates, the SA lowers the GPA requirements to run for student government to 2.2.\footnote{O 6/7/67.}

A contingent of USF theater students take their play “Something Funny Happened on the Way to the Forum” to military bases in Greenland and Iceland. The tour is at the request of the American Educational Theater Association, Defense Department, and United Service Organization. They are flown in with helicopters and transferred from base to base with cargo planes, often flying over massive icebergs. Their first stop was in Thule, with 24 hours of sunlight and 25-degree summer weather 800 miles from the North Pole. Their production draws such praise that they sometimes perform two or three times a day to both servicemen and local civilians. Four days are spent in London attending plays and sightseeing. Among the many memories is the engagement of Joy deBartolo and Don Sadler, who performed as an engaged (or married) couple in the play. The troupe performed 31 times, including a TV appearance, 11 runs of the play, and 17 variety shows. The variety shows were preferred and requested by the servicemen before the tour. Some soldiers had been there for years and never seen a go-go dancer, so the girls gave demonstrations. The servicemen especially liked dancing with the coeds. Miss Tampa Peggy McGrath was designated Miss Cape Athole by the men at the Coast
Guard Radio Site there. The females even gave a “talk-sing-giggle” performance to remote soldiers via ham radio. Russel Whaley led the troupe of 17 students.\textsuperscript{732}

The “kissing disease” mononucleosis infects one student every two weeks.\textsuperscript{733}

Gamma Hall coeds (109 out of 420) answer a questionnaire on premarital sex. The results: 53\% are sexually active; of those, 97\% worried about getting pregnant; 1\% had been pregnant; the pill is the most common method of birth control, with “the rhythm method” close behind; finally, the ladies remained divided about whether contraceptives should be distributed to college coeds.\textsuperscript{734}

About 2,000 students, staff and faculty gather for the “Day in the Park 1896” picnic at Riverfront Park, complete with striped hats and colorful pinwheels. The paper parasols, however, are no match against the heavy rains. Spirits are not dampened by the rain, and many emerge from temporary shelter for more food.\textsuperscript{735}

There are few trees on campus because of projected construction, the locations of power lines are not known, and plantings are expensive. Over the last two years, 215 trees have been planted, with 100 more planned in the fall.\textsuperscript{736}

As of June, 400 ex-servicemen and veterans attend USF.\textsuperscript{737}

After a police officer guns down a black teen in the street, African-Americans riot across some parts of the city, mostly in the Central Avenue black business district. African-American “White Hats,” many of them former rioters, help keep the peace and

\textsuperscript{732} O 6/7/67, 6/28/67.
\textsuperscript{733} O 6/7/67.
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curb the violence. An Oracle editorial says, “This generation is the one that has the necessary idealism to stop this brand of protest. At least, let us start.”

Morrison’s assistant manager is robbed of $2,000 in the UC Food Office after being severely beaten and bound with black tape.

When writing about Fontana Hall, the off-campus housing unit about to open, an Oracle reporter dreams, “Think of it—real steak, private phones, open windows, long pool hours…”

A publication called “The Oracle” begins publishing in the hippie Mecca Haight-Ashbury, San Francisco, but has no association with USF’s paper.

USF’s Attendance Office monitors absent students in two ways. Students calling explaining they will be absent then have their teachers informed if there is an exam or if the students will be out for several days. Professors are expected to report students who are absent often. The Office then contacts the students requesting them to make an appointment with their dean to explain their absences. Attendance secretary Betty McAvay said, “The one [excuse] I that I remember best is the student who pleaded ‘academic apathy.’”

The registration fee for a car on campus is $5 for the first and $2 for the second. Parking fines are $2, $5 and $10 for the first three offenses, and moving violations are $5, $10 and $15. Despite the higher fines, offenses rise over the next few months. Although offenders are equally students and staff, only staff members have had their cars towed.

738 O 6/28/67.
741 O 7/12/67.
742 O 7/19/67.
USF asks for a mental hospital on campus to enhance the capabilities of its medical programs. The $18.8 million VA hospital is mostly planned, the $6.25 million U Community Hospital will be completed by June 1968, and federal grants are in the works to fund med school classrooms. When all the pending projects are complete, USF will have $50 million worth of medical facilities in the immediate area. The BOR approves $75,000 for USF to hire engineers for the new med school.744

Suicide rates among college students are 50% higher than the American public. USF has seen two on campus since opening.745

The Physical Plant’s 7-person landscaping crew have planted 500 trees since USF opened.746

Despite recent vast changes in popular culture and norms among college students, the “unofficial” dress code is still stubbornly in place. Most students are not aware of it and effectively ignore it.747

The increasingly busy intersection at Fowler Ave. and 30th St. is due to get a traffic light. Less than 24 hours before the light is scheduled to go up, a truck kills the driver of a car, also injuring the man’s wife and young child. The Oracle pleads for more traffic lights sooner rather than later. Signals are still needed at the Fowler entrance, at Fletcher and 30th, and Fowler and 56th.748

Dr. Robert Goldstein of the history dept. is suspended for two weeks for using “inappropriate language in the classroom.” (a vernacular term for excrement) Erring student protests draw the attention of the press. Goldstein arrives to WUSF-TV studios

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for a regular program called “Quest” flanked by students, faculty, and journalists. While
he taped the program, students met on Crescent Hill to show support for their
beleaguered professor. Students made it clear that they were there to support Goldstein’s
freedom to teach as he sees fit, not necessarily to oppose the decisions of the
administration.\footnote{O 10/4/67.}

Golf course opens, with 9 out of 18 holes available for play in October. 300
golfers play the course in the first week.\footnote{O 10/11/67.}

The \textit{Oracle} questions whether USF’s private security force is adequate for
handling student protests and/or riots.\footnote{O 9/18/67.}

Out of 29 vacant SG positions, the Students for Responsible Government win 27
in the fall election. Some students fear that the SRG (with predominantly Greek
members) will dominate SG. Despite a jump in enrollment of 2,500 from last year, 200
less students (1,085 total) voted in these elections than in 1966. The SG President and
VP ran unopposed.\footnote{O 10/18/67.}

Congressman Sam M. Gibbons, widely regarded as the father of USF, donates his
political papers to the library.\footnote{O 10/18/67.}

When 30 students organize a protest against the war in Vietnam at the UC,
temper flares almost immediately. A student drops numerous balloons with peace
slogans written on them from the 2\textsuperscript{nd} floor railing, while others on the ground stomp on
the balloons to show their distaste. Other students hold signs across the lobby from the
army information table. A crowd gathers in the lobby, and students begin shouting at

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each other. A sign reading “fight poverty, not people,” is countered with another reading, “Who preserved your right to be here?” Besides the war itself, students protest the “unlimited time, space, and facilities” given to the army for its recruitment campaign.

The Chief of Security James Garner asks the demonstrators to leave, saying they are restricting traffic. A protestor says that the onlookers were the culprits. An officer Clark asks if Garner wants the students moved and then grabs a sign from the hands of a student, tears it up, and throws it to the ground. Another student complains that Garner tore up his sign as well. A student explained his motives, “We want the world to be free from killing. I would not fight. To do so would contradict my love and any hope there is for man.” A month later, 10-15 demonstrators protest in front of the navy recruiting table, where Dean Wunderlich debated with a protestor.754

Dean Russel Cooper questions the so-called “psychedelic” (or mind-expanding) mission of the Liberal Arts College, saying it needs to “assure that fundamentals are emphasized instead of highly specialized or whimsical offerings.” Cooper proposes a three year program to make the college one of the strongest in the nation by USF’s 10th year of operations, beginning the planning process with a conference at Chinsegut Hill.755

Someone paints over a traffic sign that indicates a curve at West Holly and Pine. Shortly after, a car with two-non students failed to make the curve and flipped over. The driver was pinned under his car and went to the hospital, where he was listed under critical condition. Another car was found in some foliage. It was stripped, with all working parts taken off. Security chief Garner warns students that many cars have been stolen on campus recently, and advises that all lock up their vehicles. Another injury

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occurs when pranksters remove a manhole cover and slide it into the drain on the street. A coed fell into the manhole, injuring herself.\textsuperscript{756}

Several campus organizations sponsor a 4-day workshop series on sex, morals, marriage, unwed mothers, abortion, and birth control given by FSU Professor Erwin Hartz. Students question the usefulness of marriage. Recent reports show that 33\% of unmarried women have had sex by age 21, only 10\% of males expect to marry a virgin, and 87\% of females want to marry an experienced man. The day after the workshop begins, representatives from the state attorney and the ACLU debate whether the sale of all pornography should be regulated by law.\textsuperscript{757}

At the urging of the SA, the BOR launches a study to determine if USF should add football to its athletic program. Administration resists the proposal urging football and basketball for five reasons: neither economically feasible; athletics would deemphasize USF’s “Accent on Learning”; the community would not support the sport; pro football is causing college ball’s “demise”; and corruption and gambling would become prevalent on campus.\textsuperscript{758}

Lambda Chi Alpha becomes first Greek organization on campus.

Curfews in the girls’ dorms are extended to 2am, much to the satisfaction of the students. There are only two complaints. The men are disturbed by others coming home later than usual, and one female complains that it makes for a long night if you do not like your date that evening.\textsuperscript{759}

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\textsuperscript{757} O 10/25/67, O 11/8/67.
\textsuperscript{758} O 11/29/67.
\textsuperscript{759} O 10/25/67.
Fall Frolics are a success, with concerts (including The Associations) and other activities modeled on a Roaring Twenties theme.\footnote{10/25/67.}

A transfer student is outraged when he flies his girlfriend in (over “1,000 miles… the biggest mistake I ever made.”) for Fall Frolics. “Fellow students were dressed in anything from bare feet and sandals and Bermudas to skirts and blouses and dresses. I was ashamed to admit I was a student at USF.” The décor for the dance was non-existent (“not even one lousy piece of crepe paper hanging”), the band unpolished, only two bleachers for seating, and no eateries open after the dance.”\footnote{11/8/67.}

A group of students successfully requests that foodservice providers cut down the number of entrees in favor of bigger portions and better quality. Complaints persist of greasy food, cold entrees, watery drinks, and dirty silverware.\footnote{10/11/67.}

The \textit{Oracle} chastises students for complaining about foodservice without going through the channels that might make the criticism constructive. Students circulate rumors that Morrison’s rakes in enormous profits, and some threaten “drastic action” against the company. In fact, of the seven years Morrison’s has been on campus, it lost money for five of them (it made profits in 1964 and 65). The cafeterias lose $1,000 every month in stolen silverware and broken dishes. In the year leading up to October, Morrison’s lost $14,000 in theft and breakage. When students ask why they are required to purchase food service at all, it is explained that the revenue supplied by foodservice provides security for loans toward housing.\footnote{10/25/67.}
A nasty digestive virus infects some 500 students. The Argos cafeteria may be to blame. This news comes on the heels of constant complaints about foodservice, to which the administration responded that a monopoly is given to foodservice providers for better safety from illnesses like the one so common at this time. Raymond King, the supervisor of housing, is called “Slumlord” by students. He balks when asked by the SA to answer questions on the virus for 35 minutes. Some students are put off by his “paternalistic” attitude and say that King is not interested in finding out the cause of the outbreak, citing his random survey of just two dorms. Fontana Hall, which has its own cafeteria, experienced almost no cases of the virus.\textsuperscript{764}

It was about this time that Leo Gallagher, who later became a stand-up comic and ran for governor of California during the 2003 recall, released a dozen pigs on campus to protest Morrison’s monopoly.\textsuperscript{765}

Twenty-five to 30 conscientious objectors to the Vietnam War attend USF. Two professors act as advisors to COs.\textsuperscript{766}

USF has difficulty keeping janitors on the job. The biggest problem is the wage offered, $1.30-$1.40 an hour, in contrast to $2.50 for “local help.”\textsuperscript{767}

130 students are enrolled in the education program as specialists in mental retardation. 60 are graduate students. Eight hold fellowships that are the only of their kind in the area.\textsuperscript{768}

The SA writes a student bill of rights for those enrolled at USF.\textsuperscript{769}
Two new faculty members share their impressions of USF. Sotirios Barber (Political Science) complains of the jukebox noise in the UC coffee shop, saying, “Having music in a coffee shop is like having a brass band in the Athens Square where Socrates talked to his followers.” Dennis E. Knab (Political Science) is impressed by the soccer team, having played once himself. He is much less impressed with the school spirit among the students and populace. “Tampa apparently does not regard USF as its school. The people in this city feel it is infiltrated with left-wing elements. However, I think it is one of the most conservative schools I’ve ever seen.” Knab also feels there should be more trees and less sand on the grounds. He also feels there should be more students hangouts, like a tavern.\footnote{O 11/8/67.}

Students get two slots for representatives on the University Senate, but have no say in the agenda, which essentially undermines any of their power.\footnote{O 11/8/67.}

In a letter to the Oracle, a student rails against the corporate ties of the BOR and lack of academic freedom at USF. “We don’t have a constitution, a bill of rights, [or] a clearly specified code of conduct. They preach maturity, adulthood, and responsibility, but practice a course in ‘parent’ role-playing! Welcome to the University of South Florida. We supposedly thrive in the cradle of freedom, clear thought, and intellectual expansion, but, in all actuality, we are entrenched in the dark hole of paternalism, suppression, and intellectual stagnation.” Another student fires back with a letter of his own, writing, “The only intellectual void to be found on this campus is on the East Patio of the University Center everyday around noon, in the camp of the uninspired. The boys
hide behind profusions of hair, the girls taking illogical drags off their cigarettes … while the young men and women of tomorrow pass them by … forever.” 772

Because they represent USF, students in the Cooperate Education program have not been allowed to wear sideburns, mustaches or beards since 1963. 773

President Allen vetoes the provision for a student traffic court in the constitution. Students mobilize to include the court in an amendment. 774

Three male and 2 female students are arrested for drinking beer on the fringe of campus near 50th street. 775

US Rep. Claude Pepper speaks to students, defending President Johnson’s escalating military involvement in Vietnam. 776

USF’s championship will not be invited to NCAA tournaments or festivities because it is not a member of the Association. 777

USF is about to receive its 3rd generation of computer. The IBM 1401 became obsolete just years after installation in 1962. Now the IBM 1410 needs to be replaced, and the computer lab moved from the administration building to the Science Lab.

The Oracle prints the entire class schedule for the new quarter in late 1967. 778

The SA spearheads a drive to support the inclusion of intercollegiate football and basketball at USF. 779

Ten USF students are included in the Who’s Who of American Colleges and Universities. 780
Governor Kirk names College of Education Dean Jean A. Battle to his 45-member “Brain Trust” meant to tackle Florida’s pressing problems in education. Other USF members on the trust: Mark Orr of liberal arts, William Young and Jefferson C. Davis of science, Irving Deere of humanities, and Robert Shannon of education.  

Kirk asks the Brain Trust to come forward with proposed solutions to the education crisis (mostly fiscally-oriented). Michael Stolle of the U of Miami argues for a state income tax, but also strikes against politics, “The control of state education must be removed from partisan politics and this includes the State Board of Education, county school boards and county school superintendent. We should have separate elections for school issues.” USF College of Education Dean Jean A. Battle says the problem is one of finance. “We can get financing if we are concerned with the number of contracts, grants, and the number of students we have. Then we’ll be in the numbers game. But first we must reward research that makes good teachers and reward good teaching and determine that merit pay must be based on how well the teacher relates to students and how well he teaches.”

Rodney lane of FAU calls the meeting “an exercise in futility … we’re standing in rubble while contemplating Utopia.” Heated arguments ensued over the charge of the brain trust. Dean Battle said, “We decided since the governor’s commission was designed to make a long-range study we should not comment on the immediate situation. The word ‘crisis’ was used time and time again during the resolution debate. I’m certain

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we all feel there is a crisis [now].” Kirk is said to want to steer the brain trust away from present policy that might hurt his reputation, instead focusing on long-term plans.  

Led by director Mary Lou Harkness, library personnel lobby for academic status for “University Librarians,” which would bring increased pay and research privileges.

“USF has not escaped the so-called ‘Drug Revolution,’” an Oracle piece reads, entitled “Pot at USF: ‘Everybody’s Tripping In Their Own Reality’” “Even a few fraternity men have temporarily set aside their hip flasks to experiment with hallucinogens. There is much paranoia among drug users. There are rumors of busts and theories about the presence of narcotics investigators on campus.” The article, in which the columnist goes undercover to a gathering of pot users, has no author associated with it. Capt. RD Ramsey, head of the county’s Vice Squad, replied when questioned, “Do you think I would tell you what we are doing?” Several students claim to have proof of an undercover investigation on campus with 11 informants and 50 to 60 targets for investigations. Student opinions on pot use, “It’s fun, that’s all. It’s a vice but isn’t necessarily un-American.” “I don’t know why I first did it. I do it now because I realize things more. I don’t know what things.” “You do it because you’re not supposed to. I think it’s all social protest—with somewhat pleasant effects.” “You do it because it’s there. Why do people climb mountains?” “People who are afraid of themselves shouldn’t smoke. One thing that bugs me if a person who knows nothing takes some and he sees himself. He gets scared so he says the stuff is nasty. If it’s horrible it’s you and

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784 O 11/22/67.
you damn well better admit it.” Other students talk honestly about LSD, and one has renounced drugs completely.\textsuperscript{785}

President Allen assigns 3 faculty members to represent their colleagues before the BOR.\textsuperscript{786}

The first mention is made of Lambda Chi Alpha’s “Kidnap the President Day” in the \textit{Oracle}.\textsuperscript{787}

Out of the 171 foreign students on campus, 89 are from Cuba.\textsuperscript{788}

Five USF students have become avid skydivers, or as the activity was called then, “Sport Parachuting.”\textsuperscript{789}


\textbf{1968:} The SUS will not be able to function in quarter 4 if more funds aren’t provided right away, the BOR says. Student enrollment will be frozen at last year’s levels, and many summer courses will not be offered. BOR Chairman Chester Ferguson explains that Gov. Kirk funded the SUS with less money than was requested, at a per-student spending level of 1965-66.\textsuperscript{790}

\textsuperscript{785} O 11/29/67.
\textsuperscript{786} O 11/29/67.
\textsuperscript{787} O 11/29/67.
\textsuperscript{788} USF magazine, O 11/29/67.
\textsuperscript{789} USF mag, O 11/29/67.
\textsuperscript{790} O 1/10/68.
Despite lack of funding USF will stay open during quarter 4 in the summer.\textsuperscript{791}

Due to the financial crisis, new financial aid will not be available for students in Quarter III, only continuing aid to those who received it last quarter. Congressman Sam Gibbons, however, informs students that federally-insured loans will be available from a new program instituted by Congress.\textsuperscript{792}

A Hillsborough County Health Department officer releases his findings on a digestive virus that struck at USF last fall, sickening 500 students. The “Winter Vomiting Disease,” as it is called, infected people from the outside community as well as USF students, and did not stem from food poisoning. In January, an Asian Flu sweeps through the eastern US, forcing some schools to close and sickening 1,000 USF students, 1 in 10, who will pass it their friends.\textsuperscript{793}

On of the issues on SA President Scott Barnett’s agenda: raise student fees to fund a new Student Union.\textsuperscript{794}

In a near-miracle, 10,000 students register for classes in two days. The biggest problem was a lack of space in the gym. Measures are taken to ensure the availability of more space by building an extra door and using the dance floor to collect fees. The Quarter system makes registration all the more crammed and trying.\textsuperscript{795}

Faculty members propose the creation of a problem-solving group for faculty to collectively offer suggestions.\textsuperscript{796}

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\textsuperscript{792} O 1/24/68, O 2/14/68.
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While the issue is still a sore one with USF students, the BOR passes a resolution making student constitutions optional rather than mandatory. Students have unsuccessfully tried to pass a constitution at USF last year, only to be blocked by VP of Student Affairs Wunderlich. Students try to pass a student bill of rights by circumventing the Student Affairs committee through SA. Wunderlich opposes some of the provisions, among them one that requires procedures and rules for disciplinary action, and the phrases “freedom of mobility” and “due process.” Wunderlich does not want disciplinary and appeals hearings to be “adversarial” or wrapped in legal terminology. Students want clear and consistent procedures, not an “every case is different” mentality. They argue that such rules would reduce the numbers of controversial cases like the current one involving a suspended freshman. SA President Scott Barnett said, “The SA feels the students should be afforded the same protection as any other citizen, and that by virtue of his being a student should no longer imply that his civil rights are inapplicable within the university environment.” The Oracle adds, “It is notable that the student handbook devotes one page to student rights and four pages immediately following to a ‘code of Student Responsibilities.’” The SA Legislature overwhelmingly approves a student bill of rights, and Wunderlich praises it as a “real improvement” over former versions.  

The SA scraps the student bill of rights because amendments by the administration have watered it down. Chairman of the Constitutional Revision Committee Steve Anderson said, “We have found a weak but workable bill has been converted into a Bill of Student Responsibilities, and Student Limitations. President

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797 O 1/10/68, O 1/24/68, O 2/14/68.
Allen has changed the small but important words ‘shall’ and ‘will’ to ‘may’ and ‘should,’ or has deleted them entirely.\textsuperscript{798}

The SA asks the BOR to revise its manual to encompass some of the principles put forth in the new USF student Bill of Rights.\textsuperscript{799}

After Selective Service Director Lewis Hershey threatened to induct all protestors first, the \textit{Oracle} points out that it has not been acted upon, and Sen. Edward Kennedy supports a bill that would make such tactics illegal.\textsuperscript{800}

Lance Corporal Hutch Church, serving in Vietnam and dumped by his girlfriend, appeals to USF coeds in a letter for correspondence. The pleading letter reads in part, “Alas, someday upon my return from this desperate and horrible war, I shall pluck the daisies from that very garden of loveliness [USF]. Meanwhile, as I risk my very life on patrol after patrol, I must satisfy myself with the memory of the round-eyed American girl. Your unselfish response will make me a tiger, a ruthless wanton on the battlefield. And, oh yes, those of you who write me and love me, please send a picture of yourself … so that I can carry it into battle, as the knights of old carried their beauty’s silk scarf on the jousting turf.” Church plans to attend USF upon his return.\textsuperscript{801}

The College of Education further dedicates itself to urban problems in education when it becomes involved in the Model Cities Program. Profs Bruce Cameron and Richard Brightwell wrote in a paper, that as Florida’s only urban university, “in addition to general education functions, [USF] may have some special utility for the area in which it is house and indeed, as a tax supported institution, may owe some services to this area

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\textsuperscript{799} O 3/6/68.
\textsuperscript{800} O 1/10/68.
\textsuperscript{801} O 1/10/68.
beyond the instruction and research which comprise its principle academic functions.”

The profs support the creation of an institute that would tackle urban problems by offering elected official brief government courses, providing local officials with information services, and researching problems in cities. Dean Jean Battle says older universities are usually too rigid to tackle such problems, but that USF is young and flexible enough to do so. 802 The problems are serious in the slums, such as “poor family structure, poor nutrition, absence of male influence, poor health habits and absence of family cohesion.” 803

161 students participate in Cooperative Education’s work study programs, where they are employed for about 3 months in their fields of study. 804

The College of Education’s building opens for classes, the Oracle writes, “The only one in America.” 805 The dedication activities last several days, beginning on Monday the 22

nd with the 6 th annual Sarah Olive Rush Lecture in Business Admin Auditorium. Dr. Harold Goes, president of Educational Facilities Laboratory, gives the speech on “Two Cultures in the Educational Revolution.” Among the guest speakers at a symposium the next day will be Secretary of Labor Williard Wirtz and architect Balir Rowland. After Wirtz speaks on “Manpower Education and the Urban Problem,” Representative Sam Gibbons will join him for a lunch discussion on “The Future of the Federal Government in Education.” 806 Wirtz’s Undersecretary James Reynolds fills in at the event. 807 Chester Ferguson, chairman of the BOR, calls for more state funds in higher

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education. Gibbons outlines the history of federal support for education, and encourages it to continue.\textsuperscript{808}

The Fourth Annual National Superintendents’ Conference takes place on campus, the first two days coinciding with the College of Education building’s dedication ceremonies. Every such conference has taken place at USF.\textsuperscript{809}

Enrollment for Fall 11,866, or 9,600 Full Time Equivalent. USF has conferred 3,900 degrees, including 189 Master’s level. The BOR authorizes USF’s first doctoral program.\textsuperscript{810}

USF offers two literature courses over TV and radio.\textsuperscript{811}

“Choice ‘68” a survey by \textit{Time} magazine, asks students from 2,500 colleges, including USF, for their opinions on a variety of current events. In a mock election, college students elect Senator Eugene McCarthy as president, giving him 286,000 votes. Robert Kennedy won 214,000 votes, and Nixon got 197,000. McCarthy writes the \textit{Oracle} to thanks the students and inform them that their suggestions will be taken into account when he formulates policy.\textsuperscript{812}

When a USF graduate throws a party, Tampa’s Vice Squad raids the affair and arrests 35. The house had been under police surveillance for several weeks. At least 8 of those arrested were USF students. Charges ranged from illegal drinking to disturbing the peace (laughter and folk singing).\textsuperscript{813}

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\textsuperscript{809} O 1/17/68.
\textsuperscript{810} Fourth Annual National Superintendent’s Conference program, College of Education Scrapbook.
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\textsuperscript{812} O 1/10/68, O 5/8/68, O 5/22/68.
\textsuperscript{813} O 1/17/68.
Hillsborough County State Attorney Paul Antinori says he will call in a grand jury if “enough” evidence is found on marijuana use at USF. Antinori has already launched a full investigation but has not issued subpoenas yet. The investigation began a week after Antinori sent President Allen a letter asking “to what extent narcotic use on our university campus … is being encouraged by faculty members, if at all.” (See Tribune, first Sunday of February for full letter) The letter was prompted by comments made by Prof. Elton Smith (English) that marijuana smoking was a “parody” of the rites of communion. Although Smith wanted to drop the matter, Allen encouraged him to write a letter clarifying his statements, and he did, writing in part, “as a non-smoker and non-drinker, I urge student friends to drop all such injurious habits.” The Tribune also printed an interview with an 18 year-old USF coed that said pot at USF has been so plentiful as to drive the price down from $35 per ounce to $9. The article was accompanied by pictures of students passing pot around. Allen calls the article misleading. Pot’s popularity is on the rise at UF as well, the Tribune reports. Two USF faculty members resign from Antinori’s committee because of the way Elton’s Smith’s comments were exploited, probably because Antinori wants publicity to propel his campaign for Congressman Sam Gibbons’s seat. One student writes the Oracle claiming Antinori is on a witch hunt, writing, “It is high time, it seems to me, that politicians in this state realized that the university is tired or being a political football,” thinking, no doubt, of the Johns Committee’s brazen smears. Antinori visits campus to speak several months later, drawing a crowd of students, some of them picketing with signs that read, “Pot not Paul,” “USF is Antinori’s Steppingstone,” “Antinori grows his own,” Antinori may have a short memory, but we

814 O 2/7/68, O 2/14/68.
don’t.” and “We hate Antinori.” He covered issues such as draft deferment and lowering the voting age, but he conspicuously avoids any mention of his crackdown on drugs and investigations of USF. When a student asks him what he said on a radio program, Antinori says he forgot, so the student reads his exact words to him. After being ignored for some time, a black students asks why there is so much inequality in the school system, to which the candidate replies that there is none. When asked, Antinori says that he objected to a state employee (professor) appearing to advocate pot in a debate. The Oracle replies that open discussion is necessary in an institution of higher learning.\textsuperscript{815}

Just after all the bad publicity, an 18 year-old USF coed is arrested for selling pot at a gas station to another USF student. She was jailed with a $1,000 bond.\textsuperscript{816}

A USF student is arrested when officers search his car, parked in front of his home, and find an ounce of marijuana.\textsuperscript{817}

In a luncheon, President Allen and Sheriff Malcolm Beard agree to cooperate on matters of security and drug enforcement. USF’s security force will be trained by the sheriff’s department and student dorm officials will be educated on illegal drugs.\textsuperscript{818}

Antinori charges that USF has not cooperated with his investigation of drug use on campus, saying he has met with “open resistance.” On the other hand, he says he is pleased with the cooperation he has seen at UT with his undercover investigations. USF administrators say that Antinori had never asked for assistance. VP Wunderlich said, “USF would aid Antinori in an investigation of drug users.” Tampa’s police have made 23 arrests since the probe began last November. A detective accuses students of smoking

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pot in the UC, but that making arrests would be difficult because of legal technicalities
and “administrative attitude.” Some UT coeds said that 21 male students were
questioned by FBI agents using phony affidavits to try to force them to inform on drug
users. A UT administrator says that no FBI agents are involved.819

When public school teachers go on strike statewide, USF pulls 400 interns from
classrooms.820

The College of Education enrolls roughly one-third of the student body, 42%
overload with 37% teaching overload, all amidst a hiring freeze for the college. Business
Admin is overloaded by 12% and Liberal Arts by 4%. The average overload for all of
USF is 6%.821

Guitar is a very popular instrument among students. 44 males in Alpha Hall play
the instrument. USF is also home to a band called the Peasants. Steve Burger, vocalist
and guitar player for the band, says, “We’ve played at the University Center three times,
and every time there’s been a catastrophe,” including blown amp fuses from the UC’s
faulty electricity, humidity that made strings break during 4 songs, and rainy weather that
exacerbated sore throats and colds.822

Two disgruntled USF associates take their cases to the BOR. James Hoffer, who
was suspended for tampering with his food card and rifling a campus vending machine
(shoplifting), asks to be reinstated because of faulty procedures in the disciplinary board.
Charmenz Lenhart alleges that her contract in the English department was not renewed
because of her right-wing political stand. USF officials deny the charge. She appears

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before the BOR demanding a hearing. When Chairman Chester Ferguson told her one would have to be scheduled later, he and Lenhart exchange words loudly, and Ferguson loudly asserts that she would have her say. The BOR eventually dismisses her case, but USF withdraws Hoffer’s suspension at the request of the BOR.823

President Allen submits a report on parking policy to the state attorney general, along with a list of proposals for reforms, including a student board of appeals, reduced fines, a grace period at the beginning of every quarter, loading zones near buildings, and more reserve spaces.824

A new campus organization by and for women is founded, called WHAT (Women Here And There). The group plans to bring female-oriented activities to campus, with two possibilities being a visit by Margaret Mead and makeover sessions by Glamour or Mademoiselle magazines. Other activities: a symposium on riots at universities (the rep from Columbia couldn’t attend due to riots there) a Freshman Commission, helping with orientation, and a leadership conference.825

Raymond King, the director of Housing and Foodservice lifts a rule barring students who live within a 20-mile radius of campus to live in the dorms, now that more room is available, 50 spaces for women and 20 for men. The previously crowded conditions, opening of off-campus apartments, and police crack-down on drugs and alcohol may have prompted the move of students to off-campus housing.826

The USF Press Club is formed.827

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824 O 5/15/68.
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827 O 1/10/68, O 1/24/68.
When several water recirculation pumps give out within weeks, some dorms do not have hot water, a serious problem in the cold month of January.  

One student complains on the behalf of several others that delayed sending of transcripts from the registrar’s office have disrupted applications to graduate schools.

The new golf course is “abused” by students, who do not rake up their footprints in the sand traps. It is known as “The Monster.”

Students for Peace and Freedom, a USF activist group, has busied itself protesting the war and distributing the literature to students and making them aware. The group is also lobbying for the student’s bill of rights. The Veteran’s Club is not overtly political, and encompasses the full range of the political spectrum.

The SPF organizes a march on the RMF-Jackson Products plant in the industrial park, who manufactures nozzles and tail assemblies for missiles. Only half of the 12-member SPF shows up, and no students participate. The march is cancelled.

Some USF students describe the quarter system as a 78-day wake-a-thon, because so little time is available for what amounts to a 15-week course in 10 weeks. Professors were supposed to divide courses to fit the quarter system, but just as often, they seem to (or are forced to) condense coursework into that smaller space.

The Oracle sends a reporter to Tallahassee to provide thorough coverage of the legislative special session on education. There, Rep. Terrell Sessums says, “USF will no longer be second to others in the state university system. The time has come to tie

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financial support with the principle of parity in the schools of higher education in our state.\textsuperscript{834}

The World Affairs Council sponsors a symposium on the Vietnam War at Chinsegut Hill, consisting of professors in international affairs and political science and officers from Mac Dill Air Force Base. A visiting Prof. From the Philippines, Remigio Agpalo, quits the group of professors when they want to vote on a resolution at the end of the discussion. He says the rush to judgment is indicative of US thinking, “Just as the American system of government did not reach its present stage in a few years, so we must not expect developing countries to perfect a democratic system in so short a while.”\textsuperscript{835}

A fire drill is held in Gamma 20 minutes after curfew, sending out a crowd of ladies in pajamas, curlers, and face cream in the 30-degree weather. The men in Alpha Hall laugh, hoot, and call out from their windows. When the women try to re-enter their dorm, the doors are locked, drawing more laughter from the men.\textsuperscript{836}

The St. Pete campus’s Marine Studies Program hosts 40 students visiting from 3 universities.\textsuperscript{837}

Female commuters form a new club called “Motley Crew” that helps commuters, transfers, and freshmen get oriented on campus.\textsuperscript{838}

USF’s Development Center offers premarital counseling, one of few colleges to offer such a program.\textsuperscript{839}
The BOR denied a request by the SA to conduct a feasibility study for athletics at USF. John Allen did not support the request. 840

Harold Raymond Hooks, a student angered by 2 parking tickets he received at USF, sues the university and the BOR each for $100,000, claiming the citations were unconstitutional. Student SA Senator Marco Pardi resigns when the SA passes a resolution supporting Hooks, and says that USF is too short of funds for SA to rightfully support him. In October, Hooks withdraws his lawsuit, his presidency of Students for a Democratic Society, and his status as a student, saying, “I’m just discouraged with everything and I really don’t have enough money to continue. I’ll probably be working on a road gang somewhere.” 841

USF declares a moratorium on all hiring, the second this academic year, and may last as long as 17 months, until the end of the next academic year. The merit raise program will not be implemented. 842

All classes are cancelled after 1pm on a Monday in February to celebrate Gasparilla. The SA president and *Oracle* editor engaged in a beard-growing contest to help publicize the event. 843

Tampa Mayor Dick Greco hires two USF students as administrative aides after they apply to city hall looking for part-time jobs. The students conduct a study of the city government’s mail services and finds much money could be saved by using a centralized system and centralized stationary facility. 844

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Five USF coeds volunteer to be “go-go dancers” for a dance in the UC. Two had so much fun, they’ve offered to do it again.\textsuperscript{845}

Students appeal to administration and security to open Riverfront Park during the day. It is presently open from 7pm to 1am. It was closed during the day because of the mobs of fishermen and boaters showing up with trailers. Students request that the security office screen the entrance to the park and open it during daylight hours.\textsuperscript{846}

Florida teachers, distraught over the state’s poor academic standards, go on a state-wide strike, the first in the nation. 400 USF teacher interns are recalled for the duration of the strike, which will probably last for 2 weeks.\textsuperscript{847}

After opening Fontana Hall recently, Allen and O’Hara, Inc. plans to open another off campus residence hall called DeSoto.\textsuperscript{848}

Students form two committees to look into food problems, conduct surveys of complaints, and report to foodservice personnel.\textsuperscript{849}

By late February, USF has acquired $25,000 in grants.\textsuperscript{850}

USF seeks $5.6 million in funds for the upcoming Medical School.\textsuperscript{851}

New draft guidelines unknowingly disqualify students from their deferments because of a new form.\textsuperscript{852}

Dr. R.H. Fuson writes a memorandum asking that students who do not comply with the “unofficial” dress code be prohibited from registering for classes in the Geography department. If a student registers and shows up for class in non-compliance,

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\textsuperscript{847} O 2/21/68.
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\textsuperscript{849} O 2/21/68.
\textsuperscript{850} O 2/21/68.
\textsuperscript{851} O 2/28/68.
\textsuperscript{852} O 3/6/68.
Fuson proposes that they be banned from class until they return with a note from the Dean of Men/Women saying the problem has been discussed and remedied. The memo read, in part, “In no instance will shorts, jeans, slacks or miniskirts be considered appropriate for females and males are expected to wear socks, clean clothes and have an acceptable hair-cut. Bare feet are out! Do not enroll any more of these dead-beat types in Quarter III.” The SA legislature says that they’ve taken measures to ensure that no student is turned away from class because of his/her appearance, and they sharply denounce Fuson’s memo. The Oracle writes, “Because of the condition of registration a girl is going to be pretty far from appropriate when she sits on the floor of the gym to fill out schedule cards in her required skirt. Registration is not the place to begin censoring student behavior.”

A showing of the British film “The War Game” a sober look at the possible consequences of global nuclear war, devolves into a ranting panel discussion against US foreign policy, especially in Vietnam.

President Allen approves USF’s application to the NCAA, sporting contests on campus on Friday afternoons and nights, and new allotments for all sports teams (giving $750 multiplied by the numbers in the starting line up). When 1200 students are polled, 58% agree with the introduction of intercollegiate sports. The NCAA welcomes USF.

Dr. Robert Goldstein announces he will leave USF to join the history department at Wisconsin State University. He was suspended last year for inappropriate language in the classroom, but he does not reveal why he is leaving.
All who write bad checks to USF will be fined $5.\textsuperscript{857}

Faculty and students from the College of Liberal Arts meet at Chinsegut Hill to discuss three important issues: an honors program, orientation, and an ombudsman service (to receive students complaints). President Allen is concerned that suicides and hospitalizations will increase due to anxiety over the quarter system and the draft. The \textit{Oracle} congratulates the participants with an editorial reading, “The administration has demonstrated a sincere wish to better the university. A recent example of this was the Liberal Arts Chinsegut Conference last weekend. Liberal Arts Dean Russel Cooper deserves recognition for going out of the way to include students in this candid conference.”\textsuperscript{858}

A secretary complains of the manner in which campus security guards bully visitors on campus, especially in regards to parking. “I also believe that guests arriving on this campus should be treated with courtesy and respect and they certainly should not be expected to know all the rules and regulations that are attached to our public parking lots.”\textsuperscript{859}

USF hosts the 5\textsuperscript{th} Annual Florida Poetry Festival, to be opened with an original USF play called “The Ivory Tower.”\textsuperscript{860}

Student Jeff Walker forms a new political party on campus to oppose the SRG, called YOU (“Your Opinion Unoppressed”).\textsuperscript{861}

The \textit{Oracle} wins the All American Honor rating from the Associated Collegiate Press.\textsuperscript{862}

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SA President Scott Barnett asks that concert/entertainment facilities on campus be upgraded. There are no sizeable venues and the gym’s sound system is horrible.\textsuperscript{863}

Students complain about an awful performance at the Spring Syndrome by the Blue Magoos, calling it noise. Not long after, Mitch Ryder (“Sock it to me, Baby”) performs on campus. When he tried to whip the students into a dancing frenzy, they responded “half heartedly.” Despite playing a blistering set, Ryder was disappointed with the audience reaction, saying, “I don’t think the audience was responding to us. They didn’t seem to be involved.” The Oracle decries student apathy in an editorial, pointing out that most students are more willing to complain about events then participate in planning them. Students did steal tent cards, posters, and a large sign publicizing the event. “The time is going to come,” read the editorial, “when entertainers will no longer want to come to our campus to play for a group of students that apparently aren’t interested. Then maybe we could have a good time sitting around talking about events at other schools.”\textsuperscript{864}

USF’s Upward Bound Program receives a grant for its Community Action Program totaling almost $300,000.\textsuperscript{865}

Out of a crew of 50, 10 members of the North Hillsborough Volunteer Fire Dept. are USF students.\textsuperscript{866}

Author Harry Crews visits USF in its “Meet the Author” series.\textsuperscript{867}

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Library Director Mary Lou Harkness installs a suggestion box for students. Replies to suggestions are posted on the library bulletin board. Some good suggestions cannot be carried out due to a shortage in funds or personnel. Some of the first suggestions: longer hours for some depts. (like Special Collections), an electronic security system (too expensive), complaints of excessive noise, and indeed the suggestion box itself was a student suggestion.868

USF Physical Plant, maintenance, janitorial, and custodial workers apply for a charter for the AFL-CIO through a lawyer in Tallahassee. Some workers started the activity after disputes with management over working conditions. Job positions (and status) change arbitrarily, pay is low (janitors make from $2,500 to $2,880 a year “try living on that,” one worker said, “it qualifies you for welfare.”), and no channels of communication for grievances. The workers receive a charter and half of the 300 join.869

USF begins a “custodian of the month” program to recognize hard work.870

Vandals break into the vacant 9th floor of Fontana Hall, causing $10,000 worth of damage through destruction and flooding. Two fire hoses and a bathtub had been left running.871

Fontana Hall presents one problem for students: coed fire drills. Half-dressed men and women ogle each other when outside of the building in a 4am drill in April.872

President Allen plans a massive Florida Center for the Arts, asking for a slew of funds from the legislature. The center would include: a 3,000 seat Performance Hall for “symphonic and operatic” concerts (with all other genres presumably excluded), a 20,000

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square-foot art museum, a central shop, a drama/dance theater with rehearsal space and 1,200 seats, a film theater with 800 seats, parking for 2,000 cars, and a complex for visiting artists, including studios and residences.  

The AAUP erases USF’s censure that dates back to 1961 when Dr. D.F. Fleming wasn’t hired as planned. Dr. Charles Arnade was reported to be a major factor in having the censure lifted. President Allen makes an announcement regarding new guidelines for hiring and giving tenure to faculty that coincides with the AAUP decision.  

Out of USF’s 12,500 students, only 2% are black. The *Oracle* publishes a 4-part series identifying why such a low proportion of blacks attend college.  

In a poll of the 1,200 residents in Argos complex (only 250 responded) on foodservice at USF, 89% respond that they are dissatisfied with the food offered.  

The male residents in Zeta Hall are angry about the vague wording in their contracts, and ask for more liberal policies. Weekly room inspections are denounced, and residents over age 21 ask to be allowed to drink alcohol in their rooms.  

Evelyn Kessler of the Anthropology department experiments with Cleo, a 7 year-old chimp, by doing finger painting to see if chimps discern aesthetic qualities.  

The library adds new shelves to accommodate the 2,500 books acquired every month, crowding out student study space.
A Xerox copying machine on the 4th floor of the library does not make enough money to pay for its costs, but it is there primarily to discourage the theft of pages from publications.\textsuperscript{880}

The BOR announces that it will not tolerate riots at state universities after disturbances at FAMU closed that school for a week.\textsuperscript{881}

Dr. Dean F. Martin, Chemistry, administers a $3,000 grant from the Florida Board of Conservation to study outbreaks of Red Tide. Martin and others produce the organism in a lab and study it.\textsuperscript{882}

The Holiday Inn on Fowler Avenue, which opened in 1966, has a chronic ice shortage due to students stealing it from their machine. The \textit{Oracle} informs students that if caught stealing a bucketful of ice, they would be eligible for 150 days in jail or a $300 fine. Although there are many places to get ice on and off campus, students drain the ice machine at the hotel, probably because they are drinking alcohol in a nearby field and do not want to run the risk of getting caught on campus.\textsuperscript{883}

USF Students for (Senator Eugene) McCarthy stage a rally for their candidate. Rather than the typical entertainment provided by Simon and Garfunkel and an appearance by Paul Newman, USF bands the Runecaster’s and Twilight’s Children provide folk music and political satire. Three hundred students attend and watch films in addition to the concert. McCarthy is scheduled to arrive days later to speak in Curtis Hixon Hall.\textsuperscript{884}

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During any given week, 500 students visit the health center on campus for various treatment.\(^{885}\)

An *Oracle* writer muses over the library’s bulletin board, which has cartoons and articles selected and copied by Elliott Hardaway, VP of Administrative Affairs. Hardaway says, “That bulletin board has always been a very personal thing. I choose things that interest me and that I think interest others. [It] is one place I can put things that will get other people to thinking.” He said a surprising number of students have approached him asking for his sources so they can use them in papers. Two recent displays, “The world of the student,” a collection of cartoons from Punch and Mad magazines surrounded by art designs, and a series of replies to student suggestions from library Director Mary Lou Harkness.\(^{886}\)

President Allen rejects a proposal for compulsory ROTC at USF, citing that neither he nor the students want such a program. UF, FSU and FAMU all have ROTC programs, and at UF and FAMU, they are (or were) compulsory.\(^{887}\)

The BOR abolishes required ROTC in the SUS.\(^{888}\)

A USF coed is killed by a hit and run driven one night on Fletcher Avenue. Police find the culprit, a 71 year-old driver, and charge him with manslaughter and hit and run. Students see the incident as evidence that lower speed limits and more lights are needed around campus. USF requests a study of the roads by the State Road Department. The state responds that road facilities are adequate and that the fault for the accident was

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with the coed, saying that such accidents could not be prevented if “supposedly intelligent college students don’t use the facilities [crosswalks] provided.”

Dr. Edward Caldwell, director of Evaluation Services performs a poll on campus to gauge the degree of satisfaction with USF among seniors. USF’s seniors scored higher than their counterparts at other universities in liberalism, social conscience, cultural sophistication, and independence from family and peers. They ranked lower in extracurricular involvement, and satisfaction with administration. Most of all, seniors here shared how impersonal USF makes them feel: 52% said they felt like a number on an IBM card, 46% said the administration treats them more like children than adults, 28% said that students had no voice in forming regulations, while 53% percent said student influence in such matters was weak, and 68% said they hadn’t participated in any organized religious activities on campus in the past year.

Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), a protest group active on 300 campuses around the country, is denied formal permission to set up shop at USF. The president of the proposed chapter, Harold Hooks, says they will meet in the admin courtyard anyway, just yards from President Allen’s office. Administration is wary to invite the group because they have started riots on several campuses across the nation.

When SDS announces it will hold a protest on campus, President Allen issues a policy statement taking a “hard line” against violent protest, promising to use off-campus police forces to restore order. The SDS postpones its demonstration until the fall, with its acting head saying it will establish a “free press” to “combat the establishment-oriented

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“Oracle.” The Oracle refused to print an SDS ad publicizing a protest. The Oracle fires back by criticizing SDS’s “non-leadership.”

SA President Scott Barnett protests President Allen’s and the BOR’s stance that demonstrating students be suspended. The policy is vague and overreaches the power of those enforcing it, for example by terminating financial aid that comes from sources besides the state.

A new student political party is formed, Students for a Participatory Democracy. The party is the first to be led by a woman (Fran Felty), and intends to prod students out of their perceived apathy. Felty says plans are afoot for a free press.

675 graduate in June, where the spirit of the recently slain Robert Kennedy is invoked.

Registration in June is more hectic than usual, with more students applying for summer classes than expected. There are no appointments, and students tend to rush in all at once, around noon. Despite various snags in the system, 5,200 students are processed in a single day, with another crazy day following.

35 USF students are recognized for outstanding achievement by being included in the Who’s Who in American Colleges and Universities. Out of those recognizes, 22 are female.

SA President Scott Barnett represents USDF at a statewide ad hoc committee that is handling the proposed changes in the BOR manual.
Black students form a new group called “One-to-One,” which is meant to encourage friendly black-white relations by opening channels of personal communication between the races. The group sponsors a discussion of Black Power in the first of a series. Senior Otha Favors speaks before opening the floor for questions and debate, saying, “The civil rights movement is dead. Basically it benefited middle class blacks who were having a hard time but, of course, that wasn’t where the problem was.” A week later, Ben Brown weighs in on Student power and Black Power.\textsuperscript{899}

Otha Favors begins a Community Service Program to try to alleviate poverty and suffering in Tampa’s inner city. Sororities have offered to help black businesses, while some frats have pledged to man recreational areas that have been closed due to lack of supervision. The Intensive Tutorial Program (IT), fueled by sorority volunteers, helps underprivileged students improve their studies.\textsuperscript{900}

Town and Gown is a year old, a group that gathers university associates (15 members so far) and the community (17), all from “downtown,” presumably businessmen. The group is meant to bridge the perceived gap in relations between USF and Tampa.\textsuperscript{901}

Parking fines collected: 1966-67, $14,751; 1967-68, $17,713.\textsuperscript{902}

An Oracle writer raves about Fontana Hall’s food, praising the quality and the variety, implicitly singing its praises at the expense of on-campus food providers Morrison’s.\textsuperscript{903}

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An Oracle article highlights the library’s Government Documents department, saying that many students don’t know the wide variety of materials located there. Dorothy Tiemann, who is in charge of the department, says, “many education majors use the Education Office materials.”

Upward Bound brings 230 underprivileged teens to campus for the summer, 23 of whom are registered for summer classes, and the others enrolled in the pre-college program.

The University Senate passes a “Proposal for Increasing Number of Negro Students,” but the title is later changed, substituting “Negro” with “Disadvantaged.” The proposal includes provisions for sending professors to predominately black high school for a certain radius around campus, to waive some student requirements (test scores, high school record, etc.) upon the recommendation of faculty members/advisors, provide remedial counseling, no academic-based disqualifications for two years, and so on.

In order not to compete or overlap with local Jr. colleges, Bayboro campus offers upper level (junior/senior) and beginning graduate classes, with four full time faculty and 40 courses.

Administration re-names the Bayboro Campus the University of South Florida at St. Petersburg. The courses offered there in the fall, 37 in all (and three additional non-credit night classes), require the equivalent of 15 full-time faculty.

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The Oracle welcomes a contingent of visiting students from Brazil with a message apparently entirely in Spanish. Although the gesture is nice, Brazilians speak Portuguese, not Spanish.\textsuperscript{909}

Construction of a nearby VA hospital, one component of a vast medical school complex gathering around USF, is approved.\textsuperscript{910}

The UC Program Council begins a new “Sidewalk Café” program on Saturdays. Tables with checkered tablecloths grace the UC patio, and costumed waitresses bring refreshments. Dr. Adrian Cherry (Foreign Languages) reads poetry while an interpretive dancer performs. Musicians play and sing French music, and an accordionist strolls tablesid. There will also be panel discussions on current issues.\textsuperscript{911}

The observatory acquires a $100,000 telescope weighing 8,500 pounds.\textsuperscript{912}

President Allen ends the requirement for final exams, effectively adding a week to each quarter’s class time. All University professors must retire at age 70, can continue teaching on monthly basis or as a member of the Teacher Retirement System.\textsuperscript{913}

The Council of Student Body Presidents meets at USF to review some proposals to the BOR for an upcoming meeting in Tallahassee. Proposals include: control of SA funds by the SA; more student say in university policies; freedom for students to join any/all organization whether on or off campus; speakers on campus should not have to reflect the opinions of students or administrators, do not speak for the universities, and should be given freedom to speak.\textsuperscript{914}

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The College of Engineering when the Florida State Board of Engineer Examiners gives permission for graduates to take their certification exams at USF. The move will make accreditation easier.\textsuperscript{915}

USF asks the Hillsborough County’s Mosquito Control unit to spray the area. When there is no response, USF requests help a second time, and is hoping to attain its own equipment.\textsuperscript{916}

Cuban refugee Mario Garcia becomes the Oracle’s first foreign-born editor.\textsuperscript{917}

UF ends all curfews for coeds on campus. Dean of Women Margaret Fisher quells any hope of a similar move at USF by offering the following reason: if dorms remain open, they will have to be secured by more workers, and other facilities on campus (snack bars, studios, etc.) would have to remain open and manned for security. The costs, Fisher says, are too high.\textsuperscript{918}

Hillsborough Jr. College opens for night classes in the Hillsborough High building.\textsuperscript{919}

USF’s Foundation has 2400 active members, and has raised $437,000 in the last fiscal year. Its net worth is $811,000, about $130,000 over last year. In the last year it provided USF with $184,000 in grants-in-aid, $81,000 in scholarships, and $100,000 in research and library materials.\textsuperscript{920}

An Oracle article boasts of USF being multi campus, with locations in Tampa, St. Pete, Sarasota, and Chinsegut Hill. First credit courses offered at Sarasota Campus, in
liberal arts, business administration, education and engineering. Non-credit courses are offered as well.  

USF’s “Arm in Town” is The Learning Center, in the Tampa Concentrated Employment Center. The program provides remedial education to disadvantaged people. The program is funded through a grant from the Department of Labor. About 1,100 are expected to enroll in the orientation program and 500-600 in remedial classes.

A one-day seminar on “The Community Response to Crime” draws political luminaries like Congressman Sam Gibbons, Mayor Dick Greco, Attorney General Earl Faircloth, and Sheriff Malcolm Beard. Representatives from the FBI, the courts, newspapers, universities, and the county commission also attend.

Students brace themselves for another tuition hike next year.

A four-man committee from the Joint Liaison Committee on Medical Education visits USF, examining plans for the Medical School, meeting with dean and his staff, and making recommendations on the new programs. They approve the new medical school and its curriculum.

The new Social Science building opens, with a theme charitably described as “simplicity and functional unity.” The Science Center open as well, and with its unique design, quickly becomes known as the castle, fortress or Kremlin.

Fran Felty, active student writer and politician, is arrested with two former students for sale of marijuana and possession of LSD, both very serious charges. They
are the first in Hillsborough to be charged with LSD possession since it was criminalized by the legislature. Felty said she planned on continuing classes until her trial. An Oracle editorial pleas with VP of student Affairs Herbert Wunderlich not to take any action until her trial is over.

The Andros Shop begins stocking music LPs.

A housewife and mother of three, Judith J. Horn, 33yo, graduates with a perfect 4.0 GPA after passing every class with the grade of A.

The Oracle prints an article called “USF’s ‘Sin City’ Sprawls.” With many students living in off-campus apartments, male-female cohabitation (despite restrictive rules) is becoming more common. An employee of a nearby apartment complex says, “Yes, there are men and women living together here, unmarried. But these cases are few. We usually don’t know about it until the neighbors complain or if it looks bad. Then we have to evict them. As you and I know there are girls spending the weekend with their boyfriend.” An employee at another complex said, “The girls go wild. They were more protected in high school and the dorms. When they do finally get away, they get carried away with their freedom.” For another complex the problem “used to be noise, but now it is students leaving the apartments like pig pens.” Prices for such apartments range from $50 to $175 per month.

USF distributes $2.75 million in financial aid, up by a quarter million from last year.

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WUSF features for the new ’68 season include: Play of the Week; Insight: Human Conflict (a hard look at social issues); Physicians’ Seminar; More Room for Living; Skirt the Issue; You and the Law; and classes in business statistics, linear control systems, English lit, and religion.

When asked to write an article about SG, SA VP Frank Winkles writes, “the structure is overwhelming, the function is extravagantly worthless, and the authority is nil. BUT, it doesn’t have to be that way.”

The Theater Center (TAR) is completed, to be christened with its first production, “The Roar of the Greasepaint—the Smell of the Crowd.”

Twenty-five teachers-in-training visit from Honduras to complete their training in anticipation of the opening of 19 new schools there, a program to be repeated next year.

The BOR approves three new programs, MAs in music and gerontology, and a BS in medical technology.

Registration in October goes very smoothly, unlike earlier experiences this year.

USF’s faculty increases by 39 in the fall.

Auditors in Tallahassee give USF’s financial and ethical practices a clean bill of health.

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Thirteen nuns visit USF, sent by their institutions to complete their various degrees. Their presence reveals a loosening of customs in the Roman Catholic Church. One sister said, “I am an evolutionist myself so I usually don’t disagree with any of my profs. In 10 years, I believe this will be the school to graduate from.”

Including continuing ed students, USF’s enrollment reaches 14,000, without them it is 12,000.

The U Senate reapportions, with 24 faculty, six administrative and professional (A&P), five non-academic, five students, and president-appointed ex officio members, of which there are presently 13.

Ben Brown, who left the SG to work on the McGovern campaign, is appointed to the U Senate. He was formerly the chief justice of the student supreme court, where he was instrumental in writing the student bill of rights. His association with Students for a Democratic Society does not help matters, and the SG grills him on his views. He quickly clarifies his statement that “violence is a last resort” by comparing his views with the founding patriots of US history. When asked why he wanted to start an SDS chapter, he said, it would have been an alternative to “responsible student action,” saying, “With a responsible student government, SDS could not exist.” After intense questioning, his appointment is denied by SG. Several students write the Oracle to protest SG’s narrow-mindedness. The Oracle bemoans Brown’s rejection, “Now, once again, emotion has overruled logic and another good man has been put down.” At the same time, the Oracle prints a series of cautionary articles about the SDS. SG President Scott Barnett almost resigns as Chairman of Students for Responsible Government over Brown’s rejection,

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saying he has lost control over his own party. Although he remains chairman, Barnett accuses his party of being a mere machine to put people in office, is only active during election time, and lacks continuous leadership.  

A new party called the Campus Coalition sweeps the October SG elections, winning 19 of 22 seats in the legislature. Immediately, the party is instrumental in placing Ben Brown (“former chief justice, McCarthy delegate, Bill of Rights author”) on the university senate by a vote of 30-3, with four abstained. Curiously, of the 7 not voting for Brown, 6 are female.  

There is a prevailing frustration looming over SG, given voice by a resolution by Pete Atkinson reading, “The majority of resolutions passed by this legislature are generally not acted upon by the administration of this university.” Co-sponsor of the resolution Roger Coe said, “We have policy statements on everything, but students don’t know what their government does. We plant trees and elect homecoming queens, meaningless things. Government does nothing. We’ve passed resolutions till they come out of our ears, straight to the administration trash baskets. It’s the attitude of the legislature, based on a ‘our fraternity gas representatives’ attitude. They take their actions too seriously and don’t realize they don’t do anything. We are caught in a vicious circle. Student government does nothing and doesn’t have student support. Before we activate the students we have to do something.” In response to Coe, Dean Wunderlich (according to Coe, the only administrator who cares about SG) said, “I’m proud of this outfit, Mr. Coe. The wheels of the university roll slowly. There was nothing here in 1960. I suggest we keep building and watch our vocabulary.” Coe shot back, “Let’s not

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be satisfied with compromise and be proud of what we’ve done. We’ve got to quit sitting around thinking we’re a high school council and get concerned with real issues.” In the same issue, a student blasts the Oracle for not covering substantive issues or taking stands on any.  

Billy Joe Royal plays to a packed house for the Welcome Weekend to kick off the quarter beginning in October.

About 10,600 students register their cars to park on campus. There are 7,000 spaces.

USF begins the first Bachelor of Independent Studies adult degree program, the first in the southeast.

USF is suspected to have passed over the lowest bid for the construction of a VA hospital.

For the third consecutive year, students rent dorm lounges because the halls are full.

The UP is now an integrated force, with 3 out of 20 officers being black.

USF opens a position for a food inspector, but no one applies because of the low salary. The inspector might prevent a recurrence of the Winter Vomiting Disease that plagued the school on several previous occasions.

The top reasons for dropping out are financial difficulties, illness, and military service. Some also think that women attaining their “M.R.S.” (getting married) is

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another reason for drop-outs. Dean of Women Margaret Fisher calls the idea “slanderous.”

A USF straw poll among students selects Nixon for president.

The UC has “Family Night Western Style” with barbecue, a western show in the theater, a hayride, stagecoach rides, a costume parade, a “Ye Olde Gold Mine”, Cowboy Cartoons, a Sasparilla Saloon, and snacks served from a chuck wagon.

USF features two musicians from India: Kanai Dutta on tables and Nikhil Banerjee on sitar. Indian music was popularized by the Beatles and other rock musicians.

There are 9 USF students serving in the Peace Corps, 2 in Ecuador, 1 in Ethiopia, 1 in Sierra Leone, 1 in the Philippines, 2 in Ceylon, 1 in Micronesia, and 1 in Thailand.

USF plans a “gigantic 2 million volume capacity library … costing $10 million.” Planned for completion in 1972, the library will 10 stories high, the tallest building on campus.

USF’s SG considers withdrawing from the Southeastern University Student Government to join the National Student Association. The Kappa Delta sorority opposes the measure, largely because of the NSA’s stand on national issues: anti-war, pro-drug legalization, pro dissemination of contraceptives, etc. SG votes overwhelmingly to join the NSA, but must go through a student referendum for final approval.

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The administration proposes more control of student fees by the SA.\textsuperscript{960}

Management instructor Dan Parker says that UF and FSU charge the same student fees as USF, and give free football tickets to students. “Someone is getting short-changed on football at USF.” Parker suggests that USF charge half-price for tickets to raise football money.\textsuperscript{961}

MA programs are in the works for history, political science, and geography, buoyed by the Social Sciences building.\textsuperscript{962}

A student complains that it takes 10 or 15 minutes to check out 5 books, and asks if automation will be considered. The Oracle replies that work is already underway to automate aspects of the checkout procedure, operational by fall 1969.\textsuperscript{963}

SA legislator Harold Hooks is indicted by a federal grand jury for smashing his car into a mailbox, stealing five letters, and abandoning the scene, leaving his car and the destroyed mailbox behind. Hooks leaves the SA and USF shortly after. At the legislature, he was known for long-winded off-topic “rap” sessions and referring to Allen and Wunderlich as “our distinguished guardians of the commonly accepted moral code.”\textsuperscript{964}

Esperanto classes are on the increase at USF.\textsuperscript{965}

The St. Pete campus has 1,000 students and 5 colleges: basic studies, liberal arts, business admin, education, and engineering.\textsuperscript{966}

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The NAACP bestows its “Freedom Award” on Dr. Charles Arnade at its state convention. A group of extremists have been threatening Arnade’s family for years for his work in civil rights, and have fired numerous shots at his home.\textsuperscript{967}

Rasputin’s Den, a popular tavern near USF, burns down suddenly, a complete loss. The conflagration is reminiscent of the Wild Boar’s demise in 1967, another bar catering to USF students.\textsuperscript{968}

Over 200 library books were stolen in the last year at a cost of about $200. As a result of thefts and complaints of inequality, library staff now inspect all women’s purses and bags on their way out, just as they’ve done with men’s bags and briefcases.\textsuperscript{969}

Students and faculty discuss university problems at a conference at Chinsegut Hill.\textsuperscript{970}

A vandal tears the radio antennas off of 48 cars on campus.\textsuperscript{971}

USF’s faculty wrote 344 publications in the last year.\textsuperscript{972}

Hot debate ensues over a SG bill that would allow another ex-officio faculty member to sit on the SG. VP and Dean of Student Affairs Herbert Wunderlich is already an ex-officio member. Student Senator Ben brown vigorously opposes the bill, saying, “These administrators and faculty should be invited as guests, not members.” The bill is defeated. Another bill that is defeated would have begun and investigation into discrimination among various social clubs on campus. The SA also denounces the methods used in a city-wide series of police raids targeted against young people.
Although no USF students were involved, SG member Roger Coe said, “It is time to act when the word ‘student’ has become a cuss word.” An SG committee drafts a statement that denounces the sensationalized media coverage and violation of civil rights in the guise of health regulations. Several suspects were shaven and forcibly given haircuts when arrested, supposedly to comply with health regulations. The police reports also use subjective language, like “long haired hippie type” and “girl lying half nude on a bed,” that the SG says have no relevance. The Oracle praises SG’s attention to substantive issues, saying it has “growed up.” WTVT-TV does not agree, saying in a letter that it think the raid were none of the SG’s business, defends police actions, and that the SH weakens its own position by trying to intervene. SG legislator Scott Barnett replies, “If speaking out on issues … is going to hurt our ‘image,’ then we will have to suffer. We strongly feel that the fact we are students does not, and should not, keep us from being interested citizens.”

A new dorm visitation policy is to go into effect in 1969. Each dorm would decide upon visiting hours, but residents would have to meet guests at the door.

The fourth mass draft card demonstration in the nation takes place in Tampa in November. The event is planned by the War Resisters of Tampa, and participants will turn their draft cards in to local authorities. Student activists from all over the state attend. On the day of the event, 150 attend, and reporters photograph and question the most rough-looking specimens, including a Hell’s Angels look-alike who called himself Pig. Although the group never was able to turn in their draft cards, many USF student who attended felt it was a success. Fran Felty waved a sign that read “Peace Now!”

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University Senator Ben Brown skipped a seminar to attend, saying that his presence at the protest was more important. Student Bill Schwoer said, “We feel as though we’ve been bought out by the system to the extent that we surrender our constitutionally guaranteed rights of protest for that omnipotent gift of a II-S deferment. Our purpose is to show our brothers who cannot afford this gift that we sympathize with them.”

Businessman Bud Klein said, “These people aren’t hippies, can’t you see that? The difference is that people in [Nazi] Germany didn’t protest. We’re going to protest while we can.”

An Oracle series calls USF a corporation, with Florida taxpayers as powerless “shareholders,” the BOR as the autonomous Board of Directors, the President as department head or plant manager, deans as “sub-department heads,” faculty as workers or functionaries, and students as the product to be “sold to the highest bidder.”

USF sends “the Big Three” to the NCAA Cross Country Championships at Wheaton, Illinois. Del Lewis, Don Crank, and Frank Paris will vie with 200 other athletes for the All-America honors. Only 15 will be selected.

“Well, here we go again,” the Oracle prints when the BOR proposes a $25 a quarter tuition increase, the third hike since 1962. The increase would make Florida’s universities some of the most expensive in the nation.

USF holds its first faculty evaluation, with the College of Liberal Arts acting as testing ground. Of those asked to participate, 80 agree and 1 disagrees. Many faculty resisted evaluations because students wanted the results available for sale in the

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bookstore, while faculty only wanted the results to be available to them. A compromise was reached: the results would be posted in the library before registration for the next quarter.  

Joe Engressia, blind since birth, is suspended for placing dozens of long-distance telephone calls by whistling. Fascinated by the telephone at an early age and unusually intelligent, Engressia formulated a system by which he could bypass operators and computers by whistling. When he overheard two students discussing a complex telephone manual, he confessed that he understood such advanced materials. When they expressed doubt at his whistling system, he bet them $1. Soon, he was charging fellow dorm dwellers $1 for calls. When informed of his suspension for theft, his mother said, “We’re going to stick right by him. Anyone who can outsmart a computer—I’m with them.” Engressia was caught when he whistled wrong and got an operator who was suspicious. She monitored the subsequent call, and when she heard the student rave about Engressia’s skills, demanded to know where he was calling from. He is suspended for one quarter, but GTE considers Engressia for a troubleshooting job. They drop the charges, and the FBI does not pursue prosecution. Later, Engressia complains that USF’s disciplinary board did not observe due process. The Oracle’s initial article on the whistler was run by the associated press.

SG votes unanimously to approve the exploration of programs for black students, including student loans and other incentives to expand black enrollment at USF.
The US Army grants USF $12,000 for the study of the mechanics of composite materials. The National Science Foundation gives $21,400 to study the relationships of tropical plants.  

The Oracle editorializes that alcohol should be sold and consumed on campus for those lawfully able.

USF’s soccer team wins the state title.

John Allen triples student representation on 15 university committees, giving them a stronger voice in practical affairs.

A coed dies and another student seriously injured when the motorcycle they are riding crashes into a mailbox.

Four political science professors weigh in on President Johnson’s bombing halt in Vietnam. All agree that it is a necessary step toward negotiations, and that the bombing never achieved the desired results anyway (halting north Vietnam’s infiltration of the south). Dr. Dennis Knab is pessimistic about any peaceful settlement, and does not think the war will end until the north occupies the south.

USF coed Annette Johnson wins the Miss Tampa pageant.

A subcommittee of the state legislature suggests cutting the SUS budget, encouraging year round use of facilities, and scrapping the quarter system. The $220 million budget would be cut by $180 million this year, a drastic 82% decrease. The subcommittee says that classrooms are not used for enough hours per week, classes are

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not large enough, and that the quarter system has failed to increase utility (summer quarter was 42% less than the fall).\textsuperscript{989}

The Bay Area Coalition organizes a peace march for December 7. Students from SPJC, New College, USF, Florida Presbyterian College, and UT participate in the coalition. Activities include student and religious speakers, folk musicians, and “guerilla theater” farcical skits. It is also characterized as a “suit and tie affair” to court favorable publicity from the media.\textsuperscript{990}

A panel discussion in the downtown library commences on the “generation gap.” Three USF students and one professor sit on the panel, and many students attend. Sheriff Malcolm Beard is hissed and snickered at by the predominantly young audience. SA legislator Roger Coe prefers to call it the “Idea Gap.” On the subject of law and order, Coe said, “if we really had law and order, Florida would stop for a week when the Mafia was cleaned up.” The audience laughed. SG representative Bob Van Hook said, “I am still young, still a bit naïve and a bit idealistic, but I can still hope.”\textsuperscript{991}

Gifted students from local schools come to USF on Saturdays to study. The program gives them an opportunity to “expand horizontally” by studying the arts, languages, math, the humanities, and creative writing. Last year, a child enrolled with an IQ of 180.\textsuperscript{992}

Puppetry classes increase in popularity. Students perform a parody of the “Laff In” show, called “Laugh At,” featuring puppets of Nixon, Humphrey, Wallace, Col.

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Sanders and Goldie Hawn. Some of the puppets are “humanettes,” or puppet bodies attached to actor’s necks, using the actor’s face as the puppet’s head.993

Security Chief James Garner hires five new guards, three of them black. The lack of black on the force previously was due to the absence of black applicants, Garner said, “We just never had any Negroes applying before. Partly I imagine because the salary has been so low before. It’s improved considerably recently, though.” Garner also said that he made the decision to integrate the force himself, not because of orders from administration. It is hoped that the black officers will be a big help in quelling disturbances started by blacks on campus.994

Students hold a rally protesting the quarter system and the length of classes, which are sometimes 3 hours. The rally is supported by the SG.995

A HELP rally (Help End Legal Problems) educates students on the new student-run organization. With a $5 annual fee, students can be assured of legal representation by professional lawyers. Associate Prof. Of History David Leonard says, “The University of South Florida will have a chance to pioneer something that is drastically different, radically new.”996

Although the administration cancelled finals week, students end up being more stressed because all finals are issued on the same day, in this case, Friday December 13th.997

Joe Weintraub makes straight A’s and is bored with his USF classes. And he’s only 15. One of his Madison Junior High teachers recognized his uncanny ability to

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solve complicated math problems after being shown the formula just once. He began attending USF at age 13 instead of going to high school. Joe says, “I still see my friends from school on weekends and after I’m through here. I do miss out on a lot of things socially but I still keep in contact with the high school kids. Academically, I would have been so bored if I stayed in high school.” He even found time to help a math instructor with problems for a night class. Since starting two years ago, Joe finished all of his math requirements and is taking graduate courses. “The math just seems to come naturally to me, I didn’t know it would be so easy for me until I tried it. I guess you could go through a whole lifetime and not know what you can do really great.” He is available as a math tutor for students. Most students do not realize his age unless someone tells them. According to the Oracle, “When they found out they were outdone by a 13 year-old, it was quite a shock.” His straight A’s are not limited to math courses, but extend to all of his classes: English, biology, etc. He believes the secret is hard work, concentration, and determination to excel.

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Graphicstudio founded in Dept. of Fine Arts.

Student body votes for and approves a basketball program.

Science, Social Science and Theater Center dedicated.

The dress code loosens up, only specifying “appropriate” clothes for activity on campus.

USF’s first doctorate students enroll.


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1969: USF’s academic deans gather to discuss credit value for courses. Students complain that the quarter system devalues their work, and the deans are considering assigning more credit value to classes.\footnote{O 1/8/69.}

The military’s admissions office fails to update its computer files and sends 150 USF students notice that they will be drafted—all over the December holidays. The error panics the students.\footnote{O 1/8/69.}

Twenty-one Honduran education leaders arrive at USF for a year of study. They hope to learn how to upgrade their underdeveloped school system.\footnote{O 1/8/69.}

Oracle Editor Mario Garcia writes a fantastic prediction for USF in 1980. There will be 38,000 students using automated registration, a push-button library, computerized advising, a branch campus on the moon, an automated cafeteria, huge classrooms, and vending machines for caps and gowns. And students will head a strong campaign for a football team.\footnote{O 1/8/69.}

The trial run for faculty evaluation falls flat. Only half of eligible professors in liberal arts participate. No negative results are publicized, as it would punish professors for participating. Later evaluations will be mandatory for all faculty.\footnote{O 1/8/69.}

Dean Irving Deer begins work so that USF can provide a Religious Studies major.\footnote{O 1/8/69.}
The block sunscreens on the admin building must be replaced because inferior “black” steel rods have rusted in the concrete. New galvanized steel rods will provide better support for the sunscreen, which saves about $45,000 in cooling costs.\footnote{1005}

Although it receives the support of SG, the Oracle, and administration, HELP (Help end legal problems) receives little student support. By joining the group with a $5 annual fee, students could get expert legal advice and defense. HELP president and founder Trula O’Haire says, “All the talk of student power, student rights and student responsibility appears to be just that: TALK.”\footnote{1006}

Administrators and the Westinghouse Corporation study a mass transit system for the Tampa Campus. Partly inspired by Busch Gardens’ monorail and plans for Tampa International Airport’s new design, train cars would run on the raised single track by remote control. It is expected to cost between $4 and $8 million.\footnote{1007}

USF hosts the 5\textsuperscript{th} Annual Superintendents’ Conference from January 20-24, with the timely theme, “The Superintendent and the Teacher in a Time of Crisis.”\footnote{1008}

The Inter-Residence Hall Council approves visitation for male and female students. Each living unit under an RA will designate specific hours and policies. All visitors must be escorted in and out of the building by the residents they are visiting.\footnote{1009}

Dean of Student Affairs Herbert Wunderlich’s car is stolen from his Carollwood home and is found rammed into a tree stump with extensive damage. USF students are not suspected.\footnote{1010}
SG writes a bill that would create (or perpetuate) a free student publication free from constraints by administration. Some legislators argue that the Oracle is being censored by director of publications and that is why the most adventurous students do not stay. SG President Scott Barnett vetoes the bill.\textsuperscript{1011}

One legislator by the name of Tatelman starts his own paper to demonstrate that a “free” student’s publication is possible. The first issue is dedicated to discrediting the Oracle’s staff, for which he later apologizes. He singled out Editor Mario Garcia, whom he describes as, “A Cuban refugee whose family was prospering happily under Batista, the dictator.” A student complains that, “Tatelman’s writing is characterized by half-truths expressed in pseudo-hip drivel liberally distorted and tagged by conspicuously self-conscious, crude attempts to discredit other people.”\textsuperscript{1012}

Student Senator Ben Brown presents the revised Student Bill of Rights to the SG. Deans Wunderlich and Cooper speak out against the bill in letters to the Oracle, advising SG to vote against it or make changes. Both think it would give students far too much power. Days later SG is “astounded” in a meeting when President Allen endorses the bill with very few proposed alterations. SG members at the meeting give Allen a standing ovation. Student Sen. Ben Brown is “ecstatic.” It is the second student Bill of rights he wrote.\textsuperscript{1013}

President Allen sends the Bill of Rights to be reviewed by the BOR in January, but Chancellor Robert Mautz still has not reviewed it as of mid-May.\textsuperscript{1014} The BOR uses all but two rules (out of nine) in the student bill of rights in state laws governing the

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\textsuperscript{1012} O 2/5/69.
\textsuperscript{1013} O 1/22/69, O 2/5/69.
\textsuperscript{1014} O 5/14/69.
students in the SUS. The other two are implemented at the SG level. The first resolution governs students discipline, allowing students ample time to defend themselves. The second bars confidential items from student files. The other items accepted by the BOR on a state-wide level: the right to establish and participate in organizations, access to written policies, the right for students to review their records and challenge the content within, freedom from double jurisdiction (like being charged by the county and university for the same offense), the right to due process, the right to privacy, and the right to establish a free student press.¹⁰¹⁵

The College of Education holds a conference on urban education, featuring speakers such as Governor Claude Kirk, Mayor Dick Greco, and a host of educators.¹⁰¹⁶

Students learn Japanese using audio tapes, a textbook, and a Japanese student tutor to coach on pronunciation.¹⁰¹⁷

The registrar’s office begins to use students’ social security numbers as their student numbers.¹⁰¹⁸

The establishment of the Medical School—planned for fall 1969—has been postponed by President Allen. The small staff in place by existing funds will write a federal matching grant.¹⁰¹⁹

Blind student Joe “The Whistler” Engressia is no longer guided around campus by sorority pledges, but friends have arranged to guide him to class until he can find the way

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¹⁰¹⁹ O 1/29/69.
to the engineering building on his own. His graduation may be delayed because he
cannot take the engineering lab without his vision.\textsuperscript{1020}

Several students oppose USF’s housing policy that says that those under 21 can
only live in the dorms or with parents. Paul Wallace has requested the Dean of Men
Charles Wildy to prosecute him for living off campus, but suspects Wildy is avoiding the
issue until Wallace turns 21. Kappy Kidd, at 19 years, is also violating the policy, and
will not be able to register for classes next quarter if he continues. Even if he corrects the
housing situation, he will still have to pay for the housing/food contract that he never
used. Kidd considers legal action against USF because, “the University required other
qualifications than academic ability [housing and meal plan subscription] to obtain
admittance.” Wallace threatens legal action because he thinks USF, a state institution, is
directly supporting Fontana Hall, a private enterprise, by referring students there if the
dorms are full. SG member Mary Margaret Rutledge is concerned with housing policies:
RA’s being free of many regulations such as drinking and curfew; RA’s entering
residents’ rooms without their knowledge. Wallace lives in a trailer and as a vegetarian,
shuns USF’s meal plan.\textsuperscript{1021}

Dean Wunderlich defends USF housing and food policies, saying they are in
place to give students a “total educational environment.” Director of Housing Raymond
King said that Morrison’s foodservice is not a monopoly, “The university has its own
foodservice. No one is forcing them (students) to attend this university. If this was the
only state university, we could talk this.” King also said any deviation for food plans
(like offering plans with fewer meals per week than the mandatory 21) would send prices

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Students for Responsible Government (SRG), USF’s only SG political party, holds a convention with disappointing results. Built upon the solidarity of fraternity and sorority votes, one 7 out of 21 Greek clubs send delegates. Punctuated by constant standing ovations and applause, the apathy of the party was apparent. One of SRG’s goals has always been to politically mobilize students.1023

Despite the Oracle’s skepticism, SRG sweeps the February elections, gaining 9 out of 10 vacant SG seats despite opposition from the newly-formed Human Rights party.1024

USF obtains a Centrex phone system, making numbers here seven digits rather than the previous three or four. It would also allow people outside to call extensions directly, rather than going through the switchboard. Students will have $13 added to housing fees every quarter, with all of the funds going to GTE. Two-thirds of eligible students will have to approve the plan before implementation.1025

Oracle Editor Mario Garcia and SG President Scott Barnett engage in the “Battle of the Beards” a contest held to support Gasparilla. Garcia’s “poised” beard wins the day.1026

An Extravaganza is planned for February featuring (Little) Anthony and the Imperials, a dance, and other activities. “El Casino” will have jazz musicians, gambling games, and a nightclub.1027

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1025  O 1/29/69.
1026  O 2/5/69, 2/12/69.
The BOR approves USF’s request to demolish several structures at Chinsegut Hill: The water tower, greenhouse, Sunrise House cottage, and several other decaying buildings. President Allen says the buildings are well beyond economical repair. 1028

Out of 40 students polled, 25 oppose the distribution of birth control pills to unmarried coeds, and 15 support the policy. UF has already implemented a distribution system. 1029

Over the past three years, 18 students have been busted for drugs at USF: 7 in 1966, 6 in 1967, and 7 in 1968, all for marijuana or LSD. USF administrators claim that USF has nothing to do with any arrests made, although students claim there is an undercover police team and informants on campus. 1030

Former troubled student (see 1968) (and current HCC student) James Hoffer is arrested for possession of LSD. 1031

History instructor and charter grad Davis Jordan is appointed director of summer session. Administration is concerned that few students attend for the summer quarter. The quarter system was supposed to make the SUS more efficient by making it run at capacity year-round, but most students prefer to vacation and work over the summer. Jordan hopes to add more classes to the summer schedule, a separate summer catalog, and opportunities for “marginal” students to take summer classes on a trial basis. 1032

Headed by Max Kaplan, the Institute of Leisure Studies in the only one of its kind. 1033
Hillsborough County Supervisor of Elections and tenacious activist Jim Fair sues the Tampa Police and Ye Mystic Krewe of Gasparilla so that students can protest the war in front of his Franklin St. store during the Gasparilla parade. Though a judge dismisses the lawsuit, he vows to press on.\textsuperscript{1034}

The University Chapel Fellowship holds a coffee house event in the UC every Sunday, run by students.\textsuperscript{1035}

The first campus-wide graduate student mixer is held in the UC.\textsuperscript{1036}

Marketing Major Bill McVey begins a program called “Compatamanics,” a computerized dating service. Upon joining, new members take a personality test, which is evaluated by four psychiatrists and matched to compatible members.\textsuperscript{1037}

Tightening retirement guidelines may force out three professors. Chancellor Robert Mautz supports a mandatory retirement because older faculty members demoralize younger up and comers.\textsuperscript{1038}

USF’s graduate programs have 3,374 students enrolled despite a 1967 draft law that bans deferments for grad students in all but a few medical fields.\textsuperscript{1039}

The USF Sports Car Club holds an LSD rally: a race on “Loose Sand and Dirt.”\textsuperscript{1040}

Student Legislators attempt to cut off funding for the Aegean, saying that only 2,600 students bought the last issue, and does not warrant continued funds. Other objections are more stylistic, “such as mandatory dress requirements for pictures …
which are blatant in their obscene attempts to dehumanize many students at USF by forcing them to violate their own personal apparel preferences, lining their portraits up in militaristic rows and exhibiting conformity as the highest virtue of our school.” The editor of the Aegean Cookie Speller retorts at an SG hearing that 2,900 students had actually bought the Aegean, more than who voted the SG into power.\footnote{O 2/26/69.}

In the same legislative session, Speller’s remarks are interrupted when the cast of the USF production of “Hair” bursts in singing “Aquarius.” They then sing the title song and “Flush Failure” before leaving the meeting hand in hand. When the play opens for a student-only viewing, 700 arrive, with room for just 200. The rest are turned away. The play is deemed a tasteful success.\footnote{O 2/26/69, O 3/5/69.}

The state legislature designates Bayboro campus “University of South Florida at St. Petersburg.” Looking back on its brief history, the Oracle writes, “Some described it as an island of youth in a sea of senility. … How many students on the main campus have walked out of their dorm to find a ship docked next to their classroom building? Girls, despite restrictions, managed to get dates with British sailors on leave from a tour of duty patrolling the waters off Cuba. Bartering frequently occurred as records and articles of clothing were traded for British money and—most prized of all—the green berets of the British sailors.” With the Bayfront Center nearby, students had easy access to concerts by the Beach Boys, Holiday on Ice, and Herb Alpert’s Tijuana Brass. With permission from the administration, students converted a wooden frame building to a coffeehouse called the “Spider’s Web” equipped with a game room, pool tables, and a juke box. Students usually provided their own musical entertainment. Impromptu
swimming parties happened regularly until a student tried to throw a “non-swimming” instructor into the bay. Such partied now happen less frequently. One of the Bay Campus’s biggest protests was led by resident instructor Verne Sugarman when students discovered that a vast majority of classes would be offered in the College of Basic Studies, forcing students into repeating classes or taking ones they didn’t like. After barraging President Allen with letters, more courses were quickly offered. Still, they there often missed out on the dances, lectures, plays and concerts on the main campus because of a lack of transportation. This problem contributed to the feeling that St. Pete students were “separate but not equal.” When Bay students voted for SG representatives, they chose 8 candidates and voted unanimously for them. Thereafter, many Bay students referred to the main campus as “that irate minority.” Now, there is at least one class on the Bay campus that is not available in Tampa. The Bay campus gives 37 degrees to its students.

University students across the state hold vigils in support of Chancellor Robert Mautz’s proposal to abolish university recognition procedures for student organizations. After several organizations had been turned away, such as Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), students feel administration has been too restrictive. The BOR meets at the UC when Mautz makes the proposal, and 30-40 students silently protest USF’s restrictive policies outside the door. SG joins the protesters in a picket line after the issue stalls. Protests also take place at UF and FSU.

Rumors abound that FBI informers populate classes looking for un-American activities among the Social Science faculty. One professor says he knows of three

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students who have been asked to inform for the FBI. Another said he is not surprised at
the presence, and added, that the FBI’s “interest is not learning and education.” Another
hoped that agents and informers might “learn something” in his class. Dr. James
Swanson of the history department said, “I make a statement at the beginning of the term
asking them (FBI) to please sign in so that I will not assign them any work.” Dr. David
Leonard hoped agents would learn, “I hope to persuade such people to leave this
nefarious, contemptible work. It has the ugly ring of Fascism and totalitarian
Communism. This is a deliberate poison in a community of learning.” When asked,
Special Agent J.F. Santoiana Jr., commanding officer of the local FBI, denies any
undercover investigation at USF.1045

Fencing around construction near the Social Science building become a common
spot for graffiti with phrases including, “Go Greek—Nixon did”, “To be together is
blessed/To come together, divine”, and “Incest is relative.”1046

The Florida Cabinet/Budget Committee passes a budget for USF that is $10.9
million less than the BOR-requested $58.2 million. The cuts, however, are not
unexpected.1047

The legislature cuts the BOR-requested budget for the SUS from $351 million to
$200 million.1048

Frustrated with SG, several SG legislators and a student senator resign. Mary
Stanwix-Hay writes the Oracle after giving up her legislative seat, “It is upsetting to
know that so many students are interested in nothing more than a diploma. How can I

1045 O 3/12/69.
1046 O 3/12/69.
1047 O 3/12/69.
1048 O 4/9/69.
represent people who don’t even know there is a Student Government—or care? … With all of this, plus the Mouseketeer meetings each Thursday night, I began to realize that the Student Government meetings were merely an arm of the administration. A body which functions for the pleasure of ‘the king and his court.’ It is time the administration started not just listening, but paying attention and acting [on student desires for allocation of funds, for classes, dorm rules, and food].” Bob Van Hook, the resigning student senator, wrote, “I apologize, first, for not resigning sooner than I did. I didn’t understand that SG is not the viable alternative I naively once thought it was. [That the] SG circus thrives on parliamentary crises; that power in the university lies only in those vested with it (administrators) to the exclusion of all others (students and faculty); that our legislation carries just about the weight of the paper used to print it. I saw the mockery of the University Senate as most of those concerned cringed in awe of President Allen who ramrodded its action with all the grace of a drill sergeant. I learned that participation in the system leads to cooptation by the forces one combats. … I’ll not be co-opted again.”1049

In April, registration for quarter II goes very smoothly, with short lines and good coordination. However, a student from the St. Pete campus calls registration there a “jam-up” and that Tampa must have “boxed up all its gremlins and snafus and sent them to St. Petersburg.”1050

Out of Hillsborough County’s 381 new teachers, 236 are USF grads, 37 from UT, 32 from FAMU, 24 from UF and 23 from FSU. Three-quarters are women.1051

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1051 TT 9/29/69.
Six members of USF’s swim team are named “All-America” athletes by the NCAA. Although the team placed 12th in the championships, several individuals stood out. Terry Brazel took 3 honors, Mike McNaughton took two, and Joe Lewkowicz, Make Berry, Bill Kelly, and Dave Keene took one each.  

The US Dept. of Health, Education, and Welfare gives USF three grants totaling $300,000. It also gives a $1.4 million grant so USF can build a Language-Literature building, out of a total cost of $2.9 million.

The first Florida conference on urban education takes place at USF, where Governor Claude Kirk blasts Tampa’s drop-out rate in the city’s impoverished “Model Cities” area. Only 6% have qualifying test scores to get into the SUS, while the state average is 35%.

Students stage “Eat Allen” rallies against USF’s president. Students carry forks, napkins, and a big pot to Allen’s office. Because there is no forum for dialogue and communication, the Oracle asks students to submit complaints to the paper and for administrators to answer through it.

It has been a big year for intramural sports. Men can choose from tennis, softball, track & field, wrestling, and golf. Females can choose from volleyball and badminton.

USF’s experimental theater is active this year, under the leadership of Jack Belt.
USF holds the first-ever Institute on Leisure, where expert panelists from across the country discuss changes in US leisure habits and technology.\textsuperscript{1058}

NASA and HEW send reminders to President Allen of the laws at his disposal on the restrictions on student protest and unrest. HEW is concerned because of the large grants they give USF and NASA because they have many USF work co-op students.\textsuperscript{1059}

A Computer Club is formed on campus.\textsuperscript{1060}

Richard Eberhart headlines the 6\textsuperscript{th} Annual Florida Poetry Festival at USF.\textsuperscript{1061}

Iron Butterfly play at USF’s Spring Spectacular. Their biggest hit to date is “In-A-Gadda-Da-Vida.” Other performers include O.C. Smith and Eddie Floyd.\textsuperscript{1062}

Michael Klonsky, National Secretary of the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) speaks at USF, stating, “This [USF] Is a vulgar place. This is the brain center of world imperialism. The university in America is where your counterinsurgency research gets done, your germ and chemical warfare research gets done.” When Klonsky tried to speak at FSU, he was arrested and the congregated students dispersed at bayonet point. In an interview before his speech, Klonsky said, “[T]he [USF] administration is afraid, they’re running scared now. And that’s why they’re desperately trying to keep SDS from getting here. They know that once students start getting organized they’re not going to be able to treat them like animals.”\textsuperscript{1063}

About 200 “Negroes” attend USF as of April 1969.\textsuperscript{1064}
To protest the quality of food on campus, students eat around a trailer carrying pigs. Students toss the food they do not want to eat into the trailer. A student organization calling itself OINC (Organization for the Involvement of the Neglected Community) claims responsibility for the visiting pigs. One organizer named Leo Gallagher said, “From bitter experience we all know that if we want decent food we have to get Morrison’s off campus. We believe that having the students feed the pigs is the best way to make Morrison’s lose money. We are appealing to the student to eat as many meals as they can under their food plans.” Some signs at the protest read, “You are what you eat,” “Egolf says food poisoning is inevitable,” and “Bust Morrison’s.” A piglet on a leash was walked into a food committee meeting later. In one quarter, Salisbury steak was served 19 times, roast beef 3, mashed potatoes 21, fish with tartar sauce 12, veal cutlet 11, and green beans 22, all in about 10 weeks.\(^\text{1065}\)

After several students claim that food from Morrison’s on-campus cafeteria made them ill, tests reveal no food-borne diseases in the food.\(^\text{1066}\)

Due to rising food costs, Morrison’s raises prices in the cafeterias.\(^\text{1067}\)

SDS sends a letter to President Allen reading, “We have formed a student organization to be known as Students for a Democratic Society. We have done so knowing that our right to organize and assemble are protected by the United States Constitution. This letter will serve as registration for this organization. We trust that university facilities will be made available to us.” USF students and some 50 faculty members challenge the formation of the USF SDS, distributing SDS literature “to show how ridiculous” their position is. Some accuse the SDS of picking issues on which the

\(^{1065}\) O 4/16/69.
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administration cannot give in just so they can protest and involve the police (and press). Others accuse the SDS of posting “dirty words” on the free speech bulletin board on campus, provoking a furor among the public, forcing SG to defend the board.¹⁰⁶⁸

The anti-SDS group calls itself the Committee for a Rational University (CRU), and wants to exclude SDS radical activities from the campus. Junior Gary Briese in the leader of the group and has the full support of the Young Republicans and the Politically Active Conservative Council. CRU members disrupted a meeting of the SDS, engaging in heated debate and claiming that the SDS members could not answer questions posed to them. Briese attempts to get the Interfraternity Council on board with CRU, but IFC members counter that their participation will only give the SDS more publicity.¹⁰⁶⁹ A series of polarized letters are printed in the Oracle, some denouncing CRU as another version of the disruptive SDS, others defending the CRU.¹⁰⁷⁰

President Allen resigns as chairman of the University State Bank, but USF and the BOR did not know he was ever serving in such a capacity. Citing a possible conflict of interests, the BOR readies an investigation. Allen says it was an unpaid job, and that he served as a director of the First National Bank of Tampa in 1967, which he sees as no different than his most recent position.¹⁰⁷¹

Physical Plant employee Tom Gills reveals that an informal survey of his department revealed several completely illiterate people and many others functionally

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¹⁰⁷¹ O 4/23/69.
illiterate. Although USF employees can take 6 credits free of charge, the classes offered are exclusively at the college level.1072

The library hosts a psychedelic event called “the Endless Tunnel,” “a psychedelic experience of present day man tunneling through the twenty-first century to himself.” The presentation includes a man-sized puppet with an electric heart and brain as the host, French film footage, lights, music by the Beatles, and an array of art and “happenings.”1073

Paradise Lost is a smashing success presented by the Speech Department, at least according to a student review. A letter to the Oracle calls the laudatory review “satire,” and the play lousy.1074

USF hosts a “free press” called the “Aquarian.”1075

Thirty black students walk out of their Afro-Studies course (the only one of its kind at USF) to protest white instructors teaching there. The students, led by Otha favors, offer a list of reasons for the protest, including the instructors’ inability to relate to the black experience, failure to critically evaluate the literature, lack of concrete course objectives, and a haphazard presentation with no attempt to relate the material to the black students.1076 A week after the initial walk-out, only 3 of the 35 students return to class. Howard Gowen, the instructor, worked the students’ proposals into the existing syllabus, but the blacks rejected it out of hand because of the lack of a black perspective.

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Gowen and the remaining students, mostly white, agreed to return to the original syllabus.  

Thirty members of USF’s Afro-American Society march to President Allen’s office with a list of demands for the formation of a Black Studies Department. When they find Allen’s door locked, they proceed to give their demands to Dean Herbert Wunderlich. They demand a written reply by the end of the week. Their demands: increasing black enrollment to 10% of the student body; creation of an autonomous Black Studies Department; an increase in black professors and counselors outside of the Black Studies department; and the establishment of a separate black scholarship and loan fund. Other specific demands: black professors in the Black Studies Department; that the Society be appointed representative of all black students, and that Black Studies be offered as a degree.

USF’s Circle K club holds a day of fasting to help efforts to feed the starving children in Nigeria-Biafra. Nigeria’s Consul General, Peter Ofolabi, speaks at Chinsegut Hill about the present state of affairs for an African Politics class.

President Allen responds to the Afro Society’s demands with a letter explaining that USF tries to help the disadvantaged, but that neither he nor his faculty have the authority to start new programs without approval and oversight by state institutions. Black student leaders say they are “encouraged” by the response, “but it does not give us everything we want or that we deserve,” Frank Biggins told a crowd of 200 students outside the administration building. BOR Chancellor Robert Mautz says the demands should be treated as suggestions and “given normal consideration.” Another student

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leader, Otha Favors, said, “I think we’ve danced long enough. I think it’s time we got down to more important issues.” Other speakers rail against racial “tokenism” and complain that Cuban students have their own scholarship fund but not blacks: “We’ve been here for 300 years and the Cubans have been here since 1960.” SG endorses the proposals.\textsuperscript{1080}

The U Senate approved Black Studies courses that will lead to a BA degree in the same subject area, taught by black and white professors. Although he voted for the measure, Dr. Charles Arnade has reservations. “To rush it through now is nothing more than an emotional response to a revolutionary movement,” he said, adding, “This whole program should have been diffused into our curriculum long ago.”\textsuperscript{1081}

The “Afro-American Studies program” begins in the fall with three black instructors.\textsuperscript{1082} But the Afro-American Society withdraws its support for the program, alleging that Dean of Liberal Arts Russel Cooper dragged his feet when trying to find a director or coordinator of the program. Cooper selected a black coordinator, Benjamin Berry, pending approval by the Afro-American Society.\textsuperscript{1083}

SG asks why the administration took pictures of the “eat Allen” rallies that took place last quarter. VP of Academic Affairs Elliot Hardaway ordered the pictures to be taken and developed through Educational Resources on campus. When asked by SG members if he ordered the pictures, Hardaway refused to answer, saying, “I’m not on the
witness stand.” On other occasions, when asked why the photos were taken, he answered “I think you know,” and that they “might come in handy.”

Student Senator Roger Coe confronted Hardaway with some of the photos. Coe is later arrested for taking the photos from university files without authorization. Coe maintains his innocence.

USF students participate in a demonstration against Defense Secretary Melvin Laird’s support of an anti-ballistic missile system at St. Leo’s College.

About 250 students, along with a small throng of senior citizens, protest General Lewis Hershey’s visit to St. Pete.

Developers propose a large shopping mall on Fowler Avenue, later to be called University Mall.

Dean of the College of Education Jean Battle said that college curriculums are not relevant to students today, and that students and professors are far more capable than their predecessors. Universities have been unable or unwilling to keep up with the nation’s changing problems and with the changing nature of society, especially the reality of urban life.

Students throw a “Bathroom Bash” in Gamma I West. The hallways and bathrooms are decorated with colorful streamers and a sign reads “Did you ever realize how much of your life you spend in a bathroom?” An array of junk food on a table and soft drinks in a bathtub greet partygoers. The party started a bit late “This additional

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minutes is recommended due to the lack of booze available in the dorms. It gives everyone a chance to tank up with one more prior to attendance.” The party played “Twister,” “the game for Indian aesthetics [sic] studying the Kuma Satra [intentional sic?].” Many of the tangled bodies were reluctant to become untangled. A toilet-flushing contest followed: who could flush each toilet twice in the shortest time. A graffiti contest followed, but one student observed, “It would probably have been more fun to storm the johns in the UC and just read them.” Some interesting entries: “Eat shit: a million flies can’t be wrong,” “The true wrath of god is that he doesn’t exist,” and “There is no gravity—the earth sucks.”

The House Appropriations Committee reviews a bill to establish a permanent site for the St. Pete campus. The classes offered there have increased by 10% each quarter since 1968.

The St. Pete Campus will offer 80 courses in the fall, a large increase over the 45 courses offered last year. Dean Tuttle expects enrollment there to increase from 300 full-time students last year to 500 in the fall, with total students jumping from 650 to 1,000.

Library Director Mary Lou Harkness moves the circulation desk from the 3rd floor to the 1st floor.

The Wednesday Night “Thing” on the Hill (Crescent Hill) provides live rock music for students to “groove” to. The student organizers make it clear that the gatherings are non-political. They provide a PA and open the mic to all comers.

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USF students volunteer their time to teach blacks in Sarasota, who are boycotting the school system there. The black community set up “Free Schools” after the school system announced it would close a number of black schools and bus black students to white schools across town. Forty USF students participate. In addition to the regular curriculum, Free Schools include current events, black history and black poetry.1095

An All-University committee plans a Rathskellar (or pub) on campus. The committee presents five proposals to President Allen.1096 After it is approved, construction begins in the fall.1097 Although the pub is approved, construction is delayed in red tape. A new building might have to be constructed because Morrison’s might not run the bar, and two food/drink services cannot share the same building, in this case, the UC.1098 Then, although the pub is approved, no alcohol will be allowed per state law.1099 UF has served beer at its Rathskeller for a year, but the state attorney who barred alcohol from USF’s campus says he is not discriminating.1100

Two USF history professors square off in a panel discussion against conservative thinker Dr. Phillip Crane, who says members of the New Left are “by definition Psychopathic.” He suggests that all federal funds be withdrawn from the nation’s universities, driving up costs and forcing students to take their studies more seriously. Crane says that students today feel useless and frustrated. That same week at the Hixon center, a member of the John Birch Society gives a slide show called “The Rape of

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Innocent Minds” that claims sex education in public schools is the result of an “international Communist conspiracy.”

USF holds a Family Day Carnival, with games, prizes, free rides, refreshments, a lecture by two authors, and a bridal fashion show followed by punch and cake.

USF faculty members complain that their offices have been “raided” by custodial workers, who allegedly stole office materials and removed pictures and documents from their doors.

The College of Business Administration is accredited by the American Association of College Schools of Business. Only 20% of the nation’s 600-700 business schools receive such an honor, and USF is one of the youngest recipients.

60% of the student body major in liberal arts or interdisciplinary studies and 22% aspire to be teachers. Only 3% were in engineering and 12% in business.

A 20 year-old student and his wife, 17, are in critical condition after a car ran a stop sign on Fletcher and 30th, striking the student’s motorcycle. USF asked for a traffic light at the sight two years ago. The county approved the light 18 months ago, but no action taken. The light is finally installed in October, over four months after the accident.

USF’s Housing Office announces that they are reducing the minimum age to live off-campus from 21 to 20, and if high levels of dorm occupancy continue, to 19.
President Allen asks the BOR to approve intercollegiate basketball for USF. The BOR unanimously supports the move.\textsuperscript{1109}

About 2,400 students graduate from USF in a ceremony at the Bayfront Center in St. Pete. More students graduated on that single day than were in the student body in 1963. A student body of 15,000 is expected in the fall. By 1980, 33,000 students are expected to attend USF.\textsuperscript{1110} Dean Wunderlich said, “There will be depersonalization [for students] unless we increase forms of de-centralization [in administration].” The percentage of co-eds continue to increase since USF opened, and are expected to outnumber males. Women will outnumber men in college by 1975. As of 1968-9, 46% of USF students are women, compared to 40% in 1960. In 1950 over half of women over age 25 had not attended high school. Other numbers have been climbing as well, such as tuition. Just $90 in 1960, it is now $150.\textsuperscript{1111}

USF’s Medical School is expected to begin classes in 1972, filling a void in physician training in Florida. With a steeply rising population (many elders among it), In between 1960 and 1970, Florida will need 3,800-4,500 new physicians to meet the needs of the population. The state currently produces only 1,050 graduates. USF’s Medical school is expected to help close that gap.\textsuperscript{1112}

Fine Arts enrollment continues to climb. In 1966-67, there was a 46% increase in fine arts enrollment, in 1967-68 a 52% increase from the year before, and a 42% increase in 1968-69.\textsuperscript{1113}

200 USF Co-Op students receive on the job training over the summer.\textsuperscript{1114}

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The University Senate approved credit for basic PE courses.\textsuperscript{1115}

USF instructor Robert Stevenson renounces his US citizenship, ostensibly to buy land in Iran, where one must be a citizen to buy land. He worked in the country for Standard Oil, and spent time writing Iranian history textbooks in English. The move has stirred up controversy as Stevenson participates in anti-war protests and denounces US foreign policy. USF passes him up for tenure with no explanation, and then fires him in July. Students form a committee to investigate the firing, another student forms a support group, and some fellow faculty members rush to his defense.\textsuperscript{1116}

Stevenson appeals to the AAUP for help.\textsuperscript{1117} The Student-Faculty Association, recently formed to improve communications on campus, condemns President Allen for his firing of Stevenson and canceling pay raises for five professors. It also blasts the BOR for failing to act on a student bill of rights submitted to them earlier in the year.

The SG passes a bill proclaiming “Academic Freedom Day,” or a day of demonstrations in support of Stevenson. SG President Steve Anderson vetoes the bill, saying, “I want to be sure Allen has every opportunity to admit he made a poor decision.” Instead of a day of demonstrations, Anderson suggests students attend a U Senate meeting or make their feelings known to Allen himself. SG and the AAUP censure Allen for his firing of Stevenson and for the heavy-handed manner in which he squashed an attempt to update the rules of the U Senate. A delegation of four students visit Allen in

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his office to show support for Stevenson, but Allen does not budge, saying, “It is not my responsibility to define the solution.”

Grad student Ken Knoblock protests parking policies on campus. Students can only defend themselves in Tampa’s traffic court, and signage on campus is inconsistent. The Municipal Traffic court rescinds all of the unjust tickets he received.

The Political Science Department proposes the formation of a Faculty Senate to improve community service. President Allen denies the request, saying that the university community is already too complex.

Five USF professors complain that their raises were cut by President Allen. Administration denies that the raises existed in the first place. Dr. Graham Solomons accuses Allen of cutting the raises because the five professors support student causes.

USF’s Administration speeds progress on implementing an Affirmative Action plan to ensure more opportunities for the disadvantaged. Similar actions are being taken by the rest of the SUS.

As preparations for a flight to the moon almost complete by NASA, the College of Education holds its annual Space Science Workshop and the Excitement in Space programs. With groups of elementary and junior high teachers will attend the programs, highlighted by a series of rocket launches on campus.

USF begins using Social Security numbers instead of the old five-digit student numbers.
The BOR denies tenure to all Florida professors seeking it, 280 in all, saying the rules are too loosely written. Regent Dr. Clarence Menser, a prominent critic of Florida’s educational system says, “I take the stand that tenure is a crutch for incompetence. We are in an era when a lot of scabby teachers are available. Some don’t stand for what the American system stands for and we have some outstanding examples of people we want to get rid of but are afraid to.” The Oracle accuses administration of “beginning to yield to the conservative backlash developing around the nation in regard to state universities.”

USF acquires the CENTREX telephone system, which allows outside callers to dial any USF number directly.

Governor Claude Kirk signs a bill to crack down on the use of drugs by college students. Any student charged with illegal drug possession will automatically be suspended from college in Florida’s public universities for two years. Suspension can be waived if students divulge information to law enforcement leading to the conviction of others for drugs. Florida Senator Wilber Boyd of Palmetto authored the bill and says that university officials have the ultimate say in punishment for students. SG President Steve Anderson calls the law unconstitutional, because students can be suspended before they are convicted—an arrest is all that is required.

USF’s Leisure Studies Dept. offers Disney World to become a non-profit research arm of the new theme park in Orlando.

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1128 O 7/30/69.
The SG Loan Program for Disadvantaged begins operations. Officially created on May 23, the fund has already accumulated $1,000 as of its activation in July. Loans are available to disadvantaged USF with no grade conditions at a low interest rate.\textsuperscript{1129}

After disappointing enrollment for summer session, most faculty contracts will be for 9-month periods rather than the whole year. State requirements say that in order to issue 12-month contracts, summer enrollment must be 80% of quarter 1 in the fall. To reach 80%, USF would have to attract 8,900 FTEs for the summer. There are only 7,900 students, some of them part-time. USF officials think the 80% requirement is “nearly impossible.”\textsuperscript{1130}

About 750 students are set to graduate at the end of summer, 200 of them to receive MA’s.\textsuperscript{1131}

Administration grants promotion to 48 professors, 16 of them full professorships.\textsuperscript{1132}

Alumnus Donald F. Doerr, a 1968 Engineering graduate, is awarded $500 from NASA for his work on the Apollo space program. He helped adapt space suits with electronic sensors to monitor astronauts’ physical conditions and worked on the physiosimulator training system.\textsuperscript{1133}

USF obtains an IBM 360 to assist in registration with the establishment of a Student Data Bank, using the students’ Social Security numbers for identification.\textsuperscript{1134}

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\textsuperscript{1134} O 7/30/69.
The USF Co-Op program places its 1,000th student. The program began 8 years ago, and over 200 students have been placed in NASA alone.\textsuperscript{1135}

USF officials create roadblocks at the beginning of the fall quarter to ease hazards to pedestrians.\textsuperscript{1136}

New laws on the books: the BOR has the power to regulate student discipline; it is against the law for students to disrupt operations of any educational institution in the state; and students facing drug charges will be automatically suspended, and if they face conviction, they will be expelled for a minimum of 2 years.\textsuperscript{1137}

The BOR defines “disruptive behavior”: theft or vandalism, obstructing freedom of movement on campus, impeding the rights and duties of those on campus, and interference with academic freedom.\textsuperscript{1138}

USF is to provide $3 million in federal and state student aid in the coming year.\textsuperscript{1139}

The BOR approves 4 new degrees for USF: doctor of philosophy in chemistry, doctor of philosophy in education, MS in management, and MA in Political Science.\textsuperscript{1140}

Several new construction projects: Phase II of Social Sciences is set to open, a new Language-Literature building to begin construction in the fall, and a smaller general classroom/office building to begin construction in the spring.\textsuperscript{1141}

The 1,672-acre Tampa campus comprises 40 buildings, 15,000 full-time students, and 650 full-time faculty. Some 45 new buildings are planned by 1980.\textsuperscript{1142}

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\textsuperscript{1137} O 9/24/69.
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\textsuperscript{1139} O 9/24/69.
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60% of the student body major in liberal arts or interdisciplinary studies and 22% aspire to be teachers. Only 3% are in engineering and 12% in business.\textsuperscript{1143}

USF students join a national anti-war committee (The New Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam) in supporting a moratorium of the Vietnam War. Local students plan on participating through teach-ins, dialog, and protests.\textsuperscript{1144} The Vietnam moratorium begins on Oct. 15. The program begins with a screening of the film “The Year of the Pig” the night before. While the New Party—a student anti-war organization that helped organize the moratorium—tried to raise money at a concert the week before, few chipped in. The moratorium is observed with a panel discussion and a screening of the film “The Magician.” Other speakers, including Vietnam veterans, appear in the afternoon, followed by a “peace-rock” concert on Crescent Hill. A presentation of “At Home in Vietnam,” a play written by Dr. Jack Moore, is included in the concert, as is poetry readings by Dr. Jim Palmer and folk music. The committee that organized the event, chaired by Moore, asks that all classes be devoted to discussing the war, to which two colleges agree.\textsuperscript{1145} Students cram into the ballroom to hear the speakers. About 2,000 march in a night vigil that serves as the culmination of the moratorium. Although the marchers were silent, onlookers from the dorms sometimes jeered and made animal noises. After some singing and a speech by a local minister, some students left, while others stayed in an “all-night vigil.”\textsuperscript{1146}

In a proclamation, President Allen announces that “The university is not in politics and does not take any official opinion of political issues.” Allen suggests that

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\textsuperscript{1146} 10/22/69.
any anti-war activities be conducted “in an orderly fashion” during the free hours on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.\textsuperscript{1147}

President Allen approves the creation of a committee to write a USF constitution, translating state laws, BOR policies, and USF policies. USF is the only university in the state not to have a constitution.\textsuperscript{1148}

In just three days, 15,640 USF students register for classes, 13\% more than last year.\textsuperscript{1149}

Just one year after its formation, the Intensive Tutorial program (IT) is the largest tutorial program in the nation. About 1,500 tutors are assigned to 20 schools in the bay area. Those being tutored are several grades behind in scholastics. In most cases, white tutors are matched with black pupils and vice versa. Male tutors teach young boys, and females teach the girls.\textsuperscript{1150}

As of the Fall term, 157 foreign students are enrolled at USF.\textsuperscript{1151}

Liberal Arts is easily the most popular major at USF, comprising 5,054 students (undergrad and grad) of 13,000. Education is second at 2,899. Then come Basic studies (2,794), Social Science (1,955), Business Administration (1,633), Natural Science (1,586), Language Literature (981), Fine Arts (532), Engineering (487), and “Other” (289).\textsuperscript{1152}

The median age of USF students is now 21, up 2 years from 1960.\textsuperscript{1153}

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\textsuperscript{1149} O 10/2/69.
\textsuperscript{1150} O 10/2/69.
\textsuperscript{1152} USF Fact Book, 1970, p. 1-10-3.
\textsuperscript{1153} USF Fact Book 1970, p. 1-12-1.
The number of commuting students was highest in 1960 at 98%, but dipped to 68% in 1967, the same year USF allowed students to live in private apartments (5% did). This year 73% commute, 20% live in the dorms, and 7% live in private apartments.\footnote{USF Fact Book 1970, p. 1-12-1.}

Director of Housing Raymond King says that housing for married students is a possibility, but response was light during a poll several years before. There is talk of opening a USF trailer park to house married students, but opinions vary.\footnote{O 10/8/69.}

Parking problems are said to be on the rise. USF has 9,000 registered cars and 7,000 parking spaces.\footnote{O 10/8/69.}

In a flurry of legislative activity in its second session, SG checks on how the bookstore spends profits, opposes the reapportionment of the U Senate, and passes a resolution questioning President Allen’s competency as USF’s top administrator. The resolution is written by Nick Hall, who lives in a tent off-campus.\footnote{O 10/15/69.} A week later, SG censures Allen for “being flagrantly abusive to the rights of all members of the university community.” When the U Senate considered some rule changes, Allen called a meeting to firmly ask them to reconsider. As a result of the meeting and the Senate’s reversing its decision on the new rules, SG President Steve Anderson calls Allen “a dictator.” Only one Senate member stuck with his original vote, Dr. Fuson of Geography.\footnote{O 10/29/69.}

A Black Festival is held on campus.\footnote{O 10/15/69.}

The Florida Legislature passes a law banning Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) from campus.\footnote{O 10/15/69.}
John Greer, a member of SG, complains that his low GPA unseated him. The Student Court of Review lowers the minimum GPA to 2.0.\textsuperscript{1161}

The USFSP (St. Pete) Bulletin goes into print in October, later known as the Crow’s Nest.

USF St. Pete continues to expand with Building B opened for classes after renovations. About 1,000 students attend classes there, half of them full time. Marine Science and Education courses dominate the 80 classes offered the in the fall. As yet, the campus still has no clubs.\textsuperscript{1162} The St. Campus’s Student Activities Committee office opens “adjacent to the student lounge in Building B.”\textsuperscript{1163} St. Pete students petition for a pool table and more recreational facilities.\textsuperscript{1164}

A mini-skirt contest is held at the “Tip Top” dance in the gym.\textsuperscript{1165}

The fall SG elections draw only 27% of the student body, whereas 35% was expected. SG election turnout has always been low, rarely drawing more than 20% of the electorate.\textsuperscript{1166}

USF students form a new organization: the Action Party. The party’s platform is a more consistent drive toward fulfilling students’ needs and the publication of a newsletter keeping students informed of SG activity.\textsuperscript{1167}

The theater production of Marat-Sade is halted in rehearsal, “For some strange reason, all those involved with the show have been forced to withdraw for a few day’s rest before continuing with rehearsals.” The director, Carl Williams, left campus but a

\textsuperscript{1161} O 10/22/69.
\textsuperscript{1162} O 10/22/69.
\textsuperscript{1163} USFsp bulletin, 11/13/69.
\textsuperscript{1164} Usfsp 12/4/69.
\textsuperscript{1165} O 10/22/69.
\textsuperscript{1166} O 10/29/69.
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cryptic note was found in his office reading, “Forward any bills to Charenton.” The cast plays mental patients at a French institution directed in a play written and directed by the notorious Marquis de Sade. An Oracle article concluded, “Hope is expressed that the cast may return to their senses after the run of the show.”1168 In fact, the show is a great success, building in intensity each night until “its final nerve shattering Saturday night closing.” The set is dismantled after the run and preserved because Theater USF is invited to represent Florida and compete for national recognition by the American Educational Theater Association and the American National Theater and Academy. After a regional competition in North Carolina, the students might perform at the American College Theater festival in Washington DC.1169

One hundred bay area protestors go to Washington D.C. for the large peace march there. On the way out of town, the protestors’ train is stopped when an informant from USF calls the station claiming a bomb is aboard the train. Police search the train and everyone’s baggage. Dr. Jack Moore announces to the would-be demonstrators from the front of the train, “An anonymous phone call has been received by the you-know-who that there is a you-know-what that might go off in one of these lovely valises or sleeping bags. So, this is the reason they’re going to search your luggage.” Beleaguered instructor Robert Stevenson added, “I wish I’d brought my alarm clock.” A student wonders, “If there really was a bomb I don’t think they’d let us be here right now. Don’t they usually get everybody out?” Stevenson replies, “Not people like us. We’re obviously bomb material. Blown up for peace.” When the train pulls into a station in Virginia more than an hour late, police search the train and luggage again—for bombs, 

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sniffing at canteens and bottles. An elderly demonstrator asks, “Are we in Germany now?” After some other wisecracks, the demonstrators sing for the remainder of the search. Three hundred other demonstrators meet the group in DC. Out of the 400 attendees from Tampa Bay, 200 are USF students. The long journey and wearying march ends with a celebration of Robert Stevenson’s birthday.1170

In a shocking move to some, President Allen resigns, or attempts to. In a press conference, he says, “The life of a university president is by its nature vigorous and rigorous. Because of this, I have thought of retirement prior to the mandatory age.” He stops short of announcing his resignation, however, after being contacted by the BOR. Allen said, apparently without irony, “When I am ready to resign, I will tell you. You will not have to make guesses or surmises.” The irony is apparent when the Oracle editorializes, “Allen has been characterized as appearing somewhat like an army colonel. He does not delegate any of his responsibility, and when he decides to do something, that is what he does—with no deviation. … It’s like a secret in a small town—everybody knows it’s true, but nobody is willing to say for sure; it could be too damaging. … But will somebody please tell Pres. Allen he has resigned so we can get back to the business of education and get away from the logistics of politics[?]”1171

In the midst of near-constant wrangling with students and faculty, rumors abound that President Allen is on the verge of resignation and retirement. BOR chairman D. Burke Kibler demands to be consulted before any such move, and says that Allen must retire immediately upon announcement to avoid a “lame duck” presidency, but also admits it is too late to avoid such a “lame” situation. The rumors are coupled with the U

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Senate’s adoption of the new rules Allen had blocked weeks before. Some of the new rules: the Senate determining its own agenda, only elected members of the senate get to vote, Sturgis rules of procedure adopted, jurisdiction over all university concerns, meetings open to the public, and so on. Allen himself brought the rules before the Senate again after he urged the body to vote them down weeks before. He is thought to have reversed himself because he saw the growing concern and importance of the rules and his perceived meddling in Senate affairs, which had been accused of on earlier occasions.\footnote{1172}

Seniors are no longer required to wear suits and ties for their yearbook pictures.\footnote{1173}

Two hundred students, staff and faculty attend a picnic on the St. Pete campus.\footnote{1174}

About 100 students become violently ill, all who live in Fontana Hall. A food sample yields staph, but officials do not believe food poisoning was to blame, although the symptoms are reminiscent of it.\footnote{1175}

Chi Omega sorority member Peggy Dinkle has her sorority pin taken (and membership revoked) by the national organization when she makes a speech at USF that is critical of fraternities and sororities. VP and Dean of Student Affairs Herbert Wunderlich intervenes on Dinkle’s behalf, reminding CO that it agreed to recognize the local chapter under USF’s rules, which allow freedom of expression. Dinkle was invited to speak by sorority leaders to speak to the PanHellenic council on “What is wrong with the Greek image at USF?” Dinkle challenged Greeks to stop spending money on rushing, but to donate it to black scholarship funds; to stop trying to project a special image; and

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finally, “If you are to exist on today’s campus, you need a creed that is relevant, an organization that is flexible enough to change with the times, and democratic enough to listen and heed the voice of its members.” She received a standing ovation and the end of the speech. CO asked her to resign after the speech. When she refused, they stripped her of membership. SG called for her reinstatement and for CO to butt out of the “local affair.” 1176

The North Tampa Chamber of Commerce gives Pres. Allen a vote of confidence saying he has been “constantly harassed by a minority group of militant students and recalcitrants [sic] whose only purpose is to disrupt and disorganize others with their verminous [sic] thought and propaganda in the hope of overthrowing our American educational system.” SG Pres. Steve Anderson called the comments “intemperate” and “completely false,” and that they “betray a dangerous ignorance of the situation on this campus.” 1177

Of the high school seniors participating in Upward Bound, 93% go on to college. Out of 85 Upward Bound students placed in colleges around the country, 29 are from USF’s program. 1178

WUSF-TV plans a festival in its studios comprising drama, drama by young adults, and film. The station will air as many of the competitors as possible. 1179

The Tampa Library’s reference dept. reports the following statistics in December of 1969: 30,779 copies made on library Xerox machines; and out of 760 reference inquiries, 665 are from students and 44 from faculty. 1180
USF Alumni Association is incorporated.

The Faculty Office building and the Golf Course Operations Service building are under construction.

USF applies for Phi Beta Kappa membership, a prestigious academic fraternity, but receives no response.

1970: President Allen implements the changes in the U Senate rules and composition he approved late last year with some changes.\textsuperscript{1181} SG Pres. Steve Anderson accuses Allen of trying to “factionalize” the student voice, while several faculty members blast the reapportionment as “grossly undemocratic.” The sticking point is that Allen’s reapportionment would raise the number of seats from 69 to 92, with only 4 additional student seats. The faculty members (Diana Salvage and Edwin Martin) accuse the college deans who are allegedly “out too much for the interest of their own college and they haven’t grasped the spirit of the whole university community.” Anderson also said it is “absurd to give a college with 500 students the same as one with 4,000 to 5,000.” He also said that the students “are being outnumbered 2-1 by university employees and more than 3-1 by the faculty.” There are a number of other practical problems with the plan that also have to be worked out. While the College of Basic Studies blasts the plan (because it is under-represented), the Colleges of Business and Engineering support the

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reapportionment, as it tends to give those colleges much more representation than they previously had.  

Allen’s proposals for Senate rule changes are approved by the Senate 28-16 after a heated debate. Some Senators say the reapportionment will only increase the president’s support in the Senate rather than provide a fresh perspective. When it is discovered that Allen has asked that the proposed constitution go directly to his desk (with no copy for the Senate), he is accused of trying to block the constitution.

The proposed USF Constitution gets little attention by the University Senate. A five-member Senate committee (three faculty, one staff, one student) led by Dr. Edgar Hirshberg, wrote the document over the course of a quarter at the request of President Allen. If approved, the constitution would grant more due process before terminating faculty, and committees to share some of the president’s power.

Allen opposes the constitution, saying it conflicts with BOR powers and his own policy statements. The University Senate votes to send a committee to Allen to hear his reasons for opposing the document, which was submitted for approval over three months before. Asst. Dean and Associate Prof. of Sponsored Research William Taft says, “The Senate is on a collision course with the President, waving a red flag in front of him…” Plans for a constitution began in 1965, and each member of the SUS is required to have one, but the university president has veto power over all proposals.

Allen formally rejects the constitution and claims that USF doesn’t need one. Some U Senate members say that Allen is opposed to approving a constitution because it

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would prove how long USF has been operating without one.\textsuperscript{1186} A rumored confrontation between Allen and SG Pres. John Greer never materializes at a BOR meeting in Orlando. It was said that Greer would call for Allen’s resignation over the constitution issue.\textsuperscript{1187}

Student Senator Zadik Shapiro resigns his seat, citing the ineffectiveness of the U Senate. He wrote that Allen wants no advice from the U Senate which undermines its duties.\textsuperscript{1188}

In an open letter to the Oracle, Allen defends his actions re: the USF constitution. He says that he appointed the committee not to write a constitution but to tie together existing documents that would make up an eventual constitution: Florida Statutes, BOR rules, etc. In Allen’s eyes, the committee overstepped its charge by trying to re-organize USF. Allen advocates a set of “by-laws” or a “working document” because BOR rules state that universities “may” have a constitution, and are not “required” to have one.\textsuperscript{1189}

USF is approved to have a team appear on the College Bowl TV show, in which teams of students from universities nationwide compete in question and answer sessions. Two impatient students corresponded with the show to try to speed the placement process. Faculty and student committees are formed to select students to represent USF.\textsuperscript{1190} Dr. Steven Rubin (English) trains the student team that is to appear on the TV College Bowl.\textsuperscript{1191} On national television, USF wins over Wellesley College’s all-girl team, 325-225. The team won USF a $3,000 check from the show which will be matched 9 to 1 with federal funds, bringing the total to $30,000.\textsuperscript{1192} After a slow start, USF’s team

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surges ahead of Canisius College, bringing the total winnings to $9,000, or $90,000 after matching funds. USF’s team is comprised of two English majors, one Chemistry, and one Anthropology major.\footnote{O 6/3/70.}

A computer error at USF re-classifies 2,300 male students as eligible for the draft. The registrar’s office, aided by the computer research center, investigates the errors to prevent similar problems.\footnote{O 1/7/70.}

Clearwater art dealer Ed Bowen learns of Pablo Picasso’s desire to see his sculptures reproduced on a massive scale, and lays the groundwork for one such statue at USF (see 1971-1974).\footnote{Palm Beach Times, 8/12/73.}

Over the holidays, a piece of art on exhibit in the library is stolen from a glass case hanging on a wall. A 12-inch sectional metal Ecuador fish goes missing, jeopardizing future loans from art museums. James Camp, director of the Florida Center for the Arts, said, “With this type of maximum security, the fish should not have been stolen. If knowledge got out, major museums would refuse to continue loaning us art works. The program would be destroyed.”\footnote{O 1/7/70.}

Oracle writer Chris Clifford makes some playful predictions for 1970: “The Committee to eat President Allen will finally go into commission, but they will get Mrs. Beverly, his secretary, through an administrative error. Later it will be rumored that Pres. Allen is alive and well in Argentina”, “The SDS will be recognized on campus at USF—by the Tampa Police Department”, “President Nixon will finally realize the futility of
saying, ‘I want to make one thing clear’”, and “The ‘Silent Majority’ will remain silent, except at football games and other innocuous gatherings.”

Pres. Allen responds to a letter from the AAUP on the case of his termination of Robert Stevenson, but refuses to make the letter public.

SG has created an instructor evaluation questionnaire that may become the university’s standard for use in all colleges.

USF’s new Chief of Security, Jack Prehle, is still a new face on campus. Featured in the Oracle with closely cropped hair, he says he is not out to get anyone but is just trying to do his job. He says outsiders are the main criminal threat. His credentials would have made hippies squirm: 28 years law enforcement experience, army experience, four years with the Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Dept., and security chief for Sen. Barry Goldwater during his presidential campaign. He talks of a recent incident on campus, a male student clad only in a sweatshirt, sneakers, and a trench coat who flashed lone coeds. Prehle is currently working on an ethics manual for the security police at USF.

Delta Hall RA Frances Garcia recalls some interesting incidents: a male student who shot out windows with a BB gun, two males who poked around an a/c vent because they had heard that someone had stashed marijuana there. Garcia’s favorite things about being an RA (besides the private room and $190 a quarter) is “We get to register early!”

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The two SG political parties, SRG (Students for Responsible Government) and the Action Party, announce their respective platforms. Among the burning issues of the day: forming a traffic court for USF, reform in the quarter system (credits), on-campus housing for married students, improving food service, cheaper books/better bookstore service, beer in the rathskeller/allowing alcohol on campus for those over 21, and so on.\textsuperscript{1202}

A $14,000 grant funds USF’s creation of the “Florida State Union List of Serials,” a comprehensive list of all serials holdings (excluding newspapers) in libraries around the state, the first of its kind. Only three libraries in Florida appear on the national list, and the blank spots in sources can slow down research for students and faculty.\textsuperscript{1203}

UC activities for a week in January: Leighton Ford, an associate of Billy Graham, is to speak; an Afro-American fashion show (“Young, Gifted and Black”); the annual song fest, with contests for professional, amateur, groups, soloists, and folk music; the Top College Girl to be chosen among 12 contestants, TBA at the Song Fest; a 2-person performance of the bedroom farce “Prudence and the Pill”; a jam session on Crescent Hill featuring three local bands; the UC cartoon contest; and tournament finals in billiards, table tennis, and chess.\textsuperscript{1204}

As a result of a state-wide decision made by the State Employee Director, university employees (and their spouses) will no longer be able to take a free course each quarter.\textsuperscript{1205}

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About 20 students and faculty members plan an environmental Teach-In as part of the activities of a new student organization called “Environment '70.”

USF’s AAUP requests help from the national AAUP on the issue of reprisals by the administration in the form of denied pay raises. Last year, several professors were denied pay raises and tenure, allegedly because of their activism.

The BOR approved a Dept. of Mass Communications for USF, to be added on to the existing Journalism program.

The “Dare to Know” series appears at USF, a series of events designed to increase awareness on social issues, and this specific event focuses on censorship. It begins with a Free Speech Day where students speak their minds into a PA system set up in between the UC and ADM. Topics range from politics to religion, and one student attempts to start a “scream in.” Various faculty members participate in a panel discussion about sex in the arts, and a film called “US Forces” is screened. When graffiti-covered boards are put on display during the final day of the program, Pres. Allen orders them removed because USF could be held responsible for the obscenities written on them. The program coordinators are disappointed by the “immaturity” of the writings on the boards. They had expected more “philosophical” responses from the students.

The College of Engineering, with the help of a grant from GE, purchases a second X-Ray machine (diffractometer) for students’ use. The device allows students to examine materials and how they handle stress.

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The St. Pete library gets a Xerox machine, Film Classics events are held there, and the College of Business Administration offers its first course.\textsuperscript{1211}

A USF groundskeeper alleges that he is beaten by police officers while in jail for harboring a fugitive. David Richardson, the groundskeeper, had enough money to post bail, but at age 20, is considered a minor and cannot without a co-signer. He is unable to contact a co-signer, so is placed in jail after getting a haircut for “sanitary reasons.” Richardson comes out of jail with a broken nose, allegedly broken while he received his haircut. Sheriff Malcolm Beard says that if a beating did take place, then a report would have been filed. No such report was filed, and the burden of filing such a report lies with the prisoner. Beard concludes that other prisoners must have done the damage, adding, “He just didn’t want a haircut. He was held and we trimmed him up. No one beat him up. If these mop-headed people don’t want their hair cut, the thing for them to do is stay out of jail.” Beard does admit that an officer’s watchband scratched Richardson’s nose while he was restrained. The FBI is investigating the incident.\textsuperscript{1212}

SG works with executives of Automatic Vending (USF vending machine provider) to improve service.\textsuperscript{1213}

Students and faculty from Muskingdom College in Ohio spend January on the St. Pete campus performing Marine Science research.\textsuperscript{1214}

Dr. Ted Machler speaks on the St. Pete campus about drugs, calling cigarettes more dangerous than pot or LSD.\textsuperscript{1215}

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\textsuperscript{1215} Usfsp, 2/18/70.
Within five days, two coeds are assaulted by a man who tries to “force his attentions on them at gunpoint,” the Oracle reports. While security Chief Prehle calls the situation a “crisis,” TECO installs three lights on concrete poles in the dark parking lot where the incidents occurred. Prehle offer advice to wayward students: get a ride. If you must walk, “carry a flashlight and a whistle”; “If you are forced to travel alone, carry a defensive weapon such as a jar of cold cream to weight your purse.”

The case of instructor Robert Stevenson drags on. Chairman of the BOR Burke Kibler III publicly supports a newspaper editorial that questions “retention of an Iranian citizen who organizes protests against the US government as a professor of the American Idea.” The Oracle writes an editorial supporting Stevenson, citing a long list of on-campus organizations who also support him.

Oracle writer Mike Stroker shares some colorful dorm stories. “It is hard to say how shaving cream fights start, but once they do it is extremely hard to stop them.” One such fight began on Beta Hall’s fourth floor and “oozed its way down to the third floor.” After all of Beta Hall was engulfed in shaving cream combat, “Beta eventually challenged Alpha, and the fight spread all over campus. The campus police could only observe in amazement.” “Almost every night Beta II West is attacked by the ‘Mad Bomber,’ who runs through the hall setting off firecrackers. He has yet to be identified. Beware ‘Mad Bomber,’ there are some angry people after you.” Stroker also mentions the ritual that residents conduct on those they don’t like (especially Ras): “The ‘chosen one’ may be awakened in the middle of the night by a gang of hysterical man-eaters, who proceed to carry him down to the pool. One. Two. Three. SPLASH! If you’re an RA,

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you better know how to swim.” An unknown slingshot-wielding resident has disabled many of the lights in and around the dorms. There are also frequent bouts of football and baseball that have no rules and usually begin around midnight.\textsuperscript{1218}

The theater season opens with “Children of Darkness.”\textsuperscript{1219}

The results of the SG elections are contested by one of the candidates. Tiny Gieger calls some of the election returns “fraudulent,” in a hope to unseat his opponent John Greer. Mary Margaret Rutledge is USF’s first female SG VP.\textsuperscript{1220} The Student Court of Review is deadlocked on the issue, and delays any decision on whether to hold new elections. Gieger hires attorney Lee Mofat (or is it Moffit?) to press his claims. Student election observers claim that 10 votes were cast at DeSoto Hall, but 109 votes are collected from the site. Current SG Pres. Steve Anderson opposes any new election.\textsuperscript{1221}

The St. Pete Chamber of Commerce adopts a resolution pledging cooperation and coexistence with the USF campus there. The resolution reveals hopes for a major oceanographic center on the campus. Pres. Allen envisions a cluster of 52 high-rise buildings for use by 10,000 students there. The federal government gave the state the property on condition that it is used solely for educational purposes for at least 20 years.\textsuperscript{1222}

A state law has been interpreted to mean that no beer is allowed on Fla. College campuses, making the proposed rathskellar a moot point to many students. The Oracle

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advocated canceling any funds for a bar until a new law is passed that will allow alcohol to be served there.\textsuperscript{1223}

While Physical Plant workers begin constructing the Rathskeller, SG tries to find loopholes to make beer legal on campus. Both UF and FSU have beer on their campuses, effectively defying a law that bans alcohol within 2,500 feet of a university.\textsuperscript{1224}

Two hundred USF students circled City Hall to protest what they say is increasing police repression in the Tampa area. Members of Los Chicanos, an Immokalee-based migrant self-help organization, attend as well. David Richardson (see related story above), blasts local police for their heavy-handed treatment of him and say that police take license plate numbers of students attending political meetings, and regularly pull over cars leaving the College Bar on Nebraska Ave. without probable cause. Earl Oliver, the Minister of Education for the Black of Peace and Power singled out some of the officers on the scene as the same ones who arrested his peers (such as Otha Favors) and jailed them unjustly. Oliver demands to know if there is a conspiracy against blacks in Tampa, and demands that his jailed colleagues be freed, adding, “If they can’t handle it in the courts we’ll have to handle it in the streets.” Policemen take photos of the demonstrators as they march.\textsuperscript{1225}

Mayor Dick Greco and Police Chief J.G. Littleton visit campus to discuss the allegations of youth harassment. Greco says that the cause of arrest or other police operations may not always be apparent to the casual observer. Littleton says, “We don’t purposely go out and harass anyone.” When he is asked why police take down the

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license plate numbers of the cars at anti-harassment meetings he only says, “If you don’t want your number taken, don’t go to the meetings.”

After being criticized for his aloofness, Pres. Allen agrees to meet with the SG. But few SG members decide to show up because they would rather hear Gubernatorial candidate Chuck Hall speak. The meeting is cancelled, but convened after all, long after Allen is told that no one will be present to hear him speak.

Just as Vernon Jamarillo begins his new physical fitness regimen, he falls on the track, dead. After initially running a mile, Jamarillo paused and started again. Shortly after, he collapses on the track and dies of “asphyxiation due to aspiration of gastric contents” (in other words: he choked on his own vomit). Director of the U Health Center Dr. Robert Egolf calls the case unusual, and speculated that there were other complications that led to the John Hopkins transfer student’s death.

Two faculty members and five students attend a conference on university parking woes at Wayne State University.

Despite newspaper reports to the contrary, Pres. Allen denies that his retirement is imminent. Some press stories say that he will make his retirement public in April.

Disney spokesmen say that graduates from Florida universities will make up a large part of the workforce for their new theme park in Orlando.

Richard Ogburn, a transfer student from UF, says that USF’s concert program is much more refined than UF’s. “There are few—very few,” Ogburn says, “concerts of the
caliber offered by the University Artist Series available at the University of Florida. Florida tends to more popular concerts, such as Donovan, since student government does the planning.” However, Ogburn expressed disappointment that USF is changing its format to conform with more of the students’ popular music tastes.  

Researcher J. Adger Smythe joins the Marine Science Institute (MSI) at the St. Pete campus to study the formation of artificial reefs to conserve sea life. Smythe formerly worked at the U.S. Bureau of Fisheries. Those at MSI are exploring using materials such as concrete blocks, tires, bales of trash, and cars for use as artificial reefs.  

An unknown assailant fires four shots into a Fontana Hall apartment, thought to be from a high-powered pellet gun or a .22 caliber weapon.  

The revolutionary Merce Cunningham Dance Company visits USF for performances, lectures, and demonstrations. John Cage, also on campus, writes music for the company, but without any regard for the dancers or their movements. Cunningham, the choreographer and a dancer, boasts that many of the decisions are made by flipping a coin.  

The security officers are moved from the 3rd floor of the UC to an old house near the driving range that once housed the USF library before construction began on the campus. Back then, it was known as the “little house.” Security Chief Jack Prehle notes with irritation that he is looking to recover 9 stolen traffic signs that the state refuses to

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replace “again.” Prehle says, “It was awfully juvenile for people who want to be treated as adults.”

Biology courses in the College of Basic Studies are restructured to address issues facing society today. Although the names of the three courses will not change, each will be structured to deal with a specific problem.

President Allen gives his delayed State of USF speech to SG, and states that he still hopes a monorail can be added to campus to ease parking problems. When asked about the fate of Robert Stevenson, Allen refuses to discuss it. Students pass a resolution to apologize to the naval officers who were harassed by students in the UC two weeks before.

USF Professors from Biology, Bacteriology, and Zoology join in a protest of concerned citizens against the rising pollutants in Old Tampa Bay as part of the Environment ’70 program.

USF’s St. Pete Campus is the state’s only branch campus, and the future location of the campus is still a subject of debate. Three options are being considered: to continue to expand in downtown St. Pete; to move the campus to a location on 34th street south; or to relocate to somewhere in mid-Pinellas County. Expanding in downtown would require 40 acres and $10 to $20 million, a cost about 15 times greater than Tampa’s sprawling 1,000-acre campus. However, the downtown option is centrally-located, especially for

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commuters from Sarasota and Manatee Counties. It is also hoped that a large campus there would revitalize downtown St. Pete.\textsuperscript{1240}

SG lists its achievements. Among them: The age making dorm life mandatory is lowered twice from 21 to 20 to 19. The Student Bill of Rights, although not implemented as whole, has “quietly” been added to USF policies and procedures. An intercollegiate basketball team is on the way. Parking and traffic fines reduced. A proposed transit system from Fontana and DeSoto Halls to campus. University-wide faculty evaluations to be implemented later in the year.\textsuperscript{1241}

Relief for the small, overcrowded bookstore may be long in coming. Long lines and expensive texts lead the list of student bookstore complaints. Faculty complain that the facility is simply too small.\textsuperscript{1242}

The registrar is working on a computerized system of registration that would abolish the dreaded lines and the pulling of punch cards for classes. Although the system will be expensive, it will save students and administrators a great deal of time by processing most requests before the end of the quarter, lessening the crunch at the beginnings of quarters.\textsuperscript{1243}

The addition of 900 parking spaces will cost USF about $78,000, prompting planners to raise the price of parking decals to $10—in their words, “a necessary evil.” New parking is especially important for the long term. Enrollment is expected to surge from 15,000 in 1970 to almost 23,000 in 1975. About 3,000 spaces have been added in

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the last five years. Expansion of lots near the engineering building and gym are expected in the next year or so.\textsuperscript{1244} Mandatory food plans are discontinued, driving up prices in the cafeteria.\textsuperscript{1245} When RA Clyde Steed came back to his room in Beta to study, he found his room had been “papered”, or filled with crumpled-up newspapers. Unable to jam such volume down the trash chute and desperate to study for an exam, Steed threw the papers out into the hall and forgot about them. Later that evening, someone lit a match to the piles of paper, sending heat and smoke throughout the dorm. When Steed hosed down the small fire, it left \$2,400 worth of damage. The water ruined floor tiles, the heat seared paint off the walls, and smoke charred the ceiling and left some rooms and property smoke-damaged. In the meantime, Alpha Hall’s basement was flooded by water from a broken main, damaging stockpiles of food and equipment provided for emergencies by the Civil Defense Unit. The flood continued for days before janitors discovered the problem. Maintenance personnel begin the difficult task of pumping water from the basement and removing the ruined Civil Defense supplies.\textsuperscript{1246} Vandalism is a problem outside the dorms as well: vending machines and cars are frequently damaged. The sandwich vending machine near the dorms is removed because of frequent theft and damage. Other machines will be removed if vandalized.\textsuperscript{1247} Because two Education professors were delinquent in turning in grades, (they may have left for vacation at the end of the quarter without turning in grades, which has happened before) angry parents and students demand to know why grades of “X”

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appeared on their report cards. Because an X averages in as an F, several students were placed on academic warning, lost draft deferments, and had their financial aid put in jeopardy.\textsuperscript{1248}

The BOR approves the cancellation of USF’s foodservice contract with Morison’s. The contract is said to be unsatisfactory to both parties.\textsuperscript{1249} Contributing factors include skyrocketing wholesale food prices and the rise of foodservice workers’ minimum wage from $1.10 to $1.60. Morison’s lost $32,000 in the last fiscal year alone, and when the company tried cost-cutting measures, students complained loudly.

Despite a constant lack of funds, ambitious construction plans are afoot at USF. Buildings planned: a new UC, a new library, a language/literature building, conference facilities, foodservice facilities, auditoriums, a banquet complex, and so on.\textsuperscript{1250}

Celebrated puppeteer and resident instructor George Latshaw offers puppeteering classes for theater students.\textsuperscript{1251}

A large cage outside the UC is meant to hold discarded beverage cans and symbolize student commitment to Earth Week. Representatives Sam Gibbons and Paul Rogers attend an all-day UC symposium on pollution in the state.\textsuperscript{1252}

While some female students rail against the sign out policy (male dorm residents are not required to sign out when leaving), Margaret Fisher admits the procedure is confusing, but does not commit to any change. SG polls 360 female Gamma residents,
and less than 2% are satisfied with the present policy, while 62% advocated a voluntary sign-out. 1253

A student legislator writes a bill making female dorm sign-out “strictly voluntary.” The sponsor, Bob Hogue suggests, “It’s time we quit urging and asking and crying and pleading, and take positive action on this matter.” 1254 When the SG passes the proposal, Dean Wunderlich says SG’s interest is “appropriate,” it also “interferes with the effective exercise of autonomy of women residents.” The bill has no effect, and female residents must change the policy themselves through their dorms. SG also passes a bill changing visitation hours to all days and night. 1255 The sign-out policy is ended in July as the result of a poll of women residents. 1256 SG then passes a bill making dorms open for visitation 24 hours a day, 1257 but VP Wunderlich opposes the measure in order to preserve students’ “right to privacy.” 1258

Tryouts are held for USF’s first official cheerleading squad. 1259

Cars on campus are broken into 15-20 times per month, usually to steal tape decks. 1260

The 7th protest calling for a moratorium on the war in Vietnam is organized by three USF professors: Jack Moore, Robert Stevenson, and Phillip Bosserman. The protest takes place in St. Pete. 1261

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1261 O 4/15/70.
SG attendance has been very poor, prompting disbandment of several meetings due to lack of quorum. SG VP Mary Margaret Rutledge complains of the apathy, saying, “If the legislature want to act like a Mickey Mouse organization, it deserves to be called one. I’ll adjourn every meeting for lack of quorum. Business can be taken care of in the executive branch.”

Campus Greeks parody USF during Greek Week over two nights of sing-ins and skits.

USF colleagues Eichhorn, Gateman, and Sofia discover the presence of a neutron star using a technique Eichhorn devised to gauge the distance, age, and movement of stars.

SG sponsors Free Speech Hours where a PA system and microphone are provided and students do the talking to release tension or talk about issues of the day. The biggest problem is discouraging profanity.

USF’s Florida Poetry Festival is headlined by Gwendolyn Brooks.

When Marine Corps recruiters set up a table in the UC lobby, some students surround them, chanting, “Rich Man’s war/Poor man’s fight.” The incident is sparked in part by an incident that took place at the war moratorium demonstration in St. Pete a few days before. Several USF students were arrested after a confrontation with police exploded into a fight with clubs, rocks, and bottles. A few days later, members of the Youth International Party (YIP or Yippies) gather around the recruiters, chanting loudly.

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Over time, some students stop to watch, while others heckle the Yippies. A similar incident took place last semester when a protestor threw a water and glitter-filled balloon at a recruiter, soaking his uniform. The recruiters are moved to the 2nd floor of the UC, but the protestors follow them there. On 4/23, the Marines are moved into a classroom on the 2nd floor, but the room is soon filled with protestors and hecklers who hum, sing, and scream to make conversation difficult. When the Marines were moved yet again to a smaller classroom, the protestors and hecklers reduced in number, and a genuine dialogue began for the first time. The Army cancels a recruiting visit in light of these incidents.\footnote{1268

SG narrowly defeats a bill that would ban recruiters from the armed forces from campus.\footnote{1269

It is common for smokers to defy rules and light up in class, some of them instructors.\footnote{1270

The UC hosts events at “The Apocalypse Coffee House,” such as folk bands.\footnote{1271

USF Security raids two rooms in Beta Hall, confiscating 11 ounces of marijuana and arresting 5 students. If found guilty, the students will be suspended from USF and prohibited from attending any state university for 2 years, in accordance with state law.\footnote{1272

USF suspends three of the students, citing the 1969 law, although it had already been repealed.\footnote{1273

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While Congress and the State Legislature talk about relaxing restrictive laws on abortions, Dean of Women Margaret Fisher supports a telegram to Tallahassee supporting such proposals. Almost 800 sign the telegram before it is sent.\textsuperscript{1274}

Pres. Allen admits that USF helps pollute Tampa Bay through the sewage it sends to a nearby plant, which is dumped into the bay. Allen argues that only taxes can bring the money to prevent such practices.\textsuperscript{1275}

Women at USF have reported 5 counts of assault and 4 counts of indecent exposure since January 1. Many of the incidents are linked to an unidentified male perpetrator.\textsuperscript{1276}

English Prof. Elton E. Smith receives a Fulbright Lectureship to speak at the University of Algiers.\textsuperscript{1277}

The buildings on Tampa and St. Pete campuses total 73.

Students go on strike to protest Kent State killings and Viet Nam war. A total of 1,000 to 2,000 attend while a variety of speakers mull over the situation.\textsuperscript{1278} After four days of boycotting classes with no violence, students vote to end the strike, at which time a 24-hour hunger strike comes to an end among participants.\textsuperscript{1279} SG praises security chief Prehle for his conduct during the ordeal, which helped to “ease tensions and mediate between the demands of conflicting sides.” USF was the only state U that did not experience acts of violence during the Kent demonstrations.\textsuperscript{1280} Many years later, the

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Oracle erroneously claims that 53 students are arrested, which actually happened at the Celebration of Life concert later this year.\(^{1281}\)

The Oracle blasts the planners of the Spring Spectacular for excessive noise. The oversupply of amplification equipment made conversation impossible, with no seating except for bleachers and folding chairs, and no refreshments during the 5 hours of concert.\(^{1282}\)

For the second time, USF hosts a “Model UN” on campus, where the USF team wins second place for its depiction of Iran’s delegation.\(^{1283}\)

USF acquires its first basketball player, but not everyone is pleased. A student writes a bitter letter to the Oracle, which read in part, “Basketball games are very well, but what does providing a training camp for the NBA have to do with a university? [T]here must be better criteria for administering scholarships than ability to bounce an orange ball. To say that the University is not running a professional team because the team members are not paid by check is not hypocrisy. It is deceit.”\(^{1284}\)

USF Office of Equal Opportunity reports that by 1976, 10% of USF’s student body will be black. As of quarter I 1970, it is 2% black with a total of 8% being minorities. Besides implementing an affirmative action program, there are also scholarships for disadvantaged students.\(^{1285}\)

SG sends a letter condemning unsanitary conditions at the cafeteria to Raymond King, Director of Food and Housing. Flies around the food lines and foreign objects in

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the food head the list of complaints.\textsuperscript{1286} Morrison’s reacts with dozens of foggers and the purchase and use of 30 gallons of insecticide per month.\textsuperscript{1287}

Lack of adequate water and little recent rain leads to brown grass over much of the campus.\textsuperscript{1288}

USF’s Student Mobilization Committee calls for a one-day strike of all students and workers to support the end of the war in Vietnam, and the end of the repression of blacks and students in the US.\textsuperscript{1289}

USF’s Dance, Music, and Theatre Depts. collaborate on Verdi’s “Traviata,” but set it in New Orleans instead of Paris.\textsuperscript{1290}

Mrs. Fred L. Cline writes Pres. Allen an open letter thanking about 60 USF students (all male) for fighting a large brush fire near 53\textsuperscript{rd} St. that would have burned several houses to the ground without their intervention. Five men are single out for their actions in the Oracle.\textsuperscript{1291}

President Richard Nixon writes an open letter to USF’s graduating class, reading, in part, “You graduate at a time when established institutions and ideas are being questioned as they have never been questioned before in our history. Much of this questioning is being done by members of your generation, and it is your generation which ultimately will have to provide most of the answers to these questions. The fact that many of the accepted ways of thinking seem artificial and unjust does not warrant the rejection of all established standards. Nor should our proper respect for the past and our

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legitimate desire for our stability lead us to defend thoughtlessly that which is outmoded and obsolete.”

The soccer team has a successful season, losing only to NCAA champs St. Louis U. The loss ended a string 20 wins at home, with the final record being 40-10-2, yielding only 11 goals to opponents.

In a graduation ceremony, commencement guest speaker US Rep. Edith Green (Oregon) warns the USF graduates that radical students and protestors might cause a backlash among lawmakers, who might retaliate by cutting the budgets of universities. The Oracle finds her warning ironic, since USF is one of few universities not to see violence erupt on campus.

Just two days apart, two polar opposites visit USF. Rennie Davis of the “Chicago Seven,” arrested for his participation in protests at the Democratic National Convention of 1968, speaks on student activism. A few days later, Governor Claude Kirk speaks on a similar subject. Davis spoke about the war in Indochina and student activism saying in part, “If Nixon wants to reach American youth, he should withdraw US troops from Indochina, impeach himself, and indict Spiro T. Agnew for crossing state lines to incite riots [the charge that Davis was charged with].” When Davis said, “We are going to liberate this country and turn it right side up,” the 2,000 students in attendance gave him a standing ovation. A “local newspaper” ran an editorial criticizing USF for having a felon speaker on campus, but Dean Wunderlich defended the talk by stating that USF was merely acting on a request from a student group, the Student Mobilization Committee. One thousand students surrounded Gov. Kirk for his talk, where he appealed for students

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to “get into the system and change it.” Kirk responded vaguely when asked about marijuana law enforcement and openly supported a law that would allow police to enter homes without notice or a knock when drug use is suspected. Kirk also defended the actions of the National Guard at Kent State, blaming the incident on “outside agitators.” When students passed around a “doctored” (hand rolled?) cigarette, he laughed and asked, “Is that a joint?” Kirk also blasted collective bargaining by public employees and opposed the idea of appointing a student to the BOR.\footnote{O 6/17/70.}

President Allen gets the okay from the BOR to allow USF Med School faculty to moonlight, as long as their private practice does not interfere with teaching duties.\footnote{O 6/17/70.}

Three students arrested for drug charges are suspended from USF upon their arraignment. Security Chief Prehle has a marijuana plant growing on his windowsill. “It’s evidence from a case we handled last quarter, and if I kept it in the evidence room it would die.”\footnote{O 6/17/70, O 6/24/70.}

Writers Harry Crews and Henry Van Dyke speak at USF as part of the annual Writers Conference.\footnote{O 6/17/70.}

With 200 students, USF’s Upward Bound program is the largest in the nation, leading participants to admission to USF, Rutgers, MIT, and West Point.\footnote{O 6/24/70.}

Davis Jordan, director of summer sessions, says, “In summer we fight a folkway—a myth—that school closes in June.” He hopes to increase summer enrollment at USF.\footnote{O 7/1/70.}
USF security officers are designated as Peace Officers under a new Senate Bill, giving them more solid powers of arrest, etc.\textsuperscript{1301}

With 26 officers, USF police force is half that of UF, with only 5,000 less students. The culprit: security guards are allotted by the state not by population, but floor space.\textsuperscript{1302}

The UC hosts “A Black Experience in Poetry and Jazz,” which includes spirited, angry poetry and subdued jazz music.\textsuperscript{1303}

USF President John Allen denies suspicions of his pending retirement and allegations that he will resign from his position at the University. Allen tells Board of Regents Chancellor D. Burke Kibler that he “made no decision about leaving the USF post before mandatory retirement at age sixty-five in May, 1972.”\textsuperscript{1304}

President John Allen resigns on July 4, to go into effect on August 31. He will spend the time touring the Orient with his wife, using his accumulated vacation days. His resignation follows months of rumors that he would step down (since October 1969), although he said they were false, and that he planned on serving until he reached retirement age in a couple years. BOR Chancellor Robert Mautz said the accreditation of the Med School may have effected Allen’s decision, “he left no unfinished business.”\textsuperscript{1305} Harris Dean is appointed interim president.\textsuperscript{1306}

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Pres. Allen rejects student demands for a moratorium on classes to allow students to vote and be politically active during the November elections.\textsuperscript{1307} Shortly after, the BOR rejects the plan.\textsuperscript{1308}

USF’s administration claims that the National Education Association prematurely announced the settlement of Robert Stevenson’s lawsuit stemming from his termination. In a statement, the administration gloats that Stevenson did not get what he wanted. Instead of reinstatement, tenure, and $150,000, he got withdrawal of his termination letter, a leave of absence, and $7,500.\textsuperscript{1309}

Former SG Pres. Steve Anderson is appointed as the first student representative on the BOR.\textsuperscript{1310}

Fertilizer pollution is found to be the cause of a fish kill at the USF golf course’s pond.\textsuperscript{1311}

Student activist Chris Clifford says he will seek the presidency of USF following Allen’s resignation. “I’m unemployed right now,” Clifford said, “and I noticed that Pres. Allen always dressed pretty well so I figured the job pays enough so I could buy a new pair of sandals.” Clifford says he will appeal to the only ones who should be able to choose the president—students. The BOR, he said, is just a myth. Formerly a lieutenant in Vietnam, Clifford wants to run USF as a democracy, not a dictatorship.\textsuperscript{1312}

Based upon the idea of a Miami Herald writer, two Oracle staffers try to get various students to sign the Declaration of Independence. In Miami, only 1 in 50

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recognized the document. At USF, 1 in 3 identified it. Some comments, “It doesn’t say too much, does it?” “Wasn’t this already signed quite some time ago?” “It’s more of an expression of feeling, right? It doesn’t actually call for any action.” “The FBI and CIA go around with this type of stuff, you know.” “You radicals should be arrested for passing out this communist trash. If you don’t like the way America’s run, then leave. Nobody’s asking you to stay and cause trouble.”

Security Chief Prehle asks female residents to follow visitation rules, citing recent disturbances by men on campus. The most recent incident involved three men standing outside of Gamma Hall “apparently feeling their oats,” as Prehle put it.

A 17 year-old non-student (friends call her “Angel”) female is arrested for possession of LSD in the UC. Tipped off by two student informers, security personnel found her high in the UC, passing out LSD to students for free. In the Oracle, a student writer decries the informers as a sign of a police state.

Prof. John “Knocky” Parker attempts to screen the 1918 silent film “Intolerance” for his afternoon class, but the film is far too long. After two hours (the official length of the class) and seven reels, he announces there are six reels left. The class mutters a collective moan, but he plays the film anyway, declaring there are some “great scenes” coming up. Much of the 150 person class was soaked by a rainstorm before class. When a female attempts to “tip-toe” out of the class, Parker calls out “Wait, wait come back...
here,” goes out after her, and brings her back in, at which the class roars with laughter. Then, some students make a run for it, using both exits, and many of them escape.\footnote{7/22/70.}

The Committee for Black Education sets up a table on campus, with signs saying things like, “If whitey wants to integrate, let him come to a good black school.” Another sign read, “Hell no! to total integration/Right on! With good Black Community schools.”\footnote{8/5/70.}

The BOR names John Allen President Emeritus and the admin building is named after Allen and his wife, Grace. Chairman Chester Ferguson proposes both actions and the Allens are presented with a plaque at the honors convocation.\footnote{9/22/70.}

The Tampa Campus Library is crunched between fast growth and low funds. The facility was designed for a student body of 10,000, while USF now has about 17,000.\footnote{9/22/70.}

Under Dean E.W. Kopp, the College of Engineering has three focal points: design, research, and the operation of technical systems. There are five organizational units: Pre-Engineering, Electrical/Electronic Systems, Energy Conversion and Mechanical Design, Industrial Systems, and Structures, Materials, and Fluids.\footnote{9/22/70.}

The College of Liberal Arts offers a great variety in four divisions: Fine Arts, Language-Literature, Natural Science & Mathematics, and Social Science. The College offers BA’s in 32 concentrations, 19 Master’s, and 2 PhD’s.\footnote{9/22/70.}

Joe “The Whistler” Engressia makes a return to USF, but not as a phone hacker (see 1968). This time, The National Institute of Mental Health gives a $5,000 grant to the

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Psychology Dept. for it to study how Engressia retains and repeats whistling tones to bypass phone operators to make free calls.¹³²³

The IBM 360-65 depends upon coded cards to crunch data and has over 262,000 bytes of storage (or, in 21st Century language, .26 megabytes). The computer processes payroll, schedules, and student academic and health records. Ironically, a scanned image of the computer takes up over 18 megabytes.¹³²⁴

Pres. Allen’s successor Harris Dean tells the faculty during their annual meeting, “We start a year in which colleges and universities are scathingly maligned by the press, the public, and [US VP] Spiro Agnew. [A] year in which college professors are seemingly universally despised again by the press, the public, and Martha Mitchell who says, ‘The academic society is responsible for all the troubles in this country,’ and she and Agnew are applauded.”¹³²⁵ Dean’s meeting with the students is filled with their complaints about noisy residence halls, narcotics arrests, relations with the AAUP, and selection of a new USF president by student referendum (which Dean opposes).¹³²⁶

Former Pres. Allen accepts the post of special advisor to the president of the U of North Florida. Over 1,000 faculty members line up to say good-bye to Pres. Allen and shake his hand. Allen admits he is excited by his new job in that it will be less rigorous.¹³²⁷

USF surpasses FSU to become the second-largest university in the state.¹³²⁸

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Education Dean Jean Battle completes a visit to the Soviet Union, and urges students not to throw out history because it helps us to understand ourselves. We can learn from the experience of the Russians and not make the same mistakes.\textsuperscript{1329}

The USF Botanical Gardens grow slowly, expected to reach “maturity” in 20 years.\textsuperscript{1330}

A new policy bans bicycles from campus’s sidewalks and grass. It also requires bicyclists to follow the same traffic laws as motor vehicles. University Security will write tickets to anyone not following the rules. However, the new rules bring some problems. There are no places to lock the bikes in the parking lots (where they are to belong during class) and security is notoriously bad at preventing thefts in the parking areas. Many students vow to defy the new rules, while the Oracle claims there are ample places ("posts and bike racks") to lock bikes in the lots.\textsuperscript{1331}

The Radical Action Coalition often has “non-meetings” at USF facilities, probably because it is not an accepted student organization.\textsuperscript{1332}

Ravi Shankar opens the USF Artist Series 70-71 with a concert in the gym.\textsuperscript{1333}

The gonorrhea/syphilis epidemic is huge, with a 17\% increase in Florida during the past year, and a rate double the nation’s average in Tampa.\textsuperscript{1334}

Two writers/editors for “Eye of the Beast” and “Drop Out,” the newspaper of the Church of the Apocalypse, the hub of many radical groups on campus, are threatened with suspension by VP of Student Affairs Herbert Wunderlich. The deans says that the

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men have violated state and USF policies toward publications. Some infractions are relatively minor, such as not identifying authors or editors. Others are more serious, such as condoning violence on police and ridiculing higher education.1335

One Friday in October, the UC’s Apocalypse Coffee House has a grand opening with folk music, country-western music, and “ethnic-flavored comedy.” At the same time, “on increasingly popular Crescent Hill … people danced, grooved, and rapped to the pulse of acid-rock.” Audiences from the two shows mingled in the UC in what appeared to be a “scene from ‘Hair.’” The coffee house (actually the much-touted beerless rathskeller) was filled to near capacity at the event. In a contest to name the room, “The Empty Keg” won with a prize of $25.1336

SG provides food for the University Board of Directors’ meetings. On one occasion, a luncheon was scheduled that the UBOD did not know about. When the board did not show, a group of hippies and “Yippies” (Youth International Party members) descended upon the feast, downing breaded pork chops, mashed potatoes, peas, apple crumb pie, rolls, and coffee.1337

With Saga taking over foodservice, costs rise, but quality decreases, according to the Oracle.1338

The USF St. Pete Bulletin is renamed Crow’s Nest. Regularly held fried chicken picnics are an obsession at the publication. The budget for the St. Pete campus totals

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$1.68 million. An office is being installed in building A for records/registrar/admin personnel.\textsuperscript{1339}

VP Wunderlich states that a student’s dorm room is “not a castle,” meaning that it is open to “inspection” at any time. If wrongdoing is suspected it may be searched.\textsuperscript{1340}

A mysterious power outage plunges the campus into darkness at 6pm. As usual, restless students convened on the lawns outside, lighting firecrackers and talking by candlelight. One tall, curly-haired freshman says, “I have declared myself king of the campus ‘cause there’s nothing else to do,” adding, “I’m stoned.”\textsuperscript{1341}

Prominent Dentist Malcolm Smith and his wife, Louise Caillouette-Smith donate Shangri-La, their retreat on the shore of Lake Thonotosassa, to USF. It will be used for student gatherings and retreats for employees.

President John Allen resigns. When he assumed the presidency, USF had three undergraduate programs. It now has scores of undergraduate programs, 35 graduate, and five doctoral programs.\textsuperscript{1342}

The \textit{Tampa Tribune} reported in 1989, “As the state looked for a new president, there were rumblings that USF should become a different kind of institution. The local business community wanted more graduate programs, more research, and more students with professional degrees. The state BOR listened. [New president Cecil] Mackey presided over a change in tenure and promotion guidelines that emphasized research and scholarly activity over teaching. Fragmenting the liberal arts while placing more emphasis on research gave an edge to professional disciplines and science-based

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programs. Growth at the business and engineering colleges quickly began to outpace that of their counterparts.” Previously, Mackey served in the Federal government, most recently as the Asst. Secretary of the US Dept. of Transportation. His academic background is in Economics (BA, MA) and philosophy (PhD) and law (bachelor).¹³⁴³

The *Eye of the Beast*, an antiwar publication written by students affiliated with the “Church of the Apocalypse,” begins the fall session with a headline reading “Back to School,” with school replaced by “Struggle.” The Church is based in Evanston Illinois, and has missionaries in several places around the country. The first paper explains, that at USF, “religious activity is carried out by Student Missionaries for New Truth.” The Radical Action Coalition acts as an umbrella for a variety of discontented groups at USF, including “the Student Mobilization Committee, Youth International Party, Campus Americans for Democratic Action, Art Vanguard, Whole Earth Cult, Student Missionaries for New Truth, Pacifist Action Council, International Revolutionary Melodious Marching Caucus, Women’s Liberation Front, Third World Liberation Front, Alternative Media Project, and Vocations for Social Change.” The different local issues covered in the paper include the U.S. Army and FBI recruiters cancelled visits to USF (“This is a small victory in the midst of a great struggle”); and the ruining of a “Celebration of Life Concert” on Crescent Hill by intimidating police checking IDs.

A student reportedly quits at USF because of an encounter when a police officer searches his van for drugs and finds three marijuana seeds. The officer threatens two students with arrest unless they inform on their friends. A pre-election anti-drug campaign in St. Petersburg yields 80 arrests, with 40 more at USF. The Church of the Apocalypse begins a “Name the Narc” program to try to expose police informers, saying,

¹³⁴³ USF press release, 9/21/71.
“NO drug control laws can be enforced without police-state tactics that ignore our constitutionally guaranteed rights.” Instead of police coercion, the Church advocates communities dealing with the pushers of hard drugs, denouncing them in the same line as the police.\footnote{Eye of the Beast, Jack Moore Papers, 10/21/70.}

One hundred students protest the fact that administration does not allow bikes on the sidewalk or grass and must be kept in the parking lots. They ride through the Admin Building and some even ride through the UC, and “freaked out” the staff there.\footnote{Beast 10/21/70.}

Presiding over the USF Student Affairs Committee, Dean Wunderlich votes to recommend official recognition of the Radical Action Coalition. The Student Mobilization Committee and the Youth International Party have already been approved.\footnote{O 10/23/70.}

SG publishes a pamphlet called, “Birth Control, Abortion, and VD—A guide for the USF student.”\footnote{O 10/23/70.}

Elliot Hardaway of the U Senate amends the constitution to limit SG powers in hopes of making the document more palatable for the BOR.\footnote{O 10/27/70.} In response, SG resolves to adjourn indefinitely in protest. The new U Senate measure limits SG power to a mere “advisory” role to administration.\footnote{O 10/23/70.}

The Sunday “Jams” at Rowlett Park are increasingly popular with USF students. One Sunday, the Steve Miller Band joined in the musical improvisation under the picnic shelter.\footnote{O 10/23/70.}
The United Fund Drive fails to raise a single cent of student money. Out of the $12,000 goal, $8,000 is raised.\textsuperscript{1351}

Some faculty chafe at evaluations, describing them as “popularity contests,” and that students are not qualified to evaluate faculty members. Geography Chairman Robert Fuson said that faculty should only be evaluated by peers or superiors, never by students taking the course. Other faculty members are more supportive of the new evaluations.\textsuperscript{1352}

The USF Bookstore begins cracking down on shoplifters.\textsuperscript{1353}

Roy Rettig (aka “Sunshine Mike”), 19 years old, is gunned down by police while running from an altercation. After two plain clothes police approach Rettig outside the Collage Bar on Nebraska for suspicion of drug paraphernalia, they follow him inside. After a pause, the two officers attack Rettig (many patrons were not aware they were police, but thought they were “rednecks”). After one officer flashes a badge, they muscle Rettig into the bathroom for a strip search. One witness thought the incident looked like “two hoods beating up on a young guy.” After a brief interval in the bathroom, the police push Rettig out to the parking lot, where he breaks and runs for it across the street. An officer fires three rounds into Rettig’s back. Rettig dies in the hospital during emergency surgery. The vocal reaction from USF students begins with a rally of 500 to determine a course of action and a petition. State Attorney Joe Spicola calls for a grand jury hearing, citing pressure from students at a “local university,” namely a petition signed by 1,000. USF’s SG demands suspension of the officers and a full investigation. Sheriff Malcolm Beard says the students don’t have the power to demand anything. The ACLU also becomes involved in the case. Beard refuses to suspend either officer involved, and

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Spicola does not disclose if drugs were found.\textsuperscript{1354} Rettig’s parents in Texas do not want his body, and authorities claim his pockets had “traces” of marijuana and a white powder thought to be cocaine. He reportedly kept $13,000 worth of LSD in his apartment’s refrigerator.\textsuperscript{1355} A grand jury exonerates the two officers involved.\textsuperscript{1356}

USF students Tom Baur and Ronnie Clark found The Door, a halfway house for drug abusers. One recent patron, a USF student, was found crumpled in a field near the campus, only strong enough to “mumble a couple of words.” Baur described his staff “halfway between professional and the street,” and notes that they can get patrons professional help if necessary. The house is located at 2607 Kennedy Blvd., and they run a 24-hour answering service. Since opening a month before in September 1970, The Door has handled 66 emergency calls and about 30 walk-ins. “We had a car and insurance donated. We use it to pick up people who are really ripped off (zonked).” The Door has 30 volunteers, some of whom have been down the road of hard drugs before. They use the “AA approach.” About a quarter of their patrons are USF students. “The amendment is nothing new: it just makes official a situation that has been in practice for many years [student powerlessness].”\textsuperscript{1357}

USF’s Family Night adopts a circus theme called “Under the Big Top.”\textsuperscript{1358}

Led by Jim Fink, students run a free soup kitchen on Crescent Hill for those who can’t afford the cafeterias. Health officials shut down the free kitchen, saying they are

\textsuperscript{1354} O 10/27/70.
\textsuperscript{1355} O 10/30/70.
\textsuperscript{1356} O 10/30/70.
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\textsuperscript{1358} O 10/30/70.
“violating every law written in the books.” Fink and an assistant attain health cards and the kitchen re-opens, usually with a vegetarian menu.

USF administrators ask Hillsborough County for an injunction against a festival concert called “A Celebration of Life,” set to occur on the campus on Oct. 30-31. County officials say they will intervene if their law against rock festivals is broken. SG President John Greer rails against the action, warning it will provoke student unrest, especially after the death of Rettig (see above) at the hands of county police. Underground newspapers such as “Eye of the Beast” have publicized the event, set to begin with an anti-war rally already approved by USF. Interim Pres. Dean states that the rally is approved to be held on the football field, and will include music and speakers. Underground papers billed the event as all-night, while USF only granted a permit until 2am. The Student Mobilization Committee urges students to leave at 1am, and then chief Prehle reads the injunction over a bullhorn. When 200 students do not leave the football field at 1am that night, county deputies arrest 53 out of an original crowd of 3,000. Most are arrested when police surround the students remaining on Crescent Hill at 5am. All students from Fla. Southern College are arrested for trespassing. Additional students are arrested after the fact. The next night, hundreds of students gather on Crescent Hill to relax and listen to music. The UP rolls up and demands that all students leave in 15 minutes at midnight. Students question the order, and Prehle announces, “Don’t give me any trouble. I didn’t want to come out here tonight, but I was called and have a job to do. I had four hours of

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1359 10/30/70.
1360 11/3/70.
1361 10/30/70.
sleep in the last two days and I’m in no mood for games. No arrests occur, and students disperse by 2am.\footnote{1362}

About 200 students hold a rally and march on the admin building to ask Interim President Harris Dean to drop all of the charges. A week earlier, a similar march did not actually enter the building. On this occasion, students crammed into the president’s office and adjoining hallways. The president was scheduled to return to his office shortly, but never appeared. Chief of Campus Security Jack Prehle guarded the door to the Dean’s inner office. After the students sang the national anthem, played kazoos, and flashed the office lights on and off, they left a copy of their demands with Dean Wunderlich’s secretary. Prehle, who followed the protestors, demanded that they leave the building, but Wunderlich agreed to meet with several student leaders, of whom 6 stay. While many students made faces and laughed outside the window to the office, the student delegates made their demands, sometimes speaking in the sounds of animals. Of the defendants, 16 do not show for their hearings, effectively waiving their bonds, 27 waived their preliminary hearings, 6 are placed in the custody of parents or school officials, and one case is dropped. Three student leaders are informed that they are required to attend disciplinary hearings for inciting a disturbance at the festival on 10/30. Two student leaders ask a local judge to bring USF’s administration up on charges, who says that they must gather evidence to support their charges of disturbances by the administration. Both of the leaders making the request have disciplinary hearings scheduled. SG asks that campus security stop making ID checks at Crescent Hill to keep out non-students and discourage people from gathering there.\footnote{1363}

\footnote{1362} O 11/3/70.
\footnote{1363} Beast 11/17/70.
Days after the Celebration of Life debacle, and after meeting with students for input, Pres. Dean asks all charges against students to be dropped, and the injunction withdrawn. Student leader Chris Clifford condemns Wunderlich and Pres. Dean for asking for the injunction, effectively putting control in the hands of such questionable hands such as “[Sheriff] Beard and [E.J.] Salcines.”

Bob Hogue of the SG passes a resolution requesting an injunction against the Fall Frolics concert, asking police to clear all students out of the gym at the end of the show.

Someone calls in a bomb threat to Alpha Hall. Security scours the building for explosives, then evacuates when the bomb is supposed to blow. No explosion occurs.

Murray Woolf of Hillel, the Jewish Student organization, complains of the high cost of holding events because of a requirement to use campus foodservice, running up costs.

Betty “Castar” (or Castor) writes an article for the Oracle supporting the Home Rule Charter, which would give Hillsborough County more autonomy from Tallahassee when creating new laws.

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover publishes a long open letter in the Oracle, warning that anti-war groups are controlled by communists.

Saga Foodservice hires students, the first time they have worked at USF cafeterias.
Joseph Heller, author of “Catch 22,” speaks on campus. He says he is glad to be in Florida, “where a cop is a college kid’s best friend.” Ralph Nader speaks a few days later on consumer issues, blasting polluters and General Motors.

The Eye of the Beast lists a number of grass-roots happenings in the USF area, including the Free Kitchen, which is formed in the fall at the Student Episcopal Center, and serves food for free with volunteer help. The Free Store is a place where people can drop off things they do not need and pick up things they do, with no money changing hands. A Free University is even being formed, with volunteer instructors teaching “everything from arts and crafts to survival to revolution.” A weekly free concert series on Sundays in Rowlett Park is deemed a success, but support is still needed, “Free music is cool but let’s not forget that certain bands and musicians are struggling for existence too. Let’s try to get money, food and dope to them.” The Beast itself is evicted, and asks for more support. The Free Store is forced to close when it cannot pay its rent of $50 per month. It only lasted three months, but was popular among the locals in Sulphur Springs.


Fall Frolics features a performance by Dionne Warwick.

Pres. Dean accuses the state of shortchanging USF by over $1,200 per student.
Much of the Oracle staff collectively walks out in protest to faculty advisor Leo Stalnaker’s refusal to print an editorial and cartoon, calling it censorship. The Church of the Apocalypse gladly fills in the gap with its *Eye of the Beast* paper, renamed the *Liberated Oracle*.\(^{1379}\) Stalnaker is out of town with some of the Oracle staff when the incident occurs. The resigned staff go to reporters with their story before Stalnaker returns, then Director of Publications Arthur Sanderson hands out counter-flyers giving his side of the story, which seems like one of consistent miscommunication. Sanderson issues a lengthy statement in the Oracle, beginning, “This may be the last Oracle for a while.” In an interview, he said, “We cannot afford, as a University-owned newspaper, to be in a position where many will feel that we opposed law and enforcement officers by ridiculing them.” The cartoon in question is all over the news channels as a result.\(^{1380}\)

The USF Senate approves the constitution with an array of amendments.\(^{1381}\)

An Oracle poll finds that students think Saga’s foodservice quality is slipping, most complaining of cold food.\(^{1382}\)

SG moves to create a USF Credit Union.\(^{1383}\)

Pres. Dean writes an open letter to students in the Oracle complaining of student gatherings at Crescent Hill Friday and Saturday nights, where they party and listen to “volunteer” rock bands. He cites evidence of drugs and alcohol and that 75% of the revelers, who number in the hundreds on most nights, are not USF students. Many of them seem to be from local high and middle schools. He warns parents in the area to

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\(^{1379}\) *Beast* 11/10/70.
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\(^{1382}\) *O* 11/13/70.
\(^{1383}\) *O* 11/13/70.
keep their children away from the Tampa campus. Dean also warns students and non-students found using alcohol or drugs will face arrest.1384

Theater students stage an “insane” version of Henry IV.1385

The BOR changes regulations regarding students and narcotics, stipulating that students cannot be suspended or disciplined by their university until they are convicted of the crime, not just arrested.1386

USF’s basketball team begins its first season in a game against UF’s freshman team at Curtis Hixon Hall.1387

USF’s film team, led by Education Prof. William West, wins first in a Florida film competition. The film is a fairy tale about the life of a mushroom.1388

Dr. Harris Dean announces his resignation and retirement from his post at the University of South Florida. Dean served as acting President from July 1970 to February 1971, and also held the positions of Vice President and Dean of Academic Affairs.1389

1971: The installation of a new Visual Electronics FM stereo transmitter increases the broadcast signal of WUSF to 85,000 watts, making it the most powerful educational radio station in the state. Typical responses from surprised listeners included, “Hey, man my red light is on,” and “Do you guys know that you are now coming in in stereo on my set?”1390

1384 O 11/13/70.
1385 O 11/13/70.
1386 O 11/20/70.
1387 O 12/4/70.
1388 O 11/20/70.
1389 TT: Dec. 3, 1971
1390 O: Jan. 8, 1971
Senator Edward J. Gurney (R-Fl.) asks the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare in Washington D.C. to reconsider its policies and provide additional financial support to USF in its effort to establish a University medical school. Gurney tells HEW Secretary Elliot Richardson that the medical school is “badly needed” in the state of Florida, where a shortage of doctors is growing “critical.” Under criticism is the Department’s policy of funding only “established” schools, thereby delaying dispatch of a $7.4 million grant approved for USF.\footnote{Tampa Tribune-Times (TT): Jan. 5, 1971}

Florida Governor Rubin Askew recommends a $2.4 million appropriation for the USF College of Nursing and Medicine, enabling the program to offer classes as early as this fall quarter.\footnote{TT: Mar. 7, 1971}

Beginning this quarter, bicycles parked illegally on campus will now be subject to a ten-dollar fine, the same as that given to vehicle owners. Money generated from permit purchases is used to finance the construction of bicycle facilities and paths around the campus.\footnote{O: Jan. 8, 1971}

555 faculty and staff members at USF sign a petition asking the Board of Regents to name Harris Dean President of the University, citing his “excellent work” and “the standing vote of confidence tendered to him” at a recent faculty meeting. “Dr. Dean has proven himself,” said Regent Elizabeth A. Kovachevich. “I feel there is every reason to expect Dr. Dean will be named president. I can’t tell you what votes are committed but I would hope he has an excellent chance.”\footnote{O: Jan. 8, 1971}
USF Student Government issues an apartment guide to students covering “everything from rental to lease terminations” so that they may be better informed when negotiating living arrangements off campus. Said Bill Humphries, Director of the SG Investigative Complaint Department, “This handbook is for the student with little or no knowledge of legal procedure, who finds himself dealing with one of the many local landlords who tend to take advantage of student tenants… It could save you a lot of time, money, and headaches in your dealings as a student tenant.”\textsuperscript{1395}

The USF Student American Civil Liberties Union (SACLU) sets up a Community Legal Aid Project to “provide legal aid and information to USF students and residents of the Tampa Bay area.”\textsuperscript{1396}

State Representative T. Terrell Sessums receives an honorary membership to USF’s Omicron Delta Kappa national leadership society for his longtime support of the University and the USF Foundation in which he has been active since 1959.\textsuperscript{1397}

A free kitchen at the Episcopal University Center continues to feed USF students this quarter, with the intention of helping those students who cannot afford to purchase meals regularly. Last quarter, nearly one hundred hungry students were served at the kitchen, much to the dismay of USF Director of Food and Housing Raymond King, who has made attempts to discredit the program. Jim Fink, founder of the free kitchen, espouses the benefits to students at the University. “If you’re under twenty, you have to live on campus, and a number of students can’t afford housing, tuition, and books, and still eat.”\textsuperscript{1398}

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\textsuperscript{1396} O: Jan. 8, 1971
\textsuperscript{1397} O: Jan. 8, 1971
\textsuperscript{1398} O: Jan. 15, 1971
Because the *Oracle* did not receive the funding requested from the student activity fees, it has been reduced to a weekly publication for the remainder of the academic year. The newspaper was previously run twice a week.\(^{1399}\)

The State Board of Regents is scheduled to meet at USF on Monday, January 18, to review the applicants for the president’s office at the University and possibly make a final decision. Under consideration is Dr. Cecil Mackey, executive vice-president at Florida State University, and Dr. Harry Sisler from the University of Florida.\(^{1400}\)

The Eye of the Beast, a campus newspaper published by the Church of the Apocalypse, is forced to stop publishing due to financial difficulties. Representatives of the paper, who worked entirely without compensation, distributed a letter to SG members and University faculty making a “strong appeal” for donated funds in order to continue publishing the Beast. In an editorial column, the Oracle itself espouses the merits of the paper for a student population of nearly 17,000. “The Oracle is the official student newspaper, but the Beast, too, had many followers – the ‘straights’ as well as the ‘freaks.’ One of the major appealing points of the Beast is the fact that people like to have a choice in what they read.”\(^{1401}\)

USF students now have the opportunity to earn up to three credit hours by providing assistance to welfare recipients, tutoring children, or aiding disadvantaged Tampa residents. The program is part of Intensive Tutorial’s Project Aware, in which students are paired with social workers and individuals in the community.\(^{1402}\)

\(^{1399}\) O: Jan. 15, 1971
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\(^{1402}\) O: Jan. 15, 1971
The Oracle reports that approximately 334 foreign students representing 50 different countries are currently registered at USF. This is a 66 percent increase over last year’s figures.\textsuperscript{1403}

Several USF students establish a “free university” program to facilitate the sharing of knowledge between students beyond the boundaries of a traditional education. The philosophy is as follows: “Learning takes place when people want to learn. Each person must generate his own questions and program his own education free from central control, and knowledge is best acquired when motivated by self-interest.” Some of the classes being offered under the free university program are: cooking; yoga; how to travel economically; alternative media; non-violence and the resistance movement; religion; and the cultural implications of music.\textsuperscript{1404}

Acting President Harris Dean withdraws his name from the list of candidates for the permanent presidential post at USF. At their scheduled meeting to review applicants, BOR Chairman D. Burke Kibler III commented, “I had hoped we could bring in a recommendation for president today. Unfortunately, this is not to be. God willing, we will have a report at the next board meeting in Orlando two weeks from today.”\textsuperscript{1405}

The Aegean, USF’s yearbook, faces charges of obscenity as a result of its publication of a series of semi-nude photos that underscored the book’s theme: the life cycle. “These publications have a duty not to offend other people, but to exercise good judgment,” said Florida regent and St. Petersburg attorney Elizabeth Kovachevich.

“When they come up with things we’re not too proud of, I think it’s incumbent upon the Board of Regents to take a stand.” Dr. Arthur Sanderson, Director of Campus

\textsuperscript{1403} O: Jan. 15, 1971  
\textsuperscript{1404} O: Jan. 22, 1971  
\textsuperscript{1405} O: Jan. 22, 1971
Publications, retorted that, “Campus-edited publications at USF shall be guided by usage and practice of the appropriate professional media in the area.”

The USF Student Affairs Committee denies recognition to the Free University program (see January 22, 1971), citing the following reasons for the action: “The purposes of this program can be obtained through existing educational structures; the nomenclature is inadvisable and inaccurate; and student organizations’ membership is not open to public participation.” The organizers of Free University intend to take the program off campus.

Michael P. Wells, a junior marketing major at USF, charges SAGA food services with sexual discrimination after he is fired from his job because of his refusal to cut his long hair. John Lyndes, food service director, asserts that, “We have certain standards we have to meet,” and maintains that Wells was not fired but offered another position out of contact with the public.

An Oracle headline announces that USF “may be against women faculty,” citing an AAUP report that showed that “women are paid less, ranked lower, and given less prestigious assignments” at the University. Also in the report: Of 112 faculty members in the highest income bracket, only two are women; of 179 associate professors, twenty-five are women; and of 480 faculty members who hold doctorate degrees, thirty are female. “Quality women are available,” said associate professor Maxine MacKay. “Many more women are obtaining doctorate degrees than are hired. Some professors call it the pimping system – they train the young women but don’t want them to be hired once they

1406 O: Jan. 22, 1971
1407 O: Jan. 29, 1971
1408 O: Jan. 29, 1971
graduate.” A formal complaint will be investigated by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance of the Department of Labor.\textsuperscript{1409}

The Black Student Union works to increase the visibility of blacks and their participation in campus affairs at USF. “We are trying to develop internal programs to give blacks social and political outlets,” said BSU Secretary George Moton. Some of his intended projects are: a black advisory group for admissions; a black history week, and a black talent night. The BSU was founded in 1969 and presently has 85 to 100 members.\textsuperscript{1410}

Dr. Cecil M. Mackey is appointed President of USF, and will arrive on campus within the next week to meet with students, faculty, and administrators while beginning his official duties as president. Mackey is a native of Montgomery, Alabama, and has been serving as the Executive Vice President of Florida State University since August of 1969. In an open letter to members of the student body, Mackey writes, “I believe that the future of higher education in our state depends to a great extent upon what we do at South Florida. I want you to know that I am dedicated to making the University of South Florida a distinguished educational institution – a university that serves the people whose support makes its continued existence possible. I recognize that such a goal can only be achieved with your support and that of the faculty and staff.”\textsuperscript{1411}

Margarita Garcia, a junior education major, is chosen USF’s Top College Girl by a committee of faculty and administration judges. Participants were evaluated in terms of community involvement, academics, leadership, poise, and attractiveness.\textsuperscript{1412}

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\textsuperscript{1410} O: Jan. 29, 1971
\textsuperscript{1411} O: Feb. 5, 1971
\textsuperscript{1412} O: Feb. 5, 1971
The National Bust Day Committee is planning an event to protest the current laws governing the use, possession, and sale of marijuana. The Committee is encouraging all people who oppose the laws to turn themselves into their local police stations, carrying marijuana in their possession. The intention is to overwhelm courts with a sufficient number of violators to prevent their prosecution and paralyze the system. While many students thought it was a good idea, few believed that it would actually work. One recent transfer student from New York commented, “Man, if they did that, half the population of the country would be in jail. Man, everybody in New York is smoking dope; from the cabbies who used to take me to work, to my boss, a Fifth Avenue executive. If they did that, there wouldn’t be anyone around to make bombs and we would be forced to pull out of Vietnam.”

Negotiations are underway for USF to possibly obtain a Picasso sculpture. “We are negotiating or planning to approach Picasso and request a monumental sculpture in the neighborhood of one hundred feet high,” said art professor James Camp. “That would give us the largest sculpture in the world by the greatest twentieth-century artist.” University officials expect to know for certain within two months whether or not the sculpture will indeed become a reality at USF.

Plans are revealed for a new bookstore quadruple the size of the current facility. In addition to textbooks, the new building will offer merchandise such as campus wear, gifts, novelties, and supplies. A convenience shop and coffee house will also be housed.

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1413 O: Feb. 5, 1971
1414 O: Feb. 5, 1971
within the new structure, in addition to a travel agency and a proposed credit union. The 80,000 square foot structure is expected to cost nearly $1,250,000.\textsuperscript{1415}

The Student Mobilization Committee and the Radical Action Coalition sponsor a rally on the University Center Mall to protest the movement of U.S. forces into Laos.\textsuperscript{1416}

Senator J. William Fulbright of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and “the nation’s most powerful critic of U.S. foreign policy, speaks to 1,730 spectators in the USF Theatre. Senator Fulbright criticized Congress for conceding too many wartime powers to the President, and urged them to reclaim their authority in international affairs.\textsuperscript{1417}

Alpha Phi Omega sponsors an Ugly Man On Campus contest, the funds from which will be donated to the Disadvantaged Student Loan Fund. Votes can be purchased for one cent, and stuffing the ballot box is encouraged. Any USF male with a sponsorship of twenty-five people or more is eligible to enter the contest.\textsuperscript{1418}

Newly appointed USF President Cecil Mackey defends the rights of students to protest peacefully on the University campus, encouraging the development of a Student Bill of Rights to protect such privileges. “The time has come,” he said at a Hotline meeting, “when officials must deal directly with what students consider their problems.” He added that the present system needed to be reconsidered, and that many people were dissatisfied with the current university policies.\textsuperscript{1419}

Board of Regents member Chester Ferguson announces that university professors “shouldn’t get involved in off-campus activities,” and demands an investigation at USF

\textsuperscript{1415} O: Feb. 12, 1971
\textsuperscript{1416} O: Feb. 12, 1971
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\textsuperscript{1419} O: Feb. 19, 1971
to “crack down on teacher commitments beyond academic responsibilities.” The target of the investigation, according to the St. Pete Times, is Associate Dean of Academic Affairs William Taft, a “vigorous and vocal opponent of dredge-and-fill operations involving submerged lands in Tampa Bay.” USF President Cecil Mackey disagrees with Ferguson, asserting that, “Members of a university community have all the rights of a private citizen as long as their participation doesn’t interfere with the performance of their duties. Their beliefs and convictions are their own responsibility.”

The first doctoral degree at USF is awarded to Joseph Houbrick, a student of biology and marine science. He has already accepted a position with the Smithsonian Institution in Washington D.C.

A USF professor obtains a $236,000 “mechanical brain” designed to pilot intercontinental missiles thousands of miles. Labeled “excess government equipment,” Professor S.C. Bloch applied for and received it from the National Science Foundation, having only to pay shipping costs. Bloch intends to use the computer equipment in the classroom as well as in his own research.

The Brahmans men’s basketball team scores a record-high 134 points in their victory over the Broward Community College Seahorses. The team also made the record books by sinking 68.2 percent of their shots.

Bernadette Devlin, Irish activist and the youngest member of Britain’s House of Commons, addresses an audience at the USF Theatre on behalf of the world’s working class population. “We’re asking for something that is ours,” Devlin pronounced to the

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1420 SP: Mar. 5, 1971  
1421 TT: May 25, 1971  
1422 Miami Herald (MH): May 29, 1971  
1423 O: Feb. 19, 1971
capacity crowd. “All the people who inherited wealth inherited from people who stole it from the working class. All we’re doing is asking for it back.” The problem, she argued was exacerbated by the arrangement and corruption of power within society. “Law should protect citizens. Instead it is being used to defend the system … If we assert that there’s a better way of organizing the world, the system will use its power against us. We will assert our right to self-defense, to struggle, and to win.”

Campus Security Chief Jack Prehle maintains that the USF campus does not have the excessive drug problems that characterize so many other universities around the state. In fact, since a drug raid at the Alpha dormitory last August, only three students have been arrested for possession of marijuana. One recent arrest came as the result of one student injecting cough medicine into his veins. Prehle believed progress was being made, but argued that, “We also need cooperation from the foreign countries that are producing drugs.”

As a result of concerns voiced at a recent presidential Hotline meeting, USF groundskeepers are discontinuing the use of pesticides and other chemicals on campus. Students were uneasy about a lead arsenic compound that was being used to kill bore worms, according to Grounds Superintendent Bill Andrews. “To prevent someone from making a mistake, we’ve destroyed all chemicals on the state restricted list,” Andrews said. “Also, no further spraying will be done unless I OK it.”

A joint program is established between the USF Administration and the World Affairs Council to ease the transition of foreign students into U.S. society. The functions of the program will be to help students gain university admission, teach them English as a
second language, serve as an advisory council, and help develop community interest.  

USF Security Chief Jack Prehle reports that auto thefts and vandalisms are frequent occurrences on campus. Eight cars were stolen from USF parking lots last year, and nearly forty cassette players were reported stolen from the first quarter alone. “Battery thefts are pretty frequent and the only way to curb this is to put a good set of hood locks on a car,” advised Prehle. “If a student has a tape player, he should put some identifiable marks on it in case it is recovered since most tape players have no serial numbers.” Prehle is currently petitioning the Budget Committee in hopes of getting additional officers to patrol the lots.

Due to rising expenses of vending operations, students can expect the price of soft drinks to be raised to twenty cents, while five-cent mints are to be replaced by ten-cent mints.

An “outdoor blanket” concert at USF is moved indoors after university officials anticipate the escalation of trouble at the show. “We wouldn’t want a recurrence of what happened last October,” said Ed Budnick, referring to last year’s Festival of Life concert.

According to USF Bookstore manager Gil Lucas, shoplifting has become a major problem, resulting in the loss of nearly $40,000 worth of textbooks and other items. University officials have been forced to begin prosecuting thieves in an effort to curb the recent increase.

The USF Student Government debates the creation of a proposed Peace
Association by university students. The intention of the Association is to “guarantee the rights of students and community members to civil liberties,” assert its advocates. “If the university administration can have their security force to protect them then the students should have a similar force to help protect them and guarantee their rights. Association members, all unarmed volunteers, will suggest that persons quit illegal activities or move from a certain area. The idea is to keep people from being arrested.”

A “Victory in Vietnam” rally is held on campus, sponsored by the Americans for Victory Club.

An Oracle staff writer reports the mood on campus is “calm, serene, and in sharp contrast to last October’s stormy days and nights when helmeted, shotgun-carrying county sheriff’s deputies marched on campus to enforce a 2:00 am curfew.” While fifty-three people were arrested that night only five months ago, the writer asserts that, “Kites fly more often than hot rhetoric … [and] a walk around campus suggests students are more concerned with springtime tans.”

A University Senate Committee studies the possibility of a Reserve Officer’s Training Corp program at USF. While the committee of ten members is balanced between pro- and anti-ROTC, Dr. Harvey Mellish asserts that it’s “very hard to find ROTC supporters.” A decision is expected from the committee by April.

The Board of Regents approves three new PhD programs at USF in English, mathematics, and psychology.

President Cecil Mackey approves a plan that allows lower level students to live

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off-campus. Under the previous policy, students under nineteen years old or with fewer than ninety credit hours were required to live either at home or in approved university housing. The reason for the rule initially was to ensure that dorm space would be filled to capacity. Because the recent housing demands have been so great, filling the residence halls is no longer a problem.\textsuperscript{1437}

Student Government approves a controversial non-partisan “experimental university,” independent of USF’s “regular academic, degree-seeking program,” empowered to teach courses not conflicting with local, state, and national statutes (also see January 22 and 29, 1971).\textsuperscript{1438}

Drastic reductions in sales force the Andros Center Bookstore to close its doors, leaving only the University Center Bookstore on campus. One student expressed her disappointment, complaining, “I shop there regularly for little things. I guess I’ll have to walk to the UC now.”\textsuperscript{1439}

Cappy Kidd, USF junior and member of the Student Mobilization Committee, anticipates that nearly 500 South Florida students will attend upcoming demonstrations in Washington D.C., demanding the immediate withdrawal of U.S. troops from Southeast Asia. “We plan to use campus person-power and facilities to reach out to the community for the … mobilization,” said Kidd. “It will take a maximum united effort to build this action. Much publicity must be distributed, office space must be rented, and, most importantly, buses rented to take hundreds of people to Washington.”\textsuperscript{1440}

Dr. S.L. Swihart, a neurophysiologist in USF’s Zoology Department, receives a

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$40,000 grant to study the nervous systems of butterflies.\textsuperscript{1441}

The USF Oracle is awarded the All-American rating by the Associated Collegiate Press in a review of more than 500 campus newspapers. The Oracle received Marks of Distinction for superior accomplishment in coverage and content, writing and editing, editorials, physical appearance, and photography.\textsuperscript{1442}

“The Barking Pussycat,” a musical comedy for children written by two USF students, is presented by the Florida Symphony Orchestra in the Orlando Municipal Auditorium. Nancy Wetmore originally wrote the piece for her daughter, while Ron Holton arranged the musical score.\textsuperscript{1443}

A firebomb explodes at the John & Grace Allen Administration building Sunday morning, causing over $2500 damage to the structure. The bomb, described as “a wine bottle filled with a combustible liquid,” was thrown through a window into the Office of Finance and Accounting, damaging office furnishings and equipment. Though no arrests have yet been made, Security Chief Jack Prehle continues investigating the incident.\textsuperscript{1444}

UP Security Chief Jack Prehle reviews campus crime statistics, reporting that 912 crimes were committed last year (1970), the majority of which were thefts resulting in losses of over $64,000. Prehle blamed most of the smaller-scale thefts on University students. “The hardest thief to capture is a barracks thief,” he said. “He can steal small objects and get away with it since his presence in a dorm will not arouse suspicion.”

Vending machine thefts have also been a significant problem at USF, resulting in the loss of nearly $25,000 over the past three years. Other reported campus crimes from 1970

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were: four assaults with the intent to commit rape; eight aggravated assaults; nine narcotics complaints; and 278 miscellaneous complaints including vandalism, obscene language, and indecent exposure. According to Chief Prehle, there are 41.45 crimes per officer at USF. He argues that with an increased security presence on campus, crimes would decrease as would the workloads for individual officers.1445

More than $75,000 in grants are awarded to USF by the National Science Foundation to develop a laboratory program designed to facilitate an understanding of modern technology among high school students.1446

USF Athletic Director Dr. Richard T. Bowers determines that a football program at the University is “just not economically feasible” at the present time, explaining that, “Our total annual [athletic] funds is what it would take to put on a good football program.” He continues, “Professional football is bound to come to Tampa soon. We have the warm weather down here, and the fans have proven they will support football. The effect of pro football has to be considered. The Dolphins have hurt the University of Miami, and the Rams have hurt both USC and UCLA. The same effect could be probable in Tampa. The pros could put us all out of business… I think that the basketball team has been a rallying point for the students that has more than satisfied their spectator interest.”1447

USF President Cecil Mackey begins a weekly “Open Line” series on WUSF Radio, while planning to occasionally revisit the “Hot Line” chats first introduced by former Interim President Harris Dean. “I am committed to maintaining open communications in the USF campus,” Mackey said. “Our objective is to find the most

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effective ways of doing so in order to reach the broadest segments of the University community.”

USF Vice President Herbert Wunderlich announces his retirement after serving at the University for nine years.

Dr. Edgar Hirschberg, USF professor and member of the Physical Plant subcommittee, suggests the construction of a network of two-way bicycle paths around the campus. “There are too many cars … and the parking problem is getting worse,” he warned. “The committee feels strongly that the use of bikes should be encouraged to cut inter-class driving, with the attendant danger, confusion, and pollution.” A mass transportation system was also considered to better manage the flow of students between buildings on campus.

President Cecil Mackey shows up unexpectedly at a Beta 3 West late night dormitory meeting to talk with residents. The Oracle reports that, “After the initial surprise, the students realized that Mackey was really there to help bridge any communication gaps that have been known to occur between students and administrators.”

The Residents’ Affairs Committee calls for a boycott of those vending machines on campus where the price of sodas has been increased from ten to twenty cents per can.

The USF Peace Association is formed to “keep local law enforcement authorities off campus” during University events. Members of the Association wear armbands and

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carry credentials to identify their affiliation. Arrangements with local authorities will be made to prevent the arrest of the student volunteers. Approximately fifty volunteers are needed for the program, each of which will be screened by Security Chief Jack Prehle and SG President Robert Hightower.\textsuperscript{1453}

The only program of its kind in the entire United States, the M.A. program in the Department of Gerontology at USF is now in its third year of operation. Espousing the merits of the program, Associate Professor Albert J. Wilson says, “Graduates are specialists in the sense that the focus of the program is on aging, but generalists in that the program will cover materials ranging through biological, psychological, sociological, and economic aspects of aging.”\textsuperscript{1454}

The National Student Association calls for a strike on May 5 in conjunction with the springtime peace activities, encouraging students not to attend their classes as a sign of anti-war solidarity.\textsuperscript{1455}

Despite increased enrollment, black students feel the Afro-American Studies program is incomplete and inadequate. With only two full-time instructors and no formal budget, little attention is given to the African-American presence on campus. George Moton, student advisor to the program, says the program “needs more library materials and a lounge with black atmosphere – soul music and furniture of their choosing.”\textsuperscript{1456}

Dr. Theodore Ashford, Dean of Natural Sciences, receives the 1971 National Science Teachers Association Award.\textsuperscript{1457}

A debate is held to discuss the prospect of the establishment of an ROTC branch

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on the USF campus. Philosophy professor Sheldon Krimsky speaks against the proposal, arguing that, “The idea of an academic institution is incompatible [sic] with the establishment of a military program which purports to be engaging in academic studies.”

In a 4-3 vote, the Florida Board of Regents eliminates visitation in state university dormitories, effectively prohibiting men and women from visiting one another in their respective dormitories.

The Student Government passes a resolution by a vote of 24-9 in support of the USF student strike to protest the war in Vietnam (also see April 28, 1971).

Don Gurewitz, National Executive Secretary of the Student Mobilization Committee, speaks at USF about the “Nixonization” of the Vietnam War. Following his talk, Gurewitz appears before the Tampa Area Peace Action Coalition at the University Chapel Fellowship.

Approximately 450 USF students participate in a nationwide protest against U.S. involvement in Southeast Asia. “It’s time for positive action,” shouted USF student Bill Dietenbeck to the crowd of activists. “It’s time to be very serious about what we’re doing. We have a lot to lose, a lot to gain. It’s time to do anything to stop the war.” He continued, “It’s time to begin taking strong independent action on the basis of your own conscience. This may include smashing the state [or] throwing a Molotov cocktail into

1458 O: Apr. 28, 1971
1459 O: May 5, 1971
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1461 TT: Feb. 11, 1971
the [USF] administration building, but that’s your decision.” Another student threatened, “If the government won’t stop the war, we’ll stop the government.”

Student Government member Edward B. Deaton is arrested by Hillsborough County Sheriff’s deputies charged with “using indecent and profane language in directing remarks toward President Nixon while speaking to a crowd at the [anti-war] rally while using a public address system.”

University officials await final word from Picasso himself on the proposed construction of a 100 foot-high sculpture on campus. “We’re expecting word from him any moment now,” says John Camp of the Florida Center for the Arts. “If the word is positive we’ll call a general press release, photographs, drawings, and further plans for construction of the sculpture.” If built, the sculpture will be twice as large as any other Picasso work in the world.

State university students are advised to expect a $50 tuition increase beginning this fall quarter.

The Student Affairs Committee recommends suspension of the Student Mobilization Committee for violation of USF’s policy prohibiting the outdoor use of speakers on campus. Pete Rooney, chairman of the SMC, complains, “The administration tells the students to work through channels, but they use the channels to destroy our organization.” The final decision is left up to Dean Herbert Wunderlich.

Student activists spend nearly two hours attempting to get authorization to lower the American flag at USF to half-mast in protest of the war in Southeast Asia. Says

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student senator Bill Dietenbeck, “Watch the flag tomorrow. We’re going to see if we can haul [it] down tomorrow.” Approximately 500 students wearing red armbands participated in the National Student Strike to end the war “right now.”

Approximately 500 striking students sporting red armbands gather on the UC Mall to protest the U.S. involvement in Southeast Asia. SG President Robert Hightower was concerned primarily with keeping the local police department off the campus grounds. “If we try to shut the campus down, you can be sure Malcolm Beard would be here as soon as possible. We don’t want another Kent State.” The day progresses without any significant conflict, and protests were concluded at Crescent Hill, where students gathered to listen to “a violin and a few guitars.” Class attendance on the day of the strike was twelve percent below normal.

The three-and-a-half mile stretch of Fowler Avenue just south of USF is to be completed by July 1, 1971.

President Cecil Mackey appoints a committee of twenty student and faculty members with the expressed purpose of “open[ing] avenues with the students and help[ing] smooth out problems which crop up within the University machinery.”

Mozelle Beverly, secretary to three different USF presidents, announces her retirement after twelve years of service to the University.

The USF Sports Car Club, in conjunction with the Falstaff Brewing Company, hosts the annual Sir Falstaff Fun Rallye. The first seven cars to finish will be collectively

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awarded over $300 in trophies, and all participants are provided beer at the end of the rallye.\textsuperscript{1472}

Despite public demands for an apology, State Regent Elizabeth Kovachevich stands behind her statement of last week, calling university dormitories “taxpayer’s whorehouses.” BOR Chairman D. Burke Kibler called her actions an “unwarranted and uncalled for slur on the morals of our young people,” while Vice Chairman Louis Murray called for an immediate investigation of state university dormitories. The quote comes from the letter of a concerned parent that appeared in an issue of the St. Petersburg Times. The letter read as follows: “College dormitories are becoming taxpayer’s whorehouses … where my daughter has been unable to enter her own room and study until her roommate is through making love to her boyfriend.”\textsuperscript{1473}

Joe Howell, newly appointed Vice President, outlines his goals at the University to be “to try to assess the needs – educational and personal – of the students at this University.” Howell urges students and faculty to recognize him as “an open, fair, and honest person that would respect the views of everyone.”\textsuperscript{1474}

Decentralized registration begins at USF, a system under which students register for classes each quarter with the individual colleges rather than collectively in the gymnasium as was done in the past.\textsuperscript{1475}

Reacting to the organization’s suspension, Student Mobilization Committee members charge USF President Cecil Mackey with pre-empting radical, anti-war

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functions, while accusing Herbert Wunderlich, outgoing VP of Student Affairs, of doing a “hatchet job” on them.\footnote{O: May 19, 1971}

After reviewing the results of a recent survey sent out to the parents of USF students, University officials find that the majority oppose the Board of Regents’ recent ban on co-ed dormitory visitation. There is speculation that President Mackey will use the information to try to persuade BOR members to reconsider the policy.\footnote{O: May 26, 1971}

USF senior education major Steve Marsh invents “Tommy,” a robot used as an elementary school teaching instrument. The Oracle reports the following description of Tommy: “The seven-foot robot, made of wood, masonite, plastic, and wire, has a large red, lighted heart and a huge green, revolving Plexiglas top. Multicolored lights, which serve to hold student attention, adorn the top.” Marsh created the robot at a total cost of $50 for an Audio Visual Seminar he took in the College of Education.\footnote{O: May 26, 1971}

Security Chief Jack Prehle announces that most campus crimes are committed by outsiders. “We’ve found that the people who’d been breaking into the vending machines were off-campus hoodlums,” comments Prehle. A number of car thefts have also been traced to people from the surrounding community, such as an incident where a group of local high school boys took a stolen car for a joy ride through a wooded area just off campus grounds. The USF security team works alongside the Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Department in response to such incidents, while more minor crimes are handled exclusively by Prehle and his cohort. “The smaller offenses like book thefts, fights that break out among students, and indecent exposure, we handle ourselves,” Prehle comments. “I think the men on the department are doing a darn good job and I hope that
we’ll get an additional five or six men. Then we’ll be able to divide the campus into four
squares and put a man and a car to patrol each square 24 hours a day.”

Fontana and DeSoto, privately owned residence halls, continue open visitation
despite the Board of Regents’ decision concerning campus dormitories. According to a
flyer distributed by the halls, they “will operate as a purely private business concern
without supervision by USF.”

Joseph L. Houbrick is awarded USF’s first doctoral degree. Houbrick, a thirty-
four year-old biology student, has written a dissertation entitled, “Taxonomy, Anatomy,
and Life Studies on the Genus Cerithium in the Western Atlantic.” He has already
accepted a position with the Smithsonian Institution in Washington D.C., a job he is to
begin in July.

President Cecil Mackey proposes a reorganization of the university curriculum,
including the elimination of the College of Basic Studies and the transfer of its programs
into the College of Liberal Arts.

The Geography Department acquires a new radar unit which that extends weather
research into the Gulf of Mexico to nearly three hundred miles. “Our present radar
extends only 40 miles,” says Dr. Robert Fuson, Chairman of the department. “We have to
wait for something to happen before we can teach it. With the larger unit, we will be able
to find weather examples almost any day.”

In response to State Regent Kovachevich’s accusation that university dormitories
function as “taxpayer’s whorehouses,” the residents of the Epsilon dormitory at USF

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organize the “Charge of the Red Light Brigade,” and paint all the light bulbs in the building red. According to the Brigade co-founder Janice Broad, reaction has primarily been from male students who jokingly call to set up “appointments.”

World-renowned artist Pablo Picasso grants USF permission to erect a one hundred foot sculpture on the campus grounds. By the summer of 1972, the Oracle predicts, “The world’s largest sculpture by the twentieth-century master, Pablo Picasso, will soar … above the campus of the University of South Florida.” While Picasso did not charge USF to use his creation, construction costs must be covered entirely by the University. Engineering studies are underway to determine the total expenses of the endeavor, to be paid funded from private individuals and foundations. University officials are also in the process of locating a suitable site for the structure. The sculpture to be built at USF is entitled, “Bust of a Woman,” and will stand nearly as high as a ten-story building.

In a vote of 5-1, the State Board of Regents adopts a new rigid visitation policy for university dormitories, the only vote of dissension coming from Regent Elizabeth Kovachevich. The policy stipulates that final approval of visitation must be made by a two-thirds majority vote at each individual residence hall.

James Clark, USF Executive Assistant to the President, announces that, “real consideration will be given to establishing a beer hall on campus.” The decision comes as a result of the recent passage of a bill by the state legislature that grants students permission to purchase and consume beer on university campuses.

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Joe Engressia, the blind 22 year-old former USF student known as “the Whistler,” is caught by authorities in Memphis, Tennessee, for “whistling perfectly toned signals into telephone receivers to make toll-free long distance calls.” Engressia is fined $10 and receives a sixty-day suspended sentence from a Memphis judge. After his arrest, he is offered a job by the Millington Telephone Company, which he has not yet accepted.\(^{1488}\)

The proposal for the establishment of a “Helpline” at USF is formally approved by the University administration. According to Dr. Bernard Lax, assistant professor of education, the organization of nearly one hundred volunteers is designed to “aid students with all types of problems” by answering phone calls and providing counseling.\(^{1489}\)

USF receives a grant of $16,000 from the National Science Foundation to be used towards the purchase of a houseboat by the Marine Science Institute at the St. Petersburg campus.\(^{1490}\)

A poll of more than 3,000 parents of USF students regarding the dormitory visitation policy yielded the following results: 47.8 percent approved visitation in public areas only; 43.5 percent approved visitation in student living areas; 3.5 percent opposed visitation of any kind.\(^{1491}\)

The Florida State Cabinet rejects the BOR’s revised visitation policy and instructs them to devise something more “workable.” In the meantime, visitation is prohibited [again] in university dormitories until the next scheduled meeting in September of this year.\(^{1492}\)

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The USF Golf Team places sixth in the NCAA national college championships held in Chico, California.\textsuperscript{1493}

More than one hundred children participate in USF’s first youth sports camp. The camp is open to boys aged 9-15 and includes such activities as baseball, archery, golf, track, gymnastics, swimming, wrestling, tennis, and fitness.\textsuperscript{1494}

The National Endowment for the Humanities grants $5,820 to USF for production of a twenty-six part series on the Afro-European influences on the development of jazz in the United States.\textsuperscript{1495}

The Florida Legislature authorizes a tuition increase at state universities, costing undergraduate students between $40 and $150 more per academic quarter. According to USF Business Manager Andrew Rodgers, “part” of the money will be contributed to a new revolving student loan program.\textsuperscript{1496}

USF tennis instructor Phillip G. Ortwein files formal charges against Richard T. Bowers, Director of Physical Education, for “discrimination and unethical conduct” after being relieved of his position in the P.E. department. The decision to fire him comes one year from Ortwein’s eligibility for retirement from the University. Ortwein has been popular among his students and has won a number of awards for his excellence in teaching.\textsuperscript{1497}
A legislative oversight returns authority over dormitory visitation policies to state university presidents. The policy is subject to additional revision at the next scheduled BOR meeting in August.\textsuperscript{1498}

A college student from New York is arrested by USF Security officers in the University Center for allegedly attacking a vending machine repairman. According to Security Chief Jack Prehle, Leo Wagner was trying to break into the machine when the repairman found and attempted to apprehend him. “That game room was full of people playing cards and checkers and shooting pool,” said Prehle. “Here was this guy breaking into a vending machine, banging the hell out of it and no one tried to stop him or call us or anything.” The repairman, according to the Oracle’s report, “Stepped back plenty quick when Wagner pulled out a big knife.”\textsuperscript{1499}

118 students are currently enrolled in the Off Campus Term (OCT) program at USF, where they are eligible to receive academic credits for their involvement in different organizations and activities off campus. Current projects include working with the disadvantaged in the ghetto, studying the effects of pollution on a community, and working for social change through governmental agencies. One participant espouses the benefits of such a program: “You learn a lot. It allows you to see how what you learn in the classroom applies. You don’t know its benefits until you see it in real life.”\textsuperscript{1500}

Dr. Carl Riggs and Albert C. Hartley are appointed Vice Presidents for Academic and Administrative Affairs, respectively.\textsuperscript{1501}

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142 foreign students representing thirty-eight countries are currently enrolled at USF.\footnote{O: July 7, 1971}

According to Food and Housing Director Raymond King, numerous food violations are creating unsanitary conditions and drawing vermin to University dormitories. “These buildings were just not designed for cooking,” King said. “It’s pretty offensive to walk down a [dormitory] hall and smell corn beef and cabbage cooking.” King also reports that students have even been “flushing pure garbage down the commodes,” causing back-ups and overflows. Food delivery to campus residences is also prohibited due to security considerations.\footnote{O: July 7, 1971}

University presidents unanimously approve revisions to the State of Florida’s loyalty oath in order to comply with the U.S. Supreme Court’s constitutionality ruling. The revision eliminates the requirement that employees swear that they “do not believe in the overthrow of the government … by force or violence.”\footnote{O: July 7, 1971}

University officials in conjunction with Hillsborough County Supervisor of Elections James Sebesta approve the creation of a permanent voter registration unit on the USF campus.\footnote{O: July 21, 1971}

Leon Bagley, a “non-student,” is arrested on drug charges and trespassing a day after he is evicted for living in the Alpha dormitory illegally. “He was loafing on the taxpayers’ money,” comments Security Chief Jack Prehle. “He just moved in and set up residence. When we discovered it, we threw him out.”\footnote{O: July 21, 1971}
After a discussion of the group’s history, the Student Affairs Committee vote unanimously to grant permanent recognition to the controversial Student Mobilization Committee at USF.  

Six USF students in Professor Bernard Lax’s special education class, Visually Handicapped in the Classroom, spend a day blindfolded in order to better understand the experiences and special needs of their sightless students. “We try to show in the class that the blind are not inadequate people,” said Lax.  

A Status of Women committee is formed at USF to advise President Cecil Mackey on how to best advance the “women’s situation on campus.” The fifteen-member committee is composed of both faculty members and students.  

A County investigation discovers that commercial building is stifled around the USF campus because nearly ninety percent of the land is zoned for exclusive use by non-profit or government-owned organizations. Currently, only about twenty percent of the land is actually occupied; the rest remains unused.  

Pending the resolution of opposition from USF Campus Security, emergency call boxes may be installed at strategic locations around the University grounds. Though the presence of such devices would surely improve security on campus, USF Security Chief Jack Prehle believes that will mostly be an inconvenience. “How do you stop pranksters if this equipment is installed? You put an emergency system out here and it will be just like putting call boxes on poles downtown. Prank calls hurt other people but too many

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people think pranks are big jokes. There will also be the problem of people cutting the handsets off.” Supporters of the boxes stress the need for emergency facilities.

Jim Fair, local entrepreneur and self-appointed “bearded and pigtailed thorn in the side of the Establishment,” offers housing to students over the quarter break in exchange for assistance with his Salvation Army operations. “The purpose of the commune will be to help people get back on their feet,” Fair said. “I can trust the students. I’ve had so much stuff ripped-off from here by older people that I need to have some trustworthy people around here.”

The University Fellowship Hall and the Episcopal Center are vandalized, resulting in losses of around $400, according to Security Chief Jack Prehle.

The body of a female student, Joy Maria Minervini, is found hanging from an oak tree on the USF campus at the corner of Holly Lane and Maple Drive. Without any evidence of foul play, the death is ruled a suicide.

Joe Howell, Vice President and Dean of Student Affairs, institutes a new program with the intention of eliminating illegal drug use on the USF campus. The program, according to Howell, has four main points: recognition of and commitment to solving the problem; establishment of educational programs; establishment of health programs to help users; and the elimination of all suppliers, pushers, and users on the University campus. Howell also outlined a number of services available to students at USF: the Helpline telephone counseling service; a counseling team composed of students;

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operation of a fulltime counseling center; establishment of a drug analysis center on
campus; and distribution of a booklet on the dangers of drug use.\textsuperscript{1515}

Pending final approval by the Board of Regents, the Empty Keg will begin
selling beer to students on campus. University officials warn that if there is abuse of the
privilege, Eastern Food Service will lose its license and students will have to go off-
campus to purchase beer.\textsuperscript{1516}

Beginning this fall, WUSF Television will have the capabilities to broadcast
programs in color. The equipment was made available through a $57,000 Department of
Education grant.\textsuperscript{1517}

A newly erected USF Information Booth on campus is heralded a tremendous
success by Dennis McClendon, Director of Information. “We are assisting an average of
fifty cars a day,” says McClendon, “answering questions concerning everything from
student questions to delivery and location information.”\textsuperscript{1518}

U.S. Senator George McGovern, a Democratic candidate for the presidential
nomination, addresses a gathering of students at USF’s University Mall.\textsuperscript{1519}

President Cecil Mackey reveals drug use statistics on the USF campus. According
to his report, forty to fifty percent of USF students are using soft drugs such as marijuana
on a “fairly frequent basis,” while an estimated 200 to 400 students use hard drugs.\textsuperscript{1520}

Bill Davis, USF Student Government Senator and member of the Radical Action
Committee, files impeachment charges against SG President Robert Hightower for his

\textsuperscript{1515} O: Sept. 22, 1971
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\textsuperscript{1517} O: Sept. 22, 1971
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\textsuperscript{1519} TT: Sept. 24, 1971
\textsuperscript{1520} O: Sept. 29, 1971
refusal to pay John Froines for his speech at the University last April. Hightower maintains that, although he would like to pay Froines, because there was no contract he is unable to do so.1521

The Oracle is awarded the “All American” rating by the Associated Collegiate Press. The paper has received the distinction every academic year since its first publication in 1966.1522

Alpha Kappa Alpha becomes the first black sorority on campus.1523

Student Government Senators vote 20 – 8 for the impeachment of SG President Robert Hightower for “malfeasance in office” and failure to “execute all effective student legislation.”1524

USF St. Petersburg holds student government elections for the first time in the history of the campus.1525

A male exhibitionist makes appearances at Kappa Hall, a female dormitory, exposing himself to two co-eds and making lewd remarks to a third. “If those girls had called us right away we could have caught that guy,” said Security Chief Jack Prehle. The man is described as “paunchy, balding, and middle-aged.”1526

USF becomes the first to offer a Bachelor of Independent Studies degree, a program in which credits can be completed outside of the traditional classroom environment.1527

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1523 O: Sept. 29, 1971
1524 O: Oct. 6, 1971
1525 O: Oct. 6, 1971
1526 O: Oct. 6, 1971
1527 O: Oct. 6, 1971
Vice President for Student Affairs Joe Howell begins hosting bi-weekly dinners at his home for different student groups at USF. The purpose, according to Howell, “is to keep abreast of what is going on, to give students an input to talk about the area they represent.”  

Student employees of Saga Food Services charge Director John Lyndes with harassment. In a letter to Robert Sechen, SG Secretary of Resident Affairs, workers contend that, “[Lyndes] has managed to confuse, as well as to frustrate us into not really caring or having pride in our jobs… We are tired of his slanderous statements and feel he has violated any integrity we have.” In a meeting with Saga employees and University officials, Lyndes denies the charges and expressed shock at the comments and allegations.

The Student Finance Committee denies $10,000 requested by the Florida Center for the Arts because “the Center never applied for a federal grant upon which the approval was contingent.” The funds were to have been used for the construction of the Picasso sculpture on the USF campus.

Student Government plans a mass demonstration against the Board of Regents’ dormitory visitation policy on state university campuses. Male and female residents from Alpha and Gamma residence halls are encouraged to escort members of the opposite sex into their rooms in violation of the current policy. “We want the host or hostess to escort his or her guest through the hall and into his or her room,” says Visitation Committee member Ken Sechen. “This will be an orderly violation of the present visitation policy.” Joe Howell, Vice President for Student Affairs, warns that all violations will be enforced.

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1528 O: Oct. 6, 1971
1529 O: Oct. 13, 1971
1530 O: Oct. 13, 1971
under the guidelines of the present policy. Similar protests have been planned at other state universities.\textsuperscript{1531}

SG President Robert Hightower resigns after facing impeachment.\textsuperscript{1532}

500 USF dormitory residents burn Regent Elizabeth Kovachevich in effigy and stage a rally in protest of the BOR’s state university visitation policy. One sign at the demonstration read: “If these dorms are taxpayer’s whorehouses, then the taxpayers aren’t getting their money’s worth because I’m still a virgin.”\textsuperscript{1533}

More than 200 USF students receive letter of reprimand after violating the state university dormitory visitation policy.\textsuperscript{1534}

Low funds, irate parents, and fear of lawsuits are among the reasons given for Family Planning to begin “cracking down” on the distribution of birth control to university women.\textsuperscript{1535}

An armed youth robs the USF Credit Union. “He took all we had: $223,” says Manager J.R. Dansby. The young man walked out of the Credit Union and was offered a lift by University instructor Leroy Twiggs, who “apparently thought he was giving a student a ride to class.” As the Oracle reports, Twiggs drove to the Mu parking lot, “where the armed robber thanked him, walked to his own car, and drove off.” The suspect was stopped and arrested by the Florida Highway Patrol fifteen minutes later.\textsuperscript{1536}

USF is the first university in the United States to receive visual aid machines to facilitate learning among visually handicapped students. According to Assistant Professor
of Special Education Bernard Lax, there are as many as twenty-five current students at USF who would be eligible to use the equipment.\textsuperscript{1537}

The State Board of Regents charges the Morgan Oswood Corporation with “poor workmanship” and refuses payment of $150,000 for its construction of USF’s new Language-Literature building. “Our immediate intention is to meet with Gordon Kelly, the Board of Regents’ architect, and director of physical planning,” says Mike Garrett, spokesman for Morgen Oswood. “He will look over the building to decide if it meets the specifications.”\textsuperscript{1538}

Dr. Harris Dean announces his resignation and retirement from his post at the University of South Florida. Dean served as acting President from July 1970 to February 1971, and also held the positions of Vice President and Dean of Academic Affairs.\textsuperscript{1539}

An anonymous memo circulating around the USF campus grades the state university presidents, failing South Florida President Cecil Mackey with an “F” grade. The group distributing the information is identified only as the Faculty Accountability Committee. “We don’t know who is circulating this document,” says Professor S. A. Barber, Vice Chairman of the AAUP. “We have never heard of the Faculty Accountability Committee.” The highest grade awarded to any state university president is a “B-minus,” while Mackey receives the lowest.\textsuperscript{1540}

Students protest the Vietnam War by refusing to attend class, making attendance 12\% below normal. About five hundred students stage protests on campus throughout the day.

\textsuperscript{1537} O: Nov. 24, 1971
\textsuperscript{1538} O: Nov. 24, 1971
\textsuperscript{1539} TT: Dec. 3, 1971
\textsuperscript{1540} TT: Dec. 1, 1971
Students also protest visitation policy in dorms, culminating in a 10/28 rally beginning with speeches in the Argos Center and ending with a march into Alpha Hall, a mall dorm where no female visitors are allowed.

The great Spanish artist Pablo Picasso donates the designs for his enormous “Bust of a Woman” statue to USF in May, choosing a site in the Fine Arts area of campus. He created the work in 1961. Among those at USF the most interested in pursuing the sculpture: James Camp, Harrison Covington, and later, Donald Saff and Cecil Mackey. With Norwegian sculptor Carl Nesjar, USF leaders prepare a presentation for Picasso. Steel executive Anatol Rychalski, who supervised the construction of the steel Picasso in Chicago, happened to be in town. When Nesjar made the presentation, Picasso approved.

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The State Senate Transportation Committee agrees to study a recommendation for bicycle paths in Tampa.

Yet another protest drew 1500 students, this time against the newly-implemented quarter system. Students especially dislike the condensed 10-week quarter and how it affects the value of credit hours.

USF gets a Medical School.

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1541 TT 4/9/73.
1542 SPT 8/6/73.
1543 SPT 8/6/73.
1544 TT: Dec. 3, 1971
1545 TT: Dec. 14, 1971
18,496 students are enrolled at USF. Of the student body, 9,166 are men and 6914 are women. Four percent are from foreign countries. 7,000 get some sort of financial aid, a total of $4 million. From 1963 to 1971, 14,390 students have graduated from USF. 20% of Hillsborough County’s teachers are USF grads. 674 men (7.4%) and 363 women (5.3%) belong to fraternities and sororities. 65% commute. 93% of students go to the Tampa Campus, with 7% going to St. Pete. 19% have full-time jobs. 91% are Florida residents. About 2600 live on campus. USF employs 2,100 staff and 854 faculty. Of 1750 acres belonging to USF, 500 are in use. Seventeen percent of the land (85 acres) is used for parking lots.

Of the 68 buildings on campus, 21 are residential and 47 are non-residential.

Attendance to USF costs $190 per quarter, $240 for grad students, and an additional fee of $350 for out of state students.

The Flying Club is formed on the St. Pete campus, and a Sailing Club has been discussed. Using the neighboring Albert Whitted airport to operate out of. Preparations are underway to renovate the pool on the St. Pete campus.\textsuperscript{1546}

Activists meet for a panel discussion at the St. Pete Campus on ending the draft.\textsuperscript{1547}

The St. Pete campus hosts Spring Collage, an arts and music festival, on April 25 through May 1.\textsuperscript{1548} Attendance is said to be poor, “students seemed too ‘busy’ or unconcerned to come to the events,” and “the audience was miniscule.” Dion rounded out the musical performers.\textsuperscript{1549}

\textsuperscript{1546} Crow, 2/17/71.
\textsuperscript{1547} Crow, 3/17/71.
\textsuperscript{1548} Crow, 4/7/71.
\textsuperscript{1549} Crow, 5/5/71.
The St. Pete campus welcomes president Mackey at one of its recurring chicken luncheons.\(^{1550}\)

**1972:** A federal court rules that USF Physical Education Instructor Phillip Ortwein cannot be dismissed until given a formal hearing and attorney representation. Ortwein filed formal charges against Richard T. Bowers, Director of Physical Education, in June 1971 for “discrimination and unethical conduct” after being relieved of his position. The injunction guarantees that Ortwein will be teaching classes at USF at least one more semester.\(^{1551}\)

More than $5,800 is spent on the completion of one-and-a-half miles of bicycle trails at USF over the holiday break. When completed the paths will circle the entire perimeter of the campus.\(^{1552}\)

James J. Gardener succeeds former Regent Elizabeth A. Kovachevich in becoming the first black member of the State Board of Regents. Gardener considers himself “well qualified for the job,” having served for thirty years in the field of education.\(^{1553}\)

The USF School of Medicine, currently in its first year of classes, receives a $7.5 million grant from the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare that will enable it to begin construction on a College of Medicine building. The four-story building will be

\(^{1550}\) Crow, 4/21/71.

\(^{1551}\) O: Jan. 5, 1972

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located across the street from the Veterans Hospital, and will have student and faculty laboratories, a medical library, a cafeteria, and other support services.\textsuperscript{1554}

USF President Cecil M. Mackey is scheduled to teach a senior seminar on politics at the University. The section is filled to capacity and closed soon after the announcement is made.\textsuperscript{1555}

USF’s beer hall, the Rathskeller, will open after proper security measures are met at the behest of the Administration. In an attempt to avoid the sale of alcohol to minors, drinking cards will be issued to those students wishing to purchase beer at the hall. The card will state the student’s birth date, social security number, and a general physical description. They will have to be presented at the time of purchase, and must remain on the table while beer is being consumed.\textsuperscript{1556}

Students protest a Board of Regents meeting in the USF Ballroom, carrying signs reading, “Resurrect the First Amendment,” “Regents’ Rule is Banker’s Too,” and “Victory Over Bullshit.” As the Oracle reports, the BOR Chairman J.J. Daniels was “visibly annoyed” and “called on students to keep quiet several times during the meeting.” As a result of their discussion, the regents decided that there would be no changes in the current dormitory visitation policy until this fall quarter.\textsuperscript{1557}

“The Book,” a controversial statement of the “rights and responsibilities of USF students” compiled by University administrators, is criticized by students who assert that

\textsuperscript{1554} O: Jan. 5, 1972
\textsuperscript{1555} O: Jan. 5, 1972
\textsuperscript{1556} O: Jan. 12, 1972
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it deprives them of their Constitutional rights of the freedoms of speech, assembly, due process, and protection against illegal search and seizure.\textsuperscript{1558}

Two USF biology professors receive a $95,000 grant to study an aquatic weed that “threatens freshwater life and the balance of nature throughout Florida.”\textsuperscript{1559}

Drug Rap Cadre, a drug counseling organization run by USF students, operates a drug analysis plan that enables students to “anonymously submit drug samples for chemical analysis on campus.” “We’re not attempting to eliminate drug use,” say the organization’s spokespersons Leigh Bothwell and Ray Doyle. “But if people are going to take drugs, then they should at least know what they are taking.” Vice President for Student Affairs Joe Howell cautions, “The purpose of the analysis is not to guarantee the purity of drugs for users, but to provide another source of information about the kinds of drugs found on campus.”\textsuperscript{1560}

The University Volunteer Services organization at USF announces a “very serious need” for more student volunteers. UVS, the third largest on-campus service group in the nation, is currently involved in sixteen different projects that “provide opportunities for students to put classroom knowledge to work, to learn about people, and often receive college credit at the same time.”\textsuperscript{1561}

University officials report that “beer cards” for use at USF’s Rathskeller are being sold at the rate of 230 a day to students, staff, faculty, and administrators. The cards are sold for twenty-five cents each to anyone over twenty-one.\textsuperscript{1562}

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\textsuperscript{1559} O: Jan. 19, 1972
\textsuperscript{1560} O: Jan. 19, Feb. 2, 1972
\textsuperscript{1561} O: Jan. 19, 1972
\textsuperscript{1562} O: Feb. 2, 1972
Troy Collier, Assistant to the Vice President of Student Affairs, announces the success of USF’s Affirmative Action Plan, designed to “place more blacks in professional positions.” Collier referred to the recent appointment of five blacks to positions at USF, and proposed further methods to increase the enrollment of black students on campus from three to five percent in 1972.\textsuperscript{1563}

Mike Turner of USF’s Career Planning and Placement Center announces that although the establishment of a day-care center for the children of USF students is “too monumental [a] task” at the present time, alternative plans are currently underway to employ student babysitters on a part time, one-to-one basis.\textsuperscript{1564}

The USF Administration proposes the establishment of departmental faculty advisory committees to give the faculty a greater voice in policy-making decisions at the University. The proposal is currently under consideration by USF deans and faculty members.\textsuperscript{1565}

Marxist intellectual Herbert Marcuse speaks at the USF Theatre in a series sponsored by the USF Philosophy Department. Marcuse, currently a professor at UC San Diego, gives a lecture entitled, “A Revolution of Values.” According to Marcuse, “The current revolution in values strikes at the traditional system and its material and intellectual roots. The idea of progress as the ability to subjugate nature and other men leads to alienation and pursuit of jobs and vocations and not lives as ends in themselves.”\textsuperscript{1566}

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\textsuperscript{1565} O: Feb. 2, 1972
\textsuperscript{1566} O: Feb. 16, 1972
The National Institute of Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice awards a $270,257 grant to USF to study “how group interaction affects the behavior pattern of juvenile offenders.”

WUSF-FM’s Underground Railroad program celebrates its first anniversary by having a weekend of “super entertainment complete with live bands.”

A drop in crime on the USF campus is attributed in part to the nightly operations of the Student Patrol organization. “The Student Patrol is working out great,” celebrates Security Chief Jack Prehle. “Their function is to walk around and look. Just look. If they see anything suspicious they call us and we get over there right away. They’ve been told to definitely not get involved in any situation. We don’t want them hurt.”

USF’s Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority sponsors a weeklong drive to combat sickle-cell anemia, a disease that primarily affects the black population. “The only hope appears to lie in research and education,” says sorority president Barbara Twine. “It is crucial that black parents learn to anticipate the sickling [sic] process in their own children by seeking and demanding a blood test as part of a routine physical examination.”

Students from across the United States converge on the USF campus to represent approximately fifty countries in the World Affairs Council’s fourth annual Model United Nations assembly.

USF students organize a Young Socialists chapter on campus, and begin working in support of the presidential bid of Linda Jenness of the national Socialist Workers
Party. According to “Radical Jack” Lieberman, the SWP platform offers a “real alternative to the American people.”\(^{1572}\)

Construction is expected to begin this year at USF on the 100-foot concrete Picasso sculpture, Bust of a Woman. “We expect various companies to donate the material and services,” says James Camp, Director of the Florida Center for the Arts. “We will also ask for contributions to help cover other costs.” Though the site of the sculpture has not yet been determined, Camp has recommended the western end of the UC mall. “This process is much more complicated than it looks. This is the largest sculpture created in the twentieth century. It must be able to withstand 160 mile-per-hour winds.”\(^{1573}\) Administrators hope to place the sculpture just west of the Fine Arts building as part of a proposed $15 million privately-funded fine arts center on campus, but Pres. Mackey dismisses the idea for the complex “far fetched.”\(^{1574}\) James Sawyer, the engineer for the project, thought the whole idea for the sculpture was far fetched, saying, “When I first got a look at it, the whole thing turned me off. The whole office poked fun at it. They said if that was our idea of a woman, they weren’t sure they wanted to remain in our employ. If anyone tried to tell me I’d be sitting up on my garage floor ‘til 2 a.m. sanding and painting this [model of the sculpture], I would have laughed. But somehow, once I got into it, I just got involved.” Director of the Florida Center for the Arts at USF, James Camp says, “People are opposed to art simply because they don’t know what it’s

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\(^{1574}\) TDT: 3/2/72.
about.” The Clearwater Sun unknowingly misunderstood Picasso when it printed a photo of his statue upside-down.

In the faculty council meeting at USF, a motion is passed to split the council up into three separate senates: students, faculty, and staff. A proposed coordinating committee made up of members of each council would provide the “essential communication … for all of the University … to cover academic, philosophical, and procedural policies.” The motion will be presented to President Cecil M. Mackey for final approval.

President Cecil Mackey announces plans to build an $8.2 million graduate library at USF, calling it “the largest non-medical educational building in the state of Florida.” The new structure is schedule for completion by 1974.

The results of testing conducted by USF’s Drug Rap Cadre indicate that “drug users are not getting what they paid for.” Of the thirteen samples submitted to the Cadre for free analysis, only five contained the alleged ingredients.

An edict issued by the State Board of Regents mandates quarterly student evaluations of professors. “These evaluations will be used to help in making decisions of salary, promotion, and efficiency,” says Carl Riggs, USF Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Rod and Betty Christianson begin Switchboard at USF, a service that assists students in finding rides, housing, and pet-sitters, among other things. The Oracle reports

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1575 Miami Herald, 3/8/72.
1576 Clearwater Sun 4/9/73.
1577 O: Mar. 1, 1972
1578 SP: Mar. 1, 1972
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1580 O: Mar. 1, 1972
that they hope to expand services to include finding lawyers and doctors in emergency situations. “We’re not going to save you from the devil,” says Betsy Christianson, but people who “just want to rap” can call them anytime. The service is supported entirely by donations.\(^\text{1581}\)

As graduation nears, the residents of USF dormitories are reporting increased harassment from high-pressure life insurance salesmen and other solicitors. Section 6a of “the Book” states that, “Solicitors and tradesmen … are prohibited from entering the grounds … for the purpose of transacting business … unless they have been issued a permit.” Dan Walbolt, Vice President for Student Affairs, notes that to his knowledge, no permits have been issued for on-campus solicitations.\(^\text{1582}\)

USF faculty members consider the prospects of collective bargaining and unionization under the American Federation of Teachers. At a recent recruitment rally held at the local Schlitz brewery, Labor Council Director Charles Cowl told the group that the Union would give them “more job security, a voice in their own affairs, and a decent grievance procedure.”\(^\text{1583}\)

National anti-war activists speak on the USF campus as part of a Vietnam “teach-in” at the University.\(^\text{1584}\)

In an Oracle editorial column, USF student Robert Boyle awards the following distinctions to members of the University community: The “Four Year-Old Stoned Artist” award goes to “members of the Physical Plant painting team for their interpretation of a neat, clearly-defined line”; the “Broken Armed Rock Thrower” award

\(^{1581}\) O: Mar. 1, 1972
\(^{1582}\) O: Mar. 8, 1972
\(^{1583}\) O: Mar. 8, 1972
\(^{1584}\) O: Mar. 8, 1972
goes to the “typical USF student” for “his rhetorical battle to unseat the Establishment, aid the environment, and create a better world”; and the “Crime Stopper Award” is given to “a bunch of really serious minded, dedicated girls from the Security Department for their efforts to bring Law and Order to USF by their sharp crackdown on campus criminals’ illegal parking.”

A sheriff’s department spokesman declares USF student Michael Wayne Peacock’s death a suicide after he fell from the thirteenth story of Fontana Hall. Friends of Peacock attribute his suicide to “a lack of reason for living, and despondency about a probable military draft call.”

The USF Library’s 300,000th volume, “The Flora of Tropical Florida,” is presented to Library Director Mary Lou Harkness by President Cecil M. Mackey. The book was written by USF professors Olga Lakela and Robert Lang.

President Cecil Mackey approves a grade forgiveness policy allowing students to repeat courses in effort to earn higher grades.

Former astronaut John L. Llewellyn joins the engineering department at the University of South Florida.

USF abolishes the controversial physical education credits required for graduation from the University. First initiated by Former President John Allen, the PE requirements are dropped by President Mackey at the behest of the USF Council of Deans and over ten years of student protests.

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1590 O: Mar. 31, 1972

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Daniel R. Walbolt is appointed Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs at USF, effective immediately. “I’m pleased to have new responsibilities and duties,” said Walbolt, “and I look forward to more expansion of student affair services and my participation in it.”

Florida Senators charge state campuses of hosting an overabundance of radical and liberal speakers. “We do try to have balance, but it’s not always possible,” says USF’s Lecture Series Coordinator Dale Rose. “If there are fine conservative speakers, we want them. The speakers we bring in are the speakers the students want. For the most part, people who want conservative speakers are not students.”

Dr. Oscar Garcia, Associate Professor of Electrical Engineering, is selected as the Southeast Section’s 1972 recipient of the Dow Outstanding Young Faculty Award. “I am very pleased that the excellence of our work in engineering at USF is recognized again by a national organization … This reflects emphasis of the administration and my colleagues on high quality education.”

Jim Perkins, Maintenance Supervisor for the Physical Education Department, reports that the life-sized golden Brahman head that served as the USF mascot is stolen from the back seat of his car.

Housing Director Raymond King announces that the possibility for co-ed housing on the USF campus “appears unlikely,” noting that the facilities “are not constructed for that.”

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1591 O: Apr. 4, 1972
1592 O: Apr. 5, 1972
1593 O: Apr. 5, 1972
1594 O: Apr. 5, 1972
1595 O: Apr. 5, 1972
Students for a Non-Racist Library charge the USF Library with “breaking promises” for its failure to offer an adequate collection of volumes about African Americans and other minority populations.\textsuperscript{1596}

A “rush” order by USF Library Director Mary Lou Harkness results in the shelving of approximately one hundred books on “black subjects.”\textsuperscript{1597}

An inmate from cell 4A2 at the U.S. Penitentiary in McNeil Island, Washington writes the following letter to the Oracle: “Editor: I am a serious candidate for the President of the USA. Please give your readers a chance to write me. Thank you.” In the next column, a student writes: “I appreciate our police but do they have to drive CHRYSLERS?”\textsuperscript{1598}

After a study is released revealing gender-based salary inequalities at USF, President Cecil M. Mackey vows to make corrections “as soon as possible within the legal framework of the University’s operations and the budgetary constraints relating to salaries and job classifications.”\textsuperscript{1599}

Gregory Hiser, General Manager of Eastern Food Service, complains that beer consumption at campus counters is diminishing rapidly. “As far as beer goes, kids are all the same. At first everybody wants some,” Hiser comments. He blames the lack of campus activities for the poor sales. “I guess everybody has something going off-campus and is not interested in what is going on on-campus. What does it take to get kids in here

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\textsuperscript{1597} O: Apr. 18, 1972
\textsuperscript{1598} O: Apr. 13, 1972
\textsuperscript{1599} O: Apr. 14, 1972
after 11 p.m.?" he wonders. “If it’s entertainment, we’ll get it. I don’t know, it’s a losing battle.”

USF receives $4.5 million from a Board of Education allocation of $18.5 million to the nine state universities.

As the Off-Campus Housing Office is being phased out, Student Government President Mark Adams announces a study into the off-campus “housing crisis” in the USF community. “The purpose of the study is to provide an integrative, factual package upon which SG can base its work in the commuter affairs area in the future,” says Adams. “The study has been talked about for years, but nothing was done, and now we’re faced with a housing crisis.”

In an “emotional frenzy,” Student Government “almost” declares a week-long student strike against President Cecil Mackey for his “refusal to practice democratic principles in his administration” and his “symbolic face-slapping of SG.” The intent of the strike was to “picket and disrupt administrative affairs through demonstration, civil disobedience, and subversion.”

In a survey of 116 random USF students, the following results are obtained: 58 complain of the parking situation on campus; 51 criticize the current grading system, unhappy with the “emphasis on grades and competition”; and 18 complaints regarding food quality and prices. Other areas of concern are the dormitory visitation policy, the library, the bookstore, and campus vending machines.
The Free Speech Podium is established as promised by SG Vice President John Hogg of the New Voice Party. The Podium will be held on a weekly basis with the intention of “guaranteeing student participation in free speech while also provoking interaction and establishing a greater sense of community at the University.”

Student Government votes to “end all complicity with the dictatorial administration of President Cecil Mackey,” declaring its “total disregard for American constitutional law” and charging Mackey with “unprecedented arrogance, deceit, and bad faith towards the students.” The motion also criticized the University Administration for “effectively denying to students and faculty freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, freedom of association, and due process of the law.” Senator Benjie Sperling called for an educational campaign among students, “staging rallies and composing leaflets to show how the University has blocked Student Government and meaningful reform for students.” According to the SG resolution, the problems students face “stem from the State of Florida’s economic conception of students as cattle to be herded and processed and Mackey’s determination to deny us any control whatsoever over the policies that directly affect our lives.” Says Senator Sallye Simons, “I think it’s about time we stood up for the rights of students.” Copies of the resolution are being forwarded to President Mackey, Vice President Riggs, and the respective college deans.

State Regent Julius F. Parker criticizes current dormitory visitation policies as “morally unnecessary,” and cites a recent poll where ninety percent of parents gave

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1605 O: Apr. 25, 1972
1606 O: Apr. 28, 1972
permission for their children to live in visitation areas. The Board is scheduled to review the policies next Monday.\footnote{1607}

United States Senator Lawton M. Chiles is selected as the featured speaker at USF’s 10\textsuperscript{th} annual commencement exercises. Approximately 3,600 undergraduates and 500 graduate students are scheduled to receive their degrees at the ceremony, making the 1972 graduating class the largest one in the history of the institution.\footnote{1608}

The Board of Regents votes to rescind last year’s dormitory visitation policy at state universities. Under the new policy, students under the age of twenty-one must have parental approval to take advantage of the privilege. Additional residence areas must be established for those students who do not want to live in visitation-friendly halls. A two-thirds vote by dorm residents must be made in each individual hall before visitation is approved there. The new policy is pending final approval by the Florida cabinet.\footnote{1609}

The State Cabinet gives final approval to the Board of Regents’ revised visitation policy at state university dormitories. “The proposed revision was approved following a survey by the universities in which a great majority of the parents of freshmen students stated that they favored a visitation program,” says Education Commissioner Floyd Christian. The new policy will be implemented immediately at USF, according to Housing Director Raymond King. Guidelines limit visitation privileges to the hours between 2:00 and 11:00 pm on Sundays through Thursdays and 2:00 to midnight on Fridays and Saturdays.\footnote{1610}
A newly approved two-credit-hour course, “How to Use the USF Library,” is designed to “introduce students to the resources of the campus library.”¹⁶¹¹

USF Professor Sotirios Barber offers a new course entitled, “The Campus and the Constitution,” in which student rights and faculty freedoms are discussed “in a serious effort to present an objective picture of the constitutional problems at USF.”¹⁶¹²

400 protestors are involved in a mass anti-war demonstration at Fowler Avenue and 30th Street, blocking streets around the University campus for nearly three hours. The protest ended when about twenty local law enforcement officers “charged into the rock and bottle-throwing crowd” and began making arrests. Demonstrators fled back onto the USF campus when the police charged, and one Sheriff’s Department Deputy was injured when a bottle struck him in the head. A total of seven people were arrested in the melee, with charges ranging from the use of profanity to aggravated assault. “I hated to see this happen but they did block the intersection,” says Vice President for Student Affairs Joe Howell. “The police asked them to leave and then waited an hour.” Though more than fifty officers were dispatched to the site, Sheriff’s Department Major John Kirk called the demonstration a “minor incident.”¹⁶¹³

USF faculty members voice concern after an overwhelming decision by the American Association of University Professors to authorize collective bargaining at public universities. “I’m not against general union-type organization,” says Pat Strong, USF Psychology Professor, “if AAUP could be like that and not take on other union aspects.” Don Harkness, Associate Professor of International Studies, also expressed similar reservations, worried that, “The association [will] no longer be a group of

¹⁶¹¹ O: May 10, 1972
¹⁶¹² O: May 10, 1972
¹⁶¹³ O: May 11, 1972
professors concerned with teaching, but a group of wage earners concerned with union shops.” The general opinion among USF professors remains unknown at this time.\footnote{1614 O: May 11, 1972}

Another anti-war demonstration, this time at Fletcher Avenue and 30th Street, results in the arrests of twenty out of an estimated 400 demonstrators. Chanting, “One, two, three, four, we don’t want your f---g war,” students march against approximately sixty bayonet-equipped riot police. Over the course of three days, a total of forty-six people are arrested for their involvement in protests. As a result of the increasingly hostile and defiant atmosphere, Student Government members pass a motion to begin a “massive letter campaign” to officials in Washington to express student perspectives on the war in Southeast Asia.\footnote{1615 O: May 12, 1972}

Students and faculty are polled on their reactions to recent political demonstrations on the USF campus. The following opinions are expressed:

“Demonstrations should be allowed to take place as long as they don’t disrupt the rights of others. The students are making a lot of enemies by stopping traffic and demonstrating violently” – Gary Mitchell, graduate student in education; “I don’t think the demonstrators are going to improve anything by blocking the streets. Campus police should handle disorders on campus and Mackey should have made a formal statement of his views and what would happen to students if they demonstrated” – Gayle Holbrook, senior marketing major; “Demonstrations are understandable because of the disillusionment with the change in the war policy trend in Viet Nam, and understandable in terms of the time of the year, for when the year gets old, the students are looking for a sense of excitement” – Edgar Nesman, assistant professor of sociology; Bill Davis, junior
psychology major, is “in favor of the demonstrations but they weren’t effective … it is too late for demonstrations. To be good they have to be a lot more radical. What happens just upsets the public.”\textsuperscript{1616}

Members of the Campus Ministers Association and approximately one hundred students gather on the UC Mall to pray for an end to the Vietnam War. “Until we really love our enemies, we cannot call ourselves Christian,” said Father John Linnehan of the Catholic Student Center.\textsuperscript{1617}

In a memorandum to SG President Mark Adams, USF President Cecil Mackey states his awareness that the Vietnam War “evokes strong reaction from students.” Mackey adds that, while the campus is not immune to the application and enforcement of laws, “I have consistently supported the right of members of the University community to express their views openly and to hear the views of others and to engage in peaceful protest as a means of expression.”\textsuperscript{1618}

Dr. Christine S. Martone of the USF Student Health Center submits a proposal for a much-needed family planning clinic at the University. Citing 324 pregnancy tests made at the Center last year alone, Dr Martone believes a “great number” of students who cannot afford private health care are sexually active and are “seeking responsible methods of birth control.” Joe Howell, Vice President for Student Affairs, says that he is “not completely convinced that the need for a family planning clinic exists.”\textsuperscript{1619}

\textsuperscript{1616} O: May 16, 1972
\textsuperscript{1617} O: May 18, 1972
\textsuperscript{1618} O: May 17, 1972
\textsuperscript{1619} O: May 18, 1972
A bookstore, credit union, and classroom building are all projects expected to undergo construction at USF this year.\textsuperscript{1620}

The sight of several marijuana plants in a second floor dormitory window prompt a UP search of the room occupied by Maria Firmani, a nineteen year-old student from Ft. Myers. Upon further investigation, UP officers discover sixty-two marijuana plants in the dorm room, the tallest of which measuring nearly thirty inches in height. Miss Firmani is arrested and charged with a felony possession of marijuana. UP Officer Ralph Dennis said the bust is “very satisfying, but you always hate to send a kid to jail.”\textsuperscript{1621}

The State Board of Regents votes to establish a third USF campus in the Bradenton-Sarasota area. A preliminary report is expected by November of 1972, at which time a final decision will be made.\textsuperscript{1622}

The USF Grounds Department places approximately 1,000 praying mantis eggs around the campus in an effort to cut down on the use of pesticides and “return campus maintenance to Mother Nature.” Says Bill Andrews, Supervisor of Maintenance, “We’re trying to strike a balance between insects and pests that damage our landscape. It will take years before we know the results of this program.”\textsuperscript{1623}

USF begins its first ever “Focus: You and USF” program, designed to orient and register incoming freshman and transfer students at the University. Presentations are given for parents on trends in higher education, academic procedures, and student development, while students are introduced to activities and opportunities at USF.

\textsuperscript{1620} O: May 26, 1972
\textsuperscript{1621} O: June 15, 1972
\textsuperscript{1622} O: June 20, 1972
\textsuperscript{1623} O: June 20, 1972
Parents and students are invited to stay at the campus residence halls during the sessions.  

Though bicycle paths are being installed around the USF campus, many students are reluctant to ride off-campus because of the lack of accommodations on area streets. According to Bicycle Club Advisor Jesse Binford, the USF administration has been helpful, but the responsibility ultimately rests in the Hillsborough County Commission offices.  

The Florida Council of College Presidents meets in Tallahassee to discuss tuition changes, a university health plan, and activity and service fees for students. USF President Cecil Mackey reports that the Council is considering abandoning the traditional flat fee tuition charges in favor of the assessment of fees per credit hour. “Along with the increase in fees, the program would eliminate a student’s option to take more hours without paying more money,” Mackey comments. “This plan could cause some people to reduce their hours.” The Council also considers charging separately for health and student activity fees.  

Construction of the Andros Pool begins, expected to be completed “sometime in November.”  

Campus Security at USF officially becomes the Campus Police as the result of a bill signed by Florida Governor Rubin Askew.  

Identification cards required to purchase beer at the Empty Keg are discontinued after complications far outweigh their benefits. “The whole system was set up so the
newly acquired beer license would not be lost within the first three months,” explains Robert Sechen, Chairman of the Student Finance Committee. “We needed some sort of security so an Elliot Ness type investigator wouldn’t bust through the doors and put a hatchet through the beer kegs.” Additionally, the Student Government offices were “flooded with requests,” and a great deal of time and energy was spent processing the cards. To purchase beer, a student must now only present his/her USF ID and a current fee card.1629

The Baltimore Colts professional football team, led by quarterback Johnny Unitas, opens up its season by working out before a crowd of nearly 200 spectators at the USF soccer field.1630

The Oracle announces that “the Monster has matured,” as the USF Golf Course celebrates its fifth anniversary. “This course has come of age quicker than and with less pains than any other course I’ve ever seen,” says Course Pro Wes Berner. “It’s due mostly to the devotion and effort of the maintenance crews. I’ve really appreciated their fine work. Also, we’ve gotten a great deal of support from the administration and the physical plant.”1631

Joan Tallis, Assistant Housing Director at USF, announces that dormitories are already full for the fall quarter. A total of 2,730 students have been contracted for on-campus housing, while a waiting list of 250 students continues to grow at a rate of thirty per week. Those students not able to secure space in the residence halls are directed to the Off-Campus Housing office, where further efforts are being made to locate housing.1632

1629 O: July 13, 1972
1630 O: July 20, 1972
1631 O: July 20, 1972
1632 O: Aug. 1, 1972
A family planning service is expected to be offered in the Student Health Center at USF this fall quarter.\textsuperscript{1633}

The Tampa Tribune reports that USF “is making plans to get out of the student health business, ‘lock, stock, and barrel,’” intending to move Student Health Services from the modest clinic within which it is currently housed to the neighboring University Community Hospital. Officials hope that an arrangement with the Hospital will allow for the “considerable” expansion of facilities available to students.\textsuperscript{1634}

Vietnam Veterans Against the War sponsor a dance in the UC Ballroom in an effort to raise money for their “March Against Murder” to Miami.\textsuperscript{1635}

Edward McDonald, an assistant professor of Afro-American Studies at USF, files a lawsuit in a U.S. District Court, alleging that the University Administration forced him to resign under threat of firing.\textsuperscript{1636}

Plans for an on-campus shuttle are scrapped due to a lack of funding, according to Albert C. Hartley, Vice President for Administrative Affairs.\textsuperscript{1637}

On the heels of Professor McDonald’s allegations comes another complaint against University policy, this time by Spanish instructor William Hunter who claims a violation of the rights of due process following his dismissal from USF.\textsuperscript{1638}

Students experience difficulties accessing the University Bookstore after a number of automobiles get stuck in the unpaved parking lot. According to Jack Burns, Manager of Auxiliary Services, “The reason for the breakdown is that the parking lot is

\textsuperscript{1633} O: Aug. 3, 1972
\textsuperscript{1634} TT: Aug. 5, 1972
\textsuperscript{1635} O: Aug. 3, 1972
\textsuperscript{1636} O: Sept. 20, 1972
\textsuperscript{1637} O: Sept. 20, 1972
\textsuperscript{1638} O: Sept. 22, 1972
sugar sand, and with no rain to keep it firmly packed, it is almost like talc.” Upon word that he would not be reimbursed for his difficulties, one student complains, “You go to the bookstore and pay a fortune for your books and then you have to pay to get your car out!” Problems were quickly compounded when the bookstore’s air conditioning system malfunctioned. “The temperature in the store was 95 degrees and people, girls, were fainting left and right.”1639

Dr. Ed Allen, Director of USF’s Counseling Center for Human Development, announces that students needing extended psychological attention will likely be turned away from the Center this year due to an increased emphasis on career over personal counseling services. Allen explains that the amount of money the Center receives is not growing in proportion to the University, thus they are not able to offer all the services needed. Joe Howell, Vice President for Student Affairs, asserts that at its present level of operation, it is “one of the best centers of its type in the country.”1640

Political Science Professor Sotirios Barber asserts that the string of recent lawsuits filed against the University and President Cecil Mackey indicate “a crisis in leadership and problems concerning the faculty’s rights in disciplinary hearings.” The Oracle reports that Barber’s sentiments echo those of the American Federation of Teachers and the American Association of University Professors. Barber adds that more suits will likely follow unless “Mackey is able to exercise leadership, as opposed to management.”1641

Joe Busta, Assistant Director of Student Organizations at USF, expresses interest in constructing housing for Greek organizations on campus. According to the Oracle’s

1639 O: Sept. 22, 1972
1640 O: Sept. 26-27, 1972
1641 O: Sept. 27, 1972
report, “Busta said one of the basic concepts of fraternity life, that of living and learning, was missing at USF because of the absence of a fraternity house or some type of community gathering place.” Though no definite decisions have been made, he hopes that the University will provide the land upon which the facilities would be built. “It’s already been done at Florida, so the precedent has been set.” He plans to meet with Joe Howell, Vice President for Student Affairs, within the next two weeks in order to further discuss the prospects.1642

A “thickly-bearded and spectacled” Allen Ginsburg chants, sings, and reads his poetry to a captivated audience at USF. In addition to filling the University Theatre to capacity, students gather around televisions at ten locations to view the performance over closed circuit sets. Ginsburg speaks on such topics as contemporary politics, the war in Vietnam, capitalism, Buddhism, and Jack Kerouac. His talk is punctuated by haikus, chants, and songs ranging in content from social and political commentaries to instructions on drug use. Ginsburg’s appearance is sponsored by the University Lecture Series.1643

In the first legislative meeting of the quarter, the Student Government Senate passes a unanimous motion urging the University administration to “take a much more responsible interest in the Student Finance Committee and all student affairs.”1644

President Cecil Mackey and the University Athletic Council formally approve a program that initiates women’s intercollegiate athletics at USF. The program will be budgeted approximately $10,000 and is said to include archery, badminton, basketball, bowling, golf, softball, swimming, tennis, and volleyball. “This is an experimental year,”

1642 O: Sept. 27, 1972
1643 O: Oct. 4, 1972
1644 O: Sept. 29, 1972
says Athletic Director Richard Bowers. “Before anything can be decided about the future, we’ve got to see how many of the approved sports we can get into full swing.”

Hundreds of visitors turn out for the dedication of the new Veterans Administration Hospital on 30th Street across from USF. Among the speakers is State Representative Sam Gibbons, who praises the efforts of former USF President John Allen in working for the establishment of a University Medical School.

Student Government Vice President John Hogg files a grievance with University officials, charging Campus Police with the theft of an anti-war banner. “I have it on good authority that the police took the banner and that the Campus Police held stolen property while knowing its purpose and ownership,” Hogg said. About seventy-five protestors planned to raise the banner at the VA Hospital dedication ceremony. Campus Police Chief Jack Prehle reports that the banner was turned into his office by an “unidentified man.”

Financial problems threaten the publication of USF’s yearbook, the Aegean. If at least 1,450 copies of the book are not sold this year, it will be discontinued for the first time since its inception in 1963. “The publication of a yearbook is not warranted if only a few hundred students of a population in excess of 17,000 bought copies,” explains Publications Director Leo Stalnaker.

The Board of Regents announces a $30,000 study to determine the prospects of opening a branch campus of USF in the lower west coast area of the state. “More than 18,000 families have been sent questionnaires seeking information about their...
educational goals,” said Chancellor Robert Mautz. “Using the data collected through the survey, the Regents, in cooperation with other agencies, will be able to plan for meeting the west coast’s post-secondary educational needs.”

Faculty Advisor Sotirios Barber asserts that the power of Student Government and other campus organizations at USF is under a “series of subtle attacks” by the University administration. As evidence, Barber cites the administration’s controversial attempts to restructure the Student Finance Committee, and the prohibition of the SG from participating in the administrative constitution, among others. Barber, according to the Oracle report, says that the trend is a dangerous one, because, “SG, the Oracle, and other student groups help maintain order, stability, and accountability in the University.”

Assistant Librarian Paul E. Camp displays the University library’s rare book collection, which contains texts that “cover the whole range of human endeavor.” Among those rarities on display are: a Babylonian cuneiform tablet dating to approximately 2,000 b.c., a pamphlet written by the governor of Georgia in 1740, and a text authored by Martin Luther in 1524. “Anytime anybody wants to look at these things, we will show them,” says Camp. “We’re always finding things we didn’t know we had.”

Over fifty students march into the office of Joe Howell, Vice President for Student Affairs, in protest of a recent increase in drug-related arrests at USF. The protestors contest the arrests of eighteen students in the past week for marijuana possession, and demand “open disciplinary hearings” for those subject to punishment. Howell, flanked by UP Chief Jack Prehle and other plain-clothed officers, defended the
legitimacy of the actions. “No one has told Prehle that he should be more aggressive, but if they break the law they will be arrested.” SG Vice President calls the UP, “troops of a foreign power,” and asserts that there has, in fact, been a change in policy, “whether you admit it or not.” SG Senator Bill Davis remarks that, “We are under attack by the Administration,” and organizes an Argos Defense League which, in addition to hosting a “smoke-in” on campus, “will be patrolling the residence areas looking for policemen trying to arrest students for smoking marijuana.” Chief Prehle refuses to budge, however, warning students that, “If you do it, and we see you do it, you are going to be arrested.”

Though USF lost a federal construction grant when President Nixon vetoed a spending bill, President Mackey optimistically reports that the Board of Regents has approved $303 million from the state treasury to fund the University’s Medical School.

Nine bicycles valued at $814 are stolen from the Andros area while all UP officers on duty are monitoring the “smoke-in,” hosted by the Argos Defense League. No arrests are made in either incident.

Replacing the Aegean, a new student publication entitled “the Graduate” will be available at the closing of the academic year. Of a traditional yearbook format, the Graduate will focus on senior and graduate level students, though it will be available to all for purchase.

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1653 O: Oct. 31, 1972
1654 O: Oct. 31, 1972
1655 O: Nov. 2, 1972
The American Idea department is in the process of being phased out of the University curriculum, to be replaced by other general education courses. “Times are changing, so courses must change to offer students the right kinds of general education requirements,” says Mark Orr, Chairman of International Studies.1656

The Brahman soccer team is designated the “top college division team in the South,” giving USF the privilege of hosting a post-season tournament for the first team in the nine years that the sport has been played at South Florida.1657

USF men and women win the Florida Southern Fall Water Ski Intercollegiate Tournament held on Lake Hollingsworth in Lakeland.1658

SG Secretary Richard Merrick submits a letter to the Oracle criticizing the University President’s “Mackeyvellian” style of leadership and government. Merrick writes: “But the underlying problem remains how to secure students’ rights to self-determination in the face of an administration led by the man who has well earned the name, ‘Mackeyvelli.’”1659

USF students receive honorable mention at the annual Kodak Teenage Movie Awards for a three-minute movie they produced. The movie, entitled “Cue for Two or How to Succeed in Pool Without Really Trying,” is a three-dimensional, animated production “with hero, heroin, and villains.” “The reason I made this film is because I wanted to be the master of my film,” explains co-producer Neil Levin. “With this type of animation, I have the freedom to be a perfectionist. I was inspired to make this film by

1656 O: Nov. 3, 1972
1657 O: Nov. 9, 1972
1658 O: Nov. 14, 1972
1659 O: Nov. 14, 1972
the desire to entertain, not to make people dwell in deep meaning … If the audience is entertained and leaves with a sense of enjoyment, I have succeeded.\textsuperscript{1660}

Recycling stations are placed in the Argos and Andros complexes on campus for the collection of aluminum, clear glass, and colored glass. Wire cages for newspaper collection are also added to the stations. The University Physical Plant provides the transport of material to area recycling centers.\textsuperscript{1661}

The USF chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa challenges the national organization’s policy by trying to admit a female student into the all-male honors society. Says the President of the local organization, “The ultimate denial of Miss Dow’s membership … would violate ideals and principles to which all of us should be dedicated.”\textsuperscript{1662}

A USF student files suit against the state, contesting the legality of the twelve-month state residency requirement.\textsuperscript{1663}

Margaret Fisher, Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs, and Roberta Brown, Assistant Professor of Interdisciplinary Social Science, sponsor a group for divorced and widowed women at USF.\textsuperscript{1664}

Housing and Food Service Director Raymond King rejects a Student Government proposal to allow refrigerators in individual dormitories at USF. Instead, King suggests that SG consider developing “apartment-style” housing on campus that would better accommodate such requests.\textsuperscript{1665}

\textsuperscript{1660} TT: Nov. 24, 1972
\textsuperscript{1661} O: Nov. 14, 1972
\textsuperscript{1662} O: Nov. 16, 1972
\textsuperscript{1663} O: Nov. 22, 1972
\textsuperscript{1664} O: Nov. 22, 1972
\textsuperscript{1665} O: Nov. 28, 1972
The Oracle reports a significant “resident-dog” population on the USF campus, adding that they are an “ubiquitous part of the academic community.” Because the University is situated outside of the city limits, it is not subject to Tampa’s leash law. One blind student wishes there was a law because her leader dog is “constantly being propositioned by other loose canines.” Campus Security asserts that there is in fact a county ordinance regarding the animals, though the Sheriff’s Office insists that no such law exists.\footnote{1666}

A study released by the Career Placement and Planning Center at USF reports that the median starting salaries for USF graduates average $600-$750 per month, a figure well below the national average.\footnote{1667}

USF’s Library collection is over 300,000 volumes.

Richard Nixon approved the mining of Haiphong Harbor in Vietnam, prompting 400 USF student protestors to block Fowler Avenue at 30th St. for 3 hours. The protest moved to Fletcher Avenue the following day, and 27 students were arrested over the two days of protests.\footnote{1668}

The St. Pete Campus holds a contest to “name the coffeehouse” that is being renovated on campus.\footnote{1669} The name “potpourri” wins out.\footnote{1670} The coffee house features a 25-foot black light mural, floor seating (“bring your pillow”) with low tables, cheeses, pastries, coffee, tea, and cold drinks.\footnote{1671}

\footnote{1666} O: Nov. 28, 1972  
\footnote{1667} O: Nov. 29, 1972  
\footnote{1668} O 3/28/88.  
\footnote{1669} Crow, 11/3/71.  
\footnote{1670} Crow, 12/1/71.  
\footnote{1671} Crow, 1/12/72.
Jan Taylor, editor of the Crow’s Nest, explodes in resentment at the administrators based in the Tampa Campus over registration, originally printed in all capital letters. “Each quarter our campus is forced to endure the dictates of Tampa and the registrar’s office as to what day registration will be. Why Tampa? Why do you pick the most ungodly days? I for one will be taking final exams from 1-5p.m. Merely rebutting with the stock alibi ‘The computer made us do it’ seems rather shabby to me. Tampa, wake up!! Our fees are the same, the credits we take equal yours. Stop treating this campus like an unwanted step-child.” The mimeographed newsletter includes a form for students to fill out and give to their SG representatives demanding a more “student oriented” day for registration.\(^{1672}\) The editor writes by hand in a later issue, “Be watching for the follow-up on the registration editorial. A retraction of Tampa as the perpetrator of that foul deed is in order!” Thus begins a long USF St. Pete tradition of resentment against Tampa, continued until the present day.\(^{1673}\) There was no sign of complaint when the St. Pete campus cancelled classes to honor Tampa’s Gasparilla festivities.\(^{1674}\)

When Ronald Egger, St. Pete SA Treasurer resigns—because of time away from studies and the lack of “freedom to function … in the best interests of the student body—the entire finance committee resigns.\(^{1675}\)

The St. Pete campus opens the “Discovery Room,” a day-care operation for students, staff, and faculty.\(^{1676}\)

The St. Pete campus coffee house, previously known as “Potpourri,” is now called the “Mushroom.”\(^{1677}\)

\(^{1672}\) Crow, 11/24/71.
\(^{1673}\) Crow, 1/12/72.
\(^{1674}\) Crow, 2/8/73.
\(^{1675}\) Crow, 1/26/72.
\(^{1676}\) Crow, 1/26/72.
The St. Pete Library begins renovations, including the installation of air-conditioning ducts. The library also prepares to implement an interlibrary loan system with the Tampa campus, which they refer to as “intralibrary.”

1973: First UNESCO conference held in the U.S. is hosted by USF.

Phi Beta Kappa denies USF membership, citing the lack of Liberal Arts development.

Library director Mary Lou Harkness blames a $6,000 budget cut (out of $53,000) for a reduction in library hours. Student funds later fill in the budget shortfall.

VP for Academic Affairs Carl Riggs announces that USF will undergo faculty reallocation due to changing patterns of enrollment. Administration conducts a survey to find out how heavy teaching loads are in different departments. The result is a list of Student Quarter Hours (SQH) for each department, a figure that tells us how many hours of teaching faculty members do in one quarter. At the top are the most strained departments: American Idea (872 sqh), Classics (819), Behavioral Science (703), Mass Comm (647), Speech (540), Math (476), Humanities (470), and Sociology (440). At the bottom: Afro-American Studies (194), American Studies (173), Music (149), Theatre (119), and Marine Science (73). Some of the discrepancies are easily explained. Chairman Miles Hardy of the Behavioral Science Department said, “They told us to fill the classes to maximum capacity, and in some cases I had people sitting on the floor. It makes a good FTE [full-time equivalent] ratio, but damn poor teaching.” Chairman

1677 Crow, 6/27/72.
1678 Crow, 9/11/72.
1679 Crow, 1/9/73.
Walter Griscti of the MassComm dept said, “We are at our maximum teaching level right now. I don’t see any way we can handle more students without more people.” Chairman Harold Humm of the Marine Science department defends the low rating of his department, “We only have graduate students, and all of our faculty are involved in research. The research brought approximately half a million dollars in research grants to the University this year.” The calculations are later criticized by faculty and disavowed by the administration, but they still provide a fair estimate of workloads.  

Administration approves Saturday classes for all departments.  

USF has a $1.4 million cash deficit, but it has been declining.  

USF hosts a four-day African festival, featuring numerous academic speakers, Nigerian ambassador to the US J.M. Garba, Biafran poet Okogbule Wonodi, John Akar, the founder of the Sierra Leone dancers, and best-selling author Nkem Nwanko, writer of “Danda.” The festival is hosted by Dr. Stephen Akintoya, a visiting professor in the Afro-American Studies Program.  

20 Japanese businessmen visit USF while on a month-long tour of the US. They eat lunch with President Mackey and attend a week-long conference set up by the College of Business Administration.  

Responding to student demands, the library acquires more science fiction volumes for its collection.  

President Mackey announces that “The American Idea” will no longer be required for graduation.
WUSF-TV plans to broadcast in color beginning in the summer.

Of almost $16,000 in loans, the Disadvantaged Student Loan fund has only received $1,800 in return. The other $14,000 will be sought out by a collection agency, but only 5% is estimated to be collected.\textsuperscript{1685}

A day care center partially staffed by USF employees opens at First United Church on Fowler Avenue, but only provides care for 20 children.

Mackey orders the last two floors of the library to be built before it opens, rather than a year after. The move will save USF $650,000. The old library is extremely crowded, with a capacity of 375,000 volumes. The new library will be able to hold 1 million.\textsuperscript{1686}

A committee representing the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools visits campus to get input from students, staff, and faculty on USF. Among the complaints are poor library facilities, scarce parking, publish or perish policies for faculty, lack of housing for married students, and no day care.\textsuperscript{1687}

Budget cuts prompt officials to cut summer classes. The liberal arts suffer worst.

The BOR approves $35,000 to USF to study the development of campuses in Ft. Myers and Sarasota-Bradenton. The BOR approves two USF branch campuses but withholds funding. The campuses are planned to be built in Ft. Myers and the Sarasota-Bradenton area. Bay campus dean Lester Tuttle has been appointed to coordinate activity between all of the branch campuses.\textsuperscript{1688}

\textsuperscript{1684} O 4/6/73.
\textsuperscript{1685} O 4/20/73.
\textsuperscript{1686} O 4/25/73.
\textsuperscript{1687} O 5/2/73.
\textsuperscript{1688} O 7/12/73, 10/12/73.
USF St. Pete architecture professor Jan Reiner talks of “Syberculture.” Although he never uses the word, he explains that the US should change the way it develops land, especially big cities, proposing humanized skyscrapers and hybrid structures like a massive bridge/apartment complex in New York City.\textsuperscript{1689}

According to an AAUP survey, confidence in Mackey and VP Carl Riggs has declined sharply among faculty over the last year. Last year, 51\% of faculty expressed a lack of confidence in Mackey—this year’s is 57\%. The most striking result is for Riggs. In 1972, 55\% of faculty thought that Riggs commanded their confidence. This year, the figure dropped to 27\%. Faculty are especially disappointed with the bureaucratic nature of the Mackey administration and his vague evaluation procedures, saying they value “merit” but really want research. Faculty criticize Riggs for his reliance on the Council of Deans to make all important decisions. Mackey and Riggs decline to respond to the survey in public. The AAUP invites Mackey to join them in their November meeting. AAUP official Sotirios Barber said, “[Faculty feels] that the president doesn’t respect them as much as he should. The indications are that the president has a great deal to gain by talking to faculty groups about his decisions. I think the faculty could be a great source of support if given the chance.” There are also cracks within the AAUP. Faculty from the Colleges of Engineering and Medicine ask to withdraw from the AAUP, as they do not feel represented. Mackey and the AAUP oppose the measure, but the BOR has the final say.\textsuperscript{1690}

\textsuperscript{1689} O 5/29/73.
\textsuperscript{1690} O 6/12/73, O 7/10/73, O 10/9/73.
The BOR begins suggesting collective bargaining agreements with the American Federation for Teachers (AFT) on behalf of USF’s faculty. The AAUP sits in with the AFT, as they both consider themselves to be bargaining agents.\(^{1691}\)

A record 8,500 students graduate in Curtis Hixon hall on June 10 bring USF’s graduates to 23,000.

USF has the only Leisure Studies Department outside of Europe. Every European country with the exception of Albania have such programs to study changing leisure patterns in society.\(^{1692}\)

The Speech Department puts on more productions than any other in the nation, with an average of two shows per month for the last five years. His “living library” productions are brought to the St. Pete Campus as well.\(^{1693}\)

The dorms accept a donation of beds and sheets from DeSoto Hall, a private dorm-turned-convalescent home. There are 1,048 rooms for male residents and 1,668 for women.\(^{1694}\)

The Graduate Council approves three new MA programs: aural rehabilitation (deaf education), biology, and administration/supervision.\(^{1695}\)

Mackey dissolves USF’s Division of University Studies. All employees are transferred to Student Affairs.\(^{1696}\)

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\(^{1696}\) O 7/10/73.
The BOR grants all students 18 years and older the right to visitation in their dorm rooms on state university campuses, something students have been demanding for years. Still students sign a petition asking liberalized visitation rights at USF.\(^{1697}\)

About 2,300 students volunteer for two programs on campus, the Intensive Teaching program (IT), and University volunteer services (UVS). IT is the largest program of its kind in the southeast, where volunteers tutor kids ages 3 to 18. The Model Cities Program, through the Metropolitan Development Agency, supplies 4 staff members.\(^{1698}\)

The Faculty Senate rejects a proposed joint ROTC program between USF and UT.\(^{1699}\)

Since Mackey took charge of USF, 42 top administrators (in the top three tiers) have resigned, retired, or been demoted or fired, proof of Mackey’s profound effect on USF.\(^{1700}\)

USF humanities professor and artist Gladys Kashdin shows twenty expressionist works at Tampa Public Library in an exhibit called, “An Artist’s View of the Everglades.”\(^{1701}\)

VP for Academic Affairs Carl Riggs proposes expanded PE offerings, including bowling, karate, weight control, volleyball, gymnastics, aerobics, and so on.\(^{1702}\)

Dennis “Mac” McClendon, director of information services, resigns. Citing his hectic schedule, McClendon says, “I do not want to leave this university [but there is] no

\(^{1697}\) O 7/10/73, O 11/29/73.
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light at the end of the tunnel. At 51, I have to ask myself whether I want to work myself
to death or relax for a while."  

USF’s Council of Deans decides whether or not to hold all USF meetings open to
the public, to comply with the spirit if the “Sunshine Law."  

USF’s Project Upward Bound (PUB) involves 25 high schools (including
Hillsborough, Polk, Manatee, and Sarasota counties), where disadvantaged youth are
recruited and given pre-college training to prepare them for university life. Colleges
support the students with federal funds. PUB students have gone on to obtain degrees at
Yale, MIT, and the University of Chicago.  

USF’s budget is at an all-time high: $34.5 million.  

Mackey’s pay exceeds governor Reuben Askew’s by $2,862. Askew gets
$40,000 annually, not counting perks.  

Despite the dearth of PhD programs, major grants increase by $680,000 over the
last years, bringing the total to “$7,783,377. The grand total of grant money was $48
million for the fiscal year. A moratorium on new PhD programs locks USF into a mere 6
programs, while FSU has 48 and UF has 56.  

USF approves its affirmative action plan.  

The Bay Campus at St. Petersburg must expand or relocate, administrators claim.
It now occupies a mere 11 (or 13) acres. Five years ago, only 69 students attended
classes there. Today 1,500 students are served by 85 professors. The capacity is 2,786,
and projections predict 7,500 students within 5 years. Mackey warns that new land can only come by donation, according to BOR rules. Mackey has requested land from city, county and state officials.  

USF Today, the precursor to USF Magazine is first published in August/September 1973. It is launched in conjunction with USF’s Advancement Program, a development scheme including fundraisers and Alumni fund drives.  

Dr. Edgar Hirschberg, English, becomes the program manager for a federal grant to create four studies of “Tampa’s Cultural and Historical Heritage” with a group of professors.  

University Community Hospital gets a $5.4 million south wing. Congressman Sam Gibbons speaks at the dedication.  

Your Open University (YOU) broadcasts 7 distance learning courses.  

The BOR approves an MA program in Anthropology.  

The campaign to raise half a million dollars for the proposed construction of the world’s largest Picasso statue is underway. President Mackey announces plans for the private funding of “Bust of a Woman” on September 20th at a press conference.  

USF’s First Annual Fund Drive begins with a proposed goal of $29,500.  

President Mackey goes to the ST. Petersburg City Council in order to ask for their support in “a cooperative effort” to annex more land to the Bayboro Campus. According

1710 O 7/31/73, O 9/26/73.  
1712 O 8/2/73.  
1713 O 9/25/73.  
1714 O 9/25/73.  
1715 O 9/25/73.  
to Mackey, the 11-acre site will reach saturation within five years and will therefore not be able to cater to the needs of students and the community. 1718

USF’s Herbarium preserves dried plant specimens from Florida’s past. Created in 1958 at Chinsegut Hill, it collected 20,000 specimens by 1960. Today, it boasts 120,000 specimens and $81,000 in donations. 1719

The College of Medicine gets its first endowed chair, in cardiovascular research, worth $1 million over 10 years. The chair is a milestone for the upstart college, which hasn’t provided a single graduate yet. 1720

The BOR scrutinizes USF’s Foundation. A state auditor finds that the head of the Foundation (also USF director of development) is paid by the state, even though the Foundation is a private organization. All Foundation facilities and utilities are also paid for with state funds. The advantage to a private Foundation is that USF can spend the money any way it wants, without regards for state regulations or BOR demands. Director Terry Edmonson said, “The [state-funded] office of development solicits private contributions, and the [private] Foundation is like a bank where we store the money. If people give money right to the University, it is subject to all kinds of [state] restrictions. If we had to do that, we couldn’t insure a boat or entertain a prospective client. The criterion we use is whether it is in support of programs of the University.” 1721

1719 O 10/3/73.
1720 O 10/3/73.
1721 O 10/16/73.
Administrators scrutinize USF’s 6 “discriminatory” scholarships. The restrictive Race-based scholarships are unpopular with some of the student body. USF will not list the scholarships as “discriminatory” any more, but nothing else will be changed.1722

The BOR proposes a College Level Examination Program, or a standardized test for the SUS as a sort of statewide entrance exam. Faculty members are mostly against the idea. When the BOR asks for faculty input, administration quietly assembles its own committee with administrators, shutting out the Faculty Senate. VP for Academic Affairs Carl Riggs says of the committee, “That’s our business how we handle it internally.” Riggs says he will not necessarily send the Faculty Senate’s reactions to Tallahassee at all. Dr. Jack Moore of the senate said, “They are making a simple job difficult. It is another example of when they set up tandem advisory committees and the one who agrees with them is the one they listen to.”1723

Mackey orders the Oracle to move off campus by next summer. UF kicked out its newspaper, the Gator, while chancellor Mautz suggested that FAU’s president do the same to his student paper. Both moves resulted from wrongdoings by the student papers. The Oracle had not acted irresponsibly, but Mackey insisted the move was to make the paper “financially independent.” The Oracle has had a rough relationship with the Mackey administration, mostly because of its investigative reporting on university matters. The legally “intolerable” situation, according the Mackey and the BOR, is that university presidents are liable for what is printed in the student papers, but have no editorial control over them. SG president Bill Davis sees it differently, “The only check to Dr. Mackey has on his full range of arbitrary, dictatorial power is public opinion, and

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1722 O 10/11/73.
1723 Fall oracles, O 11/8/73.
the *Oracle* provided a check on this. In the long run, he will have removed an obstacle to his total domination of campus.” The *Oracle* asks, “The university may buy 15,000 copies daily to distribute on campus as a student newspaper, but what is to stop it from simply not distributing the paper if it doesn’t like the content?”

Administration begins negotiating for the purchase of neighboring Fontana Hall as a new dorm.

Of USF’s juniors, 71% are transfer students—of seniors, 73%. In 1955, 3,700 students attended 4 Jr. Colleges, while 15,000 attended 3 universities. In 1971, 160,000 students attended 27 Jr. Colleges, and 80,000 attended 7 universities.

The College of Engineering showcases its 6-foot walking robot Edgar G. Cecil.

Chairmen of the Chemistry and Physics Departments complain that the costs of repairs from the Physical Plant are too high. The bills arrive with no itemized record of the work performed, and both are too busy to seek out cheaper contractors around town. Campus Housing and the UC both employ their own repair crews (3 and 7 workers, respectively) to prevent incurring high bills with the Physical Plant. Later, maintenance workers admit to the *Oracle* that their superiors urged them to falsify work reports upon hiring, so the Physical Plant could charge for work even when their staff remained idle. The false work reports stretch as far back as 10 years. Normally, workers charged labor to buildings who had low bills by adding more time than they actually spent on the job. Foremen regularly stay in their offices all day when they are supposed to be “working

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1724 O 11/27/73.
1725 O 11/28/73.
1726 O 11/28/73.
1727 O 11/29/73.
foremen.” Charles Butler, director of the Physical Plant, and assistant director George Chavez deny the allegations, but say there is no way to keep track of the time spent by their workers. In addition, workers claim that the Physical Plant’s sick leave policy is unfair. If Chavez thinks they are abusing sick time, the workers get negative evaluations. His method of designating abuse is arbitrary and he is only looking to improve his own image, workers say. The workers also complain that hiring and promotion practices are unfair, passing over qualified candidates in favor of new workers from outside USF. The new maintenance supervisor, Robert Kraemer, lives across the street from Chavez, who recommended him. Chavez’s daughter works under his supervision as a mail clerk.

Workers claim that Kraemer is grossly unqualified in maintenance construction, never mind supervising a crew of 40. Three workers had much more experience than Kraemer, but were ignored. Mackey quickly orders a full audit of the Physical Plant. When the Oracle conducts a survey of PP employees, they all strongly agree that the allegations are true. Mackey inexplicably puts Director of the PP Charles Butler in charge of investigating his own operations, but then Butler allows it to be conducted by Internal Control, an outside auditing agency. When asked by the agency whether or not they were familiar with the work number for idle time, all of the workers said they did not. Butler could not answer when asked where non-productive hours were charged. IC recommends that PP change its rules concerning sick leave, and said, “Some of the people in this division are not treating other people like people.” PP workers step closer to unionizing. Other workers weigh in through letters to the Oracle. Anthony Doyle said, “My supervisors didn’t know their asses from a hole in the ground.” Larry Jackson wrote, of one of the foremen, “He spends countless hours of his time sitting in his office
reading, doing other leisure activities, and visiting other offices where he casually chats
the day away with other supervisory personnel.” Despite the ongoing investigation,
workers say that foreman Cyril White ordered false work reports to be issued. On 5/29,
IC presents its audit, which confirms that the PP has been falsifying work records. The
audit does not determine if USF or the state lost money as a result. The audit also
uncovers seething morale problems in the PP, saying there is serious lack of
communication between administrators, supervisors, and workers. The worker-
supervisor ratio of 4 to 1 was also questioned, and the audit recommended more
coordination between administrators and supervisors, and more involvement by
supervisors with the work of their crews. IC also suggests that workers not remain idle
just because a certain department does not have funds. A broadening of routine
maintenance is also recommended. Mackey announces that he is satisfied and orders all
investigations to end. PP workers are asked to vote to either continue their work week of
four 10-hour days or go to a regular 5 day work week. They vote to keep the 10 hours
days, but then the PP demands a 5-day work week. PP workers call the whole thing a
“snow job.” Three PP workers are suspended when they are found in a snack bar
drinking coffee with 8 of their colleagues. The suspended workers say they’ve been
singled out for previous union activity. Chavez denies knowing who was involved in
unionization efforts or who broke the original story to the Oracle. One PP worker
responds to the statement by saying, “That is bullshit. He knows who these workers are.
He has given written reprimands to six other people for being away from their job sites,
and when he gave them the reprimand, Chavez told each worker he didn’t appreciate the
bad publicity.” Another worker said his suspension is due to his records, which were not
modified by PP after they admitted to bad sick leave policies. Worker allegations fly until the end of the year. Sources within claim that the PP spent $27,000 on unnecessary jobs. After spending $12,000 and considerable time on the Administration building’s roof, it is still not successful fixed. Another $10,000 will be spent on professional roofers to finish the job. Over $4,000 was spent “playing around with a dust collector in the cabinet workshop.” Workers said: “The truth of the matter is that these people are not capable of running Physical Plant … People here are just sick and tired of being treated like idiots. If things don’t get straightened out soon, something bad is going to happen.”

The BOR approves a large Picasso sculpture for USF the day after the artist dies, April 9. Planners complete soil samples from a tract to house his monumental 1.5 million-pound concrete “Bust of a Woman” sculpture, projected to be the largest Picasso in the world. Tests find that the ground is uneven in places, and evaluation will be necessary. Mackey hopes to begin construction by the fall, but says that a good deal of legal, liability, and tax questions must be answered first. He assembles a steering committee and prepares to raise funds for the statue, which will cost $500,000. Carl Nesjar, Picasso’s long-time friend, will help supervise construction. In September, a 3-month fundraising campaign begins to furnish money for the statue’s erection. It would be the biggest Picasso sculpture in the world. Fundraising literature claims that no gift is too small for the half million-dollar effort. Scott Mueller of the USF Office of Information Services says there is no clear-cut opinion on the statue. Letters to local papers have been evenly split, but Mueller admits, “Most people aren’t excited enough to

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write letters to the editor anyway.” Picasso donated the designs for the statue in 1971. Administrators insist that construction will proceed despite the artist’s death. At chairman Chester Ferguson’s request, the BOR is to send a letter of thanks and sympathy to Picasso’s family.

Faculty cry foul that they were not consulted on the decision before the issue was brought to the BOR. Sotirios Barber said, “It’ll generate a lot of [tourist] traffic in an already congested area. I’m certain that Picasso himself would have wanted that faculty to participate in the decision.” Some citizens are opposed to the venture, including Bruce Gilland in the *Melbourne Times*, who wrote, “[I]f the university really needed a sculpture, were there no native sculptors available? Does the “bust of a woman” represent the type of sculpture the American taxpayer should be paying for? Was the ideology of Picasso one that should be rewarded with support by a great university? Consider the truth as perceived by Picasso, and his representation of the truth. And you find, communism and complete distortion of traditional ideology. Yes, this is his truth, and it is this distortion that is being pawned off as great art. I say, visual and mind pollution, or if you prefer, trash!” Even many of the students are against the massive project, citing cutbacks in the fine arts college, meaning fewer jobs and free materials for students.

USF fund-raisers ask for contributions from only the wealthiest of Florida residents and businesses able to provide in-kind support with building materials.

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1729 O 1/4/73, O 1/12/73, O 5/16/73, O 9/25/73, O 10/3/73, O 10/24/73.
1730 SPT 4/9/73.
1731 SPT 4/10/73.
1732 TT 4/21/73.
1733 *Melbourne Times*, 5/18/73.
1734 TDT 9/1/72.
Projected costs have doubled in the past year to $400,000\textsuperscript{1735} and then to a half million.\textsuperscript{1736} Some think the announced preference for big donations hobbles the fundraising just as it starts. Small-money donations raised $1 million in the “Dollars for Dorms” campaign just before USF opened.\textsuperscript{1737}

Nesjar shares some of his feelings with the *Tampa Tribune*, “Like any work of art, people who at first do not like the sculpture will, in time, become accustomed to it. It always happens. Of course people who do not understand Picasso’s work, or Picasso himself, might object to something so permanent. Most people are often scared to death of something new. It is very important, nonetheless, that a piece of art inspire excitement in people. People should worry, resist, have strong feelings about—good art works. Excitement will always be negative as well as positive.” Nesjar says that a new sandblasting technique will prevent discoloration of the white concrete, and that shifting light will make the sculpture appear to change. As the sun rises and sets, negative space will become positive space, for example, dousing the white concrete in shadow.\textsuperscript{1738}

Nesjar says that Picasso would have disapproved of only asking the richest to give large donations.\textsuperscript{1739} Tampa businessman George Jenkins is appointed chairman of the fundraising efforts for the sculpture, who emphasized that larger donations will be sought out first, and the last half of the campaign will invite smaller donations.\textsuperscript{1740}

The backlash against Picasso continues. One *Tribune* reader calls it “emasculated, distorted, impersonalized figure is alleged to represent a woman,” while

\textsuperscript{1735} Palm Beach Times, 8/12/73.  
\textsuperscript{1736} TDT 9/20/72.  
\textsuperscript{1737} See Ray Cooper OH.  
\textsuperscript{1738} TT 9/21/73.  
\textsuperscript{1739} TT 9/21/73.  
\textsuperscript{1740} Largo Sentinel, 9/27/73.
another calls it, “a hideous monstrosity.” A Clearwater Sun reader wrote, “It doesn’t even look like a woman. It looks like just what it is—garbage. With more than 100,000 Americans killed by Communists during my lifetime, why choose one of the world’s best known Communists to design it?” The Neighbor Newspaper asks the opinion of “the man on the street” without saying the sculpture is a Picasso, some of the replies, reply reads, “It reminds me of one of those African voo-doo things. If that is what people want they can have it”; “It is definitely a picture of Christ. $500,000 is not too much money to spend on something like this.” A similar poll among students drew mostly negative reactions of turning campus into a Disney World. There are some fleeting votes of support, such as Charles H. Hampton, who wrote, “How often will you get a chance to participate in a potential future ‘David’?” Still, others call it a “sex symbol” and an affront to women.

Charles Butler, head of USF’s Physical Plant, objects to the sculpture for altogether different reasons. He argues that locating it in the interior of the campus near Busch Gardens will invite a flood of tourist traffic, explaining, “Laurel Drive is going to be a mess. And the campus is already overcrowded.” Sotirios Barber chimes in with Butler, arguing that faculty should have been consulted on the decision.

On Dec. 10, when the fundraising campaign was supposed to be winding down and ground broken for the sculpture, USF has collected a mere $73,000 out of a half million. James Vickerey, spokesman for the project, asserts that many wealthy donors

\[1741\] TT 9/30/73.
\[1742\] Clearwater Sun, 9/23/73.
\[1743\] Neighbor Newspaper, 10/3/73.
\[1744\] Neighbor Newspaper, 12/5/73.
\[1745\] The Muse, 12/73.
\[1746\] TDT 12/7/73.
\[1747\] TT 10/2/73.
have been out of town, and the lack of funds is merely a delay. The “Victory Luncheon” is indefinitely postponed.\textsuperscript{1748} The economic climate is downright bad in 1973, hindering efforts. The scrapbook on the Picasso project is blank after the Dec. 10 disappointment, though the project would be revived briefly under Francis Borkowski (see 1988).\textsuperscript{1749}

After students complain that parking was too far from the dorms, the Physical Plant begins constriction on a lot near Beta and Gamma halls. When construction begins, several students vow to begin a petition against the lot, citing the destruction of land and trees so close to the dorms as a concern, as well as the fact that the new lot will be reserved for commuters. Students complain that they are the last to know about the lot. Some SG members suggest that the only way to stop construction, which was planned for in advance, is for students to throw themselves in front of the tractors. Protestors do just that on the morning of 1/10, but construction proceeds after a brief delay. One student says to Albert Hartley, VP for Administrative Affairs, “You’re putting a used car lot in my backyard.”\textsuperscript{1750}

Police begin noticing that larger amounts of USF students ingest the supposed aphrodisiac Quaalude (or methaqualone) for recreational purposes. The UP raids parties fueled by the drug.\textsuperscript{1751}

A rash of bike thefts prompts police to offer advice to USF’s bike riders. Several new methods are explored to keep bikes more secure, mostly bike parking spots.

Assistant VP for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt will not allow another showing of the anti-marijuana film “Reefer Madness,” because of difficulties in policing the event.

\textsuperscript{1748} St. Petersburg Independent, 12/1/73.
\textsuperscript{1749} The scrapbook is located at USF’s Special Collections, Tampa Library.
\textsuperscript{1750} O 1/10/73.
\textsuperscript{1751} O 1/11/73.
Students frequently smoke pot during the screenings, which are part of a petition drive for the legalization of the drug under the Florida Marijuana Initiative of 1974 (FMI 74), sponsored by the People’s Union for Rational Existence (PURE). They go forward with a showing at Centro Asturiano’s theater in Ybor City.\textsuperscript{1752}

SG Presidential candidates agree on several points: they want a non-profit bookstore, improved parking, and a more sensitive SG.\textsuperscript{1753}

Official US involvement in the Vietnam War ends. Students do little celebrating. After declining steadily since 1970, SG election turnout hits a new low. 19 SG senators run unopposed, and 4 seats remain empty. The January elections are botched, with closed polls and numerous irregularities. Students protest the incompetence and/or corruption. UF votes to disband its SG.\textsuperscript{1754}

Black students hold a workshop at University Chapel Fellowship to protest USF’s policy of racial “tokenism,” and the alleged insensitivity of USF employees. The students suggest that USF educate whites about racial issues through required courses, workshops, retreats and interracial events.\textsuperscript{1755}

Letters and editorials in the \textit{Oracle} blast USF’s vending and foodservice providers. A feature reveals that customers frequently receive gnawed food from the machines, eaten by squirrels or rats. On Feb. 21, USF nullifies its contract with the vending company, Automatic Merchandising Incorporated (AMI). A new vending contract is awarded to Saga Foodservice. Saga soon comes under fire from a Hillsborough County nutritionist for serving too much starch to fill up students and little

\textsuperscript{1752} O 1/24/73, O 2/8/73.
\textsuperscript{1753} O 1/24/73.
\textsuperscript{1754} O 1/30/73, O 10/19/73.
\textsuperscript{1755} O 2/6/73.
in the way of protein or vegetables. A revised Saga menu meets similar criticism. Saga replies that its meals are fine if students eat balanced meals elsewhere. The nutritionist says that students do not eat balanced meals, and Saga should take that into account. The vendor Eastern Food Services is caught selling snacks over a week past the expiration date. Eastern’s head claims that there weren’t dates on the packages, but a special code. He does not refute the charges, however. A week or so later, more expired snacks are found in vending machines. USF cancels its contract with them because of “management problems.” USF turns down Eastern’s new bid.

The *Oracle* publishes a “Modern-Day Survival Test”, quizzing students on the various kinds of recreational drugs. Several speakers come to campus to discuss exploring the mind through drugs, while President Mackey touts USF’s drug program, which rehabilitates student users. Many students have been asked to leave the dorms because of drug use. They are not otherwise punished. The crisis team on campus, called USF Drug Rap Cadre, takes calls from troubled students. Whether a drug overdose, bad acid trip, or contemplated suicide, the team goes to see the troubled person without involving parents or police. The members emphasize that they are not anti-drug activists, but concerned people who want to be able to help when people get into trouble with drugs. One of the main problems is that pills and powders are difficult for students to identify. A pill that is supposed to be a depressant could turn out to be LSD. A powder thought to be cocaine is often heroin. Drug Rap Cadre often sends unknown drugs to labs for identification. George Orras of the Rap Cadre designs a program to

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1756 O 2/6/73, O 2/13/73, O 6/19/73, O 6/28/73, O 10/26/73, O 11/14/73.
educate counselors on how best to communicate with addicts, and personnel from many
treatment centers have benefited from the classes.1757

Florida Senator Richard Deeb of St. Petersburg crusades against tenure, spawning
legislation to end the practice. He alleges that tenure only protects unqualified educators.
When he cannot think of any unqualified teachers benefiting from tenure, he asks
university students to write him, telling him the names of incompetent teachers. Some
professors have asked students to write Deeb a list of incompetent legislators instead.
Later, Deeb tries to have the SUS faculty records to be entirely opened, while the Faculty
Senate opposes the move. The sticking point for faculty is the student evaluations, which
are anonymous. The records are opened by BOR, but the evaluations remain closed. The
state cabinet rejects the proposal to close the records, sending it back to the BOR.1758

Some students form a loose club called “Phantoms of the Parking Lot,” and
protest USF’s parking policies by removing tickets from vehicles and throwing them
away. The result is a lot of students being unable to register because of unknown, unpaid
tickets. SG proposes an appeals system to “humanize” the process.1759

University security guards prevent people from dancing at the Earl Scruggs
concert in the gym. One of the revelers is a dance instructor at USF. Security told her
that no one could dance because “we [the security guards] can’t handle it.”1760

USF students picket the federal building downtown to protest the treatment of
American Indians at Wounded Knee, SD.1761
USF students receive honorable mention at the annual Kodak Teenage Movie Awards for a three-minute movie they produced. The movie, entitled “Cue for Two or How to Succeed in Pool Without Really Trying,” is a three-dimensional, animated production “with hero, heroin, and villains.” “The reason I made this film is because I wanted to be the master of my film,” explains co-producer Neil Levin. “With this type of animation, I have the freedom to be a perfectionist. I was inspired to make this film by the desire to entertain, not to make people dwell in deep meaning … If the audience is entertained and leaves with a sense of enjoyment, I have succeeded.”

Oracle staff members assert that University Police officers attempted to stop circulation of the paper on the Tampa campus. Bob Fiallo, the paper’s editor, says that the UP wanted to halt the Oracle’s distribution because of recent editorial columns and letters critical of the campus security force. Security Chief Jack Prehle denies the charges, and goes on the offensive against Oracle staff members. “If anything, the Oracle is hassling my men by taking pictures of them all the time,” says Prehle. A recent poll on the campus found that the majority of students perceived officers to be “overzealous, unrealistic, arrogant, and indifferent.” SG President-Elect Bill Davis calls for a student review and re-evaluation of the campus security force.

There are increasing complaints against the UP. One student sues them after being arrested for possession of marijuana. The roaches actually contained tea, smoked as a joke. Officers also conduct “spot checks” on campus, stopping every car to check license and registration. Many students complain of police harassment while walking or driving around campus. The UP defends its right to stop anyone who looks suspicious at

1762 TT: Nov. 24, 1972
1763 TT: Apr. 4, 1973
any time to run their ID. The *Oracle* conducts a poll to gauge student's feelings about the UP. The next day, UP officers denied an *Oracle* delivery truck access to a ramp to drop off papers, while all other delivery vehicles are allowed. SG proposes a student board to screen UP candidates before hiring, but Mackey balks at the idea, and UP Chief Jack Prehle finds the idea “hilarious.” Mackey sets up a police review panel, but he appoints the student representatives, rather than SG. Four of the five student members resign in the first meeting, citing “suppression of information.” Faculty members call the security handbook “unconstitutional” and reminiscent of “Gestapo” tactics. The students were especially distraught that Mackey had taken so long to convene the committee—he received the draft of the handbook in January. UP Chief Jack Prehle co-wrote the manual and “never expected it to be public domain.” He shrugs off suggestions from the ad-hoc security committee as “superfluous.” One statement in the manual scrutinized by faculty is, “Individual rights are frequently in opposition to the preservation of order,” but Prehle stands by it, saying it is to prevent people from “misusing” their rights. Another troubling provision is one giving UP permission to fire upon fleeing felons who do not pose a danger. Administrators say that sensitivity training for police is “doubtful”, despite the fact that other Florida universities have implemented such proposals. Several students are considering withdrawing from USF because of incidents with UP officers. The Council of Presidents, presided by Chancellor Robert Mautz, approves the manual despite Mackey’s objections, but the committee continues to scrutinize the text. A reformed Manual committee requests a meeting with BOR chairman Chester Ferguson. Then the committee asks to see the current UP security manual, and Prehle scoffs, saying it is confidential. Prehle defends the confidential manual, but State Security Coordinator
Palmer Wee says he sees no reason why the public should not be able to view “parts of” the manual. The committee reviews excerpts and finally issues its recommendations on the state manual. It also asks for a civilian review board to evaluate UP applicants before hiring. After Mackey rejects the idea for a civilian board, SG re-proposes the idea. The committee suggests that the manual be re-written with the help of the state attorney. The BOR accepts it with minor modifications. Exasperated, chairman Charles Arnade says, “It (the review) was an exercise in democratic futility.” The manual is later denounced by the ACLU as “unconstitutional.” (see notes, next entries)

The UP does not help its reputation by ordering a background investigation of Oracle editor Robert Fiallo. Fiallo discovers the UP is investigating him from a reporter of the Tribune. UP chief Prehle wrote to Fiallo, “I suggested Ms. Colson (UP investigator) contact her ex-husband and ask him if he knew of you and what type of person you were.” Colson asked the Tribune for information on Fiallo’s personal history. Prehle accused Fiallo of changing the Oracle’s editorial policy after he received 2 parking tickets in 1970-71. Mackey is dismayed by the incident, saying, the investigation is “ill-advised. I don’t think that’s the right way to use authority.” The Tampa State Attorney agrees, saying “In my opinion, the investigation was an unauthorized use of funds.” On the other hand, a UP officer is arrested and suspended for frequently writing bad checks. Norris Morrow has a long police record, including petty larceny, disturbing the peace, occupying a room for lewd purposes, trespassing, assault, escaping from jail (while on a work program), display of a deadly weapon, and attempted murder. UP hired him in 1972 after he produced a number of references, including law enforcement

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1764 O 7/24/73, 7/26/73, O 11/6/73.
officers. In 1976, Morrow is arrested after robbing the University State Bank on Fowler Avenue.\textsuperscript{1765}

The UP also become involved in an assault incident between a professor and his student. George Martin-Trigona, a history graduate, attempted to appeal a grade he received from a graduate student, so he sent a letter to the supervising professor, the dept. head and Mackey. When he received no response, he visited the office of his professor, Dr. Phillip M. Rice. Rice’s secretary attacked Trigona verbally when he attempted to make his case to Rice. When the student asked the secretary to mind her own business, Rice allegedly took off his jacket and pummeled Trigona, finally throwing him out of his office by his neck. Trigona said he would take the matter straight to Mackey. However, when the student arrived at Mackey’s office, three UP officers detained and held him for one hour without arrest. Rice admitted to calling the UP. After several administrators refuse to change his grade, Trigona personally takes his case to the BOR in Tallahassee, but they have no control over grades. USF’s Chief Counsel Larry Robinson will represent Rice in court, but many faculty question the move when Robinson refuses to represent Dr. VanDercarr (see below). Mackey puts the matter before the BOR.\textsuperscript{1766}

To make matters even worse, UP and county sheriff officers interrupt Dr. David VanDercarr’s psychology lecture to question a student. When they tell VanDercarr to order the student to leave the classroom, VanDercarr asks them to tend to the matter after class. “There is a potential danger of arresting a felon in a class of 200 students.”

\textsuperscript{1765} O 6/19/73, O 6/21/73, O 7/19/73, O 4/15/76. 
\textsuperscript{1766} O 7/3/73 O 7/10/73.
VanDerrcar explains. “There might be a riot, he might run, someone might get injured. There are more appropriate ways of dealing with that situation.”

The UP officers approach the instructor after class and say they will issue a warrant for his arrest for obstruction of justice, “We’ll be back for you.” No warrant was issued, but many students and faculty are upset at the UP again. SG denounces the tactics and demand that Mackey ask that they cease. VP for Finance and Accounting Albert Hartley said the searches are “quite legal” and that USF must cooperate with police. Later, UP and the Sheriff’s office both deny threatening VanDercarr with arrest, although the instructor and other witnesses say that they did. Administration asks that police only issue warrants before or after class when possible. Months later, VanDercarr threatens to sue USF over court costs stemming from his arrests on campus. On three consecutive days, VanDercarr is stopped by UP. The first day, he is arrested for speeding (35 in a 30), and for the absence of a temporary inspection sticker on his new motorcycle. UP would not release the bike until he produced his driver’s license. He hitchhiked home and shortly returned with his neighbor and license. The second night he’s charged with driving under the influence of narcotics, allegedly because his pupils were too large. VanDercarr undergoes compulsory breath and blood tests at his own expense, and is found to be clean. The third night he is released without charge, but was threatened with arrest for driving too slowly. On each occasion, VanDercarr was ridiculed and threatened. He was told by UP officers that he wasn’t competent to teach. When VanDercarr retorts, the officer brandishes his flashlight and said, “Just open your mouth one more time, buddy. These professors think they’re God. We’ll teach them.” Social Sciences Dean Travis Northcutt is a witness in the last incident, and corroborates

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VanDercarr’s story. The AAUP holds a meeting to decry the “lack of concern” on the part of administration toward faculty. While the state attorney talks of dropping all charges, VanDercarr attends his arraignment in October. The professor’s blood test for drugs came up negative. All charges are dropped except for speeding.\footnote{O 4/4/73, O 4/20/73, O 5/1/73, O 5/8/73, O 5/9/73, O 5/16/73, O 5/18/73, O 5/25/73, O 7/3/73, O 9/25/73, O 9/27/73, O 10/4/73, O 10/12/73, O 11/9/73, O 11/20/73.}

All of the controversy surrounding UP over the years, combined with indecisive leadership, has fostered low morale. One anonymous officer said, “Man, no one over there [in UP] will make a decision unless they check with Prehle. Most of the older officers are just waiting out their pension, working one year at a time. (Lt. Charles) Wilson don’t say boo unless Prehle has okayed it first.” Another officer said, “[There] have been times things were so bad, we had a fist fight in the locker room. One day a gun was drawn but you’ll never get anyone to admit it.” Another officer talked about “racial tensions … between individuals and working relations. At least 8 to 10 officers have [transfer] applications pending or have submitted them already. We’ve lost a bunch in the past year already. But the higher echelon could give a damn.” Another officer said simply, “something’s got to be done, it can’t go on like this. I’m at a point where I just go in and put in my 8 hours and come home. That’s all it is, a job.” It has become common knowledge that black officers believe the UP is racist, and only gives promotions to whites. One officer disputed that notion but also said, “We had a charter member who was black but he quit. I think it was from outside pressure.” When a qualified black officer was unexpectedly passed over for promotion, an officer said, “Well, all the black officers on duty that went in to see the man (Prehle) and he said that before we said anything he wanted us to know that anyone who didn’t like it here knew
where the door was. Hell, we got a grievance and he’s telling us to hit the road before we can even talk to him about it. No one over there will listen to a man.” Prehle responds by saying there are no grounds for any complaints. “I just don’t think these people realize that this is a quasi-military organization and a rigorous chain of command is necessary.” Although Morrow is cleared of his latest charges, the local Fraternal Order of Police chapter suggests that he not be reinstated. UP officers allege that Prehle had been doing special favors for Morrow and vice versa. Anonymous, “You can’t work beside a man like that. Actually, Morrow’s suspension was really one of the biggest boosts to morale we’ve had.” One officer went so far as to steal a negative report on Morrow and place it on Mackey’s desk. “He was widely hated,” another officer said, “he’s even assaulted superior officers.”

The same day, Prehle announces his intention to resign, effective September 1, but he gives up his chief position immediately, becoming the new chief’s (Charles Wilson) “special assistant.” Prehle said he decided to resign after “a lot of reflection” about the pressure of the job and his desire to get back into the “gut” of law enforcement. However, Albert Hartley, VP of Finance and Planning, said Prehle resigned because of “some significant differences of opinion governing the direction of the (UP) department. These differences could not be reconciled.” Prehle said, “I tried to build a police department here, and I think that’s what I’ve done.” Others disagree. UP officer Robert Birkler said, “A lot of people were very happy. Everybody kind of breathed a sigh of relief, I suppose, in that they figure a lot of the shit might stop. Our greatest fear is that we’ll slide back into a security department. Prehle’s problem was he built a real police department and started undoing it. He got new cars but didn’t maintain them, got new men and then ran them off.” An anonymous officer said, “It’s
pretty discouraging to dedicate your life to law enforcement … only to end up driving a secretary across campus so she can eat lunch, or being a delivery pick up man for a bunch of lunches. The men of the department are police officers, we’re on the line, we do the job and want to be recognized for it.” Prehle created the UP with 22 security guards almost four years ago. His traditional methods for dealing with students (mass arrests) drew fire from all over the university. “The administration,” he admitted, “was a little upset with the hard approach I had with people.” Paul Uravich is appointed to succeed Prehle on 9/10. Prehle later says, “They [USF’s administration] told me either I resign or they would give me six months notice. I didn’t need the crumbs off their table.”  

University Police Chief Jack Prehle, “harried by the campus press and at odds with the USF administration,” announces his resignation. Prehle says of his relationship with students, “I think they respected me for shooting straight with them. I always told them they’d go to jail for something if that was the case.”

After SG tried to get approval for a civilian review board to screen UP applicants, Uravich unilaterally approves screening of UP applicants by the ad-hoc security committee, until a civilian review board can be formed. It is his first action as Director of Security, less than a month after being appointed. Although SG President Bill Davis does not like the fact that USF Administrators chose the student representatives, Uravich’s decision ended a long-standing controversy between the UP and SG. After some administrators push for undercover cops in the dorms, the suggestion is turned down. Uravich pushes to hire student informers in the dorms, saying, “We [UP] don’t want to come in the dorms, but if they [resident assistants] continue to neglect and condone

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1769 O 7/19/73, O 7/24/73, O 7/26/73, O 7/31/73, O 9/25/73, O 10/3/73, O 11/9/73.
1770 TT: July 27, 1973
[illegal activity] as some have done in the past, we may need to. I know [dorm] floors on this campus that are known as drug cults.” Limited student patrols begin in the dorms in November.\textsuperscript{1771}

USF opens its Women’s Center, citing the need for women to have a place to turn. Kerry Kennedy, SG Coordinator of Women’s Affairs, said, “In one month last year we had five rapes and one murder at USF. The police had no suspects and there were no arrests, but that same week 18 people were busted for marijuana. The police on campus and in the community need to get their priorities straight.” The center’s first workshop is on abortion. Students approve an escort service for women on campus.\textsuperscript{1772}

Special Assistant for Women and Minorities Phyllis Hamm said that her recommendations to hire more women in top positions have not been implemented. “Top Career Service positions … appear to be reserved for male staff. There has been very little change. Few women hold positions in the administration. Most of the women in A&P are in traditional areas like nursing and the library.” Out of 56 positions under Mackey, only 6 are filled by women. USF’s Equal Opportunity coordinator claims there are not enough qualified women to fill the positions.

The Physical Plant begins hiring female groundskeepers.

USF’s Bike Club stages a mobile rally for more bike paths in the area. More than 50 cyclists ride to the county courthouse to present a petition for the paths. SG President Bill Davis challenges USF President Mackey to ride all the way. “I looked ahead when I stopped at the courthouse and didn’t see Davis,” Mackey quipped. Commissioners Betty Castor and Bob Curry openly support the plan for five bike paths near campus. Later that

\textsuperscript{1771} O 10/3/73, O 10/10/73, O 11/2/73, O 11/6/73, O 11/29/73.
\textsuperscript{1772} O 10/2/73, O 10/12/73, O 10/24/73.
afternoon, a USF student is hospitalized with injuries after being hit by a car at the edge of campus. The County Commission approves the paths.\textsuperscript{1773}

The Hillsborough County Commission budgets $50,000 for the construction of over two miles of bicycle paths near the USF campus.\textsuperscript{1774}

Citing ground fog and light pollution, the Astronomy Department proposes to build a new observatory on Chinsegut Hill. No observatory is built.\textsuperscript{1775}

Mackey releases USF’s new equal opportunity policy and appoints four assistants to deal with discrimination complaints. The policy includes an affirmative action program.\textsuperscript{1776}

The \textit{Oracle} wins recognition as the finest student newspaper in the southeast by Sigma Delta Chi, a professional journalism society. The \textit{Oracle} will go on to compete for the national title in Buffalo. For the seventh year in a row, the \textit{Oracle} receives the All-American rating from the Associated Collegiate Press. It receives marks of distinction in all five categories. The American Newspaper Publishers Association has designated the \textit{Oracle} as the finest college paper in the nation twice.\textsuperscript{1777}

On WUSF radio, the “Underground Railroad” is by far the most popular show, with 68% of the 3,000 people surveyed preferring the rock show over the classical one. Despite its popularity, program manager David Dial cuts the URR by 50%, getting rid of its afternoon time slot, replacing it with a novel radio-based course in Electronic Music. Classical programming remains untouched, and the remaining URR hours are late at night. Only 6% of students surveyed said they would consider taking a class through the

\textsuperscript{1773} O 4/12/73, O 4/27/73.  
\textsuperscript{1774} SP: May 5, 1973  
\textsuperscript{1775} O 4/13/73.  
\textsuperscript{1776} O 4/17/73.  
\textsuperscript{1777} O 4/17/73, O 10/23/73.
radio. Mackey questions the propriety of rock music on a university’s radio station, and thinks that all programming should relate to the academic mission of USF. Broadly speaking, programming will focus on information rather than entertainment. There is little air time to go around because WUSF transmits the Watergate hearings. URR’s only cost is $1.60 an hour for a DJ. Dr. Manny Lucoff, director of Educational Resources, says that the station will devote more time to “serious music,” and that USF students are only a fraction of its audience. Accordingly, Lucoff cuts URR hours from 45 a week to 12. The SG Senate urges WUSF FM to think twice about cutting the “student’s” music. Lucoff defends the decision, saying that classical music makes WUSF “more alternative” than rock programming. Lucoff also said, “We find that by publicizing performers that a public radio station becomes a vehicle for their careers,” but did not elaborate on why the URR should be cut. “All who argue that this station is unique [with URR], let them supply the evidence.” He names five stations that supposedly “duplicate” the URR’s programming. He also said that popularity ratings and surveys should not determine the station’s content. Students respond that the local rock stations have small play lists that feature “bubblegum” singles, and that URR was the only show to feature folk music. A survey by the American Radio Bureau (ARB) finds WUSF-FM to have an audience of 50,000, making it one of the most popular public radio stations in the nation—before the URR cuts. The URR time slot drew the largest audience—49,500. When the SG tries to buy an ad promoting a meeting to discuss programming changes, Lucoff forbids it and refuses to talk to the Oracle. The Secretary of Information Richard Merrick said he could not reach Lucoff after repeatedly trying. He also said that WUSF would only air announcements of a “public minded nature rather than something for just a small group.
It seems to me the Lucoff has made a program decision that nobody likes … and now he’s trying to protect himself.” Students march to Lucoff’s office to demand he speak at the SG open forum. Lucoff says that the URR was not unique. SG argues that programming changes should be made by Academic Affairs, not Lucoff. SG President Bill Davis vows to bring the matter straight to Mackey, while students gather signatures, with 1,300 names by 10/18. Student letters, most condemning the change, flood the *Oracle*. Lucoff rules the station with a tight grip: He suspends a DJ when he wrote “cancelled” on some URR posters in the studio; he bans “Where Do We Go From Here” by the Band because of the mention of a disappeared railroad in the lyrics; and he forbids any mention of the URR cuts on the air. Three students file a complaint with the FCC charging Lucoff with delays in supplying station documents. They claim that he is trying to cover up the amount of protest over the recent programming changes. Lucoff denies any delay, despite the accusations by students that he referred them to USF’s general counsel and then stalled for over a month. When students did see the files, they were forced to take pictures of them with cameras because Lucoff would not authorize copies, saying, “I saw no reason to get into the duplicating business.” Davis brought up the specific Florida statute (119.07) that provides for copies of documents. The SG Senate backs the complaint.\(^{1778}\)

Administration only allows amplified music if the instruments are acoustic. Electric rock and roll is prohibited. There has not been an electric band on campus since 1970. The Outlaws break the silence when they play on Crescent Hill on 7/26. Another Outlaws concert (a “street dance”) in November draws 800 students. A variety of

\(^{1778}\) O 4/18/73, O 6/19/73, O 7/24/73, O 9/25/73, O 10/3/73, O 10/10/73, O 10/12/73, O 10/17/73, O 10/18/73, O 10/19/73, O 11/1/73, O 11/9/73, O 11/28/73, O 11/29/73.
concerts are approved for the fall, along with street dances and festivals. The Oracle intones, “you might wonder if this is the same school you left last spring.” Administration sets strict guidelines for concerts, allowing no more than 2 hours per show, and 4 per month. VP for Student Affairs Joe Howell reminds students, “Our main concern is not with the music but what goes along with it—drugs and alcohol. We are not going to ignore people who are breaking University laws and policies during these concerts. If the audience continues to ignore these laws, then we will just change the policy again.” SG President Bill Davis said he is not satisfied with the policy, as it only applies to electrically amplified music. “This might be reflective of the same attitude that has caused the Underground Railroad to be cut.” Administration requires any organization that puts on a (electric) concert must provide funds for security. SG refuses to appoint student “marshals” or to provide funds. SG also balks at UP suggestions for undercover police to attend the concerts.1779

USF official debate the showing of X-rated movies on campus, after “Deep Throat” and Warhol’s “Trash” arouse the indignation of non-students. Many students and SG agree that the films should be allowed, and administration chooses not to ban the films. However, the Supreme Court later gives a vague obscenity ruling on pornography, bringing up “community standards.” John Coker, the Director of Florida Center for the Arts, says he will not censor or preview films.1780

USF students compete in “The Great Raft Race” on the Hillsborough River, but are angered when a raft 1½ feet longer than the limited 6 feet won despite objections.1781

1779 O 7/26/73, O 9/27/73, O 10/3/73, O 11/7/73.
1780 O 6/28/73.
1781 O 5/2/73.
Mackey and other USF administrators take a tour of the campus in wheelchairs, experiencing the tribulations of handicapped students. They had the most trouble getting in and out of doors and drinking at the water fountain.\textsuperscript{1782}

USF students picket the County Courthouse to urge reconsideration of the proposed construction of a pipeline that would dump polluted storm water into a University lake. The Commission orders a county engineer to “collect ecological knowledge” about the lake before proceeding with any plans.\textsuperscript{1783}

The route of a controversial drainage pipe planned to cross USF property is diverted around the campus lake and into a nearby swamp.\textsuperscript{1784}

Residents near USF (Morris Bridge Rd. and Idlewood) issue a written public complaint against USF students, who allegedly have broken down fences to gain access to a water-filled sinkhole for recreation. The hole is owned by Swiftmud and is part of the area’s watershed. “We see carload after carload of long-haired kids, dirty and grimy, with no respect for themselves or anyone else,” one resident says. Mrs. Fred Hall, an area resident, said, “These people are a complete nuisance and downright disrespectful. Some girls saw a hippie-type boy urinating on his car. If you call them down they shoot you a bird.” Residents also report finding syringes around the sinkhole. The police say that the hole “has no bottom” and no one should swim there.\textsuperscript{1785}

Construction begins on University Square Mall, just down Fowler from USF. It will cover 80 acres, with over 100 stores and 5,200 parking spaces, making it the largest shopping center in Hillsborough County. USF leaders expect more jobs in the area, more

\textsuperscript{1782}\ O 5/22/73.
\textsuperscript{1783}\ TT: May 19, 24, 1973
\textsuperscript{1784}\ SP: June 1, 1973
\textsuperscript{1785}\ O 6/14/73.
traffic, and more competition with the bookstore. An Oracle editorial decried the “boom town” atmosphere surrounding USF, with unregulated construction everywhere replacing the beautiful scenery. County Commissioner Betty Castor says development has been “allowed to run wild” and she fears “strip development” will soon surround USF.

“Today’s boom could be tomorrow’s bust,” she says. Apartments, shopping centers and restaurants continue to open along Fletcher/Fowler at an impressive rate. I-75 will increase traffic to the east. All of the development and increased water use has dried up the marshes in the area. Pinellas alone pumps 60 million gallons from Hillsborough’s water table every day. Sewage fees have increased, and USF is struggling to pay the bills. A temporary sewage processing plant opens across Fowler Ave. from USF. County officials may want it to be permanent in light of the area’s boom. The treatment plant would provide USF with cheap water for spraying lawns, but USF administrators and biologists are dubious that the water could be clean enough. The water shortage in Hillsborough is revealed by the low water at USF’s Riverfront Park by 3-5 feet. Irrigation and sprinkling lawns are the culprits. USF’s power services doubled since 1965. The USF area was originally intended for residential housing, not commercial development. The city of Temple Terrace is especially alarmed, as they have no input in zoning decisions around USF. Fowler Avenue is one of the top-10 utilized roads in the county. There are several road-widening plans in the works, but traffic usually encourages more development, further straining resources. Increasing traffic is accompanied by declining usage of Tampa’s bus lines. County planners want USF to be one of three growing urban centers north of Tampa. Betty Castor says that all building will have to stop for two years for utilities to catch up. Hillsborough County’s population
has grown by 23% since USF opened in 1960, but Tampa’s population grew by a mere 1.1%. Students urge Mackey to make a stand against the unfettered re-zoning and construction. Students themselves take part in forums to speak their minds about proposed projects nearby.1786

USF is extremely crowded. Parking and traffic are constant problems, with UP officers conducting traffic at several choke points. The student clinic carries a heavy caseload. The library is bursting at the seams with people and materials. The cafeteria is crowded and many snack bars cannot keep up with demand, often running out of food. Eastern food service says it is doing the best it can under the circumstances. Registrar Douglas MacCullough announces that registration will be assisted by a computer. The new system will save time and select alternate courses if the chosen courses are filled. The first computer registration takes place on May 28, and appears to be on its way to a smashing success. Some students, however, have not attended orientation sessions or do not know of the computer registration. In the fall, the computer performed well. Half of students received all the classes they asked for, and 75% receive full schedules.1787

Traffic has become so heavy around campus that UP officers have to direct traffic while they wait for traffic lights to be installed. Many accidents have been occurring at 30th and 131st Streets. In late September, installation of the light begins. Two accidents took place at the intersection on the previous day alone.1788

For the past 6 months, students have not been allowed to swim at Riverfront Park because of diseased animals and bacteria. Up to 12 companies have been dumping raw human sewage from septic tank trucks into Cypress Creek, which flows into USF’s

1786 O 5/25/73, O 8/2/73, O 9/26/73, O 10/19/73, O 11/7/73.
1787 O 5/30/73, O 9/25/73.
1788 O 1/23/73, O 1/17/73, O 5/4/73, O 9/26/73.
Riverfront area. A bumbling Hillsborough County EPA did not follow up on leads fast enough, and no one was ever prosecuted.\footnote{1789}

The Florida Pollution Control Department announces that USF is one of the major polluters of the state’s air by its reliance on natural gas for heating. USF General Counsel Larry Robinson contests the allegations to no avail, saying that the boiler under scrutiny is merely a backup system.\footnote{1790}

Students complain that Riverfront Park is crowded with speeding motorcycles and off-road cars, boat trailers, and non-student visitors. USF officials close it to the public and prohibit vehicles on the property.\footnote{1791}

After introducing recycling bins around campus, the garbage is still brought to Tampa’s incinerator due to logistical hassles and poor coordination between the SG, Physical Plant, Students and Housing Services.\footnote{1792}

USF invites the Campus Crusade for Christ to use the Andros study lounge for their auditorium. Students chafe at the occupation of their study space, and also complain that CCC members exclusively use the pool, while students are not allowed.\footnote{1793}

USF athletics rise to the university level, joining the NCAA. Budget cuts threaten progress, especially in basketball.\footnote{1794}

Local fire officials call USF’s textbook center a “tinderbox”, citing the flammable polyurethane foam used as insulation. USF Safety Director William Mills claims the foam is flame retardant, but \textit{Oracle} reporters found it to be quite flammable. Shortly

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1789 O 1/11/73.
1790 O 4/13/73, O 5/4/73.
1791 O 4/17/73, O 4/25/73.
1792 O 4/17/73.
1793 O 6/21/73, 7/17/73.
1794 O 6/26/73, O 7/26/73.
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before closing for inventory, textbook staff put up no smoking signs. State fire officials
inspect the building and point out several deficiencies, and the textbook center announces
they will move into a new building by 1975.\(^{1795}\)

Crime increases on campus by 5% from the same 6-month period last year. Drug-
related arrests climb by three times. Bicycle thefts increase by 100%. $3,600 worth of
equipment is missing from the Mass Communications Department alone.\(^{1796}\)

USF VP for Student Affairs Joe Howell requests that the wording of the BOR
manual be changed pertaining to SG. The manual states that SG is the exclusive
representative of students, and the proposal would make the wording more vague. SG
protests the move, saying that administration is trying to dismantle SG. SG president Bill
Davis said, “We’ve thrown that clause in the administration’s face so many times that
they’ve decided to just change it. It’s an effort to dismantle SG piece by piece. And this
could be the last piece.” Howell responds, “SG isn’t a government when you get right
down to it. It has no authority. It’s more of a student association.” USF’s VPs form a
task force to tackle the question, comprised of three administrators and three students.\(^{1797}\)

Prompted by a survey that said students wanted more open communication with
faculty members, and informal student-faculty meeting is planned on the east patio of the
UC. Chemistry Professor Graham Solomon remembers that students and faculty used to
mingle there on a regular basis. Solomon speculates that as students began to look
different (long hair, informal clothing, etc.) president Allen and the administration
wanted to keep them out of sight. One way to do this was to let the furniture on the patio

\(^{1795}\) 6/28/73, 7/3/73, 7/17/73.
\(^{1796}\) 7/10/73.
\(^{1797}\) 7/12/73.
fall apart. Students and faculty are to bring their own chairs to the meeting to illustrate the need for new facilities.\textsuperscript{1798}

BOR member Dr. Richard Hulet says he thinks more “openness” is needed at USF between administration and students. Dan Walbolt, asst. VP of Student Affairs, refused to release official files to SG when they were requested. Hulet says that the situation would be “far better” if USF administrators were more “free, open, and honest.” SG President Bill Davis files a formal complaint against Joe Howell, VP for Student Affairs, asking the state attorney to order the file to be released. Howell had released portions of the file days earlier.\textsuperscript{1799}

SG proposes a change of USF’s mascot from the Brahman Bull. The name was conferred in 1961 when “a big cattleman wrote [president] Allen and suggested the name. Students voted to be called the “Buccaneers.” He [Allen] didn’t care if we had athletics or not when Brahmans was offered, maybe he though it would discourage athletics,” said SG VP Mark Levine. Another student referendum is planned to choose from top names. After the SG collected 100 names, they found that 50-75\% of respondents wanted the name to stay the same.\textsuperscript{1800}

Contractor Art Maynor accuses USF administrators of unfair bidding practices and conflict of interest. He alleges that despite his lowest bid, his company was not selected for a 1971 A/V project. Furthermore, he alleges that the work was already completed by another company before bidding took place. The other tow bidding companies had owners employed in USF administration. Maynor says that USF administrators admitted never sending his bid to Tallahassee for consideration. The

\textsuperscript{1798} O 4/12/73.
\textsuperscript{1799} O 8/2/73, O 11/16/73.
\textsuperscript{1800} O 8/2/73, 10/19/73.
winning contract was awarded to Resources, Inc., whose former president was Dr. Robert Wimmert, presently Systems Dept. Chairman. Another company who was awarded many USF contracts was Systems Consultants, led by Gerhard Eichholz, then director of USF’s Educational Resources. Carl Riggs terminated Eichholz this year for misappropriation of USF resources for outside jobs. The Florida Senate-House Auditing Committee subpoenaed 7 USF officials in their investigation of bidding collusion.

Donald Jaeschke, associate professor of adult vocational education, and director of the A/V project, said, “I’d like to know why these legislators have spent well over the cost of the project, which was $6,000, investigating the charges of one crank.” Rep. James Redman said after hearing testimony several days later, “I haven’t seen any evidence of collusion, but there was a lot of stupidity.” A former employee of Resources, Inc. admitted that work on the job had begun “three or four weeks before anything was finalized. The feeling around the office was they were pretty sure they were going to get it [the contract].” USF administrators didn’t think the job would be open to bidding, but later had to open it. Bert Hartley denies any wrongdoing, but it is obvious that USF administrators were, at the very least, ignorant. After hearings, the committee issues a draft statement that says that USF may have committed illegalities in the bidding process.\footnote{1801}

After long negotiations, SG President Bill Davis announces that a student health insurance plan is available through Blue Cross/Shield with full benefits for only $35.60 a year.\footnote{1802}

\footnote{1801} O 9/26/73, O 9/27/73, O 10/2/73, O 10/3/73, O 10/10/73, O 10/11/73, O 11/9/73.
\footnote{1802} O 9/26/73.
USF’s chapter of Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW) vow to help Florida’s political prisoners and farm workers.1803

Skyrocketing food prices force USF foodservice providers to cut costs or raise prices. Lunch prices in the last year rose from $1.45 to $1.75. The national price of ground beef has doubled to over $1 a pound. Nixon’s price freeze only made matters worse, according to a foodservice representative. There is also a paper shortage, and Tallahassee has requested that old letters and memos be cut up for notes. Keith Simmons, asst. Procurement Director, said, “This paper shortage is not to be taken lightly. Paper costs have gone up at least 10 per cent. The Oracle is USF’s greatest paper expense, costing $80,000 a year to print. The price hike is exacerbated by paper mills switching to higher grade paper to increase profits. Chancellor Robert Mautz appeals to the SUS to “save electricity” along with other state institutions.1804

President Mackey and Tampa Mayor Dick Greco square off in a judo match to support Physical Fitness Week.1805

Jonathan Kushner is missing as of October 29. He is the 11 year-old son of Gilbert Kushner, chairman of the dept. of Anthropology and Associate Dean of Behavior Sciences. The FBI joins the search and a $5,000 reward is offered for tips leading police to the boy. The boy’s shallow grave is found (with the help of a suspect) on 11/5 in a wooded area near Sligh/53rd Street. Police arrest two suspects and think the boy was killed near the 7-11 where he was last seen. Police decline to release any information

1803 O 10/2/73.
1804 O 10/10/73, O 10/12/73, O 11/7/73.
1805 O 10/23/73.
about the body or cause of death. The Kushners establish a memorial fund to help children in Tampa.\textsuperscript{1806}

USF completes plans for a mass transit system in the University community and predicts service could begin as early as January 1974.\textsuperscript{1807}

Students form a communal “Family Kitchen” in Episcopal Center where students can eat hot vegetarian meals every weekday for a quarter “if you have it.” Students collectively cook, eat and clean. The kitchen is open to the community as well as students.\textsuperscript{1808}

Chancellor Mautz asks Gov. Rueben Askew to repeal a new Florida law that requires universities to expel students convicted of marijuana charges. SG President Bill Davis comments on a recent study at UF, “I think the chancellor is responding to a survey that indicates 53% of students at UF smoke marijuana. In light of the budgetary crunch, the chancellor can’t afford to lose that many students.” Led by Davis, the SG writes a resolution against the law and sends it to the governor.\textsuperscript{1809}

Students on the Bay Campus ask for permission to re-open the campus coffeehouse, the Mushroom. It closed in the spring because of lack of funds.\textsuperscript{1810}

Theater productions: The Theater Production “Blood Wedding” (spring) is commended. “Night of the Assassin,” (October) garnered good reviews as well.

Speakers and concerts, news anchor Charles Kuralt, Baba Ram Das (Richard Alpert, Timothy Leary associate), rock singer Bob Seeger, blues/folk singer Odetta.

\textsuperscript{1806} O 10/30/73, O 11/1/73, O 11/7/73.
\textsuperscript{1807} TT: Nov. 29, 1973
\textsuperscript{1808} O 11/8/73.
\textsuperscript{1809} O 11/8/73, O 11/30/73.
\textsuperscript{1810} O 11/27/73.
Due to the lack of cultural and recreational events on the St. Pete Campus, USF directly subsidizes students attending certain community events, such as concerts at the Bayfront Center, theater, or dinner theater. Only students paying full time fees are eligible. Later in the year, the Crow’s Nest begins listing the public events at Eckerd College.

The St. Pete campus hosts a series of speakers for Earth Week.

The St. Pete campus is able to serve beer at the snack bar for the first time.

The St. Pete campus’s day care center (once dubbed the “Discovery Room”) closes due to the fact that “The building itself is a firetrap. Secondly, the location next to the pools is very dangerous no matter how well the children are supervised.” Budget cuts round out the reasons for discontinuing the service, but some hope to bring back day care in the near future.

The St. Pete campus is now home to an Office of Veteran Affairs with a veteran’s counselor.

The St. Pete campus hosts a discussion with Gardner Beckett of the ACLU on “Watergate: A New McCarthyism?” The event is followed soon after by former Deputy Attorney General William Ruchelhaus, who was fired by Nixon for refusing to dismiss the special prosecutor in the Watergate case.

Although the St. Pete campus’s activities remain limited a number of clubs have been formed, including the Student ACLU, History Community, Investment Club,
Management Association, Psychology Club, Senior Accounting Organization, and the Florida Educational Student Association.\textsuperscript{1819}

For the first time, a USF musical group based in Tampa plays on the St. Pete campus—the USF Jazz Lab Band.\textsuperscript{1820}

The St. Pete \textit{Crow’s Nest} distributes a survey asking students if they would like the Mushroom—an on-campus coffeehouse—to return.\textsuperscript{1821}

\textbf{1974: } The state has given a grant to Dr. William A. Smith, associate professor of Energy Systems Engineering in order to formulate a noise pollution ordinance that will be proposed in various counties around the state.\textsuperscript{1822}

Physical Plant supervisor Charles Butler assures the campus community that USF will be unaffected by a shortage of fuel and energy sources.\textsuperscript{1823}

A counter suit is filed on behalf of Language and Literature Dean Phillip Rice. Former student George Martin-Trigona has charged Rice with assault and battery in relation to an alleged assault that took place in the dean’s office. Martin-Trigona had gone to the office to file an academic grievance. Dean Rice will not make a statement regarding the charges and the countersuit was made without his knowledge or consent.\textsuperscript{1824}

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\textsuperscript{1819} Crow, 11/12/73.  \\
\textsuperscript{1820} Crow, 11/19/73.  \\
\textsuperscript{1821} Crow, 11/18/73.  \\
\textsuperscript{1822} O 1/8/74 p1  \\
\textsuperscript{1823} O 1/8/74 p3  \\
\textsuperscript{1824} O 1/8/76 p3
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President Cecil Mackey, Vice President for Academic Affairs Carl Riggs, plus several other administrators and University Police Officers have been subpoenaed as potential witnesses in the Martin-Trigona/Rice case.  

President Cecil Mackey decides that the Oracle should be moved off campus and the University should cut all ties with it. The decision is still up to the Board of Regents, because they need to approve the actions of University Presidents. The Board of Student Publications rejects President Mackey’s ultimatum that the Oracle move off campus.  

President Mackey issues a memo stating that the Oracle will remain on campus, at least through the fall quarter and Vice President of Student Affairs Joe Howell says that the paper will stay on campus for at least another year. President Mackey still favors an off-campus move for the school paper.  

President Mackey does not “see a need to pursue” further action in moving the Oracle off campus, but “that doesn’t mean I never will.”  

Because of a drop in enrollment the State University System may recall approximately $250,000 in university funds.  

The USF Debate Team, one of the largest in the south and the largest in Florida, is unable to run another quarter because of lack of funds. The debate team budget is around $3,400. Assistant Director of Speech Gerald Partney knows of Junior College debate teams with a budget around $10,000. The debate team is officially disbanded in February 1974 when they run out of funds. The team will hold its final two tournaments this
State legislators are very supportive of the debate teams’ plight and promise to exert pressure on the BOR in order to get funding.

Saga food service gets a contract to serve the campuses food needs.

“The Empty Keg,” a popular campus watering hole, will be without beer service for approximately 3 weeks while they wait for their new liquor license to get state approval. Edmond Fischer, manager of Saga Food Service estimates that 2,000 to 3,000 throwaway cups of beer are sold at the Empty Keg every week. According to Attorney General Robert Shevin the Empty Keg is the only place on campus that may sell beer for consumption on campus.

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools reaccredits USF over the winter break.

The Student Government accuses the Textbook Center of discrimination. Students who work at the Center are paid $1.60 an hour and non-Students are paid $1.80 for the same work.

The Student Senate has begun an investigation into the ethics and practices of the textbook center. The SG will hold hearings, one for student complaints and another for Textbook Center rebuttal. At the first SG/Textbook center hearings the major complaints are the bookstore’s lack of some required texts and the book buy-back

\[1831\] O 1/9/74 p1, 2/7/74 p1 and 6
\[1832\] O 2/15/74 p3
\[1833\] O 1/9/74 p3
\[1834\] O 1/9/74 p10
\[1835\] O 1/10/74 p2
\[1836\] O 1/10/74 p1
\[1837\] O 1/11/74 p1
\[1838\] O 1/18/74 p14
The Faculty Senate requests that Auxiliary Services independently investigate the Bookstore and report to them with the findings.

The two-year debate over whether or not the health center should stay on campus is resolved and the health center remains.

Lack of contributions has hurt the university’s attempt to bring Picasso’s “Bust of a Woman” to campus. The groundbreaking, which was scheduled for a month ago, has been indefinitely postponed. The reactions to the work in the campus community range from “sexist” to “masterpiece” to “commercializing.”

The Faculty Senate argues that the University should cease construction of Picasso’s “Bust of a Woman” until there is “appropriate consultation” with the Senate over the inclusion of the statue on campus. The debate over the artwork will continue.

Fundraising for the “Bust of a Woman” sculpture has shifted from large donations to smaller ones. The campaign’s new slogan is “350 squared times 3,” meaning that they hope to find 350 people to donate $350 a year for 3 years.

USF will have to decide by December if Picasso’s statue will come to the campus. They have raise about $125,000 of the needed $500,000 and have not made significant progress in the two years since the project contract was signed. The contract with Carl Nesjar, an associate of Picasso’s who has agreed to oversee the construction of

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1839 O 1/29/74 p6
1840 O 5/2/74 p12
1841 O 1/11/74 p1
1842 O 1/11/74 p8
1843 O 1/17/74 p12, O 1/23/74 p9
1844 O 2/6/74 p3
1845 O 9/24/74 p1
“Bust of a Woman” will expire this week. There has been no indication whether or not the contract will be renewed.\textsuperscript{1846}

The Tampa initiative to recycle paper will not service USF or the USF area.\textsuperscript{1847}

Unless the University meets its funding promises to the Women’s Center there is a possibility that the center will have to shut down.\textsuperscript{1848}

Activist Dick Gregory is the primary speaker at USF’s homecoming.\textsuperscript{1849}

A Student Government proposal for a Child-Care center on campus will go before the University’s space committee for consideration.\textsuperscript{1850}

All four University Vice-Presidents are considering proposals for energy conservation plans. They will present their plans to President Mackey.\textsuperscript{1851}

A proposal to begin a campus escort service has hit a small snag. Although the students have been overwhelmingly supportive of the service the group needs $36 to install a phone in the Alpha lounge and must come up with $8 a month in service fees.\textsuperscript{1852}

The “Rap Cadre” on campus is a group that provides (among other things) a Drug Analysis Program which tests drugs for students and tell them if the drug is what they were led to believe it was. The program has tested LSD, PCP, Quaaludes, aspirin and wine. Many of these were not what the provider had promised. Students who wish to have their drugs tested can drop them off in an envelope with the “street name and contents” on the side. The University Police (who have promised not to survey the student drop off box) pick up the drugs and bring them to a testing center. The results are

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\item \textsuperscript{1847} O 1/11/74 p11
\item \textsuperscript{1848} O 1/11/74 p13
\item \textsuperscript{1849} O 1/15/74 p6
\item \textsuperscript{1850} O 1/16/76 p1
\item \textsuperscript{1851} O 1/16/74 p1
\item \textsuperscript{1852} O 1/16/74 p5
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then posted on campus.\textsuperscript{1853} The Rap Cadre also issues weekly reports on drugs circulating around USF and their effects on the users.\textsuperscript{1854}

The USF Faculty Senate charges President Mackey with not implementing the promised grievance procedure.\textsuperscript{1855}

The University Police have a “sensitivity training program” in development. They hope to help officers deal with conflict situations in a non-threatening manner.\textsuperscript{1856}

In order to help alleviate transportation problems the Bicycle Club has begun the “Thrashmo” program. The club sponsors four bikes for general use. They are taken from one building to another by students and then left for another student use as they please. The only problem that they have had so far is one bike being left in a parking lot. Bike Club advisor Dr. Jesse Binford asks that students “try to help us out by not taking advantage of the program.”\textsuperscript{1857}

WUSF TV has acquired four color cameras, allowing the station to broadcast everything in full color.\textsuperscript{1858}

USF officials allow personnel files to be viewed by staff members of the Oracle, but deny the right to make copies of the materials. Assistant State Attorney General Jan Dunn says that this is in violation of Florida Statute 119.\textsuperscript{1859}

Student Government plans to file a complaint with the Hillsborough county State Attorney because WUSF-FM station manager Manny Lucoff would not let them copy the

\textsuperscript{1853} O 1/16/74 p12
\textsuperscript{1854} O 2/6/74 p7
\textsuperscript{1855} O 1/17/74 p1
\textsuperscript{1856} O 1/17/74 p3
\textsuperscript{1857} O 1/17/74 p13
\textsuperscript{1858} O 1/17/74 p16
\textsuperscript{1859} O 1/17/74 p3
documents. Student Government attempts to publish a “summary of faculty evaluation data,” the university is not sure whether faculty members who refuse to be evaluated should have their files opened. The American Association of University Professors (AAUP) also requests that faculty files be open to review and evaluation.

Office files will no longer be legally shielded from public inspection. Attorney General Robert Shevin has decreed that all university reports be made public. Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs Dan Walbolt continues to deny access to university files because “I still have not seen a copy of that (Shevin’s opinion). Until we do, we do not know the rules of the game.” Student Senate President Richard Merrick hand delivers a copy of the order to Walbolt that evening. The University finally turns over sealed documents that had been requested a year ago by former Student Senate President Bill Davis.

The BOR attempts to keep the faculty files confidential and this may lead to “another confrontation with the Florida Cabinet and the issue may be decided by a lawsuit” according to Deputy Attorney General Baya Harrison.

According to USF’s Placement Center Director Glenda Lentz, faculty recommendations regarding students will be burned rather than made public in compliance with the law. Ms. Lentz argues that the faculty made the recommendations believing they were to be kept confidential. Deputy Attorney General Baya Harrison

1860 O 1/18/74 p3  
1861 O 2/12/74 p3  
1862 O 2/13/74 p1  
1863 O 7/30/74 p4  
1864 O 8/1/74 p1  
1865 O 8/6/74 p3  
1866 O 8/15/74 p1  
1867 O 11/19/74 p1
believes that by burning files rather than opening them, the university is circumventing the law. He is considering placing the matter before the state attorney.\textsuperscript{1868}

The files in question will not be destroyed without the permission of the state according to Placement Center Director Glenda Lentz. The office has asked for clearance to destroy certain files before the law requiring their opening takes effect. The Oracle apologizes for mistakenly reporting that the files would be destroyed without clearance.\textsuperscript{1869}

During a “hotline” session, President Mackey argues that the plan to destroy the records falls within the parameters of the law provided the office requests and is granted clearance by the state.\textsuperscript{1870}

President Mackey requests an apology from Attorney General Robert Shevin, regarding comments made by Deputy Attorney General Baya Harrison insinuating that the school is destroying files without state approval. No files have been destroyed and the university has requested approval to destroy faculty recommendations made between 1969 and 7/1/71. Harrison was acting on information related to him by the Oracle, the information later proved to be misguided.\textsuperscript{1871}

The Oracle maintains that no information regarding the university’s requested dates of 1969-7/1/71 are in file in Tallahassee and the request itself was not signed until after publication of the accusatory article in the paper. The Oracle apologizes for any confusion, but still believes that the administration has not been entirely forthright in the situation. Assistant News Editor Mike Archer argues that Ms. Lentz did intend to destroy

\textsuperscript{1868} O 11/20/74 p1
\textsuperscript{1869} O 11/21/74 p1
\textsuperscript{1870} O 11/21/74 p11
\textsuperscript{1871} O 11/22/74 p1
the files. She “admitted last night that she made the decision because at the time she did not know the law gives her 45 days to turn these records over to student who ask for them. Furthermore the administration “did not have, and apparently had not requested, permission to destroy these records at that time. Permission had been obtained for the withholding and the destruction of the recommendations made before July 1971. But Lentz said she would do the same thing with any confidential recommendation made beyond that date as well.1872

According to the USF “Campus Guide” 86% of the University’s students live off campus.1873

The Florida Supreme Court holds the first hearing on collective bargaining for University staff and faculty.1874

The University’s “no-smoking” policy is not being adequately enforced and students are still smoking in class rather in the hallways or lobbies of building, places designated for smoking.1875

The Hanneford Circus is in town to help celebrate USF’s homecoming.1876

President Mackey, in an attempt to make himself more accessible to students, holds “hotline sessions” throughout the quarter. The President meets with students in a classroom and they discuss the school’s future and policies. Only five people attend the first hotline session of this quarter.1877

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1872 O 11/22/74 p4 and 5
1873 O 1/18/74 p9
1874 O 1/22/76 p1
1875 O 1/22/74 p4
1876 O 1/18/74 p1
1877 O 1/23/74 p9
The Florida ACLU has charged the new University Police manual with violating the rights of UP officers. Director of Public Safety and Security Paul Uravich requests that all objections to the manual go directly to him rather than a “debate through the Oracle.” Jack Moore, President of the Tampa ACLU disagrees with Uravich and states that all complaints regarding the UP policy manual should go to a state agency not a local official, since the manual is a state-wide document.

Vice President of Student Affairs Joe Howell has released a policy plan for the future of the university. The plan includes a desire to use behavioral science to “shape attitudes, perceptions and behavior” of students. Some students are not pleased with the plan. Howell also charges “students are not accepting the role of a teacher as being infallible.” Howell later states that he was misinterpreted and the statement was meant to imply that students take less of the learning and grading process on faith.

USF has requested the aid of St. Petersburg in finding suitable land to expand their Bayboro campus. The St. Petersburg city council is considering their options.

The St. Petersburg City Council votes to donate 35 acres to USF for the extension of the St. Petersburg Campus. The land is adjacent to the campus and will expand its existing area.

The city of Clearwater will donate 150 acres to USF for the purposes of campus expansion. It is the largest single land donation the university has ever received.
The BOR allocates $8.8 million for USF campus expansion but President Mackey requests an additional $5 million in order to expand in both St. Petersburg and Clearwater. The BOR does not think that USF will get the additional funds.\textsuperscript{1885} The Governor’s budget does indeed exclude any extra money for the expansion of the St. Petersburg Campus.\textsuperscript{1886}

WUSF-FM radio airs more rock music than most publicly funded radio stations in the United States. 81 of 148 stations responded to a poll and only 10 air more rock than USF.\textsuperscript{1887}

The Oracle reports that campus snack bars are serving pastries directly out of uncovered cardboard boxes, a violation of Hillsborough County health codes. The food is now sold from covered plastic trays with tongs.\textsuperscript{1888}

President Mackey rejects a Student Government proposal that all University Council and Committee meetings be open to the public.\textsuperscript{1889}

Because of a computer malfunction registration totals for quarter two have not yet been tallied. President Mackey has been “all over my back” according to Director of Records and Registration, Dennis Goodwin. Mr. Goodwin explains that the reason the President is so interested in getting the figures is because the BOR might say “well FSU has 25,000 students, how many does USF have?” and President Mackey would have to respond “uh…uh.”\textsuperscript{1890}
Representatives from USF have been meeting with representatives from Fontana hall. USF is interested in purchasing Fontana Hall and turning it into student housing. The owners eventually decide not to sell.\textsuperscript{1891}

Dr. Joe Howell, Vice-President of Student Affairs has asked Dr. Richard Bowers to evaluate the athletic department. The evaluation could lead to the termination of one or more sports at USF.\textsuperscript{1892} The evaluation results in a request to cut the swim and golf programs effective 6/30/74.\textsuperscript{1893} The golf team is saved from the cuts. The swim team is not.\textsuperscript{1894} The swim team is eventually given notice that they will continue to operate as before and will not be cut. This has hurt the recruitment process, but the coach is pleased the program will stay.\textsuperscript{1895}

Richard Merrick and Wayne Wechsler are the front-runners for SG President and Vice President. Votes were also cast on a write in basis for Mickey Mouse, Richard Nixon, Adolph Hitler and Edgar Cecil, a robot designed by Engineering students and named after Engineering Dean Ed Kopp and President Cecil Mackey.\textsuperscript{1896}

Richard Merrick wins the Presidential election, a runoff election is required in the Vice-Presidential race between Wayne Wechsler and Michael Einstein which Wechsler wins.\textsuperscript{1897}

Saga food service will begin an on campus pizza delivery service next week.\textsuperscript{1898}

The Theatre Faculty Advisory Committee is investigating reports by students and faculty that there is “fear, distrust and dissatisfaction in the department.”\textsuperscript{1899}
18 Argentine students come to USF as part of “Operation Amigo,” a program that allows Latin American students to visit and observe American Universities.\textsuperscript{1900}

The BOR approves an expansion of visiting hours, giving students an extra hour on school nights and two hours on weekends to visit friends of the opposite sex.\textsuperscript{1901}

The University Police and SG auctions off lost and found materials that have not been recovered by their owners. A new 10-speed bicycle is the most expensive item, going for $56. A freshman English book is the least expensive, costing its buyer a nickel. The $285.30 made in the auction is donated to the USF Student Loan Fund.\textsuperscript{1902}

Arthur Jones, a USF senior and forward on the basketball team, is the first USF player to get a pro football tryout, when the former all-Polk County tight end is drafted by the Florida Sharks of the World Football League and contacted by the Atlanta Falcons and the Dallas Cowboys of the National Football League. Jones did not even know he was being considered and has not played football in years, when he was contacted by phone and told of being drafted by the Sharks.\textsuperscript{1903}

President Mackey discusses the possibility of University curfews as a means to combat the energy crisis. Dale Rose, an official with the Florida Center for the Arts, immediately draws up a letter to voice his opposition to a curfew, saying that it would cut into University programs and concerts.\textsuperscript{1904}
The University has scheduled classes on Gasparilla Day for the first time in its history. A new law passed statewide decrees that a state agency cannot celebrate a holiday separate from the rest of the state.\textsuperscript{1905}

Dr. Cleon Caspas is fired as chair of Modern Languages. Dr. Caspas states that he was given an ultimatum of either resigning or being fired and he refused to resign. He also maintains that there have been minor problems inside the department. An anonymous faculty member believes that Caspas ran the department in an “overbearing and dictatorial” manner.\textsuperscript{1906}

The health center will begin charging a “minimal charge” next year for its services.\textsuperscript{1907}

“The Underground Railroad,” a music program on WUSF-FM that plays rock music will be discontinued because, according to President Mackey, “it is not necessarily related to our academic mission” and it is now clear to Mackey that the university shouldn’t broadcast information unrelated to educational pursuits. When the Underground Railroad goes off the air WUSF programming director Dave Dial says that the Railroad “pioneered progressive rock programming in Florida” when they began broadcasting in 1968, but by the end it was just “a juke box with a disc jockey playing it...a shadow of what it used to be, so let it fade away.”\textsuperscript{1908}

The USF bicycle club plans a ride to Chinsegut, in Hernando County near Brooksville. They will stay overnight at Chinsegut and then pedal home.\textsuperscript{1909}

\textsuperscript{1905} O 2/8/74 p1
\textsuperscript{1906} O 2/12/74 p1
\textsuperscript{1907} O 2/15/74 p1
\textsuperscript{1908} O 2/15/74 p1, 2/19/74 p3
\textsuperscript{1909} O 2/12/74 p10
President Mackey refuses to sign the amended SG constitution, saying that the SG should be able to amend the document without his signature. President-elect Merrick argues that refusing to sign the document shows that Mackey does not recognize the SG as representative of the students.¹⁹¹⁰

Student Harry Fink is looking for a partner for a cross-country canoe trip. He will receive 24 credits for the 6-month voyage but cannot do it alone. He also hopes to have the trip filmed for a documentary.¹⁹¹¹

During an outdoor “hotline” session where President Mackey meets and interacts with students, the President is surprised by a pie in the face. There is a good possibility that the assailant, dressed in a gorilla costume, was a Student Senator. A photographer for the Oracle was told beforehand by a “tall, bearded dark-haired man” about the planned pie-throwing incident and was on hand for a photo of the action. SG President Richard Merrick states that this was indicative of students’ “contempt for Mackey” and he would probably not have warned the President had he known about the incident beforehand. Merrick also claims that the perpetrator may have been “an SG senator named Jim.” Mackey’s only comment was “that it was a shame the thrower had to waste the chocolate pie on him.” The Oracle receives lots of letters. The Career Employees Senate expresses their opposition to the pie incident.¹⁹¹²

SG President-elect Merrick urges President Mackey to resist the temptation to expel the pie-thrower. An ongoing investigation is under way and Merrick asks Mackey to look at the situation with a sense of humor.¹⁹¹³

¹⁹¹⁰ O 2/18/74 p10
¹⁹¹¹ O 2/18/74 p12
¹⁹¹² O 2/19/74 p1, 2/22/74 p 4, 5 and 9
¹⁹¹³ O 2/22/74 p9
The Oracle continues to receive letters condemning or supporting the pie thrower. Some believe it was a stupid act, but successful in giving Mackey a “taste of his own medicine.” Some students believe that the situation is being taken far too seriously and others feel it isn’t being taken seriously enough. Students all over campus question the identity of the perpetrator. Some theories believe that the SG is responsible, others place blame on the Oracle, some believe it was a lone practical joker and others believe it was the administration itself, trying to divert attention from its unpopularity. One student believes that President Mackey is lucky that the culprit was “immature, because a mature and sophisticated assailant would have put a 30-30 slug in the back of Mackey’s head.”

President Mackey believes that the pie incident is not funny and is “antithetical to everything a university stands for.” The President will not speculate as to a disciplinary course of action. The Oracle has received over 70 letters related to the incident and will not publish any more.

Utility rate increases have led to a utility deficit of $211,000 at USF. The BOR has offered to provide $45,000 to help pay the debt.

Problems with water supply, traffic congestions and lack of recreational facilities have resulted from the growth in development in the USF area.

The Women’s Basketball team must pull out of the State Tournament because of “the gas situation,” injuries and their record. They end the season 9-9.
Student Senate Resident Affairs Committee Chair Richard Bass is preparing a memorandum that suggests that the University Police begin a mounted police program in order to save gas. Director of Public Safety Paul Uravich does not believe the plan will be successful.\(^{1919}\)

Lawyers representing the city of Tampa are reviewing a proposed shuttle service for USF according to Tampa Bus Lines Director Harry Orr.\(^{1920}\) Student Government funds a free shuttle bus service to areas around campus. The service may be in operation by January 1975.\(^{1921}\) The shuttle bus service will begin a 6-month trial run in February.\(^{1922}\)

Local Bill 45, supported by Student Senate Vice-President Mark Levine, will legalize the on-campus sale of beer at other locations besides the Empty Keg.\(^{1923}\)

Dr. Carl Riggs, Vice-President for Academic Affairs says “public esteem for persons in higher education is at its lowest point in 30 years.” This is as a result of university inability to remain focused on what a University’s goals should be.\(^{1924}\)

Dogs are now prohibited from campus.\(^{1925}\)

During a “hotline” session, President Mackey states that the debate team “blew their budget.” Mackey’s statement angers team coach Dr. Gerald Partney, who promises to take the issue as far as the BOR in order to show that funding for the now defunct team was insufficient.\(^{1926}\)

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\(^{1922}\) O 11/14/74 p13  
\(^{1923}\) O 2/27/74 p10  
\(^{1924}\) O 2/28/74 p1  
\(^{1925}\) O 2/28/84 p3  
\(^{1926}\) O 2/28/74 p12
Streaking has arrived at USF. A group calling themselves the “Iota I Streakers” were the perpetrators of two streaks late Wednesday night. The small group included the first known female streaker at USF. The University Police agree that it is a crime to run around nude but don’t seem to take the crime too seriously. Unfortunately they can’t ignore an illegal activity.\textsuperscript{1927}

Within the next few days streaking makes its way to Gamma Hall and USF has its first official “afternoon streakers” in the middle of the day. Letters to the Oracle seem to support the streakers for breaking the monotony of campus life. Iota I representatives state that they have received calls from media outlets inquiring as to when the next organized streak will occur so they will be better able to cover the event.\textsuperscript{1928}

The Committee for a Responsive University is circulating a petition demanding that President Mackey resign.\textsuperscript{1929}

David Elman, Secretary of the Head Theater Club, complains that the Oracle does not give adequate coverage to the only student run theater on campus. The Head Theater will be forced to move off campus because their midnight shows are in conflict with the new energy curfew.\textsuperscript{1930}

An angry spectator hurts an intramural basketball player. The fan threw chair at the player as the buzzer sounded, ending the final game. Neil Shoaf was hit in the head with the chair and taken to the hospital on a stretcher.\textsuperscript{1931}
Statewide 12th grade test scores can determine whether or not a student will get up to 36 credit hours when they begin at USF. The program will only last a year. The program receives a mixed reaction from faculty.\textsuperscript{1932}

Current SG President Bill Davis will become executive assistant to President-elect Richard Merrick when Merrick takes over the job of President.\textsuperscript{1933}

Unhappiness with tenure recommendations has been circulating throughout faculty and a source from the College of Education says that he “has heard a lot of bitching” concerning faculty members’ problems with the tenure situation.\textsuperscript{1934}

Seven theater faculty members quit because they “have certain ideas of how theater should be run and don’t think such theater can be achieved at USF.” The Chair, Herb Shore, is one of the quitters.\textsuperscript{1935}

A student complains that the Midnite Madness “porno” movie “Luminous Procuress” that was shown on campus last week was not a good film. He hopes that in the future “Midnite Movies will continue to show occasional skinflicks, but at least show some that are capable of being followed.”\textsuperscript{1936}

The Omicron Delta Kappa national leadership honorary society had begun to accept women because of the induction of a woman into the USF chapter ranks and a statement by Attorney General Robert Shevin concerning the legality of sex discrimination. Social Fraternities and Sororities will not have to admit members of the opposite sex according to Deputy Attorney General Baya Harrison.\textsuperscript{1937}

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  \item[\textsuperscript{1935}] O 3/26/74 p1
  \item[\textsuperscript{1936}] O 3/26/74 p5
  \item[\textsuperscript{1937}] O 3/27/74 p1, 3/28/75 p3, 4/2/74 p3
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Beer sales have finally returned to campus for the first time since the beginning of the second quarter. SAGA food service has acquired its beverage license after months of red tape.¹⁹³⁸

Universities in the Florida State University System have been accused of using “as many ways to cheat the state as possible.” Universities have been charged with padding enrollment in order to receive higher appropriations and USF has been accused (along with other schools) of encouraging Graduate Students to take classes they would not normally take in order to boost appropriations. Mackey says that the situation is under investigation and that there will be no cover up of information. John Briggs, Director of Graduate Studies says that Graduate Students with assistantships are required to carry a fulltime course load in order to encourage academic progress, otherwise “teaching assistants might take only one or two hours and be here a very long time.”¹⁹³⁹

Further inquiry into the “padding” question is held up because most University records are either “disorganized,” “in poor condition” or “non-existent.”¹⁹⁴⁰

The Graduate Advisor in the English Department admits that they pad their enrollment by encouraging students to take classes but receive no credit, mostly “ENG 685, Directed Reading.” Students sign up for this class, intended for thesis work, and receive no credit if they do no work.¹⁹⁴¹ Vice President of Academic Affairs Carl Riggs “categorically denies” that the University is padding enrollment figures in order to get more money from the state.¹⁹⁴² SUS Chancellor Robert Mautz announces that the audit

¹⁹³⁸ Ø 3/29/74 p13
¹⁹³⁹ Ø 4/2/74 p1, 4/3/74 p1
¹⁹⁴⁰ Ø 4/17/74 p1
¹⁹⁴¹ Ø 4/9/74 p3
¹⁹⁴² Ø 4/18/74 p5
of enrollments for state universities is finished and he believes that the results indicate that “the universities did not intentionally distort any figures.”

In an effort to reduce the deficit, 19 physical plant workers will be laid off in about 2 weeks. Five Physical Plant painters (in a crew of 8) will be laid off. They accuse the Director of hiring outside contractors to do painting around the campus in order to keep workers idle.

About 20-25 Physical Plant workers attend a “goodbye” party at the Empty Keg to say farewell to the departing workers. Party organizer Larry Jackson says that he “felt the party would be a better way of saying goodbye than walking out the gate and cursing.”

Protests of tenure recommendations are filed by 3 more faculty members. The Senate Education Committee orders a review of the tenure process.

More than 700 sign a petition asking for the resignation of President Mackey, the “Dump Mackey Committee” set up a booth in the UC with “Dump Mackey” t-shirts for sale and petitions for signing. John Husfield, the only Student Senator associated directly with the group, says that the committee is very diverse and focused and that there were even a few professors’ signatures on the “Dump Mackey” petition.

The “Dump Mackey” Campaign is entering into phase two of their plan. Phase two includes changing their name to “The Caucus for a New University,” taking out a full-page ad in the Oracle to bring attention to their cause and continued petitions and petitions and

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1944 O 4/4/74 p1, O 4/5/74 p1
1945 O 4/19/74 p12
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1947 O 4/4/74 p6 and 9, 4/9/74 p10
informational drives. The group has collected about 2,000 signatures so far.\textsuperscript{1948}

Members of “Dump Mackey” want to appear before the Board of Regents and air their grievances.\textsuperscript{1949}

An Oracle editorial lists some of Mackey’s transgressions in the past year. The President is guilty of: 1. Initiating a weekend curfew, ending late-night activities. 2. Trying to get funding for Picasso’s “Bust of a Woman” without Faculty Senate or Student support. 3. Trying to remove the Oracle from campus, ending the presence of a student newspaper. 4. Cutting the Underground Railroad, the most popular program on the radio station. The editorial admits that Mackey has (at least temporarily) changed his view on the Oracle and the curfew, but he is still out of sync with much of the student population.\textsuperscript{1950}

A proposed bill that will allow the sale of beer at more University locations is discussed.\textsuperscript{1951}

USF holds its annual “Songfest,” singer and songwriter talent show.\textsuperscript{1952}

A preliminary figure for student enrollment in quarter three puts the student population at over 17,000.\textsuperscript{1953}

USF’s masters programs in astronomy, botany and microbiology are put on probation by the BOR for the second straight year, if a program is put on probation for three years in a row, they are subject to strenuous review into their status and whether or

\textsuperscript{1948} O 5/8/74 p10, the full-page ad appears in O 5/9/74 p16
\textsuperscript{1949} O 5/16/74 p3
\textsuperscript{1950} O 4/12/74 p4
\textsuperscript{1951} O 4/9/74 p3 and 4
\textsuperscript{1952} O 4/9/74 p6
\textsuperscript{1953} O 4/10/74 p3
not they should be terminated. Programs must have 6 or more graduating students a year, all three programs are optimistic they will achieve that goal in the next year.\textsuperscript{1954}

The Oracle commends the library’s continued rationing of paper, despite the easing of energy crisis related rationing.\textsuperscript{1955}

The Student Senate passes a resolution urging the “inclusion of a tuition ceiling” in order to alleviate the continued rise in the cost of higher education.\textsuperscript{1956}

The Student Senate prepares arguments for a proposed tuition ceiling. They will put their proposal to the BOR and hope to stem the rising tuition rates. USF’s Student Government will file a lawsuit attempting to impose the ceiling.\textsuperscript{1957}

Three Student Government Officers, Steve Johnson, Richard Merrick and Doug Petit, have filed suit against the Board of Regents to try and impose the tuition ceiling. The BOR has 20 days to respond with any proposed grounds for dismissal.\textsuperscript{1958}

USF will begin the use of a computerized carpooling system that will allow people to register a schedule by computer.\textsuperscript{1959}

Effective today the 11pm curfew at USF will be relaxed and weekend curfews will go until 2am on Fridays and Saturdays if there are movies showing on campus. These movies must be shown in either the Language and Literature (Lan-Lit) auditorium or the ENA auditorium.\textsuperscript{1960} After the repeal of the “energy curfew”, “Head Theater” resumes showing midnight movies in the Lan-Lit auditorium.\textsuperscript{1961} Midnite Madness will also begin showing films again, including “Fritz the Cat” the first X-rated animated film

\textsuperscript{1954} O 4/10/74 p5
\textsuperscript{1955} O 4/11/74 p4
\textsuperscript{1956} O 4/11/74 p5
\textsuperscript{1957} O 7/11/74 p1, 9/24/74 p1
\textsuperscript{1958} O 10/2/74 p3
\textsuperscript{1959} O 4/12/74 p1
\textsuperscript{1960} O 4/12/74 p6
\textsuperscript{1961} O 4/18/74 p6
and “Pink Flamingoes,” which has already run in the program and is returning by popular
demand.\textsuperscript{1962}

Engineering Dean Edgar Kopp has written a letter to President Mackey proposing
that a ROTC program at USF would be beneficial to students. Faculty Senate Chairman
Jesse Binford says that the possibility has been discussed in the senate but the proposal
has been defeated twice because of a fear that it would become an expensive program and
there has been little perceived student interest.\textsuperscript{1963}

Wet cement outside the University Center was so marked up with initials and
writing while it dried overnight that the cement will have to be re-poured. The work was
part of the construction of a wheelchair access ramp and cannot be traversed by a
wheelchair because of divots, the divots also “may cause a blind person to stumble.”
Because of budget restrictions, the university may not be able to repair the ramp. The
Oracle receives letters supporting the graffiti artists for bringing some flair to the stale
campus.\textsuperscript{1964}

Phyllis Hamm, Equal Opportunity Specialist for Administrative Affairs, has asked
for the reinstatement of black University Police Officer Charles Moore because she
cannot see “enough documentation of problems to justify termination.”\textsuperscript{1965} Ken
Thompson, Vice President of Administrative Affairs agrees with Public Safety and
Security Director Paul Uravich’s decision to dismiss Officer Moore. Thompson has

\textsuperscript{1962} O 4/25/74 p7
\textsuperscript{1963} O 4/16/74 p3
\textsuperscript{1964} O 4/18/74 p3
\textsuperscript{1965} O 4/19/74 p1

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“reviewed the information” and could not find any evidence that Uravich “breached state rules and regulations.”

The NAACP holds a meeting to test the level of interest in forming a local chapter at USF. Many students attend the meeting.

Representative Richard Langley (R-Clermont) has filed a bill that, if passed, would make dorm visitation of members of the opposite sex against the rules. University officials do not believe that the bill will pass. The Student Senate is opposed to the proposed bill. Many students write to the Oracle in opposition.

Association of American University Professors Membership Committee
Chairman Willis Truitt announces that the AAUP has merged with the United Faculty of Florida because UFF has “greater resources and lobbying power.” UFF exists as a result of a merger between the Florida Higher Education Association and the American Federation of Teachers earlier this month.

Because of budget problems travel funds within the college of education have been distributed through a lottery. The Administration eventually prohibits this form of travel disbursement.

Director of Housing and Food Services Ray King announces that as a cost cutting measure the school will no longer provide sheets and pillowcases for dorm residents.

The Annual “River Riot” on the Hillsborough River is deemed a success, 2,000 students, faculty, and their families attended.
The SG requests an inquiry into the termination of WUSF “Access” moderator Larry Brown. They believe that there is a chance that Brown termination infringes on the first amendment right to a free press.1973

Florida Governor Reubin Askew bestows the 1974 Special Governor’s Award for Fine Arts on George Jenkins, who is the chairman of the Picasso Campaign Committee. The award was specially created in order to reward and recognize the group’s efforts to bring the statue to the USF campus.1974

Former Professor Edward McDonald and the Equal Opportunity Employment Commission are suing the University because McDonald maintains that he was coerced into resigning. The university will counter sue against both parties.1975

Edward McDonald has filed another suit in federal court against USF administration. The former faculty member is asking for reinstatement to his job and $100,000 in damages for “slander, defamation and libel.” The alleged slanderous material occurred in two Oracle articles, published, 4/3/73 and 5/7/74. McDonald sued President Mackey and former University General Counsel Larry Robinson more than a year ago, seeking reinstatement to his resigned position in the Afro-American Studies department. The suit is thrown out on the grounds that “the constitutional issues raised were not justified by the suit.” McDonald promises to appeal.1976
New College in Sarasota may become part of the USF system, giving the progressive school financial backing but resulting in what some see as a needed balance between USF’s resources and New College’s progressive ideas.\textsuperscript{1977}

President Mackey approves of the plan to incorporate New College into the State University System and make it a branch campus of USF but State University System officials have some concerns over the speed with which the plan is unfolding. The BOR believes that expansion is more necessary in St. Petersburg and feel that expansion into Sarasota will hurt these plans.\textsuperscript{1978}

The Florida House of Representatives passes their appropriations bill including 4.1 million dollars for the purchase of New College in Sarasota and its incorporation into the State University System. New College students begin mobilization to try and block the incorporation of their school into the SUS. The BOR has also been considering the option of incorporating Eckerd College in St. Petersburg into the SUS but Eckerd may take back the expansion offer because they do not wish to become a branch campus of USF.\textsuperscript{1979}

After hearing the arguments of New College Students the USF Student Senate votes to oppose the incorporation of the progressive Sarasota school. Vice President of Student Affairs Joe Howell says that New College student and USF Student Senate opposition to the merger shows a lack of understanding. Howell believes that New College’s options are either to merge with the SUS or cease to exist.\textsuperscript{1980} Many

\textsuperscript{1977} O 5/8/74 p4
\textsuperscript{1978} O 5/15/74 p1, O 5/16/74 p3
\textsuperscript{1979} O 5/22/74 p1, 5/22/74 p12, 5/24/74 p1
\textsuperscript{1980} O 5/23/74 p11, 5/24/74 p12
Academics at New College fear that their association with USF may compromise the quality of their program. 1981

Systems Complex for the Studio and Performing Arts (SYCOM), in the Fine Arts Department, allows students to make electronic music by synchronizing “the mechanical and electronic components of technology.” Students who take the course are able to combine both cutting edge technology and art. 1982

Business students will partake in a student strike to “mourn the death” of their college. They are opposing the “arbitrary firing and dismissal of professors by arbitrary means.” The student reaction and interest in walking-out varies. 1983

Beginning next fall residents of Argos will be able to get telephone service for a private line in their rooms. 1984

A worker’s strike has stopped the construction of the new library and the USF Medical Center. 1985

USF alumnus and Security Chief at Hillsborough Community College Ted Gibson has accepted a position of Captain on the University Police Force. 1986

Because of a petition signed by 100 students (75 of whom were actual people) the English Department will begin to carry a class covering J.R.R. Tolkien’s “Lord of the Rings” trilogy. 1987

Special mediation sessions to discuss 12 contested tenure cases have made little progress. 1988

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1982 O 5/8/74 p7
1983 O 5/9/74 p5, O 5/10/74 p7
1984 O 5/9/74 p10
1985 O 5/10/74 p3
1986 O 5/14/74 p10
1987 O 5/14/74 p7
The University has its first police shooting incident. Two non-student males were stopped by Officer Peter Post on a routine check of vandalism. The men then put a gun to Post’s head, shot the radio in his patrol car, stole his gun and then shot his car. The officer was unharmed and students nearby were able to get a partial license plate number, allowing the UP to apprehend two people in relation to the crime.\footnote{1989}

President Mackey accepts the Student Senate’s offer to sit in on one of their meetings. The president spends two hours discussing the enrollment padding controversy, the purchase of New College and the debate over tenure offers and denials which continues to get considerable press in the Oracle.\footnote{1990}

A squirrel trips the circuit breakers that provide power to the campus and USF experiences a 40-minute blackout. The squirrel is “fried to a crisp.”\footnote{1991}

Future volumes of the University Directory will no longer include data revealing a student’s marital status.\footnote{1992}

Vice President of Student Affairs Joe Howell admits that there is drug abuse on USF’s campus, but also contends that the use of narcotics has declined since his arrival in 1971.\footnote{1993}

Royal Buick has given President Mackey a 1974 Buick Electra. Royal Buick provides the president with a new car every year. The car is to be used for official and not personal use and is officially owned by the state.\footnote{1994}
Language and Literature Dean Phillip Rice has given his resignation to the University but USF has refused to accept his resignation. Rice has applied for positions at the University of Connecticut, California Polytechnical Institute and the University of Washington but Vice President of Academic Affairs Carl Riggs hopes that Rice will reconsider his options.\textsuperscript{1995}

According to an American Association of University Professors survey, USF faculty gave President Mackey and Vice President of Academic Affairs Riggs a vote of “no-confidence” by 53\% and 54\% respectively. The College Deans received good numbers except Business Dean Howard Dye and Fine Arts Dean Donald Saff, who received an 81\% and 60\% “no confidence” vote respectively. A total of 350 faculty members responded to the survey.\textsuperscript{1996}

USF graduates 5,000, the largest graduating class in the history of the University.\textsuperscript{1997}

USF is under investigation by the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW). There have been charges levied against the university of racial and gender discrimination.\textsuperscript{1998} USF refuses to open records concerning a complaint that HEW received, although Deputy Attorney General Baya Harrison says the documents should be open for inspection.\textsuperscript{1999} Five complaints have been filed with HEW concerning accusations of sexual or racial discrimination in the USF administration.\textsuperscript{2000}

\textsuperscript{1995} O 6/18/74 p1
\textsuperscript{1996} O 6/18/74 p1, the Oracle also publishes a 3 part analysis series concerning the survey. Parts 2 and 3 appear in O 6/25/74 p1 and 6/27/74 p1.
\textsuperscript{1997} O 6/18/74 p11
\textsuperscript{1998} O 6/20/74 p1
\textsuperscript{1999} O 6/25/74 p1
\textsuperscript{2000} O 7/9/74 p3
95% of USF professors are white males. 90% of white male professors, 56% of women and 47% of African Americans are in “tenure-earning ranks.”

According to a panel discussion held at USF minorities and women are “underrepresented” in USF’s hiring practices. The Tampa Urban League and USF officials agree that there are too few African Americans in administrative positions at the university. There is a 50% rise in the number of black first year applicants to USF between this year and last year. Troy Collier, Equal Opportunity Assistant, reports to the Council of Deans that USF has “done little to increase minority enrollment in graduate programs.”

Because of a rise in printing costs and a shortage of paper the University is forced to print the Student Handbook as a supplement in the Oracle. The administration asks students to “keep it on file, and share it with other students as far as possible. We don’t know when we can print another issue.”

In order to facilitate a resolution to the tenure discussion a panel discusses the matter in a public forum including administration and faculty. Deputy Attorney General Baya Harrison will visit the campus to discuss the tenure policy and the Council of Deans closed door meetings with Vice President of Academic Affairs Carl Riggs. Carl Riggs defends the university, stating that teacher who publish, research and are good teachers receive larger pay increases than those who focus primarily on teaching. This is because these three things are important to university life. Riggs feels that the Baya Harrison’s inquiry was approached in an “unprofessional and incomplete” manner. He
further argues that “the poor design or plan of the inquiry, to me, implies an assumption of guilt on the part of the University without first learning the facts.”

Governor Reuben Askew signs a bill giving discretionary power over Activities and Service fees over to the Student Senate. The law also allows students to pay for goods and services with their credit cards.

The Student Government takes control of more than half the money set aside for student activities because the “UC programming office, formerly SEAC, isn’t meeting the students’ needs.”

The University Police are in the initial stages of proposing that they be allowed to carry weapons while off duty and shotguns while on duty, Paul Uravich, Director of Public Safety, argues that among other reasons for needing weapons, “every time you arrest someone you make an enemy.”

The Student Senate calls for an investigation of the need for arming off-duty police and giving them shotguns while on duty. The Oracle opposes the plan to arm the off duty police. Assistant Professor of Humanities Silvio Gaggi argues that the professors should be given guns because, among other things, “every time you give someone an ‘F’ you make an enemy.” Some students would also like to be armed according to a letter sent to the Oracle from CCRAP, the Concerned Campus Reactionaries for Arms Proliferation.

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2011 O 10/2/74 p10
2012 O 7/2/74 p1
2013 O 7/9/74 p1, 4 and 5
USF Basketball coach Bob Gibson suffers a heart attack at his Temple Terrace home. He is in good spirits and is expected to recover and return to the team. The Oracle gives almost daily updates of the coach’s condition.\textsuperscript{2014}

The College of Language and Literature is renamed the College of Arts and Letters.\textsuperscript{2015}

USF’s Women’s Center will almost assuredly not be able to operate for the next school year because of a lack of funds.\textsuperscript{2016}

A panel of USF faculty members convenes to discuss President Richard Nixon’s impeachment. All six members of the panel “favored impeachment and removal from office of President Richard Nixon.”\textsuperscript{2017}

Head Theater may be forced to cease operations unless they find a sponsor. They have been informed by Head of Student Organizations Phyllis Marshall that the program is “too professional” to “exist as a student organization.”\textsuperscript{2018}

USF operations at the Fort Myers Branch Campus are set to begin this month. The University will operate from the Lee County Gwynne Institute Building in downtown Fort Myers.\textsuperscript{2019}

Head Theater will continue to run their popular “midnight movies.” They are now sponsored by Student Government and are no longer an independent organization. This ends the discussion of whether or not it is independent and ends their need for sponsorship.\textsuperscript{2020}

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\textsuperscript{2014} O 7/9/74 p8
\textsuperscript{2015} O 7/25/74 p1
\textsuperscript{2016} O 7/25/74 p3
\textsuperscript{2017} O 8/1/74 p1
\textsuperscript{2018} O 8/6/74 p6
\textsuperscript{2020} O 9/25/74 p6
USF student Herbert Ferrell files a lawsuit in the Middle District Court of Hillsborough County attempting to stop the impeachment of President Nixon. The class action suit bases its argument against impeachment on the disenfranchisement of voters who supported Nixon and names Vice President Ford, House Speaker Carl Albert, Florida Senator Lawton Chiles and Representative Sam Gibbons as defendants.\textsuperscript{2021}

The Oracle releases an extra issue covering only President Nixon’s resignation.\textsuperscript{2022}

The Student Finance Committee, which “scrutinizes the University budget and plays a key role in budgetary allocations” was moved from its office in the Administration Building last summer. The administration cited lack of space and moved the committee to the University Center. The SFC is now “back in its office close to the decision-making area of campus” and “may once again assume the aggressive posture” that it has employed in the past.\textsuperscript{2023}

Meetings of the Council Of Deans, which have been criticized because of their “closed door policy,” will now be open to the public.\textsuperscript{2024}

Preliminary figures show that USF’s total enrollment in the fall quarter will pass 20,000 for the first time in the school’s history.\textsuperscript{2025}

USF’s Fort Myers branch campus opens with 452 students enrolled. Classes are only held in the late afternoon and evening. The Ft. Myers students will be represented in the USF SG.\textsuperscript{2026}

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USF had an 11% turnover rate of faculty last year. A total of 53 professors, assistant professors and associate professors left their USF positions, of these 53, 13 were fired and 40 quit.

A special committee of the BOR has put together a statewide faculty grievance procedure, which has been accepted by the Board of Education.

The Oracle is given its eighth consecutive “All-American” rating by the Associated Collegiate Press.

The attempt to organize a computerized system of people interested in carpooling is underway.

Because of this year’s tight budget, USF lost “lost 15 nine-month faculty positions, 10 adjuncts, 10 graduate assistants, and 9 career service positions” according to President Mackey. Mackey believes that the state is trying to make USF “do more with less” and faculty members must try and avoid adversarial relationships.

The BOR has recommended an increase in parking rates at state universities. President Mackey is opposed to the plan, which alters an individual school’s ability to set parking rates. Students are also in opposition, writing thousands of letters in a Student Government sponsored letter writing campaign.

University Police officer Joe Moore leaves the force to join the Plant City Police Department. Officer Moore cites “student animosity” as one of his main reasons for

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leaving, he had made more drug-related arrests than any other officer on the force in his
time at USF.  

Because of budget cutbacks the library will have to cut 18 hours a week from its
schedule. The Student Government organizes a formal protest.  

Student Government members give $46.91 to the library. The money was
collected by “begging on the Hillsborough County Courthouse sidewalk Wednesday in
an effort to publicize the plight of USF’s library.”  

Some students have taken exception to a classified ad placed by the Student
Senate Finance Committee in the Oracle classifieds. The ad requested applications for a
secretarial post in the office and stipulated that applicants be “attractive.” Alan Jotkoff,
who wrote the ad, explains that he “wasn’t talking about attractive in the physical sense,”
he was actually looking for someone who is professional and “neat in appearance.”  

Acting Tampa Mayor Lloyd Copeland has declared tomorrow CAUSE
(Community and University Service Encounter) day in Tampa to recognize student
volunteerism in the community.  

Representative Marshall Harris accuses the BOR of favoritism towards the
University of Florida and Florida State University. Rep. Harris argues that this
favoritism is what leads to a lack of “adequate cost of living pay increases” at USF and
other state universities.
Deputy Attorney General Baya Harrison says that University Police Chief Paul Uravich is “violating the spirit of the state sunshine law.” Chief Uravich will listen to requests for public police reports and then decide on a case by case basis which reports to make available to the public. Tampa Police Chief Charles Otero believes that Uravich has “no legal authority to withhold officers’ reports from public scrutiny.”

Elevator use is now restricted to handicapped persons and transportation of heavy loads. Because of increased use, elevators have been more prone to malfunction, causing handicapped students to miss classes. The Oracle opposes the action, believing “the elevators belong to everyone.”

An amendment to the Student Government Constitution has increased the number of Student Senators from 24 to 40.

The State has instructed USF to “immediately” change the insulation in the Textbook Center because the polyurethane foam “presents a definite fire hazard.” The state issued the directive on August 13th. The school will comply when the best method to solve the problem is agreed upon. Bringing the center up to fireproof standards will cause delays in service at the beginning of quarter 2. The Textbook Center will not open for book purchase until one to three weeks after the beginning of quarter 2. Associate Vice-President for Academic Affairs Bill Scheuerle believes that they must find some arrangement to bring the books to students before the beginning of the quarter. Faculty members are not pleased with the situation.
The textbook center will open on time according to Vice-President for Administration Ken Thompson. The center’s staff will be working long hours and some weekends to allow for the store to open on time. Vice President for Academic Affairs Carl Riggs argues that professors’ propensity for ordering books late is the reason behind textbook center delays. Many USF deans disagree with Riggs’ assessment of the situation.

President Mackey sets up a committee to consider “the possibility of setting up a daycare center” at the school. The committee consists of 16 students, staff and faculty members, Director of Student Health Services Ann Winch is chosen as chair.

The Daycare Committee reports that the university could either establish small centers around the university area or “buy playpens and bassinets and stash them in the corner of the classroom.”

Vice President for Academic Affairs Carl Riggs proposes that the deans begin a “meticulous” study of pay structure at the school in order to understand pay inequality.

Students dressed as pirates are “kidnapping” USF administrators. The administrators will be auctioned off to the highest bidding group and the administrator will have to recruit for the group for at least a half hour, contribute fund raising ideas and do other activities.
President Mackey is auctioned off to the Student Government and the Lacrosse team for $55. He hands out pamphlets for the SG and will attend and take part in a lacrosse practice. Mackey, who was active in tennis, boxing, handball, basketball and volleyball while at the University of Illinois, does not rule out the possibility of playing lacrosse again if he enjoys it.  

President Mackey believes that the schools “greatest single building need is a large auditorium.” The BOR later votes to ask the legislature for $120 million, for the purpose of erecting multi-purpose centers at all state universities.

Classics and Ancient Studies Chairman Albert Gessman says that almost every department at USF commits “academic prostitution” by offering courses designed to fill seats rather than minds. Gessman also says that “about 80 percent of the students and 60 percent of the faculty here would be better off at junior colleges.” Several Department Chairs later agree with Gessman that some classes are too easy.

Over 2.5 million dollars worth of tangible property, or 21% of USF’s total tangible property, is unaccounted for according to an audit. (Tangible property incorporates anything from cars to typewriters to chairs and “anything that is not nailed down.”) Assistant Vice-President for Administration Bob Wallace defends the university. He states that the figures are misleading and since the audit period goes into the next fiscal year they have not received all the inventories. In fact “a substantial portion of the property is accounted for now.” The audit also demonstrates that President

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Mackey spent over $60,000 on “dinners, meetings and entertainment without showing it served the interests of higher education as the law requires.”

University Police Officers may begin to ticket bicyclists who violate traffic regulations.

USF may offer classes at Eckerd College next winter. Eckerd President Billy Wireman is excited about the opportunity “provided we do not destroy Eckerd in the process.”

Vice President for Administration Ken Thompson has approved a parking violations appeal board.

An increase in students receiving treatment for venereal diseases at the health center reflects a trend throughout the country.

The Oracle prints an editorial supportive of President Ford’s amnesty offer towards Draft-dodgers. The paper receives angry letters saying that the editors should leave the country.

The health center has been receiving complaints that their distributors of birth control are acting in an unprofessional manner towards people. Women who request birth control say they’ve been treated in a “judgmental” manner by the staff. The Women’s Center also believes that the “staff is paternal and moralizes at us because we’re younger.” Health Center Directory Larry Stevens claims that they are not judgmental and would not act in an unprofessional manner.
The university’s amplified music policy is under attack by the student senate. The policy restricts the number of amplified concerts on campus and the length of the concerts. Senators argue that outdoor, amplified programs are necessary because there is no indoor facility to take advantage of. The Oracle agrees with the student senate position.2060

The annual “River Riot” is deemed a success attended by 4 to 5 thousand people. A letter to the Oracle chastises the paper for a lack of coverage.2061

A “Gay Coalition” for homosexuals of both sexes has been organized on campus to support the campus’s “large gay community.”2062

Student Government President Richard Merrick is screening applicants to be the SG liaison to the Ft. Myers campus.2063

Director of Personnel Services John Weicherding is accused of favoring the administration in decisions regarding employees. Equal Opportunity Assistant Phyllis Hamm says that she also has documents in her possession proving that a woman had been turned down for a job given to employees without necessary state requirements.2064

The bicycle club will make a 55-mile trek to Brooksville over the weekend and stay overnight at Chinsegut Hill.2065

Limited hours of gym availability bother some readers of the Oracle.2066
The St. Petersburg Campus is offering an “Urban Survival” course. The course is designed to “help people improve the quality of daily living and face serious situations without panic.”

The Council of University Presidents recommends that the BOR place a cap on enrollments at state universities.

The “On-Campus Survival Manual” is written by students for students and offers a unique perspective on dorm living.

Swimming coach Bob Grindley is in fair condition after a motorcycle accident. Upon hearing of the situation several team members went to the hospital to donate blood. The coach, whose left leg is amputated after the accident, hopes to return to the team around mid-December.

Faculty Senate Chair Jesse Binford says that collective bargaining is not needed at USF. Bob Whitaker, President of USF’s United Faculty of Florida chapter, disagrees.

Head Theater is offering a $100 reward for the return of an amplifier stolen after a show. The amplifier is worth $400 and is owned by the 800 Head Theater members. The amplifier is later discovered wrapped in plastic in the Business Auditorium storage room. David Elman, Head Theater spokesman, has already purchased another $400 amplifier with his own money for the theater.
Of 500 people registered to vote in USF’s precinct only 62 actually voted. This is a higher number than the primaries, in which only 25 voted, but still a very light turnout.\(^{2074}\)

A “student Bill of Rights” has been proposed to the USF SG constitution. The Senate eventually ratifies the Bill and it must go to a general student election.\(^{2075}\)

The Tampa chapter of the National Organization for Women (NOW) will file charges with the Department of Health Education and Welfare (HEW) to seeking an investigation into sexual discrimination in USF’s athletic program. These charges are a result of a three month investigation by the Student Affairs Committee, the Student Senate and NOW.\(^{2076}\)

Joyce Meyer, a former clerk-typist at the bookstore, has requested that USF Special Assistant for Equal Opportunity Phyllis Hamm investigate her firing.\(^{2077}\)

Zoning changes that would allow the construction of high-density living units around USF are being considered. Some students believe that these changes will not benefit the academic nature of the university. The Student Senate opposes commercial rezoning around the university.\(^{2078}\)

Physical Plant workers sweep 10 to 15 pigeon nests off ledges of the Social Sciences building, destroying many eggs in the process. They have received complaints from students who had been monitoring the nests hoping to see the eggs hatch. Geography professor Harry Kim says that this is “a senseless and very sad solution to the pigeon problem at USF” and although maintenance needs to solve the problem with a

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\(^{2078}\) O 11/1/74 p1, 11/7/74 p13
limited budget “we teach about ecology and man and we should be able to apply our knowledge and solve the problem without killing innocent creatures.” Physical Plant workers apply a goop called “Roost-No-More” on the ledges. A representative from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services comes to campus and meets with Physical Plant administrators to “determine the legal status” of “Roost-No-More” as a pesticide.

President Mackey’s proposed reconfiguration of The Status of Women Committee has caused worry for some of the committee members. They believe that the unique nature of the committee will be undermined if Mackey reconfigures it. Mackey replies that all committees believe in their own uniqueness and he has not decided on the new structure of the group, but will decide soon.

The Student Senate will investigate SAGA, the campus food provider because of numerous complaints.

The alcohol policy on campus will be altered slightly to allow students, faculty and staff to drink at private functions on campus.

USF is projected to have a $150,000 deficit in utilities and Charles Butler, the Physical Plant Director does not know where the money will come from.

USF will have its first “Battle of the Sexes.” Though not as well known as the famous match between Bobby Riggs and Billie Jean King, Glenn Burdick, an engineering professor and Frankie Wilson, a former member of the women’s tennis team, will square
off on the tennis court. The proceeds from the match will be donated to various
departments and financial aid.  

During the gas shortage, the faculty and students from the College of Engineering
restore one of the country’s oldest electric cars. They are also restoring a new electric car
being built, which will replicate the 1927 Bugatti racing car.

The USF Medical School plans the charter graduation for its first class of students
who entered the school in 1971.

Burdick is successful in USF’s “Battle of Sexes” defeating Frankie Wilson in a
match umpired by President Cecil Mackey. Burdick, who gave his opponent a corsage
before the match, won 6-2, 6-1. The event raised about $400 and a $9,000 dollar boat
was donated. Wilson said after the match that she “just couldn’t get started” but she was
not terribly bothered since it was for charity. Burdick reiterated that it isn’t important
who wins or loses and he has “said that all along.” “Of course, I can say that easier now”
he added with a laugh.

The College of Education Student Council is holding elections for its 30 seats.
Incumbent President Janis Allen is the only one running, meaning that 29 of 30 seats will
be open on the council.

A policy proposed by the Board of Regents that would bar convicted felons from
admittance to state universities is “symbolically disastrous” according to an official from
the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services. The official believes that felons

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attempting to turn their lives around will receive a poor message if the program is implemented.\textsuperscript{2090}

The intramural council proposes a plan to cease classifying sports by sex and begin classifying by skill level, thus coming into compliance with Title IX.\textsuperscript{2091}

The university is considering a “Clean Slate” policy. This would alter the policy of placing incoming freshman with low high school averages on academic probation.\textsuperscript{2092}

The Student Senate begins the impeachment of Secretary for Minority Affairs Bennie Herring. Herring is accused of misfeasance and although he promised last quarter to maintain regular office hours he hasn’t met the requirements according to Senator Jim Sabo, who put forth the motion to begin impeachment.\textsuperscript{2093} The formal charges against Herring are as follows: 1. Herring allegedly “approved of and participated in the solicitation” of admittance money from students who wished to see an SG sponsored poetry recital. According to the rules, events sponsored with Activity and Service fee monies must be free to students. 2. Herring did not give Student Finance Committee Chair Alan Jotkoff adequate financial records for the poetry reading. 3. Herring is accused of misrepresenting himself “as an SG officer to a University Square Mall official and a representative from Ramada Inn to get free or discounted services for a fashion show he was producing apart from SG.”\textsuperscript{2094}

SG Student Finance Committee Chairperson Alan Jotkoff and Secretary for Minority Affairs Bennie Herring resign from the senate. Herring is being impeached and the senate has said it will “look into operations by Jotkoff.” According to Social Sciences
Senator Galen Brooks the impeachment proceedings were “racist in nature” and “we can expect a lot of impeachments proceedings next quarter, that’s all we are going to do next quarter.”

Senator Jim Sabo, who investigated the charges against Herring and brought them to the attention of the senate, denies that the proceedings were “racist in nature.”

Herring and Jotkoff respond that they have no desire to quit and “words were put” in their mouths regarding their status in the Student Senate. Both deny that they tendered their resignations. SG President Merrick says that Herring, who is being impeached, “will be fired if he does not quit.” Although Merrick announced Jotkoff had left voluntarily, the former Senator responds, “I didn’t resign, I was fired.” Jotkoff believes that Merrick felt him to be “too political” and “not enough of a yes-man.” Merrick responds that Jotkoff is not under suspicion of illegal activity and was “brilliant” in the completion of his duties, but had attitude problems. Jotkoff and Merrick encountered some personality conflicts while in the Senate. Jotkoff welcomes a probe because he “has nothing to hide.”

There have been many resignations of Student Senators this year. Only 10 of the 24 Senate seats are held by the people who won the election last January, leaving the 14 seats filled by President Richard Merrick’s appointments. This has an adverse affect on continuity and the senate’s ability to make positive progress.

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2098 O 12/3/74 p3
On December 21, 1974 USF will graduate 23 students with their M.D. It will be the graduation of USF’s charter class in the College of Medicine. The students began their studies in 1971.\textsuperscript{2099}

The faculty senate hotly debates whether or not to change the title “Chairman” to “Chairperson.” After 20 minutes of discussion the decision is reached to refer to the person who had been “Chairman” as “Speaker.” Chairs of committees will be referred to as “heads” of committees. “Astronomy Chairperson” Heinrich Eichhorn-von Wurmb contests the decision as a “silly attempt by militant females to destroy the beauty of the English tongue.”\textsuperscript{2100}

USF students streaking across campus naked was a fad in 1974.\textsuperscript{2101}

The Ft. Myers campus opens to students with three faculty members. Classes are held in the Gwynne Institute in downtown Ft. Myers. The classes quickly overflow into trailers and portable classrooms in the parking lot.

Research funding surpasses $18.5 million for fiscal year 1973-74; 253 research proposals are funded.

First reported incident of on-campus streaking occurs.

Enrollment exceeds 20,000. Planners thought enrollment would level off at 10,000 in 1970. Fees are $13 per quarter for undergrads, $16.50 for grad students, and an additional fee of $24 for out of state students.

In February, Mackey sat in an open mall on campus. An assailant in a monkey mask jammed a chocolate cream pie in Mackey’s face and escaped into a sea of students. Of the incident, Mackey said, “I shrugged in off.”\textsuperscript{2102}

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\textsuperscript{2100} O 12/5/74 p24
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The Board of Regents asks the Florida State Legislature for $8.8 million to expand the USF branch campus in St. Petersburg. President Cecil Mackey has been actively campaigning for a Pinellas County campus extension, explaining that, “We are reaching the point of saturation at our present site.”

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools reviews and reaffirms its accreditation of the University of South Florida. The chief criticism of the SACS is that USF does not yet fulfill the role of an urban university.

Construction is underway for the seven-story, 154,000 square foot library building at USF. The new facility will have the capacity to accommodate approximately 750,000 volumes.

Tampa city councilman Joe Chillura urges support for his proposal to install a state architectural school at the University of South Florida. “The Tampa Bay area will be the hub of a fast-growing area,” Chillura explains, “and I detect a need for design people here in coming years.” The final decision will be left to the State Board of Regents.

USF President Cecil Mackey is determined to get the Oracle student newspaper off campus in an effort to “rid himself of responsibility as publisher.” His action comes in light of a recent court decision that declared a university president’s legal responsibility for the content of school newspapers.

The St. Petersburg city council votes 5 – 2 to donate thirty-five acres of land for expansion of the USF campus at Bayboro Harbor.

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2004 Tampa Times: Jan. 11, 1974
2005 Tampa Times: Jan. 17, 1974
2006 Tampa Tribune (TT): Jan. 26, 1974
2007 SPT: Jan. 28, 1974
2008 TT: Feb. 8, 1974
Pinellas County offers an alternative 85-acre site for a proposed USF branch campus. County commissioner G. Patrick Iley calls the land, “The number one parcel the county has to offer.” An additional site in downtown St. Petersburg is also being considered for the University’s expansion. Commissioner A. Oliver McEachern comments that, “It seems that everybody is trying to force a piece of land down Dr. Mackey’s throat.”

Pinellas County Commission Chairman Charles Rainey offers USF still another site: 150 acres northeast of Lake Tarpon in northern Pinellas County. Consideration of the property is contingent upon the state’s construction of a road to the site.

USF art professor Harris Covington wins the commission for construction of a wall sculpture in the University library. His sculpture is entitled, “Proportions.”

Approximately fifteen male and female students streak across the USF campus in front of between 200 and 250 cheering spectators. “We just had a good ol’ time,” explains an unidentified participant. “I’m sure we’ll do it again. It’ll probably become a regular thing at USF.”

The Suncoast Heart Association presents the first official endowment to the University of South Florida. The Association is providing a ten-year professorship in cardiovascular research in honor of the late Ed. C. Wright. “This is a banner day for the University,” says President Cecil Mackey. “It takes a great deal of support to create a great medical school and a great university.”

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2109 TT: Feb. 6, 1974  
2110 SPT: Feb. 6, 1974  
2111 TT: Feb. 22, 1974  
2112 SPT: Feb. 25, 1974  
2113 TT: Mar. 1, 1974  
2114 SPT: Apr. 25, 1974
The trustees of Sarasota’s New College ask the Florida Board of Regents to make them a branch of the University of South Florida. In a letter to President Mackey, the trustees explain that their proposal is the result of “intensive self-analysis, [and] a continuing process in these times of severe strain on higher education.”

Former USF African-American Studies professor Edward G. McDonald sues President Cecil Mackey, charging that he was “defamed” by the student newspaper, the Oracle. McDonald, asked to resign his position in February 1972, seeks reinstatement at the University and $100,000 in damages. District Judge Ben Krentzman dismisses the charges against Mackey.

USF officials announce funds have fallen short in an attempt to raise approximately $500,000 for the construction of a 100-foot tall Picasso sculpture on the University campus.

The State Board of Regents agrees to expansion of the USF campus at Bayboro Harbor in St. Petersburg.

USF Chancellor Robert Mautz addresses opposition to expansion of the USF campus at Bayboro Harbor in St. Petersburg. “We don’t want to be caught in an internal county debate,” he says. “We’ve never gone into a county experiencing this kind of difficulty ... It’s a reversal of the usual situation.” The Pinellas County Planning Council voted to oppose the project after the Board of Regents failed to consult them. Instead, they endorsed the proposed mid-county location.

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2115 SPT: May 7, 1974
2116 TT: Oct. 24, 1974
2117 TT: Nov. 14, 1974
2118 TT: Dec. 14, 1974
2119 SPT: Dec. 15, 1974
2120 SPT: Dec. 19, 1974
The St. Pete campus presents a plan to subsidize day care for students, a program meant to replace the defunct day care on campus.  

The St. Pete campus’s coffeehouse “The Mushroom” re-opens.  

The St. Pete campus hosts “The New Multipolar World,” a symposium on foreign policy around the world.  

The St. Pete campus’s student ACLU chapter is giving out “impeach Nixon” buttons and bumper stickers.  

The St. Pete campus offers “mini-courses” that are low cost or free, and do not count as credit. Among the classes in 1974: sailing, canoeing, guitar, karate, survival, photography, senior lifesaving, first aid, and swimming.  

Among the newer clubs on the St. Pete campus are Student’s International Meditation Society, Veteran’s Club, Drama Club, and the Diet Club, “Diets are for people who are thick and tired of it.”

1975: Due to financial woes, New College joins USF’s organization, and USF assumes its $800,000 operating debt. Beginning in 1974, New College proposes to the state their inclusion in the SUS. The two parties agree that New College should become part of USF’s multi-campus system, and direct negotiations between New College and USF begin in October, 1974. President Mackey eased the fears of New College personnel by

2121 Crow, 1/3/74.  
2122 Crow, 1/24/74.  
2123 Crow, 2/18/74.  
2124 Crow, 5/14/74.  
2125 Crow, 9/19/74.  
2126 Crow, 9/19/74. Drama Club appears in Oct. 7th issue.
saying that it would retain its identity, although it would be part of a regional campus. Optimism reigned as 1975 begins, and the *Sarasota Herald Tribune* enthused, “The arrangement that has now been worked out … is a creative one. It preserves the college and also brings to the community many advantages of the university system. The union is probably unique and may serve as a model in other states where private colleges and universities are facing similar financial realities.” New College president Arland Christ-Janer spoke effusively to a crowd of 1,500 at the Van Wezel Hall on February 2 to formally announce the details of the merger. In Tallahassee, education commissioner Ralph Turlington expressed uncertainty that New College, as a 4-year college, could join SUS at all. While the legislature and cabinet sorted out the legal details, New College racked up a sizable debt waiting for $830,000 the state had promised. With funds low from a national recession, Turlington agreed to the merger but refused to subsidize New College students. Chancellor Robert Mautz suddenly opposes the subsidies as well. Once again, the sticking point is NC’s role as a 4-year college. Christ-Janer began a nationwide telephone campaign asking alumni, college presidents, and educators to write Governor Rueben Askew asking the NC be funded. On April 3, signed documents made the merger official. With funding still in doubt, service and enrollment declines. On June 6, the legislature granted full funding to NC, about $1.4 million. On July 1, in observation of state regulations, every tenured professor lost his-her status, all benefits were revoked, and all instructors were considered to be “candidates” for their jobs, to be re-interviewed and (perhaps) re-hired at a later date. On that same day, NC becomes the only state-sponsored liberal arts college in Florida. Mackey appoints Lester Tuttle as the dean. NC students, many who had publicly opposed the merger, are rudely critical of
USF’s regular students (and administration), who they share their campus with. The tension would never disappear. One major advantage was the lowered tuition rates for state residents: what had previously been $3,100 fell to just $746. Upperclassmen found they could declare residency and pay the lower rate. While many instructors think the merger a success, some students complain loudly. One said, “The life of a student at New College is more regulated than it ever was before. Another said, “We consider the state [university system] the opposite of everything New College represents.” Amid a deepening state economic crisis, New College faculty, whose pay had been constantly cut to save NC’s hide, made less than ever. With its own fiscal problems and underpaid faculty, USF could do little to help immediately. It soon became apparent that NC would not be able to keep up with payments to USF, and no official seemed willing or able to raise funds to fill in the gaps.2127

NC students reacted to news of the proposed merger “with a mixture of dismay and amusement,” according to an Oracle article. “They built a ‘suicide’ tower—a three-foot high ladder suspended over a mattress pad—from which many students and ex-president Arland Christ-Janer reportedly jumped.” Mathematics/economics major James Foster said, “We had a lot of fun. We resented, I use the word ‘feared’ the merger at first, of course. The main thing we’re worried about is that we’ll be able to continue with our excellent education. It’s the best buy in education right now.” The restrictive visitation policies common to state universities turned many students away from remaining on campus. Humanities major Mike Armstrong said, “I can name on two hands the ‘old’ students who have remained living on campus.”2128

2127 Arthur, New College: The First Three Decades, p.132-144.
2128 O 9/23/75.
USF and NC formally consummate the partnership in a ceremony and luncheon on Sept. 6. A variety of politicians and educators attend. President Mackey holds the alliance out as a model for saving private colleges with public help. He also praises NC’s former President Dr. Arland Christ-Janer, for identifying the crisis early and stepping aside in favor of direct involvement by the state and USF.²¹²⁹

Among Mackey’s comments during his speech at the luncheon, “The country and private and public education at this point in our history need very badly some models of success such as this can represent. Perhaps at no other time in the history of this country have there been so many responsible people questioning the value and importance of a college education. [T]he very opposite philosophy is so apparent here in your commitment and your support of this institution. The willingness to experiment, the willingness to face change, in fact, to embrace it, is an essential ingredient of higher education if [it] is to continue to support the democratic free society that we all believe in for this country. There is perhaps no greater example than New College of the initiative and the effort required to support that attitude toward change, that willingness to continually push the frontiers of curriculum and of program content for higher education.”²¹³⁰

The Sarasota campus begins the 1975-76 year with 676 students. The number is larger than the 500 or so that planners expected. There are a total of 1,028 courses offered, with 41 in Arts and Letters, 208 in Business, 535 in education, and 244 in Social Science.²¹³¹

²¹²⁹ SPT (“Manatee Times”), 9/6/75.
²¹³¹ Sarasota Campus commencement Convocation Program, 1989; Sarasota Herald-Tribune, 10/15/75.
Because New College’s programs claim all of their classroom space, USF is forced to hold all classes at night. Some courses will be held at Sarasota High, and an old dorm building is being converted to classroom space. Campus administrator Les Tuttle said, “We’re trying to insulate that program [New College] so the state system doesn’t ‘chew it up’ in the sense that we’ve got a formula-based budget and the New College program is a highly individualized operation.” George Mayer is appointed provost for the campus because he has been on the faculty at USF and NC.\(^{2132}\)

Students returning to college after interrupting their educations for whatever reason are invited to the Sarasota campus to attend a new class called “REFOCUS.” The sessions offer talks about registration, transferring credits, and programs offered at USF and NC. The program is offered in hopes of attracting mature students back to college.\(^{2133}\)

While Florida’s college attendance tapers off, USF’s expands dramatically, partially as a result of catering to “area bound” commuter students through regional campuses and night classes.

Board of Regents accepts 35 acres from city of St. Pete for campus expansion. The campus gives 434 degrees.

First joint doctoral program at USF created between USF and UF astronomy departments.

Enrollment passes 20,000.

USF’s new Tampa campus library opens with a capacity of 1 million volumes.

\(^{2132}\) Sarasota Herald-Tribune, 8/25/75.  
\(^{2133}\) Sarasota Herald-Tribune, 9/14/75.
Phi Beta Kappa denies USF membership again, citing lack of Liberal Arts, large class sizes, and low pay for faculty.\textsuperscript{2134}

The Finance Committee of the BOR suggests that USF should eliminate its undergraduate programs. Governor Askew requests a large slash in USF’s budget, from $392.4 million to $319 million. President Mackey reacts by writing a memo to all faculty members, outlining the results of the budget cut. Among the ill effects are cuts in small classes, cuts in small programs, a reduction in research and service faculty, no salary increase, no improvements for new programs, a delay in acquiring new equipment, a cut of 22 faculty “man-years”, eliminating freshman admissions, increasing student fees, reducing out of state fee waivers, and redistributing fees. The elimination of undergrad programs would be especially devastating for USF.\textsuperscript{2135}

President Mackey visits the People’s Republic of China with 21 other university presidents for three weeks, funded by a private donor. They visited six Chinese cities, including Peking (now Beijing), Shanghai, and Canton. “The people were friendly, the arrangements were well handled and we were able to do virtually everything we asked to do. Although we asked several times, we couldn’t go to a court in session. They said simply ‘it couldn’t be arranged.’ They [Chinese citizens] were very curious, but I experienced no hostility. Several times I saw teenage boys playing basketball and joined them for a few minutes. It was clear that educational policy was designed to serve political objectives [and] officials at every level confirmed that impression.” Mackey

\textsuperscript{2134} Tt 7/20/79.
\textsuperscript{2135} USF Presidential memo, 1/28/75.
was especially struck with the equality of women (at least in terms of work), the high literacy rate, and fine health care.2136

A history of the university reads, when comparing the persecution meted out by the Johns Committee to the present, “today the Gay Coalition can sponsor an Empty Keg dance and government critics and socialists are no strangers to the classroom.”2137

Staff members at the new library are especially concerned with security. When moving into the new building, a manager of a nearby apartment complex brought over two boxes of books he found while cleaning out an apartment. None of the books had actually been checked out. About 2,500 books disappear each year. The new “Tattletape” electronic security system should improve matters.2138

The Picasso Fund Raising Committee will continue trying to raise funds to construct the 100-foot statue “Bust of a Woman” at USF rather than shelve the project.2139 The campaign to collect money for the statue began in 1972. By 1975 the campaign has earned half of the $500,000 needed to erect the stone sculpture. Efforts to collect money are basically inactive in September.2140

USF student Bradley Arthur started a petition to have a permanent traffic light installed at the intersection of 15th Street and 131st Avenue. Residents are concerned about the numerous accidents occurring at the intersection. Many apartment complexes line both streets causing heavy traffic. A flashing beacon is installed at the intersection and is considered a temporary measure.2141 Some students do not believe the flashing

2136 Tdt 4/29/75.
2137 Omnibus O 11/19/75.
2138 Omnibus O 11/19/75.
2139 Oracle: Jan. 7, 1975
2140 O: Sept. 24, 1975
2141 O: Jan. 8, 1975; Jan. 10; Jan. 14
beacon is much help. The *Oracle* urges the Hillsborough county Commission to take prompt action to see that a traffic light is installed.

Annual parking fee is $10.\(^{2142}\)

The Board of Regents votes for a temporary moratorium on enrollment at all nine state universities because of the current budget crunch. Students’ applications will be processed, but students will receive no acceptance letters until the BOR lifts its policy.\(^{2143}\)

The BOR Finance Committee proposes a possible ban on freshmen entering state universities.\(^{2144}\) The Finance Committee proposes the elimination of freshman and sophomore courses at USF and Florida Technological University in order to save money.\(^{2145}\)

To make students aware of food waste, Andros and Argos cafeterias dispense prizes to students who clean their plates. Employees at both cafeterias blow airhorns at those students who leave extra food on their plates.\(^{2146}\)

A new alcoholic beverage policy takes affect at USF. Any group affiliated with the university may serve alcoholic beverages at private events in the University Center and faculty-staff lounges in other buildings. Serving time is limited to one hour except for wine, which may be served at dinner events.\(^{2147}\)

The USF chapter of the Florida Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws is formed. FORML’s purposes are to remove the “Reefer Madness Mentality” that grew

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out of the 30’s, and to get legislation passed to remove criminal penalties for possession of pot.\textsuperscript{2148}

Student Government proposes an alternative programming format for WUSF radio. The proposed programming includes more folk and bluegrass music, music geared to the black audience and nonwestern, progressive and electronic music. SG requests that the station cut the amount of classical music aired.\textsuperscript{2149} However, newly arrived station manager John Young says he does not foresee major changes from WUSF’s classical music and public affairs programming. Young says rock music, removed from the station’s airwaves in 1973, will not return.\textsuperscript{2150}

SG vice president Doug Pettit says his number one priority in 1975 is the restoration of WUSF-FM’s progressive rock program, the Underground Railroad. Pettit and seven other students met with President Cecil Mackey about the issue. President Mackey says the rock program was cut because a university’s responsibility is to provide programming that goes along with the university’s mission. President Mackey says classical music “is more related to the academic thrust of the university.”\textsuperscript{2151}

Student Government charges WUSF-FM with failure to provide proper programming for the USF community. SG claims the station presents discriminatory programming, leaving out programs for blacks, Latin Americans and women. The station’s license renewal, scheduled for February of 1976, will be approved unless a

\textsuperscript{2148} O: Jan. 17, 1975
\textsuperscript{2149} O: Jan. 31, 1975
\textsuperscript{2150} O: Sept. 26, 1975
\textsuperscript{2151} O: Sept. 26, 1975
complaint is filed against the station. SG intends to prepare a case before the renewal date.  

WUSF radio reorganizes its news format. Under the new format all hard news coverage is replaced with local features. Under the new director of educational resources, Dr. William Mitchell, WUSF-FM fires its entire paid student news staff and refuses to let them work for free. Norman Hale, the WUSF-FM news director for four years, resigns amid the turmoil associated with the station’s format reorganization. Hale says the restructuring is hindering his journalistic goals.  

The chairman of the Department of Mass Communications, Dr. Sasser is upset by WUSF’s elimination of hard news. Dr. Sasser says his broadcasting students do not have a place to obtain practical news broadcasting experience.  

Some USF students write letters to the editor in the Oracle voicing their opposition and concerns to the recent elimination of hard news on WUSF-FM. Student Government Vice President Doug Pettit says President Mackey is monopolizing WUSF to the exclusion of his fellow citizens. Pettit believes it was President Mackey’s idea to eliminate hard news on the radio station.  

President Mackey announces that he did not make the decision to eliminate spot news from WUSF-FM and he does not know who did. Mackey says he has been consistent in his policy not to get involved in the day-to-day operation of any of the academic units.
Associate professor of Mass Communications, Dr. Manny Lucoff, says WUSF’s general manager, Dr. William Mitchell, followed orders from a higher authority. Mitchell has refused to comment on the decision.  

WUSF places 19th among 173 radio stations nationwide in an American Research Bureau survey. Two years ago the station ranked among the top 10. The survey is taken for those stations that program classical opera and drama formats.

WUSF-FM management considers airing a 10-minute daily news program on local and state topics with an emphasis on news-features. WUSF-FM does not consider adding hard news to its programming. Dr. Mitchell, general manager of WUSF, says the station is willing to have students who are working for class credit prepare 10 minutes of news each day for airing at 12:30 p.m.

The general manager of WUSF decides to resume some news programming on the station. He says his decision to resume some news is a concession to Mass Communications Department Chairman Dr. Sasser. Mitchell says student reporters will concentrate on in-depth stories of local impact. Then, pressed by students, some of whom worked at the station before the news cuts, Mitchell and station manager John Young agreed that in some cases hard news and in-depth presentations could be combined.

Mitchell says the station can have students working for class credit, but the station does not have enough money to pay employed students.
SG votes to request the administration to return hard news and student workers to WUSF-FM. The resolution also calls for the return of the Underground Railroad program.\textsuperscript{2165}

A plan is in the works to set up a carrier current (transmitted through wire) radio station at USF. The plan is proposed by a senior majoring in Mass Communications who wants to give students of mass communications the experience they need.\textsuperscript{2166} SG, which would fund the station, could have some control over the station.\textsuperscript{2167} However, the reception of such a station would be limited to just the campus. Vice President for Student Affairs, Joe Howell, says such a station is worthwhile for institutions where most of the students live on campus. But, since USF is a commuter-oriented school, it may not be as worthwhile.\textsuperscript{2168}

Academic Affairs dwindling money reserves may keep students from being paid to do 10-minute newscasts on WUSF-FM. It is suggested to give students class credit for the newscasts as an incentive for working without pay. Sasser, the chairman of the Mass Communications Department, says interning students do not get credit so they should be paid.\textsuperscript{2169}

WUSF-FM begins airing the Tampa Bay area’s first show aimed at media criticism. The weekly show is called “Mediawatch.”\textsuperscript{2170}

Two more people resign from WUSF-FM radio, the music director, Judith Costello, and the public affairs coordinator, Carl Austin.\textsuperscript{2171}
SG proposes a 10-watt radio station of its own, which would be run by students. The 10-watt station would have a range of five miles. 2172

A USF student from South Vietnam is disappointed in the U.S. withdrawal and at the American government for not keeping its promises. She believes the U.S. should attack until the North loses its fighting power. She wants to graduate as soon as she can in order to earn money to help her family escape to Hong Kong. 2173

*The Oracle* begins a column entitled “Happy, Healthy and Sexy.” The column provides information about sexuality and mental and physical health. The column provides a forum for women and men who need to ask difficult or embarrassing questions. 2174

*The Oracle* begins a column called Womanity. 2175

*The Oracle* asks President Mackey to appoint a task force to make suggestions and review alternatives to the end of the world. 2176

When the current library was in its beginning stages the architect initiated open competition for the wall space at the foot of the stairs in the main lobby. The design of Harrison Covington, former dean of the college of fine arts, is chosen. The design was made from a clay mound; the final piece of polyester and fiberglass was laid-up in the mound after the clay had been removed. The design implies the transference of knowledge through the generations. The central figure of the design was taken from Leonardo’s sketch, *The Proportions of Man*. Covington says the piece relates to the

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library because it is symbolic of the whole process of learning from books. The hanging still remains in the library as of 2003.2177

Vice president for Academic Affairs, Carl Riggs, tells the Council of Deans that USF colleges must hire more women and minority job applicants, or face possible withdrawal of future federal funds. BOR compiled data, which showed that 92.2 percent of 104 applicants recently hired at USF were white males, and 7.8 percent were females.2178

The first joint doctoral program at USF begins between USF and UF astronomy departments.2179

The first South Vietnamese refugees to arrive in Tampa stay at the home of Dr. Mari Jo McCormick, a USF associate professor of interdisciplinary social sciences. A 25 year-old woman and her young niece and nephew arrived in Tampa on May 12, 1975.2180

A blind USF dorm resident, Josef C. Engressia Jr., uses his whistling abilities to trip telephone circuits that bypass the operators and computers that are looking for someone to bill. Engressia discovered his unusual abilities at age seven. He got caught while placing free long distance calls for dormitory residents. He admits to having placed thousands of dollars worth of long distance calls.2181

USF experiences a 16 percent increase in veteran enrollment between April of 1974 and April of 1975. This gives USF the highest veteran enrollment in the State University System.2182

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An associate professor of physics, Dr. Joe Aubel, and his wife, learn that the child they are trying to adopt from Vietnam was not on the cargo plane that crashed carrying Vietnamese orphans to the U.S.\footnote{O: June 6, 1975}

USF’s shuttle bus service discontinues on June 13 because of a lack of riders and funds.\footnote{O: June 24, 1975}

USF experiences its largest summer enrollment ever with a 20 percent increase over 1974’s summer attendance.\footnote{O: June 26, 1975}

Fee for living in a dormitory is $160 a quarter per person for a double occupancy room. \footnote{O: July 3, 1975}

A new bachelor’s of social work degree program begins in September.\footnote{O: July 8, 1975}

Between 30 and 50 people are needed to help move USF’s 500,000 books and 310,000 pounds of shelves from the old library to its new $8 million replacement.\footnote{O: July 10, 1975} The library is the tallest building on campus and is the largest library in the state university system.\footnote{O: Sept. 23, 1975}

USF’s master’s degree program in library science is fully accredited.\footnote{O: July 15, 1975}

Plans to develop USF’s Chinsegut Hill near Brooksville into an educational meeting center for students, staff and faculty members are expected to move into the bidding stages soon.\footnote{O: July 3, 1975}
USF’s basketball coach Bill Gibson suffers a fatal heart attack at his Temple Terrace home. Coach Gibson had a previous heart attack a little more than a year earlier. 2192

USF’s recently established Common Learning Network (CLN), begins 11 classes. The courses do not require tuition. Courses include alternative energy sources, African ethnic dance, and home automobile repair. 2193

The average faculty member earns a yearly salary of $21,500. 2194

A USF intramural softball team, the Good Ole Boys, became the first university or college team in Florida to play inmates of the Sumter Correctional Institution, a maximum security prison. The prison had contacted a lot of universities over the years, but never had any response until USF. 2195

The ROTC comes to USF after more than two years of debate. 2196

Student Overseas Services has temporary jobs available for USF students at the Winter Olympics in Innsbruck, Austria. 2197

A new ruling is seen as a major breakthrough for female employees of USF. The ruling says that USF staff members may take six free credit hours regardless of the total number of hours they enroll for. 2198

Organization of the Brahman Bullhorns Pep Band, the official basketball band, is announced. The band is open to all USF students. 2199

The basketball team gets vocal support from two groups during home games: the Commuter Rooters consist of 50
students who live off-campus, and the Big Green Scream Machine consists of 50 resident students. USF has a version of the Rockettes, called the Bullettes, who will perform at USF’s home basketball games.

A student’s proposed name for USF’s mascot wins the naming contest. The bull is named Amen the Brahman.

A scuffle breaks out at the UC mall as several protesting Iranian students object to picture taking by Oracle photographers. The Iranian students distribute literature supporting pro-Arab causes and broadcast anti-Zionist statements via a public address system. The Student Senate passes a resolution reprimanding the Oracle for printing pictures of an incident between Iranian students and staff photographers. The Student Senate says the pictures endangered the lives of USF students and their families and called the printing of the pictures an extreme example of sensational journalism. The Oracle editor, Matt Bokor, says that any group that holds a protest on the UC mall is open to press coverage. Bokor also says that if the press coverage of the protest would endanger participants’ lives, they should not have been protesting in the first place.

USF President Cecil Mackey, Vice president for Student Affairs Joe Howell and others, maintain that the Oracle did have the right and the duty to print the pictures against the wishes of the protestors. One photographer says an Iranian student in the UC lobby asked him to photograph the event. Outside however, he was asked not to photograph faces of participants. One photographer says he, in the heat of the scuffle, threatened to put the incident on page 1 of the Oracle. Oracle Editor, Matt Bokor, says if

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he had known that he would not have published the photos.\textsuperscript{2205} Two students file a formal complaint with the director of Student Publications charging *Oracle* staff members with provoking a confrontation on October 13, with protesting Iranian students and later misrepresenting the event in the *Oracle*. The students, one a member of Americans for justice in the Middle East, say they witnessed the event.\textsuperscript{2206} Leo Stalnaker, director of Student Publications, says there is no call for disciplinary action against three *Oracle* staff members for their behavior during an October 13 protest by the Iranian Student Association. Stalnaker says the account of one of the students who brought a complaint against *Oracle* staff members bares little or no agreement with the account of the photographers.\textsuperscript{2207}

A vocal confrontation between Iranian Student Association members and Young Socialist Alliance representatives flares in the UC when Iranian students object to pieces of literature displayed on the Socialists’ table. The literature in dispute pictures Iranian poet Dr. Reza Baraheni, a man the Iranians claim is an Iranian spy. Witnesses say the Iranian students threatened to sabotage the literature.\textsuperscript{2208}

The USF Bicycle Club hopes to convince University Square Mall officials of the need for a bike path between the campus and the mall. The club proposes a path between 30\textsuperscript{th} Street and Sears. The *Oracle* states that one must risk his or her life in a mad dash along Fowler Avenue or hike across a wasteland of sand and weeds to reach the mall.\textsuperscript{2209}

The De Bartolo Corporation, builder of University Square Mall, is prepared to begin construction of a temporary bicycle path in the mall area. The Bicycle Club and

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SG first sent a letter requesting a path to the De Bartolo Corporation in 1972. Dick Greco, vice president of the De Bartolo Corporation, requests a four feet wide path because of its temporary nature. However, Jesse Binford, the Bicycle Club sponsor, and SG President Harry Fink, convinced Greco to agree to an eight feet wide path.

USF’s building program committee prepares plans for a student-oriented multi-purpose center to be built with the $9 million allocated by the BOR last year (1974).

In the second week of intramural sports in 1975, USF has 93 teams and more than 2,000 students participating. Twelve games are played a day in basketball, archery, football, paddleball, tennis and table tennis.

In light of an attempted rape and several assaults near campus, the university begins to provide after-dark, on-campus protection for female students. Escorts will walk students from one part of campus to another. Potential escorts have to go through a screening process. USF considers an after-dark car shuttle system for women living within a one-mile radius of campus.

President Ford proposes a plan to limit the food stamp program to poverty-level families. The plan would eliminate all college students from the rolls of eligible food stamp participants. About 200 to 300 Tampa students receive the stamps, which enable them to purchase a certain amount of free food monthly.
USF women write and publish a quarterly journal called “Womenspeak.” Included in the journal are poetry, prose, photos and graphics.2217

The Oracle has a column called “Honky Tonkin’.” The column features information on upcoming rock n’ roll entertainment in the area.2218

President Mackey wants USF to return to the semester system.2219

Student Senate elections begin in October amid charges of racism in the race in the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences. Harry VandenBosch accuses Allison DeFoor of using a racist slogan in his campaign signs. DeFoor, who is running for a seat in the college, has placed signs around campus and in the Oracle featuring the words, “Don’t take a shot in the dark;” in white print. Two of DeFoor’s opponents are black women. VandenBosch files a complaint with the SG Election Rules Committee. The committee says its members do not perceive any racial overtones and cleared the poster. DeFoor says the intent of his campaign is to try and contrast that he and his partner are incumbents with experience while their opponents do not have the experience.2220 The Election Rules Committee Chairman approved the campaign material; and the two black candidates filed no complaints about the campaign poster.2221

In the fall of 1975 USF surpasses FSU in student enrollment and becomes the state’s second largest university after UF. USF has 23,310 students while FSU has 22,381.2222

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The Women’s Center at USF passes out red arm bands to both men and women in support of women’s rights on “Alice Doesn’t…Day.”

To increase student attendance at USF basketball games, students can buy season tickets for home games for $5.

In a vote on what USF students perceive as the university’s building priorities, the biggest vote getter is an events center-coliseum, which would serve as a multi-purpose center. The Fine Arts and Athletic Department officials begin debating about the uses of a possible events center.

Student Government proposes plans for a daycare center on campus. Administration officials give the verbal go-ahead to SG to being work on the daycare center.

The Bicycle Club sponsors a 50-mile overnight bike ride to Chinsegut Hill. A “sag wagon” will follow the riders as a safety measure and will pick up any riders who don’t feel they can complete the ride. Riders may stay at Chinsegut for $3 a night.

Someone posts fake course listings in the Arts & Letters buildings. The course listings include new English courses on “The Films of Walt Disney,” and “Doonesbury.” A few students fell for the joke and were disappointed to learn the course listings were not real. The Oracle assigned a reporter to talk to someone in the English Department about the new course on “Doonesbury.”
Residence Hall students can no longer paint murals on their dorm walls. Students who wish to paint their dorm rooms will use one color of university-supplied paint and no designs will be allowed.\footnote{2231}{O: Nov. 6, 1975}

The *Oracle* receives an All-American rating in the national critical evaluation service of the Associated Collegiate Press. The *Oracle* is awarded on the quality of its publications.\footnote{2232}{O: Nov. 11, 1975}

The Golden Brahman mascot, a fiberglass bull, is missing from the University Center. The Brahman Breeders Association gave USF the six-feet tall and six-feet long, $2,000 bull in 1970. The bull attends all USF home basketball games. The University Police is investigating the incident.\footnote{2233}{O: Nov. 11, 1975} The bull’s ear and a ransom note are delivered to the *Oracle* editor. For the bull to be returned, the note demanded the resignation of USF President Cecil Mackey, library hours of 8 a.m. to 1 a.m. daily, the return of rock music and news programs to WUSF-FM, and cuts in administrative waste. The ransom notes says the bull will be castrated if the demands are not met within 48 hours. However, the University Police find the disfigured and castrated bull outside of the Fine Arts Building before the 48 hours were up. The perpetrators are not found.\footnote{2234}{O: Nov. 12, 1975}

The *Oracle* is available at off-campus locations for five cents. This marks the first time any university student newspaper has been marketed off campus in Florida.\footnote{2235}{O: Nov. 13, 1975}

Three USF people, including the V.P. for Student Affairs, the Alumni Association President, and the *Oracle* editor, are kidnapped by a band of 1930-style gangsters who staged the event. Lambda Chi Alpha staged the event and demanded two cans of food for
every member in return for their release. The fraternity wanted to collect cans of food that would be given to the United Way Volunteer Action Center in Tampa. This was the fraternity’s ninth annual kidnapping.\^2236

The Bicycle Club intends to stage a mass rally to demonstrate a need for a university-area bike-path system.\^2237 Thirty demonstrators ride their bikes 10 miles to the Hillsborough County Courthouse to protest the lack of bike paths in the USF area.\^2238 Head Theater, a student sponsored campus theater, begins to charge students who attend events at the theater. The theater had operated from the SG executive account until the account went into debt. About 150 students entered the theater through a side door without paying the 75 cents admission fee.\^2239

The State Cabinet approves a 4.9 million dollar appropriation for the construction of a new business Administration Building for USF.\^2240

Student Government Productions launches a new project in which USF students would be invited into the homes of community residents for dinner. Community residents can select students from a wide variety of majors. The project is intended to benefit both community residents, by them being able have intellectual encounters, and the students, who not only get a free meal, but also can experience the social world outside of college.\^2241

The Oracle comes out with a 20\textsuperscript{th} USF anniversary edition.\^2242

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Reacting to the recent UN resolution “equating Zionism with racism, more than 100 students gather at the UC mall to participate or listen to rebuttals by local Jewish leaders and organization members.”

USF is treated to its first ever “No Electric Rock Concert,” sponsored by Head Theater. The concert will feature acoustic jazz, blues and bluegrass. Head Theater’s attempts to make a profit on the concert, and thus get out of debt, are dashed when a small crowd of 50 to 150 people show up for the concert.

USF forms a new campus organization called The Nov. 22 Coalition. The coalition formed to raise questions that surround the JFK assassination. The coalition wants a congressional reinvestigation of JFK’s assassination.

Alpha Epsilon Delta pre-medical honorary society will give the community a chance to dunk science professors at their “Dr. Dunk” dunking booth. The purpose of the event is to raise money to buy textbooks for the chemistry lab, materials for the audio-visual lab in Biology, and toys for the pediatrics ward at Tampa General Hospital.

USF begins a program unique to the university called VIP, which stand for Veterans Information Person. VIPs provide academic counseling for USF ex-servicemen. It is designed to help ex-servicemen who are in danger of being academically disqualified from USF. “It’s the best VA program at this university,” says Mike Kiefer, programs coordinator for the campus Office of Veterans Affairs.
Free beer will be given to all USF students at the upcoming Big Sun Invitational Tournament featuring the USF baseball team. The tournament will be held at the Bayfront Center in St. Pete.\textsuperscript{2249}

In light of budget cuts, and in order to save money for the universities, Chancellor E. T. York gives the state universities the go-ahead to shut down all but their essential operations for December 20 of 1975 through January 2 of 1976. Employees are encouraged to take their annual leave during the shutdown, but will not be forced to leave.\textsuperscript{2250}

The BOR votes to limit enrollment at Florida’s nine state universities for the first time in the history of the system. The BOR agreed to cut admissions by 10 percent for the next year.\textsuperscript{2251}

More than 380 students, the largest group to date, are initiated into USF’s chapter of Phi Kappa Phi honors society.\textsuperscript{2252}

WUSF-FM will not carry USF’s basketball games this season. WUSF-TV will carry delayed color presentations of USF’s 15 home games.\textsuperscript{2253} The Oracle writes that the importance and popularity of basketball has greatly increased; yet the university’s radio station will not air the games. The station’s general manager says classical programs will not be bumped for the basketball games.\textsuperscript{2254}

WUSF sends out a programming questionnaire asking what people think about its programming. The questionnaire does not go to students, but to those who subscribe to

\textsuperscript{2249} O: Nov. 25, 1975
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the station’s program guide. In light of WUSF-FM’s decision not to air the basketball games, and the intended audience of the station’s questionnaire, the Oracle says, “If the station management is sincere in trying to find out what people think about programming, they should listen to some of us here at USF.”\textsuperscript{2255} The Oracle encloses a questionnaire for students concerning their feelings about WUSF-FM’s programming. The Oracle receives 50 responses, of which 33 are students’ responses, and more than half call for less opera music and more folk, jazz, and rock. Thirty-seven responses indicated a desire for more national news and public affairs reporting.\textsuperscript{2256}

Dr. Manny Lucoff, past general manager for WUSF, states that the management of the station “should be fired” for their decision not to air USF’s basketball games. SG President Harry Fink asks President Mackey to speak with the general manager of WUSF, Dr. Mitchell, and explain to him the importance of broadcasting the games.\textsuperscript{2257}

Vice President for Academic Affairs, Carl Riggs, raises the possibility of the termination of one and two-year faculty members as one way to deal with a possible budget shortfall in 1976.\textsuperscript{2258}

A letter from a public man in Crystal River reaches President Mackey on WUSF-FM’s radio programming, and may tell us why the station became so sedate in such a short time. “Despite a very few spots of excellence, ignorance and bad taste has dominated (and still does) the offerings of your radio station WUSF-FM. Your recent action of curtailing the jazz coverage was a good first step toward improving the programming to a level which might be considered worthy of the cultural level expected

\textsuperscript{2255} O: Dec. 4, 1975
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\textsuperscript{2258} O: Dec. 5, 1975
from any university in an advanced nation. It would have been better to have eliminated such hideous noise altogether.”

The opening of USF’s new library building is delayed because of ongoing funding problems at the University. Completion has now been postponed until next September (1975).

As a result of ongoing budget cuts at state universities, the Board of Regents considers a proposal to eliminate underclassmen at the University of South Florida. President Mackey expresses opposition to such a move, explaining that, “Freshmen are an important part of the university ... For many college students, the opportunity to go to a four-year college is important.” The regents explain that they are trying to reconcile growing enrollments with decreasing budgets. If the plan is approved, college freshmen and sophomores will be forced to attend community colleges for their first two years of coursework. The Board of Regents votes to allow USF to retain its underclassmen.

USF President Cecil Mackey takes a three-week trip to the People’s Republic of China along with twenty-one other university professors from across the nation.

USF is to begin offering classes at its educational center in Ft. Myers this fall, according to President Mackey.

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2259 Letter to President Mackey 7/9/76. USF Special Collections, Iron Mountain. Under Jazz Nite.
2260 SPT: Feb. 25, 1975
2261 SPT: Jan. 24, 1975
2262 SPT: Feb. 4, 1975
2263 Tampa Times: Apr. 29, 1975
2264 Tampa Times: June 11, 1975
The master’s program in library science at the University of South Florida receives full accreditation by the Southern Regional Education Board. USF is one of only thirteen colleges and universities in the southeast that offer such a program.\footnote{\textit{Tampa Times: July 14, 1975}}

Despite moves made by other state universities, USF announces that it will not restrict enrollment for the upcoming fall quarter. “We are still processing people,” explains Dr. Max Dertke, Director of the Division of University Studies at USF. “We will not close the doors.”\footnote{\textit{TT: Aug. 12, 1975}}

After traveling to Austin, Texas on three separate occasions to be interviewed, USF President Cecil Mackey is passed over for a position as president at the University of Texas. “We just had too many questions about him,” explains one member of the University’s search committee.\footnote{\textit{SPT: Sept. 13, 1975; TT: Sept. 16, 1975}}

State Senator Richard Deeb denounces the “downright immorality” of a sexuality course being offered at the University of South Florida. “I certainly don’t think that’s a function of any university,” he explains.\footnote{\textit{Tampa Times: Oct. 14, 1975}}

USF faculty members and students demand that an upcoming five-year review of President Cecil Mackey be made open to the public. “A secret evaluation process is a meaningless process,” asserts USF professor Sotirios Barber. “The regents historically have done everything they could to protect the president from criticism ... We would have to take [their] word.”\footnote{\textit{Tampa Times: Oct. (?), 1975}}

The St. Pete campus is home to a new Women’s Center.\footnote{\textit{Crow, 1/24/75.}}
The Division of Youth Services raises money on the St. Pete Campus with a Fiddler Crab Race. Donors give $20 a select a crab from a bucket.\textsuperscript{2271}

St. Pete gets its first taste of theater with two one-act plays, “The Diaries of Adam and Eve” and “A Stomach Full of Echoes.”\textsuperscript{2272}

The St. Pete Campus hosts a Conference on Community Education on May 9.\textsuperscript{2273} A seminar on victimless crime (gambling, prostitution, abortion, suicide) takes place in July.\textsuperscript{2274}

As part of the Friday Evening Film Series, USF, St. Petersburg Campus announces a Pink Panther Festival scheduled for October 3\textsuperscript{rd}, 1975. It features free pink lemonade, prizes and a special guest.\textsuperscript{2275}

As part of the Friday Evening Film Series, the university schedules a Halloween Movie Marathon featuring the Tomb of Ligeia, Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, The Raven, and The Premature Burial.\textsuperscript{2276}

Mythril, a band organized in the fall of 1974 by University of South Florida faculty members Art Woodbury and Hilton Jones, is scheduled to play at the St. Pete Campus Auditorium on Friday, November 14\textsuperscript{th} at 8 p.m. The band extends the jazz-rock concept into a hybrid of avant garde jazz, East Indian music, rock and European classical orchestration.\textsuperscript{2277}

\textsuperscript{2271} Crow, 3/17/75.
\textsuperscript{2272} Crow, 4/14/75.
\textsuperscript{2273} Crow, 7/3/75.
\textsuperscript{2274} Crow, 7/14/75.
\textsuperscript{2275} CN: September 29, 1975, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{2276} CN: October 16, 1975, p. 2.
\textsuperscript{2277} CN: October 16, 1975, pp. 4-5.
1976: USF celebrates its 20th anniversary.\textsuperscript{2278}

A proposition to fire all first and second year faculty for budgetary reasons is not instituted. Second year faculty must be informed of termination with six months notice. They are safe after December 15\textsuperscript{th}, 1975. First year faculty must be given three months notice and must wait until March 15\textsuperscript{th} to know their job status for the coming year. Professor Robert Whitaker recommends that non-academic areas, such as the computer lab, should receive small financial cuts in order to alleviate some of the burden on academics. The administration contends that since academics takes up 2/3 of the budget, they should receive a bulk of the cuts as well.\textsuperscript{2279}

More than 20 nursing students formally complain to the University because 14 seniors were not informed of failing status until after the first quarter. Subsequently these 14 seniors are unable to work in the program in the second quarter, and must apply for reinstatement for the third quarter. This hinders their ability to graduate on time.\textsuperscript{2280}

The Student Government sponsors two shows by Stunt Blow Gun Artist Pat Shawn and his Nile-O-Zons. Shawn can shoot apples and toupees from heads and cigarettes from mouths with his blowgun.\textsuperscript{2281}

Dr. Willis Truitt, the President of USF’s United Faculty of Florida, claims that the Board of Regents is misusing taxpayer dollars to fund an anti-collective bargaining campaign. The board of Regents denies this claim, arguing that their funds have been used in a responsible manner. UFF also challenges the Board of Regents to allow an independent and neutral auditor look over their financial records. The BOR claims that

\textsuperscript{2278} USF Today, Vol. 3, No. 2 (January 1976).
\textsuperscript{2279} O 1/6/76 p1, 1/9/76 p1
\textsuperscript{2280} O 1/6/76 p3
\textsuperscript{2281} O 1/6/76 p7
the books are open to anyone who wishes to see them, but they will not hire an independent auditor. The BOR’s official standpoint is that unionization will not benefit higher education in Florida.\textsuperscript{2282}

Plans for a proposed child-care center are held up because the student government must contend with the state bidding procedure. The proposed ground breaking is set, but the administration refuses to attend until the Board of Regents recognizes the plan.\textsuperscript{2283}

The Student Government breaks ground on the new Child Care Center. Four-year-old Louie Carmona, who will be attending the center, moved the first shovel-full of dirt. The planned opening is to take place in May.\textsuperscript{2284}

Parents who wish to enroll their children in the childcare center will be expected to pay $2 per day and volunteer at the center for 2 hours a week. Students will be given hours at the center based on their course load. The total number of credit hours a student is taking, plus one third, will be applicable to child enrollment. (If a person has 15 credit hours, they can enroll their child for 20 hours a week).\textsuperscript{2285}

The opening of the day care center continues to be postponed because of difficulties acquiring a day-care license.\textsuperscript{2286}

Many faculty members warn that budget cuts will hurt the quality of education at USF.\textsuperscript{2287}

Homecoming at USF celebrates the nation’s bicentennial and USF’s 20th anniversary. Highlights are to include a lecture by Helen Thomas, the United Press

\textsuperscript{2282} O 1/7/76 p1, O 2/18/76 p3, O 2/19/3
\textsuperscript{2283} O 1/7/76 p3, 3/3/76 p1
\textsuperscript{2284} O 3/11/76 p1
\textsuperscript{2285} O 3/31/76 p13
\textsuperscript{2286} O 11/4/76 p3
\textsuperscript{2287} O 1/8/76 p1
International White House Bureau Chief, three basketball games, a parade, and a “Beauty and the Beast” contest. Speeches by USF President Cecil Mackey and former Presidents Harris Dean and John Allen will also be featured. There is also “Nostalgia Night” to celebrate USF’s anniversary, with speeches on its formation by LeRoy Collins, Sam Gibbons, John Allen, and Harris Dean.

The Academic Programs Council considers the validity of the schools “Forgiveness” policy. This policy allows a student to register for a class a second time if they are not satisfied with their first grade. After the student takes the class again, the higher grade is recorded and lower grade is not. Some believe that this is unfair to students that earn high grades and generally lowers the academic validity of the University. They vote that it should be cut and the matter is sent to Vice President of Academic Affairs Carl Riggs.

A check of lab supervisors reveals that chemistry students are exposed to a cancer causing chemical, alpha-Napthylamine. Dr. Joseph Stanko, an Associate Professor of chemistry, assures students that “we are moving in the direction of clearing from the labs those chemicals whose safety risks outweigh their benefits.” Students are also informed that large amounts of chemicals used on a daily basis pose a greater danger than smaller amounts used intermittently.

The Board of Regents reports that one in six applications to the nine Florida state universities will be rejected and tuition rates will be rising. Students Against Cutbacks holds a rally in the University Center Mall to express their opposition to this, cutbacks in

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2288 O 1/8/76 p3
2289 USF Bulletin 1/76.
2290 O 1/9/76 p3, 1/14/76 p3
2291 O 1/13/76 p1
graduate assistantships, course availability, and a growth in class size. The group will present a “shit list” of grievances at the board’s next meeting. The board will also consider a common course numbering system for Florida’s 9 state universities, 28 community colleges, 26 vocational centers and 7 private institutions. If passed, the new numbering system should be in use by September 1978. Students Against Cutbacks arrive at the BOR meeting 40 minutes late and the Board has already voted in favor of limits on acceptances. The common course numbering system is also approved. The cutback in acceptance begins with the deferment of lower level transfer students (students with fewer than 90 quarter hours or 60 semester hours). 2292

The common calendar for all state universities passes and will go into effect in September 1978. 2293

The campus Kung-Fu club warns students that they will be having their examinations. The warnings are important because “attackers” in white kung-fu suits will be secretly stationed around campus and they will attack class members with “clubs, plastic knives and assorted other weapons” when they least expect it. Class members’ reactions to attack situations will determine their final grade. 2294

The Public Employees Relations Committee orders that professors vote in collective bargaining elections within 45 days. Faculty will have the option of voting for representation by the United Faculty of Florida, the American Association of University Professors, or no union at all. An anti-union faculty group accuses the United Faculty of Florida of illegal organizing tactics. The University Professors for Academic Order and

2292 O 1/13/76 p1, 1/16/73 p3, 1/20/76 p1, O 1/21/76 p. 1
2293 O 4/28/76 p3
2294 O 1/12/76 p12
the Committee of Concerned Faculty file a suit to delay the upcoming collective bargaining election. The election is set for 2/27/76.\footnote{O 1/14/76 p1, O 1/28/76 p1, 12}

In order to further the UFF cause, Dr. Richard Taylor (philosophy) has been making buttons in a “Badge-a-minit” machine. Although the buttons are supposed to take a full minute to make, Dr. Taylor is able to pump out buttons in 25 seconds. The buttons include witty slogans, such as “end B.O.R.dom, vote UFF” and “Mickey Mouse U: Accent on Quantity (accompanied by a picture to President Mackey in mouse ears), and “Don’t ask. Negotiate!”\footnote{O 2/5/76 p1}

Famed anthropologist, Dr. Margaret Mead, speaks at the dedication of the new library.\footnote{USF Today, Vol. 3, No. 3 (March 1976).}

Women’s athletics at USF tackles obstacles such as funding in order to reach the goal of competing and representing the university on a national level.\footnote{USF Today, Vol. 3, No. 3 (March 1976), 3-4.}

The faculty elects the United Faculty of Florida to represent them. UFF won 2,344 of 4,349 possible ballots, 54 percent of the total. Approximately 80% of eligible voters cast a ballot. Representatives of UFF are very happy with the result and immediately prepare to negotiate with the Board of Regents. Representatives for the AAUP-Florida are certain this means the end of their organization. The Board of Regents and President Mackey are disappointed in the result and believe that this will “destroy the ‘academic order’ of the campus.”\footnote{O 3/5/76 p1}

The Committee of Concerned Faculty, an anti-union group, challenges the results of the union election. Two hours before the challenge deadline the CCF charges that
3,500 of the cards asking for the election were never verified. The CCF also charges that
some faculty voted without showing their identification and that students were used to
collect signatures. The UFF maintains that their election was legal and remains
unconcerned about the results of the CCF action. An investigation could take anywhere
from three days to a month.\textsuperscript{2300}

The UFF is certified as the statewide bargaining power for university faculty in
early April. USF is chosen as the site of the first collective bargaining negotiations.\textsuperscript{2301}

The BOR hires a professional negotiator from New York to represent them at the
UFF negotiations. The negotiator will cost $50 an hour, meaning that the taxpayers will
be paying a total of $110 per hour the BOR is negotiating.\textsuperscript{2302}

The negotiations begin and the United Faculty of Florida submits a 47-page
outline of demands. Among the demands are faculty pay raises of 5.5%, a better
grievance procedure, criteria for hiring, firing, tenure and promotion, and funding for
research. They also request free tuition for faculty and their families, free parking and
free use of day care facilities, compensated leave and sick time and departmental power
in deciding maximum class sizes. The BOR was unable to comment immediately, but
did state that some issues would not be negotiated. Both sides agreed to meet again in
two weeks. The demands elicit a mixed reaction from those who support UFF and those
who do not.\textsuperscript{2303}

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The faculty union accepts a new contract. It includes a new procedure for filing grievances and an easing of communication between UFF and the BOR. The measure will be sent to all union and non-union faculty statewide for approval.\textsuperscript{2304}

Dr. Carl Riggs, Vice President of Academic Affairs, reports that teacher absence from class has become a problem. Because of student complaints, Dr. Riggs worries student who don't feel they "got their money's worth" could potentially sue USF. Other problems that Dr. Riggs mentions include a University practice of allowing students to take a class without registering, taking the exams and get a final grade. If they like the final grade they can register for the class next quarter and get full credit, if they do not like the final grade it does not affect their GPA if they never register.\textsuperscript{2305}

An unidentified professor is “elated by the news” that Dean of Business Administration Howard Dye resigned his position. The Professor also stated that Dye ran the College in “an inhumane and incompetent manner.” Dye had been criticized when he recommended the denial of tenure to 10 of 19 professors two years prior to his resignation.\textsuperscript{2306}

Skateboarding, a craze that went out of style in the 1960s, is making a comeback all over the country. A skateboarding competition is held at USF. The most impressive tricks of the day included Rory McGorty, doing a handstand on a burning skateboard and a handstand on two stacked skateboards. McGorty and Randy Cole were co-winners and to celebrate McGorty skated down a hill with Cole on his shoulders.\textsuperscript{2307}
Bids to build the new Business Administration Building at USF are higher than available funds. The lowest bid is for $4,117,000 while the budgeted funds are 3,950,000. Glenn Clayton, Assistant Vice President for Finance and Planning says that the available options are to have an architect reevaluate the project and try to get within funding, or ask the Board of Regents for more money. Clayton assures that the construction will go ahead as planned. The school appropriates money from the renovation budget of the Bayboro Campus and the incidental expenses in the project budget in order to meet the budget shortfall. They also cut certain things out of the original plan, such as sprinklers on the third floor and some planned sidewalks.\(^{2308}\)

Faculty members will be asked to vote on whether or not the University should keep the current grading policy, or go to a plus/minus policy.\(^{2309}\)

A USF student expresses worry that the “Campus Coalition,” a political party on campus that votes as a bloc, will hurt the representation of other students by giving their ideology top priority. A member of the coalition responds that the idea of political parties is not novel and while members retain individual opinions, they agree on the major issues.\(^{2310}\)

Associate Professor of English Dr. Thomas Sanders is robbed of $120,000 dollars worth of Native American Jewelry. Some of the pieces dated to 600 BC. Dr. Sanders reasons that the artifacts are “things, and one doesn’t grieve over things, one grieves over people that steal things—it is for them that I grieve.”\(^{2311}\)

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\(^{2308}\) O 1/22/76 p1, 1/30/76 p3, O 2/19/76 p14

\(^{2309}\) O 1/22/76 p3

\(^{2310}\) O 1/22/76 p4, O 1/23/76 p4

\(^{2311}\) O 1/23/76 p1
The University must dispose of 40,000 feet worth of computer paper every day. Although a recycling program was initially successful the infrequency of pickup and lack of space led to a dwindling interest in recycling.\textsuperscript{2312}

In the “only controversy since campaigning began last week” students were informed by the Election Rules Committee that wearing campaign t-shirts and buttons in the office of any organization backed by Student Activities and Services money was a violation of rules. The Student Senate files a petition arguing that this is an infringement on first amendment rights.\textsuperscript{2313}

A Men’s Center opens at USF. The goal of the center is to discuss men’s issues, their relation to women’s issues, and the study of negative male sex stereotypes.\textsuperscript{2314}

The election of Student Senate President did not demonstrate a clear majority. There will be a runoff election of the two most successful candidates, Yvonne Berry and Eric Draper (of the Campus Coalition). The Campus Coalition won 21 of 38 possible seats in the Senate. The vote to give the Student Senate control over Activity and Service money passed 1,358 to 512 and the vote to inquire into student satisfaction with President Mackey revealed that they were not satisfied by a count of 1,034 to 786. The runoff election results in an Yvonne Berry/Steve Nichols victory. Berry wins by a total of 1,300 to 745. She is the first woman elected to the office.\textsuperscript{2315}

There is an attendance discrepancy concerning a Cheech and Chong performance. Students were informed that they would be getting free tickets, the first 3,000 of 5,000 were free, and the remaining 2,000 were four dollars. A Student Senator considers legal

\textsuperscript{2312} O 1/23/76 p1
\textsuperscript{2313} O 1/23/76 p20
\textsuperscript{2314} O 1/28/76 p16
\textsuperscript{2315} O 1/29/76 p1
action to get the money back, but decides that the money would come out of Student Government Productions money, making it impossible to have more concerts during the year. Five thousand people saw the Cheech and Chong performance, which is well received on the comedy duo’s return to Tampa, the only city in which they have ever been arrested. After the concert, Wayne Tope writes to “The Oracle” that Cheech and Chong’s performance is another indication that the United States has “gone ‘down the drain’ because it has forgotten God.” He urges Student Government Productions to clean up their act and not allow law-breakers to perform at a state university.\footnote{2316}

President Cecil Mackey participates in an educational tour of Taiwan eight months after touring China. The purpose of the visits is to examine their higher educational system. Mackey notes that in Taiwan the social pressure for academic success begins as early as the third grade and university students have less say in the university administration and a larger workload than their American counterparts.\footnote{2317}

Archie Clement, a USF student, dies from a bullet wound in the head suffered while parked in his car next to Beta Hall. The police are unwilling to speculate in print whether it is a suicide or if foul play is involved.\footnote{2318}

Members of “Students Against Cutbacks” take part in a sit-in in the new library. Six members of the group are suspended after a six-hour ordeal. The group and other students were protesting the limited library hours and stayed in the building from 9pm to 3am before their names were recorded and they were suspended. Oracle editorial and letter writers note that the protest, while well intentioned, might have done more harm than good. Two days later the Oracle receives so many letters protesting its bias\footnote{2316 O 1/29/76 p4, 2/3/76 p1, 2/5/76 p4\footnote{2317 O 1/30/76 p1, 2/18/76 p16\footnote{2318 O 1/30/76 p3}}
concerning the story and supporting the sit-in that the paper dedicates two pages to angry letters. They title the pages “Readers give Oracle a beating for coverage of library sit-in.”

“Students Against Cutbacks” holds a protest outside the office of Vice President of Academic Affairs Carl Riggs. Riggs meets four members of the group and four members of the Student Government. In addition to their normal demands, “Students Against Cutbacks” also wants to “free the six” people whose student status was revoked because of the sit-in. The number of students suspended, although initially reported at six, is actually seven.

Student Government decides to hire an attorney to represent the seven suspended students. The “Library Seven” argues that the administration’s suspension was a calculated maneuver to remove politically active students from the campus.

The number of students suspended in response to the library sit-in is reduced from seven to six. Gholom Marzban’s suspension was revoked when he testified that he had not been in the library when the administrators finished their three-minute countdown. Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs Dan Walbolt stated in his testimony that he had mistaken another student for Marzban. The remaining six maintain that it would have been impossible to get all 65 people and their belongings out of the library in three minutes, but they did have the library evacuated in ten.

Five of the “library six” are put on unrestricted academic probation until the end of the school year. Paul Johnson, an attorney, acted as the hearing officer for the
suspension hearing and advised President Mackey that Gholom Marzban and Mahnaz Zandkarimi have their suspensions dropped because they did not defy the ultimatum to leave the library. Johnson argues that the five remaining students were a danger to the property of the University, a threat to the educational process, and knew they were in violation of the law, therefore their rights to assembly and free speech were suspended. The status of unrestricted probation allows the five to continue to attend USF but future transgressions could result in their release.2323

University President Cecil Mackey supports the actions of administrators in suspending the seven students protesting library hours. Mackey recommends that students write their legislator as a means of opposing policies with which they disagree. Mackey also argues that the Board of Regents is not “anti-student” and he believes the board “serves higher education in this state very well.”2324

An educational forum, including students, the Student Government President, a representative of Students Against Cutbacks and several Florida legislators (several more were fogged in at Tallahassee’s airport) came to no decisive conclusions regarding the budget crisis and cutbacks to university funding.2325

Student Government begins a letter writing campaign in order to give voice to students who oppose the cutbacks in educational funding and availability2326

Lack of funding and lack of teachers has caused the University to schedule fewer classes in the spring.2327

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2324 O 2/12/76 p14, O 2/13/76 p13
2325 O 2/17/76 p1
2326 O 2/12/76 p18
2327 O 2/4/76 p1
Student and fireman Ken Sumner informs the safety officer of a fire hazard in the Andros dining hall. One of the two fire exits is chained shut in order to keep patrons from letting others in from the outside. This is a violation of the fire code.2328

The Arts and Letters building features a $1,000 bike rack but students continue to park their bicycles in front of the building, blocking pedestrian walkways. The University announces that police will begin to ticket bicycles parked illegally. The first week of the policy police officers will place warning tickets on bicycles. After the warning period is over they will begin to post regular parking tickets on the bikes and will tow away bicycles that are “obstructing vehicular or pedestrian traffic, wheelchair ramps or creating a hazard to persons or equipment.”2329

The Bicycle club reports that at peak parking hours the years 1974-1976 showed a 94% increase in bicycle usage. Cyclists were discouraged from taking their bikes to school until 1970. After the 1970, the cost of new parking lots compared with the cost of new bicycle racks, prompted the university to encourage student bicycle usage. However, only 21.3% of bicycles on campus have a USF parking decal on them, making recovery of the 115 bikes stolen in 1975 especially difficult.2330

There is a heated debate regarding visitation hours for students in dorms. Most male and some female dorm representatives agree that students want 24-hour visitation privileges. Ray King, USF Director of Housing, argues that as a state university, USF must be attuned to the will of taxpayers and the taxpayers look upon open visitation rights as “co-habitation.” King warns that the liberalization of visiting hours will create “taxpayer’s whorehouses.” The hope for 24-hour visitation rights is dealt a serious blow

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by the recommendation of Vice President of Student Affairs Joe Howell, who recommends extended visitation to 2am, but does not recommend 24-hour visitation. Howell insists that “No issue is more emotional that this one. It’s more emotional than the pill, than drinking, than abortions. The Vietnam war was close.”

Student Government plans a “visitation rally” which urges that students should be able to determine what dorm visitation hours they would like. The rally begins with a three-hour acoustic concert and then students deliberately return to dorms after visitation hours. About 50 students are involved.

President Mackey attends a hearing to discuss the visitation issue with students and Resident Assistants. The Resident Assistants state that the visitation policy is poorly policed, especially by male RA’s. Many also believe that students should be able to run their own lives and decide for themselves when they should have visitors.

President Mackey approves noon to 2am visitation hours.

A lecture by Cicely Tyson, renowned actress in theater, movies and television, opens the Fourth Annual Celebration of Literature at USF.

Based on preliminary enrollment statistics there are 23,142 students enrolled at USF for the current quarter. Of these students 19,587 are on the Tampa campus.

The Oracle reports that $28,000 worth of new lighting will be installed around the campus. In the following edition The Oracle reports that the cost of lighting the campus is high and the Physical Plant intends to cut back on lighting in order to save money.
President Mackey informs the campus of a possible alleviation of the University’s budget woes. There is a very good chance that there will be no further cutbacks in 1976 and the budget for next year “might be a little better,” and there is an expectation that faculty might receive raises. The governor includes pay raises for University faculty and staff in his budget request for 1976-77.  

President Mackey dedicates a plaque in memory of Duane Lake, the director of the University Center from its opening in September of 1960 until his death in 1975. 

Many area businesses ask the university to put more information on student ID’s. Student use their ID’s as a form of identification when making purchases by check, and many of the checks are bouncing. Students contend that it is difficult for them to establish the necessary credit to get credit cards or check writing identification. 

Professor of Humanities, Hans Juergensen, is asked by the Swedish Academy to nominate an author for the 1976 Nobel Prize in literature. Professor Juergensen is an internationally known poet and author of eight books. 

Students who wish to learn computer operation must learn a new language in order to “talk” to computers. ESC 301 offers an introductory computer course that is popular as a math credit. 

President Mackey states that he is opposed to increases in tuition that could range from 50 cents to 11 dollars more per credit hour. Out of state graduate students could be hit the hardest, who might be expected to pay as much as 48 dollars per credit hour.

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The World Affairs Council for the Guatemalan Relief Fund has collected more than $1,300 dollars for the nation, which has been devastated by an earthquake.\textsuperscript{2344}

A poll of faculty reveals that 2/3 polled would like to see a change in the grading system. The most popular options include a 13 point scale of plus and minus between A and F and a seven point scale of A through F with no plus minuses except “B+” and “C+”.\textsuperscript{2345}

A second issue of “The Orifice” is left on Oracle newsstands. The Orifice is a spoof paper whose author is unknown. The first issue was released during the third quarter of 1975.\textsuperscript{2346}

Anthropologist and author Margaret Mead will be coming to USF for the dedication of the new library and to give a lecture.\textsuperscript{2347} Dr. Mead, John Allen and Cecil Mackey are some of the speakers involved in a campus celebration of USF’s 20\textsuperscript{th} anniversary and the dedication of the new library.\textsuperscript{2348}

2,640 students signed a petition circulated by FORML (the Florida Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws), which asked that legislators make possession of the drug a low priority for arrest. The number of signatures equals 1/10 of student enrollment at USF.\textsuperscript{2349}

The Student Government is setting up a Minority Council in order to bring attention to minority issues. The minority council includes two white males, one chosen because he is legally blind and the other because he is gay.\textsuperscript{2350}

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\textsuperscript{2345} O 2/20/76 p3
\textsuperscript{2346} O 2/24/76 p3
\textsuperscript{2347} O 2/25/76 p12
\textsuperscript{2348} O 3/9/76 p6A
\textsuperscript{2349} O 3/2/76 p3
\textsuperscript{2350} O 3/3/76 p3, 5/28/76 p14
The mean grade point average at USF had risen every year for more than ten years but “dropped decisively last quarter.”

Chemistry department labs are labeled unsafe. The labs, unchanged since 1960, are overcrowded and a proposal to make the labs larger is being prepared by the department chair Terence Owen. The renovation is meant to “improve teaching labs in chemistry, geology and biology. It would also shift the faculty research facilities in chemistry and geology from the Chemistry Building to the Science Center.” The BOR does eventually release $100,000 to renovate two science buildings, the west side of the chemistry building and the second and third floors of the Science Center.

Pannarai Kantaghit, a student from Thailand, writes a letter to the Oracle discussing the plight of foreign students. Foreign students are sometimes assaulted verbally and derided for studying too hard. Kantaghit urges students to understand that studying and living in a foreign land is very difficult and students should take the time to talk their foreign contemporaries in order to spread a good impression of the United States around the world.

“The Tallahassee Democrat” reports that USF Vice President of Academic Affairs Carl Riggs is a candidate for the open Executive Vice-President position at Florida State University. BOR Chancellor E.T. York denies the rumors and states that “the selection process hasn’t even begun yet.”

In the Housing Office budget for 1977, they consider raising the rent for dorm rooms from $11 to as much as $16 a quarter. As of September 1975 students are paying...
$169 a quarter to live in the dorms, a nine dollar increase over 1974, but still lower than other state universities.\textsuperscript{2355}

Budget cuts could jeopardize 413 faculty jobs and trim student enrollment by 1,000. The cuts could also lead to the elimination of graduate programs in foreign language and math. Math and Foreign language professors are not pleased with the possibility of losing their graduate programs.\textsuperscript{2356}

The Columbia Scholastic Press Association places the USF Oracle among the top ten college newspapers in the U.S.\textsuperscript{2357}

George McCowen, assistant director of Financial Aid, complains that many students smell bad. Some students, mostly male, smell so bad that secretaries need to spray a disinfectant in the room after they leave. Smelly students have never been asked to leave outright and “the worst offenders never get the hint.”\textsuperscript{2358}

A foreign language requirement might be reinstated at USF. USF is the only of the three largest schools in Florida that has no language requirement.\textsuperscript{2359}

The university will purchase “No Smoking” signs for every one of its lecture halls and classrooms. Although it has been university policy to ban smoking in classrooms since 1974, many students are not heeding the rule. The university has received complaints from non-smoking students and custodians. After the signs are posted for a month, custodians report that they have been largely ineffective.\textsuperscript{2360}

\textsuperscript{2355} O 3/10/76 p3
\textsuperscript{2356} O 3/30/76 p1, O 3/31/76 p1
\textsuperscript{2357} O 3.30/76 p1
\textsuperscript{2358} O 3/31/76 p1
\textsuperscript{2359} O 4/1/76 p1
\textsuperscript{2360} O 4/1/76 p3, O 5/16/76 p3
John Husfield, a former Student Government consumer advocate, successfully petitioned the university to transform some old ballot boxes into complaint boxes for students outside the food services offices, the library and health services. Husfield believes that since students pay (or partially pay) for these services they should have representation and an outlet for their opinions. His request was granted two months ago, and he has been waiting for the university to supply paint and a brush.

The Student Government funded escort service begins. The “rape prevention posse” escorts women safely around campus. Officially titled the Safety Afoot for Everyone Team (SAFE-T), the group was put together because there had been two rapes and numerous assaults last quarter. Now a phone call will bring an escort team consisting of at least one woman, the teams carry flashlights and two way radios. All members received emergency crisis training.2361

The SAFE-Teams average six escorts a night in their first two weeks of operation.2362

USF Student Government has withdrawn its support for the “Quality in Education Petition Drive.” SG president Yvonne Berry argues that the university is misusing the taxpayer’s money rather than implementing plans beneficial to students. Until this changes the SG cannot in clear conscience ask taxpayers for more money.2363

The Student Government sends a letter to Florida Senate President Dempsey Barron outlining their ideas concerning higher education. Stances include tighter legislative restrictions on university spending, an emphasis on education and community service, a de-emphasis on faculty research, and cutbacks to administrative budgets and

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2362 O 4/20/76 p16
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jobs. Restrictions on faculty travel in state and the virtual elimination of faculty travel out of state are also encouraged. Because the president and the vice-president write the letter, it is the official position of Student Government. Barron believes the letter “will be of great value in determining the budget for higher education.” The letter causes “worry,” “distress” and “disbelief” among faculty and administration. The Oracle is inundated with letters of opinion and editorial. (A complete text of the controversial letter is printed in the Oracle 4/6/76 p5)  

Student Government President Berry goes before the faculty Senate and asks them for an endorsement of her controversial letter. The Senate creates a committee to review the matter and while many decry the “dangerous” nature of the SG stance, some admit that there are truths in the letter.  

The Student Senate gives “critical support” to the controversial letter written by the SG President and Vice-President. The senate does not endorse the letter’s attack of faculty research and travel, but supports many of its points.  

One student formally requests a retraction of the letter’s content because he feels that it violates student’s rights.  

President Yvonne Berry writes and presents a “clarification letter” to shed light on some of the misunderstood points of her initial SG stance letter. The Student Senate is receptive, but the faculty still opposes many of Berry’s opinions, including her stance that much faculty research is trivial and her unsupported criticism of administrative funds being misused. Many researchers write the Oracle to defend the faculty imperative to

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2364 O 4/6/76 p1, O 4/7/76 p1
2365 O 4/8/76 p1
2366 O 4/8/76 p3
2367 O 4/14/76 p3
study. One recalls a conversation with a colleague who stated, “if you only teach, you are challenged only by those who are struggling to learn. But if you attempt to publish, you are challenged by your academic peers.”

The faculty senate creates a special committee to draft a ten-page response letter, which will be sent to State Senate President Dempsey Barron in order to reply to The Student Government letter.

Student Government funds the rental of buses to bring any interested student to a “Students Against Cutbacks” rally at the state capital free of charge. The “Tally Rally” in Tallahassee will begin at the Governors mansion. Students will then walk to the Capitol, the legislature will be in session, and protestors hope to demonstrate their opposition to cutbacks in educational funding. Because the United Faculty of Florida Executive Board endorses the rally, students ask professors to not count absences on the day of the rally. About 130 USF students sign up to take the buses to the rally in Tallahassee, which will also include students from the University of Florida and Florida State University.

The student governments at UF and FSU withdraw their support for the rally. The Student Government President at FSU, maintains that the rally is poorly organized and unfocused and the president at UF states that they never received information regarding the rally. USF organizers state that information was distributed to all nine state universities in Florida, and a list of speakers and topics was given out along with this information. Florida International and Florida A & M University student governments support the protest.

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2369 O 4/15/76 p 16
2370 O 4/6/76 p6, O 4/20/76 p20
2371 O 4/21/76 p1
The Tally Rally is attended by 75 students, of the 130 USF students who signed up for the free bus ride to Tallahassee, about 40 actually showed up (the early departure time was blamed for the lack of students). The rally was peaceful and Education Commissioner Ralph Turlington made a speech.\textsuperscript{2372}

The Director of Graduate Studies, William Taft, maintains that because USF cannot afford to pay graduate students as much in assistantships, the school is losing quality students to other universities. A subcommittee of the Council of Deans recommends that the university raise its salaries for graduate assistants to equal those of the University of Florida.\textsuperscript{2373}

Ideas to save the university money that are placed in suggestion boxes could be valuable to the suggester as well. If your idea is implemented, the state will pay you ten percent of the money saved by your suggestion. Willie Davenport, a custodial supervisor, received $947 by suggesting that the state convert from bathroom dispensers that provide a single paper towel at a time to dispensers of towels on a roll.\textsuperscript{2374}

The State Senate Education committee will decide whether or not Florida universities should go to a common calendar and if there should be a student representative on the board of regents. The State Senate Education Committee passes the bill for student representation on the BOR, the debate must now pass the Governmental Operations Committee.\textsuperscript{2375}

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\textsuperscript{2373} O 4/6/76 p20, O 4/14/76 p1
\textsuperscript{2374} O 4/7/76 p14
\textsuperscript{2375} O 4/9/76 p1, O 4/13/76 p3
Dennis Parr, former Associate Professor of Engineering, accuses the university for denying him tenure because he “did not get along with the chairman of the department.”

USF hosts the Multiple Sclerosis Marathon Dance to benefit research. The dance lasts fifty hours and includes a competitor named George “Taps” French, who is 71 years old and competes for forty-five hours. He said his longest dance marathon was in the late thirties or early forties and lasted 3,000 hours.

A squirrel runs into a circuit breaker at the power station and the lights go out at USF. A similar event occurred last year and some writers explain that this squirrel was “widely know on campus for his activism.” The generator was able to power many buildings but Arts and Letters was unlit for almost a half an hour. It is later discovered that the reason Arts and Letters was unable to get backup power is because the generator was not turned on. One professor taught a class by candlelight. The wayward squirrel did not survive.

The University, in response to cutbacks in education funding, has been deferring the applications of students from Community Colleges who have not finished their program, or “lower-level transfer students.”

The Student Senate could meet next week in order to open lines of communication within the group. Tuesday’s meeting resulted in “cries of ‘personality politics’ and a lack of a quorum.” According to Senator Michael Taylor “Tuesday night was basically a disaster.” President Yvonne Berry accused her presidential opponent,
Senator Eric Draper, of influencing senators to vote down her nominee for Finance Review Board Chairman. There is a confrontation outside the senate and Berry yells at Draper “How could you do this to me?” Berry’s nominee, John Grannon, is later approved for the position.2380

Former professor Phillip G. Ortwein files suit against President Mackey to appeal his termination.2381

The stance of SG President Yvonne Berry’s controversial letter regarding research continues to be scrutinized. Many faculty members and students write the Oracle to support research as an important aspect of learning and teaching. Berry’s specific claim that some research is unnecessary and frivolous is of particular interest to Psychology professor H.D. Kimmel. Kimmel asserts that Berry has retracted her false statement accusing Dr. Kimmel of researching the “sex appeal of the belly button.” She had maintained that this type of research was an unnecessary waste of money. According to Berry “a faculty member” had informed her that Dr. Kimmel was researching belly buttons, she was misinformed and apologized. Dr. Kimmel asserts the importance of his research in “biofeedback” and further states that he has done no research into the “sex appeal of the belly button” concluding that he would not do this research because, “I happen to be an ass man myself.”2382

USF student Joan Elizabeth Griffith drowns when her canoe capsized on an outing for foreign students. Rick Roseman also drowned when he went under to rescue Ms. Griffith.2383
Members of the USF Men’s Awareness Center are insulted by the sexist and sexually charged advertising meant to sell them “The ABC’s,” automobiles, booze and cigarettes.\textsuperscript{2384}

The Oracle reports that USF attorney Steve Wenzel and Vice President of Administration Ken Thompson do not meet the minimum Administrative and Professional requirements of their jobs. While researching a follow up story a reporter was denied access to the personnel files of the two men. This is a violation of Florida Statute 119.01, which states that personnel files are public record. The personnel files are later opened.\textsuperscript{2385}

Vandals gained entrance to President Mackey’s University Center Dining Room and vandalized the room with slogans including “Administrators of Oppression,” “Mackey Serves Capital,” and “Eat Shit Bureaucrat.” The vandals did about $300 or $400 in damage. The Oracle runs an editorial objecting to the vandalism, stating that the $350 it would take to clean up the mess (the money would be taken from the Activities and Services funds) could keep the library open for fifteen hours. The vandals also misspelled “oppression.” The editorial also concludes that many of the slogans sound similar to slogans used by Students Against Cutbacks, insinuating that the radical student group had a hand in the vandalism.\textsuperscript{2386}

Dr. James Popovich, a Speech professor, dies of a stroke. Dr. Popovich had been a professor at USF since 1962, chair of the speech department from 1964 to 1972 and the University’s outstanding professor of the year for 1974-1975.\textsuperscript{2387}

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\textsuperscript{2385} O 4/22/76 p1, 4/23/76 p3
\textsuperscript{2386} O 4/22/76 p1, 4/22/76 p4
\textsuperscript{2387} O 4/23/76 p16
The USF budget is “in limbo” until both houses of the Florida legislature decide on a budget for the state. There is worry that hours will be cut, tuition will be raised and faculty will go out of state for higher paying jobs.\textsuperscript{2388}

The Special Events Center Building Committee decides that a Multipurpose Center is their top priority for an allocated 9.5 million dollar building budget. The center should cost around 8.5 million and the remaining million should go towards the next priority, a new bookstore.\textsuperscript{2389} Students hold a rally in order to support a Fine Arts Center rather than a Multipurpose Center. About 125 students attend the rally that also includes a performance by a jazz band. The students believe that the need for an auditorium suitable to hold music, theater and dance performances outweighs the need for another “14,000 capacity all-purpose gymnasium.”\textsuperscript{2390}

The implementation of Multipurpose Center plans is stopped because President Mackey has yet to give his recommendation to the Board of Regents.\textsuperscript{2391}

The Florida State Fair Authority asks USF for 2 million dollars to help complete an arena on the state fairgrounds. In exchange the arena could be used by USF for basketball games and other university events. The State Fair Authority would cover the cost of maintenance, air conditioning, lighting and cleaning. The Special Events Center Planning committee will consider the proposal. The money would come from the 9 million dollars set aside to build a multi-purpose center on campus, freeing up 7 million for general use. The special event committee rejects the plan and reasserts their belief that a multi-purpose center should be built on campus. President Mackey approves of the

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plan to build a multipurpose center, a bookstore and a performing arts facility by 1979. He sends a formal letter of request to chancellor E.T. York. Mackey also proposes a future plan to build a new science center and College of Engineering, plus renovate the College of Natural Science. ²³⁹²

The Board of Regents approves the concept of a multi-purpose arena, bookstore facility and performing arts center for USF. ²³⁹³

A Rogers and Hammerstein festival at USF raises $9,000 for scholarships to USF. ²³⁹⁴

The Board of Regents approves the construction of the Special Events Center, but strikes the provision that the construction must take place on campus. President Mackey believes that the university needs the special events center and the fine arts center on-campus. ²³⁹⁵

The university is about $5.3 million shy of the necessary funds to build the fine arts center, the multi-purpose center and the new bookstore as planned. No one is exactly sure where the needed funds will come from. ²³⁹⁶

Student Government Productions holds their 16th annual Songfest. Anna Leah Cripe won the $125 dollar prize for solo performance and “Random” won the $125 for group performance. ²³⁹⁷

Dale Hartman, USF advisor to handicapped students, maintains that while many schools create support systems for handicapped students, USF is “on a different path-the

²³⁹² O 4/28/76 p1, O 5/5/76 p1, 5/6/76 p1
²³⁹⁵ O 5/11/76 p1, O 5/14/76 p1
²³⁹⁶ O 10/1/76 p3
²³⁹⁷ O 5/4/76 p6
path of the future.” Hartman is encouraged because USF tries to “mainstream” handicapped students and make their educational experience as normal as possible. Louise Frederici says her reason for choosing USF was because their handicapped access was better than most schools. Frederici would rate USF “good but not excellent—I’d rate very few places excellent.”

USF Student Louise Frederici, a Rehabilitation Counseling graduate student, has lived in the same dorm room in Gamma hall for 23 straight quarters, when she gets her MA in June she plans on renting an apartment.

A change in temperature policy is going to save USF $200,000 a year. The summer air conditioning setting of 74 degrees will be changed to 78 and the winter heating temperature of 72 degrees will be changed to 68 degrees.

Administration is considering implementing a “Z” grade for graduate students. The “Z” grade would signify that a student is working on a thesis or research project, but has not completed the project. The grade will not affect overall GPA.

There will soon be a new site for the USF campus in Ft. Meyers. The campus is now in an old public school building, with four classrooms and a two-room library. They would like to move to a larger area. The enrollment is about 500, but could grow to 2,000 in 3-5 years. Lee county is the fastest growing county in the United States and needs to expand its educational facilities. The BOR Facilities Committee approves the chosen site for the new campus.
A Board of Regents proposal to set a minimum class size is not expected to affect USF because USF’s class sizes are significantly larger that the proposed minimums.2403

State Representative George Sheldon is the primary speaker at Marijuana Mayday. Rep. Sheldon spoke out in favor of the decriminalization of the drug. Events at the “reefer riot” include a “joint rolling contest” to see who can roll a joint fastest.2404

Bob Woodward, one half of the famous investigative team Woodward and Bernstein, speaks to a sold-out audience at USF. Prior to his speech, Woodward stopped by the Oracle’s office and perused some old issues of the paper. He decided that the paper was “pretty good.”2405

Dr. John “Knocky” Parker’s American Dreams class is treated to a short appearance and speech by professional wrestler Dusty “the American Dream” Rhodes. Rhodes began by elbowing Dr. Parker in the head, he then stated that his life is proof that dreams can come true and that these dreams are important because they give a person goals and hope. “Whether you come from a rich family, a poor family, or a mediocre family, you gotta have a dream,” was one of the sentiments the wrestler left with the crowd gathered in Dr. Parker’s class. Dusty Rhodes’ appearance was cut short because he had to hurry off to a wrestling match.2406

Senior Glenn Bornemann is thrown from a horse and knocked unconscious during a three-day party sponsored by Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Bornemann and five of his fraternity brothers were dressed as Confederate soldiers and rode around the University

2403 O 5/7/76 p1
2404 O 5/11/76 p1
2405 O 5/12/76 p1, O 5/13/76 p3
2406 O 5/12/76 p12
Center Mall to “secede from the University.” Bornemann recovered from his fall onto the concrete and released from the University Community Hospital later that day.\textsuperscript{2407}

University Police Chief Paul Uravich reports that female police officers are just as effective as male police officers.\textsuperscript{2408}

Assistant Vice-President for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt had to intercede on behalf of a professor in order to stop disruptive students. Two students in a Women and Religion class argued so frequently and ferociously that the professor thought that it would be best to threaten them with suspension. Walbolt claims that many students had complained that they were not given the opportunity to learn because of the constant disruptions.\textsuperscript{2409}

The Student Senate passes a resolution stating that Iranian students are repeatedly intimidated and persecuted by University police, USF administration and the Oracle.\textsuperscript{2410}

Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs Dan Walbolt asserts that all outdoor activities by the Iranian Students Association, the Jewish Student Union and the Student Zionist Movement will be banned for the rest of the quarter. Both sides maintain that the other side has harassed them and Walbolt believes that “we need to have a cooling off period.” The Oracle receives many letters opposing the policy.\textsuperscript{2411}

The Iranian Students Association protests the policy in the University Center Library. There are anywhere from 26 to 60 people present. Student Senator Eric Draper already on probation for his participation in the Students Against Cutbacks library sit-in, might be subjected to further disciplinary action because during the ISA protest he threw

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\textsuperscript{2408} O 5/14/76 p12  
\textsuperscript{2409} O 5/19/76 p3  
\textsuperscript{2410} O 5/20/76 p3  
\textsuperscript{2411} O 5/20/76 p3, 5/25/76 p5-6, O 5/26/76 p3  

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a crumpled piece of paper at Phyllis Marshall, Director of Student Organizations and shouted, “hey Phyllis, Eat It!”

Members of the math department take part in a vote concerning their faith in the department chair Manoug Manougian. Fifteen voted that a new chairman should be selected, three were opposed to the selection and eight did not vote. The Oracle receives many letters supporting Dr. Manougian.

Governor Reubin Askew dedicates USF’s new College of Medicine.

Students waste about 100 pounds of food daily in the Argos and Andros Cafeterias. If there was not such a large amount of waste, the cafeteria would save between $200 and $300 a week. This money could go to a higher cost meal (such as roast beef) or ice cream sundaes bars.

The budget approved by the State Senate indicates that USF must cut 65 existing faculty positions, 34 faculty members from teacher education and 31 research faculty. Vice President of Academic Affairs Carl Riggs gave the bad news to the council of deans and one Dean “muttered ‘Jesus Christ’ upon hearing of the potential cuts, then, with a wan smile, said, ‘the crucified him too.’” The prospects for the College of Medicine is fairly bright compared with other schools.

Students’ are having $2.14 per credit hour taken from their fees and allocated to the Activities and Services budget. The Student Senate passes a resolution that gives students the option to apply $2.00 to the activity or service of their choice, the remaining fourteen cents will be utilized fund the University Center. Student Government President

2412 O 6/4/76 p1
2413 O 5/20/76 p1, O 5/25/76 and 5/26/76
2414 O 5/25/76 p1
2415 O 5/25/76 p16
2416 O 5/26/76 p1, O 5/28/76 p1
Yvonne Berry believes that the measure is “inappropriate and illegal, and we’ll be doing ourselves more harm than good.” The Senate passes another resolution to “discriminate against the Oracle” in fund allocation. They reason that the Oracle is biased, influenced by the administration and should be student-run. Matt Bokor, editor of the Oracle, defends the paper, saying that it is student run and not controlled by the administration “contrary to what some people in the senate may think.”

The Oracle prints an editorial regarding the Student Senate, insinuating that senators unfairly allocate funds to groups in which they are members, and shout and swear during meetings. The senate is “childish, inefficient and disorganized” and “most of the senators don’t understand the rules of parliamentary procedure, and many don’t know what they’re voting about.” Furthermore, “the Senators pass ridiculous resolutions that have nothing to do with USF.” The Senate is also accused of using their control over allocation of funds to try and persuade the Oracle to report them in a favorable light. Many Senators support their positions, others support the Oracle’s.

The Black Student Union accuses USF of institutional racism, stating that the school does not schedule concerts or events with African American students in mind.

Radical student groups are still alive and well on campus. The Revolutionary Student Brigade, a national organization, boasts 20 members at USF. Their rallying slogan is “We’ve carried the rich for 200 years-Let’s get them off our backs!” The RYB is a group dedicated to fighting repression and creating social change through “struggles of the working class.” Students Against Cutbacks were organized to stop the cutbacks in funding for higher education and are now largely defunct after their Rally in Tallahassee.
Both groups hope to learn from the mistakes and successes of radicals from the 1960s. They both also maintain that since radical groups cannot form around opposition to the Vietnam War they must now form around a wider array of ideas and actions.\footnote{6/2/76 p1}

Mature commuter students give a lot to the university in terms of service and leadership but they are continually overlooked and unappreciated according to the Oracle. Of course there are many older students that enjoy their experience and feel that they are a genuine part of the campus community.\footnote{6/2/76 p5, O 10/1/76 p1}

An “end of the quarter” party at Fontana Hall results in the creation of a new sport. Two teams of five get into the pool, there are inner tubes affixed to each of the four corners, they grease up a watermelon and then the teams obliterate one another in an attempt to get the melon in the tubes more times than the competition. There are no rules, anything goes. The final two teams played to a tie although there were several basketball players on one team. Other events included a beer chugging contest (Mark Miggins, first baseman for USF’s baseball team won) and a Hula-hoop dance competition (Eddie “Stretch” Davis, the basketball MVP was victorious). There was also a baby-bottle beer chugging competition and a wet t-shirt competition. All in all the revelers downed 23 kegs of beer and some went home with prizes such as gift certificates, a trip to the Bahamas and a weekend stay for two in Clearwater.\footnote{6/2/76 p10}

Student Senators belonging to the Campus Coalition draft a budget that will put the power to hire and fire certain university employees in the hands of students. Included in the plan is the job security of University Center Acting Director Dave Pulliam, Student Senators belonging to the Campus Coalition draft a budget that will put the power to hire and fire certain university employees in the hands of students. Included in the plan is the job security of University Center Acting Director Dave Pulliam.

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Organizations Director Phyllis Marshall and Oracle Production Manager Joe McKenzie among others.  

Tampa Mayor Bill Poe asks that USF build its new Fine Arts facility in downtown Tampa and establish a branch campus nearby in order to help revitalize the area. President Mackey believes that such a plan would not serve the campus community.  

At the President’s annual spring address to faculty President Mackey states that the House budget for state universities “might make the coming year livable,” but the Senate’s budget, if passed, would be an “absolute disaster.”  

Chemistry Department Chair Terrence Owen reports that USF’s chemistry department is in the top 20 in the United States, despite both “atrocious lab conditions and “a ludicrous budget.”  

A partial list of the Student Senate Activities and Service Fees budgetary disbursement:

1. The Women’s Center, $12,000.
2. The Gay Coalition, $7,000.
3. The Men’s Center, $0.
4. The Black Student Union, $19,500.
5. The Cuban Student Alliance, $500.
7. Bull Band (Basketball Games), $0.
8. Chess Club, $0.

10. Natural Science Council, $5,400.


Third year political science major Carl Warren accuses the Oracle of racism in the article regarding the disbursement of Activities and Services money. He believes that he Oracle unfairly focuses on the Gospel Choir and the Black Student Union, stating that the article was “an editorial disguised as an article.”

Dr. Mackey resigns from USF in order to become the president of Texas Tech University and its School of Medicine. William Reece Smith, a local attorney and educator, is then appointed to become the Interim President.

The Board of Regents approves a 55-acre plot of land near Edison Community College for the new location of USF’s branch campus in Fort Myers.

Phyllis Marshall is appointed the director of the University Center. Marshall is the longtime director of student organizations and joined the university in 1960.

There has been a continuous power play between administration and the Student Senate regarding the budget. The senate’s version of the budget included the elimination of about 35 positions, but President Mackey rejected most of the SG budget, including certain fund allocations, which violates the existing law. Under the law Mackey can “reallocate to the health center, intercollegiate sports and bonded indebtedness but not other areas.” Student Government President Yvonne Berry maintains that although the

2428 O 6/4/76 p15
2429 USF Today, Vol. 4, No. 1 (Fall 1976), 2-3
administration accuses students of irresponsibility, to “blatantly violate the letter and intent of the law shows that they are the ones that are irresponsible.” The Student Senate votes to censure ex-President Mackey.\footnote{O 9/21/78 p1, O 9/30/76 p1}

Dr. Joe Howell, the Vice President for Student Affairs, denies the allegations put forth by the Student Senate in their attempt to censure ex-President Mackey.\footnote{O 10/1/76 p3}

One of the programs cut by President Mackey is the USF SAFE-Team. The rape prevention patrol units were cut because Mackey believes that the University Police can devise a plan that will give students more than just an escort service. President Yvonne Berry is opposed to the measure and schedules a meeting with administrators to continue the program. Berry notes that there has only been one rape reported on campus since the SAFE-Teams escort service has started.\footnote{O 9/22/76 p1, 9/21/76 p9}

President Berry’s meeting with administration officials is a success and the SAFE-Team is funded for at least one more quarter. The Student Government and the University Police will work together throughout the quarter to draw up a plan to replace the SAFE-Team in the second quarter.\footnote{O 9/23/76 p1}

In late July, President Cecil Mackey leaves USF to become President of Texas Tech University. One of his major reasons for leaving is the lack of funding for higher education in the state of Florida. Tampa Attorney William Reece Smith Jr. Takes over as Interim President.\footnote{O 9/21/76 p1}

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\footnote{O 10/1/76 p3}
\footnote{O 9/22/76 p1, 9/21/76 p9}
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\footnote{O 9/21/76 p1}
Four of the nine USF deans have left their posts in the past two quarters to return to teaching full-time.\textsuperscript{2437}

USF Professors have received more than $100,000 in grants from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, for projects “designed to train teachers of handicapped persons.”\textsuperscript{2438}

Over the years, the lobby of the University Center has taken on the “appearance of a flea market” because salesmen had been selling their products. UC director Phyllis Marshall has put a stop to that. All sales booths will be restricted to the second floor and non-student salesmen will pay either $10 or 10% of sales, whichever is greater. Students pay $5 and student organizations get space for free.\textsuperscript{2439}

UFF complains that the university broke an agreement. The Social Sciences faculty were supposed to get a letter in the mail informing them that they had a 9/20 meeting. At the meeting, the Social Sciences faculty were supposed to ratify a contract from the BOR, but none attended. The letters were held up by university administration because non-college personnel are forbidden from using the university postal system. The UFF had reached an agreement with the BOR that they would be able to use the mail system.\textsuperscript{2440}

Budget cuts have cut into the library’s growth. The USF library has a book collection 35% below the standard for a University the size of USF and the library will

\textsuperscript{2437} O 9/22/76 p3
\textsuperscript{2438} O 9/23/76 p6
\textsuperscript{2439} O 9/24/76 p1
\textsuperscript{2440} O 9/24/76 p1
have to cut almost $200,000 dollars in expenditures for new books in 1976-1977 school year.\textsuperscript{2441}

The library reports a rash of disappearing typewriter ribbons, students must now sign out the ribbons.\textsuperscript{2442}

A team comprised of faculty members holds the title as reigning intramural football champs. What is the secret to their success? According to quarterback and English Professor Lawrence Broer, “we disarm our opponents by appearing ancient and ragged.” Broer will not make any predictions regarding a win-loss record for the coming season but does predict that the faculty team will “win more games than the Bucs.” In case you are wondering if their championship season was a fluke, the faculty football team has won their intramural division for six years in a row.\textsuperscript{2443}

WUSF might begin running a student news program again. The old student news program has been out of commission for approximately a year. The new student news program must be run by mass communications students working towards credit, supervised by WUSF faculty and must be orientated towards the entire community, not just USF students.\textsuperscript{2444}

The campus co-op opens. For a five-dollar membership fee, students can join the co-op and purchase fresh food at a discounted rate.\textsuperscript{2445}

Enrollment at USF has dropped since 1975. The drop in enrollment is pinned on the BOR mandate that student enrollment in 1976 cannot surpass 1975’s numbers.\textsuperscript{2446}
University Police Officers must ignore the harsh looks that they receive from students and go about their jobs. Police officers maintain that they try to treat students well and be understanding rather than mean. Chief Paul Uravich has been trying to change the image of the University police officer because when he arrived at USF in 1973 “it was obvious there was a lot of tension caused by the public having the wrong perception of what the UP was here for.”

The third annual Student Activities Mart will feature a band, jumps by the USF parachute club and an auction of administrators. The highest bidders in the auction will be able to request that the administrator “advertise or offer a service to their club or organization.” Interim President Reece Smith will take his buyer on a canoe trip on the Hillsborough River.

Vice President of Student Affairs Joe Howell was auctioned to the Student Government. They made him pass out SAFE Team pamphlets for the rest of the afternoon. Student Organizations purchased Interim President Reece Smith for $45. The campus ROTC purchased SG President Yvonne Berry for $15, she was instructed to carry a sign from booth to booth advertising the ROTC. For $25, Assistant Vice-President of Student Affairs Dan Walbolt will be tending bar at a Delta Tau Delta party on Friday night.

The new building for the College of Business Administration, set to be completed in late 1977, will include classrooms that will sit 10 feet underground.
Vacant Student Senate seats will be filled with a special election. The campaign is interrupted by a question of eligibility. One candidate filed the necessary paperwork one day late and petitioned to have his candidacy accepted.2451

In a debate attended by approximately 120 people, SG president Yvonne Berry squared off against Vice President of Student Affairs Dr. Joe Howell. Berry charged the administration with breaking state law and subverting the student senate by vetoing the SG Activity and Service budget, establishing a 12 hour course load for senators and cutting funding to the SAFE-Team security escort service. Howell replied that the SAFE-Team is funded through quarter one, that he never supported the 12-hour requirement, and that the senators still have control of the budget, but they must go through the university president.2452

An Oracle editorial openly asks when this debate between the student government and USF administration will end. The debate has lasted for two quarters and still has not been resolved.2453

A proposal brought forward by the State University System calls for the elimination of all doctoral programs at USF. Some administration members counter that the elimination of doctoral programs will hurt USF’s ability to serve the area and will adversely affect the quality of faculty, research and programs at the school. The Board of Regents also proposes a plan to also get rid of major graduate research at USF.2454

USF student John Barber writes that the proposal to eliminate doctoral programs is beneficial only to the University of Florida, at the expense of the University of South

2451 O 10/12/76 p15
2452 O 10/12/76 p1
2453 O 10/14/76 p4
2454 O 10/13/76 p1, O 10/15/76 p1
Florida. The Oracle publishes many letters supporting doctoral programs and research at USF throughout mid-October, and the debate continues to rage on the front page of the newspaper into November.²⁴⁵⁵

President Reece Smith addresses USF administrators and faculty, telling them that the controversial BOR plan to designate USF a “regional campus” and move all major graduate research and doctoral programs to UF and FSU is now official and USF has between two weeks and a month to submit a response to the BOR containing their ideas concerning the plan.²⁴⁵⁶

Revolutionary movements on campus have changed in character since the late 1960s and early 1970s. Whereas students used to actively protest the Vietnam War and the status quo, they are now more likely to be engaged in “subtle revolution” according to Bob Brooker, a 30 year old economics major who took part in both subtle and overt forms of protest. One example of subtle revolution is the Common Learning Network, which offers classes in subject matters ranging from Studies in Political Assassinations to Mime to Conversational Arabic. Another example of “subtle revolution” is the USF food co-op.²⁴⁵⁷

For the second week in a row the Student Senate is forced to end a meeting early because of a lack of quorum. Without the presence of a necessary 2/3rds to pass resolutions it is impossible to get much accomplished. The second meeting is continually disrupted by Senator Ed Feigen who apologized for “his high spirits by saying he’d been drinking.” Feigen writes a letter to the Oracle defending his actions and stating that a measure he’d proposed to save student money was attacked and senator’s use of

²⁴⁵⁵ O 10/15/76 p5, 11/10/76 p1
²⁴⁵⁶ O 11/3/76 p3
²⁴⁵⁷ O 10/13/76 p9
“personality politics” and their proclivity for making Feigen feel “abused through personal attacks” drove him to leave the senate floor and get “a couple of beers to cool off.”

Student Government Productions holds the eighth annual River Riot (renamed River Riot I, because it will be the biggest ever). The event includes six hours of live music, various games and sports and was attended by about 6,000 people.

The USF Chess club earns the top seed as the number one team in the nation for the Pan-American Intercollegiate Chess Tournament.

President Yvonne Berry characterized a senate meeting as having the least “horsing around” she’d seen. The senate passed resolutions against the removal of the doctoral plans at USF, putting the fate of the SAFE-Team to a vote, denying the senate’s right to put controls on the Common Learning Network’s catalog and the impeachment of four senators for chronic absence. Senator Andy Knable also (jokingly) put forth a resolution to castrate Student Senator Earl Green. The article mentions that Senator Ross Hancock, jumped on the table and walked from table to table rather than walking on the floor when it was his turn to speak. Hancock later writes a letter to the Oracle insinuating that it was silly of them to focus on that event, he signs the letter “Ross ‘the frog’ Hancock.” Hancock is one of the senators that loses his seat in the senate special elections the following week. The Oracle prints letters and editorials stating that the senate should act in a more mature fashion.
Senator Andy Knable replies to the Oracle regarding his resolution to castrate Senator Earl Green. According to Knable, Green remarked earlier that “the senate should grow some balls,” Knable considered this highly offensive and sexist. Knable maintains that he responded, “I would like to make a motion to cut off Mr. Green’s balls, but I won’t.” He regrets if the statement hurt Mr. Green’s reelection campaign and bears no ill will toward the Senator. Mr. Knable believes that the Oracle should send more capable reporters to SG meetings.\textsuperscript{2462}

Student Government Vice President Steve Nichols defends the senate, stating that the reporter from the Oracle focused on a few minutes of levity in a senate meeting that lasted 3 ½ hours. The meeting in question resulted in the passage of 12 resolutions, approved two appointments and passed two statutes, a very productive day.\textsuperscript{2463}

Art Department Chair George Pappas has been complaining for a year and a half that art students are getting sick because of a poor air conditioning and ventilation system in the darkrooms. Students are “suffering headaches, sore throats, coughs and fainting spells.” Aid from the physical plant is “impossible because of lack of manpower and funds.” Pappas went to an independent air conditioning company and they say that the unit can be fixed with a thorough cleaning for about $100. Pappas is willing to take this money from the department budget in order to keep his students healthy.\textsuperscript{2464}

Actor John Lithgow’s father, Arthur, is a visiting professor in the theater department here at USF. He mentions to the Oracle that he has “four grown children” and one of his children is “a moderately successful actor in New York.”\textsuperscript{2465}

\textsuperscript{2462} O 10/28/76 p4
\textsuperscript{2463} O 10/27/76 p4
\textsuperscript{2464} O 10/22/76 p1
\textsuperscript{2465} O 10/6/76 p7
A straw poll of USF students reveals that Presidential hopeful Jimmy Carter holds a 10% lead over incumbent Gerald Ford in the race for the White House.\textsuperscript{2466}

Women’s sports at USF have made considerable progress. The school has a fulltime female coach and a female recreational director for men’s and women’s intramural sports. Women students receive grants and women can join coed-intramural teams. There are still steps to be taken as the six women’s intercollegiate sports at USF have a budget “half the size of men’s basketball alone.” Plus coach Joanne Rogers does not have a trainer and must come in an hour and a half before game time to tape her player’s elbows, knees and ankles. Rogers must also wash her team’s uniforms.\textsuperscript{2467}

The Student Senate special election results in an influx new senators into 60% of the positions.\textsuperscript{2468}

At the second annual TKE beer-guzzling championships Bill Roderick, the “under the table favorite…chugged his way to victory” by drinking 74 ounces of beer in 4 minutes. Dee Dee Planck won first in the women’s competition by drinking fourteen ounces of beer in six seconds.\textsuperscript{2469}

The Oracle continues its consecutive streak of All-American ratings from the Associate Collegiate Press and the National Scholastic Press Association. The Oracle has received the All-American ratings since it began publishing in 1967.\textsuperscript{2470}

The ROTC program at USF, which was opposed by many when it was founded in 1974, has grown from 29 students to 146 in just two years.\textsuperscript{2471}  

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The University Police will hold its annual auction next month. The police hold lost and found or recovered items for 30 days, if they are not claimed, the UP auctions them off in order to clear space.\textsuperscript{2472}

Several students participate in 1\textsuperscript{st} annual “New Games” tournament on campus. The tournament is a combination of made up games including earthball, hug tag, schmerltz and people pass. The Oracle is unclear as to how these games are played.\textsuperscript{2473}

The craft shop at the University Center receives its third fire warning of the year and its second chemical warning of the year from the Fire Marshall’s office. The administration later places the necessary fire extinguishers in the room. They also maintain that the ventilation system will be improved dramatically by connecting the ventilation systems of the ceramics and leather rooms.\textsuperscript{2474}

The Oracle reports that there has been an upsurge in student interest in religion at USF over the past few years. Over the next few weeks the paper is inundated with letters either supporting or denying the report. By the beginning of December the Oracle has received so many letters concerning the matter that Student Lisa Berman informs students that she is a divine voice channeling the will and word and God, and God says stop writing and publishing “irrelevant arguments concerning ‘religion.’”\textsuperscript{2475}

English Professor Dr. John “Knocky” Parker, is hospitalized after suffering a minor heart attack on his walk home from school. Dr. Parker made a surprise appearance at the close of his Ragtime Class soon after, wearing slippers and a bathrobe, he entered the class, approached the piano and played a song about his “hurting heart and liver.” His

\textsuperscript{2472} O 10/27/76 p11
\textsuperscript{2473} O 11/4/76 p14
\textsuperscript{2474} O 11/5/76 p1, 11/9/76 p3. O 11/23/76 p3
\textsuperscript{2475} O 11/10/76 p18, 12/3/76 p5
30 students gathered around him and there was a mixture of tears and laughter. Dr. Parker’s son, John III was covering the class for his father. When John III asked his father how he got to class Dr. Parker replied, “I snuck out, I was feeling great and couldn’t stay away.” John III drove Dr. Parker back to the hospital after class.\textsuperscript{2476}

After 12 years and hundreds of designs, USF’s Educational Resource Division unveils the new USF logo. Reaction is mixed among the student body.\textsuperscript{2477}

Hall of Fame Pitcher Robin Roberts is hired as coach of the baseball team.\textsuperscript{2478}

The USF parachute club has grown to 50 members in just five years. Members must provide a $40 membership fee, a $3 per quarter fee and $7 per jump.\textsuperscript{2479}

Four former USF professors are suing the school in an attempt to regain their jobs. Two of the former professors were recommended for tenure, but fired by President Mackey, the other two were fired without tenure recommendation.\textsuperscript{2480}

The College of Arts and Letters begins a new “Free Speech Program.” Every Thursday people are encouraged to stand outside the college and speak about whatever is on their mind. Topics in the first week range from a girl discussing her pet iguana to Dean David Smith telling a few jokes to an Iranian Student Association representative denouncing the Shah.\textsuperscript{2481}

USF’s branch campuses maintain that they were shortchanged when in came to the allocation of Activity and Service fees. The senate votes to allocate $44,000 to the
branch campuses in an attempt to even out the distribution of funds. This is $2,000 dollars less than they requested.\textsuperscript{2482}

Comic books, a medium usually reserved for children’s entertainment, are being used to teach bicycle safety. The Student Government distributes 2,000 copies of “Sprocket Man” around campus. The school has had the books since April but was unable to distribute them because former student senator Eric Draper ordered 5,000 copies rather than the approved of 2,000. The remaining copies were sold to a school in Oregon.\textsuperscript{2483}

Students wishing to see the popular rock groups The Outlaws and Buckacre play on the soccer field tore down a fence and saw the show for free. The two bands got their start in the Tampa area and have gone on to achieve national recognition.\textsuperscript{2484}

Student John Barber sends a letter to the Oracle complaining about the “trash being strewn on the grounds” by foreign students trying to push the plight of their homelands on other students, and furthermore, he argues that these “aliens” need to “learn to cope with the civilized world of the 20\textsuperscript{th} century.” The Oracle receives many letters from people opposed to Barber’s viewpoint, and a rebuttal from Barber himself.\textsuperscript{2485}

The Oracle will begin to publish a Monday edition next quarter, they have been running the paper from Tuesday to Friday.\textsuperscript{2486}

Four-year-old Ian Locklear will be running for Student Government President. He believes that he will be eligible for the office because he will be enrolled in an

\textsuperscript{2482} O 11/23/76 p1, O 11/24/76 p1
\textsuperscript{2483} O 11/30/76 p1
\textsuperscript{2484} O 11/23/76 p1
\textsuperscript{2485} O 11/18/76, O 11/30/76 p5
\textsuperscript{2486} O 12/1/76 p3
enrichment program for gifted children next quarter. Ian is interested in various aspects of student government, saying that he bosses “the SAFE-Team around, because I’m the boss of them.” He believes that people should take advantage of the SAFE-Team “because it saves people when they’re in bad trouble, like gun trouble and killing trouble.” He also maintains that the Common Learning Network “is such a hassle. I wish there wasn’t a CLN anyway.” Ian is considering his 6-year old friend David as a running mate. Both of Ian’s parents are Student Senators, but he aspires to the highest SG office on campus, he wants to be president “because the president gets to boss the Senate around and tell them what to do, and they have to listen.”

The BOR approves a plan for graduate programs in Political Science and Linguistics, while denying the request for an MA program in Mass Communications.

The FTE estimates for 9/24/76 are 4,791 underclassmen, 9,649 upperclassmen, and 1,626 graduate students, for a total of 16,066. The preliminary headcount is 22,243.

Among black students, females vastly outnumber males, while white and Hispanic students are mostly male. Among full-time black students, 248 are male and 419 are female. Among part time black students, 108 are male and 209 are female. Total numbers for USF: 11,667 males and 10,576 females.

USF celebrates its twentieth anniversary.
CDB Pizza, a local restaurant, challenges a county law that prohibits the sale of alcoholic beverages in the area surrounding the USF campus. Originally passed in 1959, the law stipulates that alcohol sales must occur beyond 2,500 feet from the University. However, as a result of a number of loopholes in the law, there are now six restaurants and eight grocery stores selling alcohol within the restricted area.2492

Budget cutbacks force the elimination of the Leisure Studies program at the University of South Florida.2493

USF President Cecil Mackey announces that he will be leaving his post at South Florida to become president at Texas Tech University on September 1 of this year.2494

The Florida Board of Regents appoint Tampa attorney William Reece Smith, Jr. as interim president of the University of South Florida.2495 Regent Chester Ferguson explains that the appointment comes in an effort to improve relations between the University and the surrounding community. “I have a country boy’s respect for higher education,” says incoming President Smith. “It’s given a lot to me.”2496

Special Guest Helen Thomas, White House Bureau Chief for United Press International, speaks to students on campus during a seminar/reception on January 19th.2497

Pulitzer Prize writer Michael Shaara is scheduled to speak at the Florida Suncoast Writers’ Conference, held at USF, St. Pete Campus, regarding his novel *The Killer Angels*. Also featured at the conference will be the novelist Harry Crews, winner of the 1975 National Endowment of the Arts Award, Gloria Jahoda, the official bicentennial

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2492 Tampa Times: Feb. 13, 1976
2493 TT: July 19, 1976
2494 SPT: July 18, 1976
2495 TT: Aug. 21, 1976
2496 SPT: Aug. 21, 1976
2497 CN: January 5, 1976, insert of upcoming events.
historian for the State of Florida, and author Thomasina Weber, winner of the 1975 Mystery Writers of America scroll for excellence.\textsuperscript{2498}

USF St. Petersburg announces Operation Identification, an effort to help protect student’s valuables by providing engraving services to students. In addition, the school also provides stickers to display near the front and rear doors of the home.\textsuperscript{2499}

The University and the History Community announce “Late Ancient and Early Medieval Rome,” a free discussion by Professor J. C. Russell for Thursday, April 22\textsuperscript{nd} at 7 p.m.\textsuperscript{2500}

The Student Civil Liberties Association announce “China,” a discussion by Maude Russell, the editor of the Far East Reporter, a monthly political and cultural periodical on Chinese Life. The talk is scheduled for Monday, April 26\textsuperscript{th}.\textsuperscript{2501}

The Army Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) announces that it is establishing a center for St. Petersburg on the USF Bayboro Harbor Campus.\textsuperscript{2502}

During a Student Affairs Committee Meeting Don Haney reports that following a letter from the S. A. C. on St. Pete Campus to Yvonne Berry, President of Student Government in Tampa, protesting the inequities in the proposed budget and a correspondence between the chairperson of the S.A.C and various legislators from Pinellas County, the administration in Tampa is beginning to feel some concern. They are expected to ask Student Government in Tampa to allot more money to the branch campuses.\textsuperscript{2503}

\textsuperscript{2498} CN: January 19, 1976, p. 3.  
\textsuperscript{2499} CN: March 29, 1976, p. 13.  
\textsuperscript{2500} CN: April 21, 1976, p. 3.  
\textsuperscript{2501} CN: April 21, 1976, p. 6.  
\textsuperscript{2502} CN: September 27, 1976, p. 9.  
\textsuperscript{2503} CN: October 6, 1976, p. 1 & 4.
An announcement is made in an attempt to insure the integrity of student records and comply with the restrictions contained in the Family Educational Rights to Privacy Act. Student information, other than “directory information” requires the written permission of the student prior to release.2504

The Student Civil Liberties Association announces the results of its presidential poll. The final tally ranks Carter as the winner with 146 votes out of 336 total. There were also two write-ins, one for the Libertarian Roger McBride and the other for Peter Camejo of the Socialist Workers Party.2505

On Monday, November 15th, the University of South Florida hosts a free, public symposium on “Minority Rights and Reverse Discrimination.” Educators, public officials and community leaders discuss how far governments should and can go in extending opportunities to members of groups that have suffered from racial or sexual discrimination in the past.2506

New V. A. educational benefits are announced. There is an 8% increase in monthly pay rate, 45 months of entitlement, a rise in the education loan from 600 dollars to 1,500 and a rise in tutorial assistance from 60 to 65 dollars a month.2507

1977: New College receives its largest donation, $500,000, from an anonymous donor who says that he/she “spends a lot of time in Sarasota.”2508

The USF Chess Team wins the Pan American Championships. It is the first team from the south to win and the only one to shutout Chicago. In addition, it won the largest

2504 CN: October 12, 1976, p. 3.
2506 CN: November 8, 1976, pp. 4-5.
spread ever, was the youngest team ever to win the title and defeated four former championships [MIT, Chicago, Brooklyn and Toronto].

A four-year old is a candidate for president of USF. Ian Locklear receives country-wide publicity about his attentions to be president of the university. Locklear has been placed under a type of “Secret Service” custody after university police responded to complaints about a child wandering around with no parental supervision. Locklear is afraid of the police ever since one officer “grabbed” him after he accidentally knocked down a sign in the UC. Ian plans on writing a letter to the UP saying he did not mean to knock down the sign, and that sometimes people make mistakes. About actually being president of USF, Ian states, “I can’t really be president, cause you have to have 90 hours, and you have to be a grown-up.” CBS offers Ian a spot on a “60 Minutes” program. Ian has received $20 in campaign contributions since he joined the race.

The state university system’s SG presidents make attempts to have wine sold at the nine state universities. Wine is currently served at USF and two other state universities on special occasions and under strict guidelines.

ROTC supporters say the commissioning of five ROTC cadets at USF has significance. The commissioning is the first ever held on campus and it seems to “signal the viability of what was once an unpopular program.” When the ROTC opened an office on campus in 1975, student USF support for the ROTC greatly increased.

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2510 O: Jan. 6, 1977
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USF opens the search for a new president of the university to the public. More than 300 applications are expected. 2513

The SG funded Child Day Care Center opens its doors in January of 1977 after months of building delays, and zoning changes by the county. 2514

USF wants to proceed with plans announced last December to build a tennis stadium containing six hard courts, grandstands, a concession stand and clubhouse.

On the USF Bayboro campus, a “mysterious blaze engulfed and gutted” a building that was a part of the Marine Research Laboratory. The fire occurred over winter break and destroyed or damaged 15 percent of the laboratory’s fish reference collection, some project experiments, laboratory spaces, biological libraries and some scientific equipment. Damage is estimated at $60,000. 2515

USF’s plans for a multi-purpose complex with an air-supported roof received approval from the BOR. 2516

With a plentiful food supply and a limited number of predators, the USF campus makes a great home for gophers. Called pocket gophers, the creatures burrow year-round around campus, erupting piles of soil in the grass. “They have no respect for where they dig,” the Groundskeeping Supervisor said. The supervisor says the gophers are no real problem, but make the grounds “unsightly in some places.” 2517

A hairstyle change by the vice president for Student Affairs Joe Howell makes front-page news in The Oracle. Since arriving at USF, Howell wore the “flat-top” look

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2517 O: Jan. 12, 1977
of the 40’s and 50’s. He returned from winter break sporting a look of the 70’s with longer hair and a part on the side.\textsuperscript{2518}

Some chemistry students intend not to sign a waiver that clears USF of any responsibility if a student is injured in a chemistry lab. All students taking general chemistry labs are required to sign the waiver of liability form. Part of the waiver reads, “Activities associated with this course may be dangerous and result in bodily injury or death to myself or others…”\textsuperscript{2519}

The dorm rate in January of 1977 is 200 dollars a quarter.\textsuperscript{2520}

Snow falls at USF on the night of January 18, 1977. Several hundred students gather between Lambda Hall and the swimming pool to witness the rare occurrence. In the snow, students dance, jump, set off firecrackers, and a few even run stark naked through the snow.\textsuperscript{2521}

Every spring more than 200 students attend classes at USF’s New York City campus and receive college credit. Students and instructors participate in the Off-Campus Term (OCT) program designed to give students credit for experiences outside the traditional classroom. The OCT also has the Urban Survival project. Students can choose the city in which they want to live and study for a quarter. The project places an emphasis on community and intercultural interaction.\textsuperscript{2522}

SG presidential and vice presidential candidates criticize the outgoing SG leadership. The candidates say SG has failed in the past because it has represented a small group of people, it has not sought student-body support, and it has not

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accomplished anything. One presidential candidate says SG’s main priority should be to fight the decline of academic quality at USF.\textsuperscript{2523}

Five candidates for SG executive office say they will support funding for the Gay Coalition if elected.\textsuperscript{2524}

SG Presidential candidate, Vince Micciche, petitions the Student Court of Review after being disqualified. Micciche was disqualified for violating election codes. He is accused of not having approval before posting campaign material and not having campaign material signed. He accuses the Election Rules Committee of collaborating with certain SG candidates to have him disqualified. Micciche wants to postpone the election.\textsuperscript{2525} The Student Court of Review dismisses Micciche’s petition on the grounds of “insufficient evidence” provided by Micciche.\textsuperscript{2526}

A runoff occurs between Les Miller and David Sapp for SG president.

Student enrollment for Qtr. 1 of 1977 drops 6 percent from Qtr. 2 of 1976. This drop may cause a budget cut for 1978.\textsuperscript{2527} With student enrollment down and with the allocation of university funds being based on enrollment, the Vice President of Academic Affairs, Carl Riggs, announces a drive to increase USF’s summer quarter enrollment. He says colleges should offer courses that are known to attract a large amount of students.\textsuperscript{2528}

A significant drop in the year’s enrollment at USF is causing budget problems, according to university officials. Nearly $200,000 was cut from the annual budget

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because of the decline, an action likely to be repeated if conditions do not improve next year. Student and administrative committees are meeting to find effective solutions to the financial crisis.²⁵²⁹

As a result of statewide budget cuts, USF faces a “drastic reduction” in programs and services offered to students. While the state’s proposal eliminates $1.36 million from the university’s budget, USF administrators are asking for $1.7 million of “quality improvement funds” as compensation for previous cutbacks in faculty and services. Legislators will consider the possibility of a tax increase in order to meet the needs of a growing state university system.²⁵³⁰

The USF Child Care Center becomes fully operational. The program, spearheaded by student government, is intended to provide students with a place to leave their children in quality care while they are in class.²⁵³¹

Hillsborough County finalizes its plans for a new science and industry museum. The final approval for construction of the center should come this fall. It will uniquely demonstrate alternate sources of energy both in its operations and its exhibits.²⁵³²

USF attempts to upgrade its operations in order to accommodate night students. The large proportion of commuter students and non-traditional students at the university makes this a necessity.²⁵³³

The university library is visibly suffering from a lack of adequate funding, reflective of a more comprehensive statewide condition, according to campus staff and administrators. Chancellor York reports that while operating costs have risen 141 percent

²⁵²⁹ O: Apr. 22, 1977
²⁵³⁰ O: Apr. 13, 1977
²⁵³¹ USF Today, Vol. 4, No. 3 (Spring, 1977), 14.
since 1971, the budget has only increased 37 percent. A report notes that USF only has half the number of books as Harvard University, and should be purchasing new books at a rate of 50,000 per year.2534

Budget cuts at the university threaten to compromise programs at the University Center (UC) as well as eliminating as many as fifty staff jobs across campus. A hiring freeze is instituted in order to avoid further expenditures until the proposed budget is finalized by the Board of Regents. Comments UC director Phyllis Marshall, the budget “is going to be limited in its opportunities for the improvement of current services, as well as the continuation of others.” University administrators suspect that research funds too may decline as a result of the cutbacks.2535

The United Faculty of Florida union sues the Board of Regents over a cut in faculty raises. After both sides agreed to an 8.85 percent pay increase, the BOR reduced the raise to 7.1 percent as a result of budget cuts from the state legislature. “The legislative intent is final,” says BOR negotiator Caesar Naples, “Whatever they get is whatever the legislature decides they will get.” The Student Senate also passes a resolution condemning the actions of the BOR and the State Legislature.2536

Five deans at USF complain that they are losing good faculty members because of low salaries. “If the budget problems we have faced in the past are not corrected, we could lose many of our best faculty,” said Dr. Robert Cox, dean of the college of Business Administration.2537

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2534 O: May 10, 1977
2535 O: July 13, 1977
2536 O: July 29, 1977
2537 O: Nov. 21, 1977
Approximately fifty USF faculty members picket the Administration building in protest of the BOR’s refusal to concede the full pay-raise agreed upon during the collective bargaining process. Though refusing to comment on the faculty union, USF President Reece Smith did admit, “I think the faculty in the system, generally speaking, are underpaid.”

A proposed charter change for the USF Career Service Senate will give all branch campuses senate representation. Currently senators are elected from the St. Pete campus only.

The UP chase a two-mile long piece of non-adhesive tape around campus, and at the end, they find student artists Bernie Hughes, who is using the tape as part of a conceptual art piece. The UP asks him to get rid of it.


In the Social Science building Dr. Powell conducts experiments with crows. He is interested in finding out “how tool-using gets started in a species,” and crows, whose curiosity causes them to pick up objects and play with them, are a great species to conduct the experiment on. Their curiosity causes problems, however, as some crows are able to open the cages and get out. Powell is training the crows to peck at a key. Powell’s crow experiment disproved the assumption that man is the only animal that uses tools.
USF Women’s Rugby club is just two years old, but is quickly becoming popular among women students. 2543

The rare occurrence of snow in Tampa leads to frostbitten plants at USF’s Botanical Gardens. The freezing temperatures affected 90 to 95 percent of the plants, which consist of both indigenous plants and exotic tropical vegetation. Despite the possible loss of plants, the director sees an up side to the events. He says one of the purposes at the garden is to find out which plants can take the cold and which ones cannot, thus finding out which plants are good for landscaping in the area. 2544

The cold snap of January costs USF $1,000 more a day in fuel bills than usual. 2545

A musical group, Ars Nova Wind Quintet, which consists of USF music faculty members, releases a new album of woodwind quintet music. The group recorded its album in the Fine Arts Auditorium, using funds donated by former USF President Cecil Mackey prior to his departure from office. 2546

Students in USF’s Your Open University program are required to watch the series “Roots,” as are those studying Afro-American history. Student opinion about having to watch it varied from those who thought it should not have been shown at all to those who thought it educated whites about the black experience. One student commented on the film, noting that it “expressed the need for all people to go back into the past and understand their roots, black or white.” 2547
Former Florida Governor Leroy Collins is chosen to mediate negotiations between the United Faculty of Florida (UFF) and the Board of Regents (BOR). The UFF is arguing for a salary increase over three times that offered by the BOT. Said UFF representative Dr. Ken Megill, the UFF’s final offer was “a reasonable first step to maintain quality in the State University System.”

Students participate in the Ninth Annual USF Model U.N., a simulated United Nations training exercise in which a Soviet ship trapped in the Panama Canal provokes a dangerous confrontation with the United States. The purpose of the conference is “to give students a taste of international relations.” The meeting also discussed such contemporary issues as nuclear disarmament, the Middle East, apartheid, and human rights. After hours of deliberation, the model panel decided to turn the canal’s operation over to Saudi Arabia and allow safe passage for the Soviet vessel.

Students discuss the segregated nature of USF fraternities and sororities, acknowledging that there is a distinct divergence along color lines. “The only contact the different organizations have is on the intramural field.” Only two years earlier, blacks dropped out of the conventional councils and formed an all-black National Panhellenic Council, complaining that their interests were not properly represented among the Greeks. One student comments, “I would feel more comfortable if there were more interaction, but I think the situation symbolizes the whole environment at USF.”

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2550 O: Feb. 3, 1977
USF’s Debate Club hosts a Gasparilla tournament, drawing over 400 contestants from all over the country. This year’s controversial subject for discussion: consumer-product safety.\textsuperscript{2551}

Les Miller elected president of Student Government by a 2-1 vote margin.

“There’s going to be a change in Student Government, there is no doubt in my mind,” says Miller, who ran under the campaign slogan of, “It’s Miller Time!”\textsuperscript{2552}

State Senator Betty Castor introduces a bill into Congress that would allow senior citizens to audit state university classes, free of charge. Espousing the benefits of the program, Castor suggests that it “would be a very good thing to do here at South Florida because there has been so much discussion about bridging the gap between the university and the community.”\textsuperscript{2553}

USF custodial worker arrested for larceny by the University Police after being connected to the theft of $50 from a University Center pinball machine.\textsuperscript{2554}

Students continue to protest against the action of WUSF officials to take a popular radio program, the “Underground Railroad,” off the air. With WUSF currently devoting 84 percent of the broadcast day to classical music, Student Government urges the station to play selections from more popular genres, such as folk, bluegrass, progressive, and electronic music. While a survey demonstrated only 13 percent of listeners were satisfied with the programming, comments ranged from, “Bring back the Railroad,” to “I have never heard of USF radio!”\textsuperscript{2555}

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A referendum is submitted by Student Government to determine whether students favored a change in WUSF-FM programming. Also in question is the role the student body is to play in the station’s operation. SG Senator Kitty Visconti urges students to back the effort, while her colleague, Sen. Paul Austin counters, “I don’t see how another broadcaster of childish music can help the Tampa Bay area … It should not be up to the whim of the USF students.”

The Board of Regents (BOR) creates controversy by debating the merits of doctorate and research programs at USF. Debate was sparked by an earlier proposal to center advanced doctoral-research programs exclusively at the universities of Florida and Florida State. After eliciting considerable opposition from USF administrators and faculty, the concession was made that such programs could indeed be offered in Tampa when “there is a demand from students who are place-bound.” Although the Legislature criticized the statewide duplication of programs, geographic limitations necessitated it.

The BOR formally approves plans for a “mass-seating facility with an air-supported roof” at USF. Construction on the $7 million, 10,000 capacity multi-purpose center is to begin in June and take approximately eighteen months to complete. “The center is planned as a Mecca for USF sports events and could also be used for graduation exercises and concerts.”

A survey conducted among dorm residents reveals that marijuana use is “widespread” at the university. “As long as you don’t make a big deal out of it, the RA (Resident Advisor) won’t bother you,” says one student. An RA responds, “We try to

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2556 O: Feb. 10, 1977
2557 O: Feb. 8, 1977
2558 O: Feb. 9-10, 1977
keep the University Police (UP) out of it … we deal with it ourselves.” University residents even claim that smoking occurs on the lawns outside of the dorms. “Prices are a little higher on campus because the dealers figure your parents will send the money … some dealers accept checks.”

Prompted by pressures from the UP, Housing Director Ray King agrees to look into it.

A report on traffic at USF, prepared at the cost of $60,000, acknowledges significant congestion on and around the university campus. “You can’t get there from here, and even if you could you would have to drive very slow.”

USF administrators consider cutting summer classes in order to guarantee an adequate availability of funds for the following fall and spring semesters.

A campus-wide poll discovers that over two-thirds of the student body at USF has tried marijuana, and twelve percent continue to use it on a daily basis.

The USF Engineering Department constructs an electric car as an experimental alternative to the gasoline engine. Participants are optimistic, suggesting that, “If we can make this type of car practical, demands for gas would go down. It would probably be much cheaper to ‘fill ‘er up’ with electricity than with gas.”

Student Government Senators engage in a heated debate over a bill requiring attendance at Student Senate Meetings. Prompted by a lack of consistent involvement, the bill was introduced as a means of curtailing excessive absences among SG members. “Too many senate meetings have disbanded this quarter for the lack of a quorum,” notes

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2561 O: Feb. 16, 1977
2562 O: Feb. 21, 1977
2563 O: Feb. 23, 1977
one proponent. The majority are less receptive, however, arguing that “this (amendment) is silly, very silly.”

A UFF/BOR contract provision requires students to sign their name to faculty evaluations if they choose to write comments. The reason, school administrators claim, is to protect the tenure of the instructors, which is based in part on student feedback. “You must be kidding,” said one student, “Signing your name is going to ‘mark’ you for the rest of the time you’re in a department.”

An Engineering Expo is held as a joint celebration among students and national industry. Exhibits include an electric dog, a robot, vehicles, and other mechanical gadgets. The bold slogan flaunted around campus by Engineering students states that “Engineers Make It Better!”

U.S. Ambassador to the Middle East, Michael Sterner, gives a talk at USF regarding the contested role of the United States in the resolution of conflict in the region.

The campus library utilizes a $9,100 machine in effort to eliminate an insect problem plaguing its bookshelves.

USF students criticize the university for its lack of heritage, attributed in part to the short history of the campus. “This school hasn’t been around long enough to develop a tradition,” says one student. Though efforts have been made by previous university administrators to establish a more collegiate atmosphere, the most salient observations

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2565 O: Feb. 25, 1977
2566 O: Feb. 25, 1977
2567 O: Mar. 1, 1977
2568 O: Mar. 1, 1977
were less than favorable. “Oh yeah,” remarks another student, “There’s lots of tradition here. Like getting hassled by bureaucrats and learning how to stand in line.”

Criminal Justice students, under the leadership of instructor Dave Agresti, visit the Florida State Mental Health Hospital as part of a statewide tour of correctional institutions. “You can read about prisons in books, but you’ll never realize what some of them really are unless you go there.” Agresti required his students to write a term paper based on their experiences.

USF’s “marathon man,” Dr. Stuart Gleman, runs five miles around the campus every day. Gleman participates in around two marathons each year, and espouses the merits of such an active lifestyle for everyone. “I envision myself running when I’m eighty years old. It definitely is addictive.”

University administrators, faculty, and students debate the proposed shift from an academic quarter to a sixteen-week semester. The Board of Regents rejected immediate adoption of the new model, encouraging further negotiations.

In response to student complaints, Vice-President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Carl Riggs, encourages disciplinary action for professors who miss classes or are unavailable during posted office hours. Riggs argues there are few reasons for ever missing a scheduled class meeting, and criticizes such behavior as “[hurting] our credibility more than anything else.”

After some serious consideration, USF Interim President Reece Smith declines a permanent bid for the position. “No candidate for a presidency in the history of a state

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2570 O: Mar. 7, 1977
2571 O: Mar. 7, 1977
2572 O: Mar. 8, 1977
2573 O: Mar. 9, 1977

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university system would have had as much and as widespread support as he would have had,” comments dean Travis Northcutt.\textsuperscript{2574}

After receiving student complaints, the USF bookstore modifies its policy and allows purse-carrying men as well as women to bypass the bag-check at the door. A formal challenge had been filed by a male student who upon entering the store was told, “Fellas have to leave their things, girls don’t.”\textsuperscript{2575}

The Oracle receives “First Place” and “Medalist” prizes at the annual judging of collegiate newspapers at Columbia University.\textsuperscript{2576}

USF wrought with an inordinate number of bomb-threats called in since the beginning of the quarter. “We think it’s a ninety-five percent probability that they are related to exams,” explains Dr. Robert Cox. “The other five percent is related to some nut, and there’s not a thing you can do about that.”\textsuperscript{2577}

By a vote of 9-6, the Board of Regents rejects a proposal to switch from quarter to semester length terms at the university, citing unnecessary expenses as a primary deterrent.\textsuperscript{2578}

Edgar G. Cecil, USF’s “wonder robot,” appears at the University Center to promote a cooking workshop called the “Sensuous Gourmet.” Cecil takes the opportunity to chat with students, fielding a variety of questions from international politics to personal culinary preferences to offers for dates. Asked what he thinks of President Carter, the robot replies, “I think he’s peanuts!”\textsuperscript{2579}
Peter Klappert, a Yale Younger Poet award winner, reads selections of his work at the university’s College of Arts and Letters. The event is hosted by the USF Center for Writers.\textsuperscript{2580}

USF’s Student Senate submits a resolution to the Florida State Legislature encouraging approval of the Equal Rights Amendment. “We at the university are affected by [the] ERA through university policies and [in] every aspect of [our] lives,” remarks Cathy Townsend, senate pro tem. The resolution was approved overwhelmingly by the Student Senate. “As far as the State Senate goes, it doesn’t look like it will pass.”\textsuperscript{2581}

The USF Alumni Association conducts an annual “telefund” to generate money for academic scholarships. Student organizations participate in the drive to raise $5,000.\textsuperscript{2582}

The USF Alumni sponsored Telefund reaches its goal of $5,000. “The student response has been absolutely fantastic,” exclaims one volunteer.\textsuperscript{2583}

Student Senate passes a resolution in overwhelming approval of Gov. Askew’s proposed sales-tax increase, saying that it would generate much-needed funds for education in Florida.\textsuperscript{2584}

University officials contest a proposed amendment to local zoning regulations that would allow an office building to be erected just off campus at the intersection of Fletcher Avenue and 30\textsuperscript{th} Street. The Hillsborough County Planning Commission advises concerned administrators at USF that, “The university should not worry because the

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\textsuperscript{2582} O: Apr. 7, 1977
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\textsuperscript{2584} O: Apr. 14, 1977
commission wants to keep the area along Fletcher from becoming too commercialized.”

A nine-hole, thirty-one par “folf” course is set up at USF, stretching from Crescent Hill to the other side of campus and back again. Folf, a newly emerging sport with great popularity, combines frisbee and golf into a difficult game that, its proponents advise, can be a “dangerous one on a windy day.” Lampposts serve as holes on the course, while the water hazards are provided by the university sprinkler system.

Following a bicycling accident between USF senior Philip Shelp and an unnamed skateboarder, a Student Senate committee meets to discuss the possibility of banning skateboarding on campus. “Something needs to be done,” comments Student Senator Brian Crawford, “Besides people getting hurt, there is still the chance of lawsuits against USF.”

As a result of thirty incidents involving ten collisions over the past several years, officials ban skateboarding on the USF campus. “We are coming to a time [when] skateboarding should be done mostly in parks, not in streets, where it interferes with people,” says one student. “There’s a skateboard park five blocks from campus.”

The Iranian Student Association holds a peaceful demonstration to protest the actions of the Student Zionist Movement. “We have the right to show opposition to a racist program,” says one student. Despite the vocal opposition, the Student Zionists plan to continue their celebration of Israeli Awareness Week as scheduled.

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2585 O: Apr. 19, 1977
2586 O: Apr. 21, 1977
2587 O: Apr. 22, 1977
2588 O: Dec. 8, 1977
2589 O: Apr. 25, 1977
The Florida House of Representatives passes a bill mandating student representation at collective bargaining negotiations between the UFF and BOR.\textsuperscript{2590}

An on-campus child-care center at USF faces financial difficulties, jeopardizing fifty-two students who make use of the service in order to pursue their degrees. Student Senator Paul Austin espouses the benefits of the program, but argues that it only “benefits a small student population.” The charge is $1 for each day of care, and requires that parents work for two hours each week at the center. One mother pleads for assistance, saying “I will not be able to go to school if the center is not here.”\textsuperscript{2591}

The petting zoo held weekly at the USF Flea Market is found to be in violation of a policy prohibiting the presence of animals on campus. The zoo’s operator, Valerie Rahe, plans to appeal the provision.\textsuperscript{2592}

The Black Student Union threatens to sue the university over the (mis)allocation of A&S resources to various student organizations. BSU’s president, Russell Odom, considered it an act of discrimination when his union was only granted $6,700 of a proposed $30,057 budget. The issue will first be discussed by Senate members, and a recommendation for resolution will be issued.\textsuperscript{2593}

The Department of Health, Education, and Welfare lists USF as one of the leading campuses in the country for its treatment of and accessibility to the handicapped.\textsuperscript{2594}

As part of his farewell address, outgoing USF interim-president Reece Smith criticizes university faculty for a general apathy in their pursuit of higher standards of academic excellence. He encourages the faculty and administration to work together.

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\textsuperscript{2594} O: May 23, 1977
more closely in the future in order to achieve a “strong, dominant force of higher education in Florida.”

The Gay Coalition at USF announces “Gay Day,” a designated day in which homosexual students are encouraged to wear blue jeans in order to publicly identify themselves, while being visible for a census count of gays on campus. Although many are upset by the event, one student explains that the exercise is a lesson in “not judging a book by its cover.” “The coalition is trying to show that gays are really no different than straights – they dress the same, they look the same. They just have different sexual preferences.”

University student volunteers participate in a 175-hour car wash in which they raise over $4,000 for the March of Dimes and the USF Scholarship Fund.

The Florida Legislature passes a bill allowing university students to use credit cards to pay for university good and services.

Twenty-year-old USF student Kathy Louise LaBelle is named the new Miss Florida. LaBelle plans to first finish her degree at USF and then to pursue a career in theatre.

The price of beer goes up at the Empty Keg after Florida Governor Reubin Askew raises the taxes on alcohol. Students were largely tolerant of the increase, and proved only to be a minor irritation to most. “It bothers me a little,” commented one student, “but if you enjoy drinking beer, what the hell.”

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2595 O: May 26, 1977
2596 O: May 24, 1977
2597 O: June 1, 1977
2598 O: June 3, 1977
2599 O: June 29, 1977
2600 O: July 15, 1977
University Police increase fines for moving violations to $57.75. “Personally, I think the fine is too high,” says one UP officer, “For some people it could mean a whole week’s worth of groceries.”

The campus library installs a new security device at the door in order to prevent the theft of books. Once its sensors detect an un-checked book, the detector buzzes to alert the staff, and the exit gate immediately closes and locks. The library staff believes the new technology will be more effective than the conventional method of stationing a monitor at the exit doors to inspect departing patrons.

Fifty-seven advanced high-school students are given the opportunity to take college courses in mathematics and physics at USF. In addition to their advanced studies, the students experience college life while spending the eight-week term as residents in the Theta dormitory. “The basic idea … is to challenge the gifted student who very often is not challenged in a high-school situation,” says the program’s director. Although the students are not given college credits for their work, their participation is included in their transcripts, and is seen as a valuable experience both personally and academically.

The handicapped facilities at USF draw students from all around the country, particularly those northern areas with colder climates. In addition to the wheelchair accessibility already offered across the campus, an advisory committee is pushing for the installation of electric doors at the University Center. Says student advisor Mildred Singletary, “The main thing we have to work on now is awareness of the handicapped on the part of the university … it will be a big thing to consider in the future.”

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2601 O: July 18, 1977
2602 O: July 22, 1977
2603 O: July 27, 1977
2604 O: Aug. 5, 1977
The Board of Regents chooses USF’s third president: John Lott Brown. Brown was formerly the director of the Visual Science Center at the University of Rochester. Brown is inaugurated on April 15, 1978.  

In order to increase the number of black students on campus, an ad hoc committee composed of students, faculty, and staff, develops Project Thrust. The program is designed to provide a “recruitment, admissions, and orientation program for blacks,” whose enrollment numbers have fallen short throughout the state university system.

Inter-Fraternity Council’s “Keystone Cops” arrest and jail a number of prominent university figures, from administrators and faculty to students. The event was held to raise money for the McDonald’s Training Center. Anyone could participate by paying fifty-cents and designating the “perpetrator” to be jailed. The prisoner was then sentenced to five minutes behind bars in the Keystone Cop Jail. Inmates could shorten their length of incarceration by posting bail, which was set at fifty-cents. The event raised a total of $67 for the cause.

An African-American USF student is denied space at a local mobile home park on the basis of his race. Told there were no lots available, John Williams became suspicious, and two Oracle reporters were sent back to investigate. Posing as potential buyers, the reporters were quickly shown to two lots that were available immediately. Following the incident, the park manager was called and confronted. Though she denies it, her explanation was admittedly discriminatory and explicitly prejudiced: “I don’t think I’m discriminating – if I were black, I wouldn’t want to live in an all white community. I’d

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2606 O: Sept. 27, 1977
2607 O: Sept. 29, 1977
want to be with my own people – that’s only right.” The students were praised for bringing the matter to public attention.\textsuperscript{2608}

The University Community Food Cooperative, an organization that provides members with organic foods at lower costs, experiences financial difficulties. Although the co-op has received nearly $15,000 of A&S funding since its advent in 1976, board members doubt the continued allotment of limited university resources to the program. The members plan to undertake a campus-wide publicity campaign in order to generate interest in the project.\textsuperscript{2609}

USF’s “finest fraternities” advertise “beer, babes, and brotherhood” in anticipation of their upcoming fall rush program.\textsuperscript{2610}

In order to promote student awareness and generate support for a proposed Fine Arts Center, students hold a rally featuring performances by the music and theatre departments. “We have needed this facility for … years,” complains one theatre student, “We sometimes have to rehearse outside, or in bathrooms.” The action is a result of the proposed construction of a multi-purpose sports center on campus that threatens funding previously allocated to the fine arts program. “We’re not against the multi-purpose arena … we just want our building back.”\textsuperscript{2611}

The Faculty Senate passes a resolution favoring the construction of the fine arts center and a new bookstore, rather than spending the funds exclusively on the proposed multi-purpose sports center. Explains associate professor Bruce Marsh, “USF could have a half-baked sports arena or could get a culture center and a bookstore.” “The cultural

\textsuperscript{2608} O: Sept. 30, 1977
\textsuperscript{2609} O: Sept. 30, 1977
\textsuperscript{2610} O: Oct. 3, 1977
\textsuperscript{2611} O: Oct. 5, 1977
complex,” say members of the fine arts faculty, “would be an invaluable addition to the cultural environment of the University and community.” The debate continues to incite strong reaction across campus.2612

Student calls for the services of Safe-Team increase dramatically after a body is discovered in an area of foliage on the USF campus. While law enforcement officials continue to investigate the circumstances surrounding the discovery, awareness and vigilance among students increases across campus. “There are a lot [of] myths people have about the safety of walking around campus at night,” says the Safe-Team coordinator. “It’s like a city … there are all types of crimes and criminals here.”2613

Additional funding allows Safe-Team to continue its operations over the weekends, prompted by recent concerns over safety on campus.2614

A dorm resident stumbles upon an “ASPCR (American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Roaches)” meeting among forty-five roaches upon returning to his room one evening. “That updates the count to fifty-seven,” he exclaims, “along with quite a number of ants I neglected to mention.”2615

An elevator in the library crashes from the first floor to the basement level with two students inside. When reporting the incident to library staff, the students were told, “It slips all the time.” “We’re not indifferent to the problem,” explains library director Mary Lou Harkness, “we have continuing minor problems with the elevators.”2616

A lawsuit by a University of California student prompts debate among students at USF over “whether race should be a selection factor in admission to … school.” The UC

2612 O: Oct. 7, 1977
2613 O: Oct. 10, 1977
2614 O: Oct. 27, 1977
2615 O: Oct. 10, 1977
2616 O: Oct. 13, 1977
student ignited national debate by charging his university with reverse discrimination, arguing that unqualified students were admitted on the basis of race. Vocal students at USF largely disagreed with such a policy, expressing disbelief and labeling it “grossly unfair.” One South Florida student asserts, “The reason I am so happy to be here is that this university bases its decision solely on the individual and not on the color of his skin – at least that’s my impression.”

USF engineering professor Dr. J.A. Llewellyn is involved in a nation-wide research program to test the effects and potential of solar energy. “Economics is going to be the driver for people turning to other forms of energy,” said Llewellyn. Also in their formative stages are discussions for the creation of a space station that would orbit the earth, collecting solar energy and projecting it back to the earth’s surface. Espousing the necessity of such research, Llewellyn asserts, “Alternate energy sources must be searched for because earth is like a big spaceship and doesn’t have unlimited supplies.”

A slight majority of students vote in favor of the proposed multipurpose facility over the fine arts rehearsal hall. Final votes tallied were 1,515 in support of the arena, and 1,174 in favor of the hall.

USF’s Acting President Dr. Carl Riggs announces his decision to build the controversial 10,000 seat multi-purpose arena on campus. Officials anticipate construction will take twenty months, and should be completed by the summer of 1979.

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2617 O: Oct. 13, 1977
2618 O: Oct. 13, 1977
2619 O: Oct. 18, 1977
2619 O: Oct. 18, 1977
2620 O: Oct. 25, 1977
With the recent approval of the multi-purpose facility at USF, city officials have expressed concern over the potential for traffic-related problems and congestion in the area. “You don’t need a computer to know that I-75 and Fowler is a mess,” said the Tampa Engineers’ Office, “it’s probably the worst intersection in the city.”

Construction begins on the multi-purpose facility at USF, much to the chagrin of campus commuters who will lose nearly six hundred parking spaces, further exacerbating student frustrations.

Ground is broken for the new multi-purpose center on campus.

USF professor Steven Lawson, author of an article on civil rights history in Tampa, argues that blacks are “still forgotten” members of the community. “The right to vote doesn’t mean you have political power,” he asserts. Although efforts were made by a Bi-Racial Commission established in Tampa in 1960, they were fairly moderate and almost exclusively benefited the middle-classes. As a result, he suggests that blacks have turned to collective acts of defiance to demand community recognition. Lawson warns, “I think in the next decade there will be [a] riot because of the large number of blacks in the city ghettos.”

On-campus housing is inadequate to accommodate the demands of students, according to university officials. Nearly six hundred applicants were turned away during the first quarter this fall due to space limitations. Without additional funding in the

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2621 O: Oct. 28, 1977
2622 O: Nov. 9, 1977
2623 O: Nov. 22, 1977
2624 O: Oct. 25, 1977
Division of Housing and Food Services, housing officials have been forced to refer students to reasonable off-campus accommodations such as Fontana Hall.\textsuperscript{2625}

USF Engineering Department receives a $170,000 grant for an Engineering Experimental Station, the purpose of which is to facilitate research projects.\textsuperscript{2626}

Dr. John Lott Brown chosen unanimously by the Board of Regents to be the new president of USF. Learning of his appointment, Brown replied, “I’m pleased to hear about this … being the leader of an exciting university with potential.” Brown will be the third president to serve at USF, following John Allen (1956-1970) and Cecil Mackey (1971-1976).\textsuperscript{2627}

In observance of the sixtieth anniversary of the Russian Revolution, the History Department at USF holds a panel to discuss its contemporary significance. Moderated by James M. Swanson, the panel will feature Thomas P. Dilkes and Willis Truitt, professors of history and philosophy, respectively.\textsuperscript{2628}

Dr. Melvin Stith appointed as the university’s first black academic dean. Serving at the College of Business Administration, Stith expressed annoyance and shock over the modest number of black students and professionals on campus. He hopes that his presence at USF will give black students, “someone to talk to.” His concern, however, is for the good of the students overall. Says Stith, “I’m not just interested in black students, but in all the students who have lacked opportunities in their past.”\textsuperscript{2629}

The on-campus radio station, WUSF, initiates a radio reading program for visually handicapped people who are unable to read. The service is dependent upon

\textsuperscript{2625} O: Oct. 28, 1977
\textsuperscript{2626} O: Oct. 28, 1977
\textsuperscript{2627} O: Nov. 1, 1977
\textsuperscript{2628} O: Nov. 3, 1977
\textsuperscript{2629} O: Nov. 8, 1977
volunteers who read magazines, books, and local newspapers over the airwaves.
Comments station manager John Young, “Ours is the first reading program in the state.
We hope it will stimulate others.”

Black Greek Week is sponsored by the Black Panhellenic Council (BPC) to promote and increase the visibility of black student organizations on campus. Says BPC President Yolanda Jacobs, “By unifying the black students with these organizations we are trying to give black students a sense of identity.”

The ninety-pound brass monument for the College of Engineering is stolen, only to be recovered in the back of a student’s pick-up the following morning. Upon making the discovery, the student immediately called University Police, who impounded the monument. Said the student, “I asked if nobody claimed it in 30 days if I could keep it, but they said ‘no’.”

The Arts and Letters building gets a new roof after administrators complain of problems caused by faulty construction. Damaged ceiling tiles and soggy carpets in the six-year-old building, they assert, are the result of poor workmanship, inadequate supervision, and bureaucratic red tape. Recalls the director of the physical plant, “I remember some problems when the building was being built … We’ve had problems with the roof since the day the building was accepted.”

Squirrel aggression causes concern at USF after three dormitory students are bitten by the campus critters. Student feedings and sexual aggressiveness are offered as possible explanations for the behavior. As Resident Instructor Mary Easler observed,

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2630 O: Nov. 9, 1977
2631 O: Nov. 10, 1977
2632 O: Nov. 21, 1977
2633 O: Nov. 23, 1977
“The students are feeding the squirrels all these peanuts, and they’re just going crazy.”
Notices have been placed in the residence halls to warn students of the danger.  

USF Biology Professor Bruce Williamson faces disciplinary action after passing out communist literature to high-school students. Williamson was at Leto High School speaking about socialism to an American History class when he distributed the pamphlets, a violation of a county rule that prohibits such action without prior approval from the school.

Graduate assistants at USF appeal for union representation in order to obtain additional benefits and collective bargaining rights as university employees.

Center for Writers established.

Classes canceled for one day due to snow.

William Reece Smith steps down as interim president to resume his practice in law. His reflections, “I am gratified to know that I do not have to operate [my] law practice subject to the restraints and regulations that apply to a public university. … The State University System is overextended in terms of institutions and resources for the moment. With Florida’s growth projection that will be rectified, but I think that funding will continue to be a problem for the system, as education must continue to compete with other essential governmental agencies for diminished resources. To resolve the problem I would hope that the citizens of Florida will make a commitment to tax reform through constitutional revision. [T]he tax burden on Floridians is comparatively light in comparison with other states. [E]ducation will progress, and we must be willing to pay

\[2634\] O: Nov. 23, 1977
\[2635\] O: Nov. 23, 1977
\[2636\] O: Dec. 2, 1977
for that service.” The BOR appoints VP of Academic Affairs Carl Riggs as the interim president until the permanent one can be installed.\textsuperscript{2637}

A comparison of doctoral programs: 57 at FSU, 56 at UF, and 8 at USF. UF has 19 colleges, FSU has 14, and USF has 9, plus New College. As of quarter 1, 1977, there are 2,147 beginning grad students plus 254 med students considered beginning. There are 267 advanced graduates for a total grad enrollment of 2,668, with an additional 308 enrolled in Ph.D. programs. USF resident students are comprised of 2,716 on campus, 800 in Fontana Hall, and 5,000 in the immediate area, with a total of 8,516.\textsuperscript{2638}

During the year, 71 bikes are stolen from the Tampa campus, worth $5,655, of which $870 worth are recovered.\textsuperscript{2639}

The FTE estimates for 9/30/77 are 5,036 underclassmen, 9,698 upperclassmen, and 1,649 graduate students, for a total of 16,383.\textsuperscript{2640}

Interim President Smith writes Kappa Sigma fraternity in apparent disappointment. After saying that he rarely feels compelled to intervene in campus activities, he writes, “However, I feel constrained to do so with reference to the Kissathon that you recently sponsored. I understand the President (and therefore the interim president) frequently is an ex-officio member of campus organizations. If so, I regret you did not see fit to consider whether I should have been allowed to exercise my ex-officio prerogatives in this instance. Perhaps my availability for rendition of a kiss would have frightened away prospective customers and thus reduced the income you hoped to receive from the event, but maybe not. I was once elected Bachelor of the Year by the Spinster’s

\textsuperscript{2637} USF Today, summer 1977, tdt 9/16/77.
\textsuperscript{2638} Statistics, Iron Mountain materials, “Graduate School.”
\textsuperscript{2639} O 11/1/78.
\textsuperscript{2640} Office of Institutional Research memo, 10/3/77. USF Special Collections, Iron Mountain.
Club of Tampa and loss of a little hair does not necessarily mean a loss of one’s romantic mystique. Further, being invited to join with the brothers in rendering service for a worthy cause would have greatly enhanced my morale and Presidents, at least Interim ones, can also use a morale boost occasionally.” President Smith enclosed a check to go toward the fund drive for an ill fraternity brother, the cause for the Kissathon fundraiser.2641

A free and public forum is held regarding censorship and public education. It is entitled “Censorship in the Public Schools: Who Shall Decide?” and runs from January 14th-15th. Political activist Eldridge Cleaver, author of the controversial book “Soul on Ice,” is among the nationally known speakers. USF professors Lawrence R. Broer and Herb Karl direct the conference with a $12,284 grant from the Florida Endowment for the Humanities.2642

“Violence, Violation and the 60’s” is announced as the theme for a series of six free, public lectures at USF St. Pete Campus in January and February. Nationally known speakers such as author Benjamin Demott, John Lewis, executive director of the Voter Education Project, author Richard Flacks, and others present their views on the topic with response from local citizens and audience discussion. The program is sponsored by the USF English Department with a $10,000 grant from the Florida Endowment for the Humanities.2643

2641 Letter from William Reece Smith Jr. to Kappa Sigma fraternity, 4/22/77.
The Florida Suncoast Writers’ Conference presents the noted beat-generation author William S. Burroughs on Friday January 28th at the St. Petersburg Campus. Burroughs reads to the crowd from his works.2644

The Student Civil Liberties Association announce a lecture by the historian Howard Zinn entitled “Freedom of Speech: The Hard Questions.” The lecture is scheduled for Tuesday, March 8th.2645

A group of USF/St. Petersburg students are initiated into the Lambda Tau chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, national Education honorary. The ceremony, held March 16th on campus, also signals the formal beginning of the St. Pete chapter of the organization.2646

The “Twentieth Century American Humor” film and presentation/demonstration festival takes place at the USF/St. Pete Campus from May 11th –12th and 13th-14th. It is free to the public.2647

Outdoors, Etc., founded at USF St. Pete in 1976, is a student organization that promotes “outdoor activities and ecological awareness” in the university community. The club regularly hosts vegetarian dinners in addition to hiking and camping trips throughout the region. They are also involved in local ecology and community service efforts. “Our aim is not only to have fun, but also to promote good physical health and to serve the community,” explains coordinator Don Tito.2648

2644 CN: January 24, 1977, p. 7.
2647 CN: May 4, 1977, pp. 6, 7, 8.
2648 CN: Oct. 6, 1977
1978: The St. Pete campus gets an Institute of Oceanography after a long battle with FSU. As a compromise, the two universities jointly administer the institute.2649

John Lott Brown is inaugurated as third USF president in a one-hour convocation followed by a punch and cookie reception and a barbecue on the campus lawn to a crowd of 1,000 (100?)—half of the projected number. He was formerly the director of the Center for Visual Science at the U of Rochester, NY. Brown found out about the opening in a classified ad in the New York Times. He retains all of Mackey’s advisors. He announces that he will give up his own research to lead USF. Critics say he is a yes-man to the BOR, is out of touch with faculty members, and spend too much time traveling. In his first four months on the job, Mackey spends 6 weeks traveling—half of the time attending seminars and conferences on optics, his specialty.2650

The first day on the job, Brown finds a copy of the Oracle on his desk with the headline, “Brown, the Honeymoon is over.” The column was about “Proposition 26,” or an SUS plan to designate FSU and UF as the state’s only comprehensive universities, something that concerned students and faculty a great deal. “I had also been warned that the Florida legislature was difficult, if not impossible, to work with … basically USF was going to have an uphill battle all the way.” Before the end of his first day on the job, he was on his way to Orlando and Tallahassee to have talks with the BOR about the future of USF. While he searching for a house, Brown lives in Andros Hall, a regular campus dormitory, and eats at the cafeteria until his wife joins him.2651

2649 Miami Herald, 4/4/78.
2650 Tt 8/13/78*; Tt 11/9/77, spt 11/7/77.
2651 Tdt 1/30/78.
Department of Surgery at the College of Medicine helps implement new Burn Unit at Tampa General Hospital; Department of Pediatrics establishes area's first Child Abuse Team.

Outgoing New College Provost George Mayer makes some remarks before moving on, “The college in its present is due in no small way to [Dean] Tuttle’s efforts. [The students behaved] with unusual maturity under trying circumstances. The New College Foundation, which although stripped of direct influence over most policy matters … continued to raise private funds to keep the experiment alive; and, above all, the administrative staff at the University of South Florida which implemented the merger with tact and good will and avoided treating the Sarasota Campus like a colonial area.”

1978: A WUSF talk show looking into a rash of spray painted swastikas around campus is the cause of some consternation. The University Police traced the calls hoping to find those responsible for the graffiti. They were unsuccessful in finding the culprits and callers were informed of the police trace in a Tampa Tribune article the following day. 10 letters and numerous phone calls are directed to the FCC because those traced feel their rights were violated. After receiving a report regarding the controversy, acting USF President Carl Riggs decides that the University Police’s tracing effort was justified, but in the future similar actions should be cleared by administration. In the specific case of the WUSF show since tracing calls is “a legal procedure” and “no phones were tapped

2652 New College, p. 149-150.
and the telephone company was not asked for the numbers of any of the callers” the police were justified in their actions.\textsuperscript{2653}

The university is limiting its policy of banning skateboarding on campus to banning skateboarding in eight particular areas.\textsuperscript{2654}

The Oracle suggests certain resolutions for the future that might benefit USF. Among the resolutions is a hope that Florida (the 8\textsuperscript{th} richest state and 47\textsuperscript{th} among educational spending) will appropriate funds and that the BOR will recognize that “USF isn’t a four-years community college but a quality university serving a large metropolitan area.”\textsuperscript{2655}

The USF Mass Communications team takes first place in the 4\textsuperscript{th} annual Florida Intercollegiate Public Relations Competition.\textsuperscript{2656}

The BOR’s “Role and Scope” plan, which would centralize graduate level research at the University of Florida and Florida State is referred to as being “horrible” and “a disaster” by USF faculty and Tampa legislators. The BOR cites USF’s lack of “history” as one of the reasons. John Lott Brown, who has been selected to be President of the university, says that the proposals do no put “any real restraints on USF” and the school would be able to get advanced degree programs if a need is adequately demonstrated.\textsuperscript{2657} The Oracle believes that the “Honeymoon Period” in the president’s administration is over, he officially takes office today, 1/16/78. Brown is not happy with

\textsuperscript{2653} O 1/5/78 p1, 1/6/78 p1 (January 5\textsuperscript{th}, 1978 is improperly marked January 12\textsuperscript{th} on the first page of the Oracle.
\textsuperscript{2654} O 1/5/78 p3
\textsuperscript{2655} O 1/5/78 p4
\textsuperscript{2656} O 1/5/78 p20
\textsuperscript{2657} O 1/6/78 p1, 1/11/78 p1

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an Oracle article related to him written last week and the Oracle does not agree with his opinion regarding Role and Scope.\footnote{2658}

Richard Taylor, Faculty Senate President, says that there will be a “vocal” group going to the BOR committee meeting to air their grievances concerning the Role and Scope proposal.\footnote{2659} The controversial policies are passed by the BOR, but with certain concessions to USF’s position.\footnote{2660}

After two years of consideration, and considerable opposition from USF, the BOR passes Role and Scope. As a concession to USF they adopted the first 25 policies and have deferred a decision on the controversial policy 26, which would centralize graduate programs at UF and FSU. The BOR votes 5-2 to defeat the policy 26.\footnote{2661}

The Wild West will be the motif of USF’s homecoming. Cowboy hats will be sold in the University Center and “Cecil the Robot” an invention of the Engineering Department named after former President Cecil Mackey will act as University Center Sheriff.\footnote{2662} A manikin dressed in cowboy regalia is stolen from the University Center. Apparently the thief simply picked up the manikin and walked out with it.\footnote{2663}

On January 9 the Oracle publishes the first of a seven part series of a fictional story by USF student Jack Klein. Later in the year Klein becomes a (often controversial) columnist for the paper.\footnote{2664}

The development of the Bayboro Campus should begin in May with the construction of two buildings.\footnote{2665}
USF set a record for private donations in 1977 with $500,000 donated in the year.\textsuperscript{2666}

Stephen and Stanley Castor, ages 14 and 12 respectively, are the two youngest students enrolled at USF. The boys take Spanish 102 on Tuesday nights. Their parents checked for age requirements in University policy and found none. Stephen and Stanley both received “A’s” in Spanish 101 last semester.\textsuperscript{2667}

The University Center keeps seven years worth of lost and found items stored. Legally they must hold the items for seven years, after an item is in their possession for seven years it is auctioned off for a scholarship fund.\textsuperscript{2668}

Student George Houndas tried to pay his tuition at the Cashier’s Office, but they would not accept his payment until after the office closed. Houndas made his payment of the $836 bill in one-dollar bills. Assistant Comptroller John McGlinchy refused to accept the money and hold up the line by counting it, but offered to count it personally after the office closed. Houndas, who entered another line and attempted one last time to pay, says that he just wanted to get incentive for the coming semester and by paying in cash he could see how much money he was spending. McGlinchy told Houndas “you’ve got your picture in the Oracle, now why don’t you leave and come back after three.” According to McGlinchy a student attempted to pay in nickels last semester, but they would not accept the payment unless he rolled the change and wrote his name and address on every roll, the student returned later with one-dollar bills.\textsuperscript{2669}
Because of recent murders at Florida State University the University Police are working on heightened security measures and maintain that security at USF is “satisfactory.”

USF faculty and staff will soon get a lounge on the top floor of the Student Services Building.

Associate Professor of Art Education, Richard Loveless, receives the annual “Human Rights Award” given annually by the office of Community Relations in Tampa. Loveless is being honored for establishing a community arts center called “The New Place, Inc.”

The university may fine the contractors building the new Business Administration $100,000 because of delays in completion.

The campus police believe that there is no parking problem at USF. Students disagree, arguing that “there isn’t a parking problem if you want to park three miles away.”

The Oracle reported last week that only seven students applied to run for 39 senate seats. Apparently this information excited the student body to become involved in school politics because they now expect “a record turnout.” According to Steven Kirschner, a student running for one of the seats, there is now a record number of people running and candidate enthusiasm is at an all-time high.

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2670 O 1/17/78 p1
2671 O 1/17/78 p1
2672 O 1/18/78 p1
2673 O 1/18/78 p10
2674 O 1/19/78 p3
2675 O 1/20/78 p4, 1/24/78 p1
Four or five math professors will meet privately to discuss possible measures that would lead to the ouster of department chair Manoug Manougian. According to an Oracle poll, of 12 Math Department faculty members, 9 would like to get a new chairman, 2 would not like a new chairman and 2 more refused to comment. The motives of Professor Chris Tsokos, who apparently initiated the mutiny plans, are questioned. Tsokos is accused of having other professors write his work for him. Since chair Manougian has found out that Tsokos “has enslaved several professors to write” the papers, Tsokos wants to get rid of the chair. Tsokos attributes the charges to “professional jealousy” and many Mathematics professors defend Tsokos’ work, stating that they have worked with him in the past and he has done ample work, while giving them ample credit. Tsokos also attributes the rift to a “rivalry that exists between statisticians in the department and the pure mathematicians.” Professor Tsokos also writes a letter to the Oracle clarifying his position.2676

The Student Government Elections result in a presidential runoff between Steve Nichols and Russell Odom. The Vice-Presidential election will also result in a runoff between Deborah Kleinman and Charlie Thompson.2677

Steve Nichols and Charles Thompson win the runoff elections.2678

The University Center may need to make cutbacks in hours and services because of financial trouble. The UC ran through 1977-78 on its reserve funds, which will be gone by June 1, 1978.2679

2676 O 1/25/78 p1 (9+2+2=13 not 12, apparently the Oracle needs to take more math classes, or the department really does need a new chair.), O 1/26/78 p1, 1/26/78 p4
2677 O 1/26/78 p1
2678 O 2/3/78 p1
2679 O 1/27/78 p1
The National Football League Pro-Bowl game is held in Tampa for the first time. After the game, USF student Gary Rose casually walked into the American Conference All-Star Team’s locker room and requested the game ball from Miami Dolphins quarterback Bob Griese. Griese, perhaps unaware that Rose did not work for the NFL, gave the ball to the student. Rose later states that all he knows is “I have it (the ball) and it’s locked up.” The game ball would have most likely gone to the game’s MVP, Chicago’s Walter Payton.\(^{2680}\)

Two separate robberies at knifepoint occur within a three-day span. The University Police are considering the possibility that the two crimes may be related. The University Police arrest two suspects in connection with robberies.\(^{2681}\)

If CAUSE, the university’s community service initiative, does not receive enough funds in the Activities and Services budget, it will be forced to shut down next year. The Oracle reports that CAUSE might not have the necessary funds to operate in the fall of 1978. Lee Solomon, director of CAUSE, writes the Oracle complaining that the article of 7/24/78 is “hearsay.”\(^{2682}\)

The Mechanical and Chemical Engineering departments will begin a selective admission policy in order to stop the rise in student overflow.\(^{2683}\)

USF’s grounds crew has repainted their vehicles and because of “a new public relations program.” The “litter-gitters” don’t feel that they get enough recognition around campus.\(^{2684}\)

\(^{2680}\) O 1/27/78 p16
\(^{2681}\) O 1/30/78 p1, 1/31/78 p1, 2/1/78 p1, 2/2/78 p1
\(^{2682}\) O 1/31/78 p3, 7/24/78 p10, 8/2/78 p5
\(^{2683}\) O 2/2/78 p3
\(^{2684}\) O 2/7/78 p1
Budgetary problems are restricting the childcare center’s ability to serve the community. Activity and Services Fee allocation is only enough to pay the director’s salary, all other fees must be covered by the fees parents’ pay. Because of space and budgetary restrictions the center can only accept 22 children per quarter and had to turn away 15 children this quarter.2685

Although four elevators broke down yesterday and a dean had to post warning notices near his college’s elevators officials still say that there are no serious problems with the elevators.2686

Although USF had to turn away over 1,000 students who applied for dorm housing, the university does not plan to build more housing anytime soon. There is simply not enough money available for construction.2687

President of the Arts and Letters Student Council Jeff Averbrook is attempting to bring back the “Free Speech Forum” which had been utilized in the past to allow a person to talk about whatever they wanted to talk about for 10 minutes outside the Arts and Letters Building. This had been practiced successfully in the past and Averbrook believes that it will contribute to campus interaction and community involvement.2688

Lamba Chi Alpha will hold a party to celebrate its tenth anniversary at USF. Lamda Chi Alpha was the first national fraternity on campus.2689

The student government sponsors an informal poll to gauge student interest in a plus-minus grading scale. A “heavy majority” voted in favor of plus/minus, but only 104 people voted.2690

2685 O 2/7/78 p10
2686 O 2/8/78 p1
2687 O 2/8/78 p3
2688 O 2/8/78 p11
2689 O 2/10/78 p10
According to an Oracle survey “quality marijuana is in abundant supply both on
doff campus” and “getting high is a popular pastime around the university
community.”

There has been a rash of bomb threats on campus, students, faculty and staff do
not think that the pranks are very funny.

The Hillsborough County Legislature is considering a bill that would allow for the
sale of beer on campus. At the present juncture, the Empty Keg is the only place on
campus that can sell beer. By spring the USF Golf Course is still serving soft drinks and
no licenses to sell beer anywhere besides the Empty Keg have been applied for.

The USF Observatory will have to close within a month because it lacks the funds
to continue.

It is now against the rules to skateboard on campus.

Disco Fever hits USF. Every Monday and Wednesday night a SAGA sponsored
dance occurs at the Empty Keg. The festivities include dancing, dancing contests and
dancing instruction.

Gamma Hall recently held a room decoration contest. Prizes were awarded for
cleanest room (“we usually do our good cleaning on Saturdays but we do some tidying up
every day.”), messiest room, (“we even lost the movie tickets we won as prizes.”), “Odd
Couple” room (“She likes Beethoven and Bach, I’m into Kenny Loggins and the Beach
Boys”), “Most Stuffed Animals” (“Sometimes when we are lonely mad or depressed, we

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2691  O 2/13/78 p13
2692  O 2/14/78 p4
2693  O 2/14/78 p9, 3/30/78 p1
2694  O 2/17/78 p1
2695  O 2/22/78 p11
talk to the animals” “I take Jocko (a stuffed monkey) for a walk. He needs exercise, the poor thing. After all, a growing monkey needs fresh air.”), and “Booziest Room” (The night we met, my roommate and I went out drinking to get better acquainted and we haven’t stopped since.”)

President Brown overturns a campus grievance committee decision and one university staff member that Brown is silencing “employees by rendering the university grievance procedure useless.”

An alternative to the Oracle is being published on campus. The Collective Press is being published for “students dissatisfied with the Oracle.”

A team of university administrators narrowly defeats a Student Government team in a basketball game. The final score is 45-44.

The College of Fine Arts is in violation of more than 70 safety and health regulations, but will not have the money to correct the problem without the allocation of additional funds.

Phi Delta Theta plans to purchase land and build a house right behind Fontana Hall. They will be the first fraternity with an off-campus house.

Dan Walbolt, acting Vice-President for Student Affairs has approved the consideration of a “fee for service” plan. If approved, students will have to pay a fee for all services at the health center, plus the $12 fee that is factored in to their quarterly tuition.
USF asks the Board of Regents to consider the possibility of allowing the university to buy Fontana Hall. Located just north of campus, Fontana provides 800 beds to students. Desoto Hall, one block west of Fontana, was recently sold and will be turned into a retirement community. USF worries that this might happen to Fontana, depriving the school of important space for student living. The BOR approves a study to look into the feasibility of a purchase.\(^\text{2703}\)

The computer system on the third floor of the Student Services Building has been inoperative for about “50% of the time” this quarter.\(^\text{2704}\)

There has been an ongoing debate in the Oracle through late February and early March concerning the Black Student Union. Some students believe that having a BSU is discriminatory and some believe that it is necessary in a racist society. Eddie Riff (who has written many letters to the editor concerning “punk” music over the quarter) writes a letter proposing a “Punk Student Union” since punks are also discriminated against.\(^\text{2705}\)

Rumors have circulated for years that USF, built “during the height of the atomic scare” contains numerous bomb shelters. The Oracle reports that this is true and some shelters, such as the one in the basement of Alpha Hall are stocked with biscuits, crackers and water. The shelter is also full of dust and cockroaches, and about an inch of standing water covers the floor.\(^\text{2706}\)

WKUM, an underground radio station run by two USF students, is meeting the needs of the campus community. While the USF station broadcasts mostly classical music, WKUM broadcasts jazz and rock. The station is unlicensed and illegal and Alan

\(^{2703}\) O 3/6/78 p1, 3/7/78 p3
\(^{2704}\) O 3/6/78 p3
\(^{2705}\) O 3/6/78 p4
\(^{2706}\) O 3/9/78 p1
and Mark, the two founders, worry they will be shut down by police. They pre-record interviews in phone booths, have had at least one of their DJ’s quit because of fear of arrest and must move their equipment once a week in order to “ensure the further existence of the station.” 2707

After two years in operation the FCC shuts down WKUM. The five employees could receive a maximum of one year in prison and a $10,000 fine. They will probably not receive these sentences unless they “appear on the airwaves again.” 2708

The Council of Presidents for Florida universities has accepted a proposal that would place the administrative responsibility for a statewide oceanography institute in USF’s hands. The Florida Institute of Oceanography proposal must now pass the Board of Regents. The BOR approve of the Oceanography Institute at USF in April, 1978. 2709

President John Lott Brown will have a fifth administrative Vice-President, the new post will be Vice President of University Relations. 2710

President Brown will look into a conflict between the Dean of the College of Arts and Letter and the Chairman of the English Department. 2711

The State Fire Marshall, Ray King, has recommended that smoke detectors and an emergency lighting system be installed in many USF residency halls. 2712

The BOR launches a statewide ocean research center in St. Petersburg. It will be a unified research project for the entire university system and will be administered by USF with an advisory council. 2713

2707 O 3/10/78 p1
2708 O 4/2/78 p1
2709 O 3/28/78 p1
2710 O 3/29/78 p1
2711 O 3/30/78 p1
2712 O 3/31/78 p1
USF’s new Tampa History Manuscript Collection receives its first donation. The documents concern aspects of Tampa’s civil rights movement.\textsuperscript{2714}

An audio-visual system, valued at $500,000, has been sitting in the medical center waiting to be installed since 1974. According to Forrest Kelly, Director of Capital Programs for the State University System the audio-visual system “did not meet state specifications.”\textsuperscript{2715}

Cody Fowler and Robert Thomas will present USF with a collection of documents to USF’s Tampa History Manuscript Collection. The documents will cover Tampa’s involvement in the civil rights movement of the early 1960s.\textsuperscript{2716}

The Oracle begins a series of reports on USF’s nine colleges with a “look at the College of Natural Sciences.” Reports are included in every Tuesday Oracle.\textsuperscript{2717}

Dorm rates will increase next quarter from $200 to $215.\textsuperscript{2718}

USF will host the “Two Fingers Collegiate Thum Wrasslin Tournament.” Sponsored by Two Fingers Tequila and sanctioned by the American Thum Wrasslin Association, the tournament will be refereed by association president Bob Smith. Competitors will be divided based on thumb size and penalties will be in effect for “gouging an opponent or sucking thumbs during a match.”\textsuperscript{2719}

Beginning in September of 1979 students will be able to declare a minor as well as a major.\textsuperscript{2720}

\textsuperscript{2714}USF Today, Vol. 5, No. 3 (Spring, 1978), 6.
\textsuperscript{2715}O 4/3/78 p7
\textsuperscript{2716}O 4/3/78 p11
\textsuperscript{2717}O 4/4/78 p8
\textsuperscript{2718}O 4/5/78 p3
\textsuperscript{2719}O 4/5/78 p14
\textsuperscript{2720}O 4/7/78 p1
The Academic Programs Council has reviewed six possible minor programs and all have received a favorable recommendation.2721

Student Mark Jarbor wins the first annual “ice cream eating contest” held to raise money for the Easter Seals Foundation. Jarbor ate 54 scoops of ice cream.2722

As part of his inaugural week festivities, President John Lott Brown will be inducted into the Delta Gamma Sorority as a “little brother.” Dr. Brown’s mother was in the Delta Gamma sorority at Adelphi University and she will be attending the ceremony.2723

A new radio station in Tampa, 88.5 WMNF-FM is planning to offer “programming in the spirit of the Underground Railroad,” the popular campus radio show that was discontinued three years ago because it didn’t “serve the community interest.”2724

John Lott Brown is officially inaugurated as President of the University of South Florida. Former president Cecil Mackey returns to campus for the ceremonies.2725

Student Senate President Larry Flannagan says that senators “are not informed about issues in front of the senate” and don’t know parliamentary procedure. He also states that the debate over interim funding for the Iranian Students’ Association, the Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade and the Black Student Union have been a “circus.”2726
Video Games, which “have become a favorite pastime for millions of Americans,” are “definitely the most popular features” in the USF game room.2727

The Student Senate has received $2.5 million in requests for monetary disbursement and has only $1.8 million in Activities and Service fees.2728

Because of a dispute between David Smith, Dean of Arts and Letters and John Clark, Chairman of the English Department, President Brown has asked Clark to resign his post or face termination. Dr. Clark says he will not resign and once fired, he will protest the termination. Clark’s wife, Dr. Anna Motto, chair of the Foreign Languages Department, accuses Dean Smith of harassment. The Oracle prints letters of support for Dr. Clark and Dr. Motto. Dr. Clark writes a letter to President Brown stating that he will not work with Dean Smith and he will not resign his post. Vice President for Academic Affairs Carl Riggs says that if Dr. Clark refuses to work with the Dean he will be terminated.2729

Riggs terminates Clark as Chair the following day but his status as a faculty member is not affected. Dr. Anna Motto, who is chair of the Foreign Languages Department Chair and Dr. Clark’s wife is disappointed that her questions were not answered satisfactorily in a meeting between President Brown and the faculty.2730

Dr. Clark, Dr. Motto, Dr. Robert Forrey of the American Studies Department and Vice President for Academic Affairs Carl Riggs participate in a forum to discuss the controversy. Dr. Motto and Dr. Clark recount the events that led up to Dr. Clark’s

2727 O 4/21/78 p18
2728 O 4/25/78 p1
2729 O 4/26/78 p1, 4/27/78 p1, 5/3/78 p4 and 5, 5/4/78 p1, 5/16/78 p1
2730 O 5/17/78 p1 5/22/78 p1
termination and reiterate that President Brown admitted that the charges leading to the termination were “trivial.”

Dean David Smith is accused of holding Henry Robertson, Chairman of the American Studies Department “hostage.” Dean Smith discovered Robertson forging student evaluations and used this knowledge to “force Robertson to give him a favorable evaluation as dean.” The Oracle includes a timeline of all the events. Dean Smith denies holding Chairman Robertson “hostage” and Robertson admits that he “forged a number of student evaluations to give himself a better rating as a teacher,” but denies that “Smith’s knowledge of the falsifications had anything to do with a favorable recommendation Smith received from Robertson.” Several faculty members attest that they heard Robertson say otherwise.

Chairman Robertson resigns his post but will continue to teach at USF. He is a charter member of the faculty. Student Government President Steve Nichols calls on President Brown to remove Dean Smith. For days, the Oracle receives many letters concerning the situation.

In his spring address to the faculty President Brown assures those present that the allegations made against Dean Smith have been investigated and that the Dean as his full support. The scandals involving Dr. Clark, Dr. Motto, Dr. Robertson and Dean Smith, dominate the Oracle’s commentary page throughout the May and June.
Despite the recent controversies, the faculty of the College of Arts and Letters give Dean Smith a 46-41 vote of confidence.\footnote{O 6/19/78 p3}

Dean Smith accepts a visiting professorship at the University of Texas for a semester next year. He also stresses that he is not leaving USF. Dr. Robert Forrey, associate professor of American Studies, who has been one of Dean Smith’s most vocal critics, resigns his position. Forrey adds, “surely even the myopic administration at USF will come to see that deceit and divisiveness, as administrative techniques, are incompatible with democratic institutions and humanistic values.” Vice President for Academic Affairs Carl Riggs has not received the letter of recognition, but will accept it when it is received. A letter from Dr. Forrey is printed the following day in the Oracle.

The controversy in the College of Arts and Letters continues to be addressed in the Oracle’s Commentary page throughout the summer.\footnote{O 7/19/78 p1, 7/24/78 p5}

The controversy in the College of Arts and Letters (now being referred to as “Lettergate”) continues. Dr. Anna Motto, critic of the administration and Arts and Letters Dean David Smith has been removed from her position as Chair of the Foreign Languages department. Dr. Motto says that the decision is both “nonprofessional” and an “outrage.” She also charges that Carl Riggs, Vice President for Academic Affairs, threatened the department. Dr. Motto claims that at a meeting, Riggs told members of the department that the school would withdraw financial assistance if they do not oust Dr. Motto as Chair. Dr. Motto is upset that the administration simply supported the Dean and did not attempt to mediate the situation in any way.\footnote{O 9/25/78 p1, this article also gives a reasonable overview of the entire “Lettergate” scandal.}
Representatives of New College and USF’s Ft. Myers campus express their unhappiness with the allocation of Activities and Service fees. The branch campuses feel that student government in Tampa acts in a “pretentious” manner and does not provide adequate information regarding fee allocation. Student Senator Steve Kirschner responds that New College’s representative, Brian Albritten, “showed animosity and arrogance” toward USF and should apologize for his statements. The budget proposals include $78,000 for St. Petersburg, $72,000 for Sarasota and $0 for the Ft. Meyers campus. Senate President Larry Flannagan says that the recommendations will, if passed, probably be vetoed by SG President Steve Nichols. The Chairman of the New College Student Council speaks to the senate, asking for “fairness” but pledging to fight for the school’s “financial freedom” if they have to. President John Lott Brown supports the branch campus cause.\textsuperscript{2738}

President Brown tells branch campus representatives that they will not be assessed as much of the athletics fees as the Tampa campus, but they must understand that “Intercollegiate Athletics are important to the image of our school.” The branch campus funding debate rages on in the Oracle.\textsuperscript{2739}

Talks concerning the branch campus funding issue continue throughout the summer. Branch campuses want to help fund Tampa campus activities only when they aid all campuses and only after they have received 100% of the funds they generate. Eventually the branch campuses are assessed 14.14% of their funds returned to the main campus, much less than last year’s allocation.\textsuperscript{2740}

\textsuperscript{2738} O 4/27/78 p3, 5/2/78 p1 and 5/3/78 p1, 5/12/78 p1
\textsuperscript{2739} O 8/7/78 p1
\textsuperscript{2740} O 5/19/78 p1, 8/9/78 p1
The Student Senate accepts a recommendation from the Budget Committee that the branch campuses receive all the funds they generate. 2741

“Super Dance 78,” begins tonight. It is a marathon dance to benefit muscular dystrophy. Guests will include Miami Dolphins Quarterback Bob Griese and Tampa Councilwoman Catherine Barja. There was a similar dance held in 1976 that raised $8,000, they hope to raise between $10,000 and $20,000 this time. Almost all of the 38 participants finished the full 50 hours of dancing. The youngest participants were 12 years old. 2742

The Oracle’s student cartoon, “Shotgun,” receives letters of support and letters condemning it for sexism. 2743

The Oracle’s daily comic strip, “Shotgun,” is discontinued in quarter one because the author finishes school. The Oracle begins running a new strip “The Waste of Wild” in the beginning of October. The cartoon almost immediately begins receiving disparaging letters, and some defending it. The Oracle prints an editors note to “The Committee for the removal of Epps.” (Epps is the author of “The Waste of Wild.”) The Oracle denies that the cartoon strip is a communist plot, as insinuated by the committee, and maintains that the staff is unafraid of the committee’s threat of “evasive action.” 2744

Residents of Mu Hall protest the dismissal of two RA’s for “personality conflicts” with their resident instructor. 2745

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2741 O 7/12/78 p1
2742 O 4/28/78 p9, 5/1/78 p1
2743 O 5/4/78 p4
2744 O 10/12/78 p4
2745 O 5/8/78 p1 and 4
In order to “promote the study and understanding of the history of the Tampa Bay area” the USF history department is proposing a semi-annual journal called “Tampa Bay History.”

The Black Student Union overspends its Activity and Service Fees budget by almost $4,000. Some of the money was spent on telephone charges, travel and “miscellaneous on-campus charges.” The Oracle receives letters from students supporting the BSU and denouncing them for overspending when other groups receive little or no money. The Student Senate passes a resolution restricting the BSU’s long distance telephone calls. The BSU plans to contest the decision because they had no one present at the senate to argue for BSU interests.

5,000 people attend USF’s annual River Riot outdoor festival.

Pi Kappa Alpha holds the first annual “Baby Bottle Chug” at the Empty Keg. Fraternities and Sororities drink beer from baby bottles in various competitions. Judges include Phyllis Marshall, director of the University Center and Dan Walbolt, acting Vice President for Student Affairs. The Miller Brewing Company supplies the beer and trophies.

USF participates in the “Access America” program, in which students and faculty simulate an action with a handicap. Some students walk to class, the library or the University Center, blindfolded, crutches or in wheelchairs. President John Lott Brown must gain access to the rest room stalls and go to a class in a wheelchair. All participants

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2746 O 5/10/78 p10
2747 O 5/10/78 p3, 6/30/78 p1, the Oracle continues to publish letters to the editor and articles regarding this story throughout May and June.
2748 O 5/15/78 p1
2749 O 5/17/78 p1

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finished their day with a greater understanding of the daily problems faced by handicapped students.2750

L.A. Daniels, Student Government Minority Advocate receives complaints from 10-12 Iranian students in the college of engineering accusing the school of discrimination. The students’ major complaint centers around a “Test of English as a Foreign Language.” A USF policy states that in order to graduate a student must meet the requirements “in the catalog of the year that they enter USF.” Some students claim that the test was not a requirement when they entered the school, but they are still required to take the test.2751

Students discuss issues concerning faculty evaluations. One of the most important issues questions which is better; a boring professor who “gave substantive lectures” or an entertaining professor who gave “unsubstantive lectures” but kept the class interested.2752

Ground is broken at USF’s new St. Petersburg Campus.2753

Nelson Poynter, chairman of the board of the St. Petersburg Times and the Evening Independent, dies at age 74. Among his many contributions to the University of South Florida, Poynter encouraged students to begin publishing the Oracle and helped keep it running when funds were low. He also contributed money, through the Nelson Poynter Fund, to pay educational expenses for numerous students. Poynter was awarded an honorary doctorate of humane letters from USF about a week before his passing and was instrumental in bringing the new St. Petersburg campus to the school. He died just

2750 O 5/18/78 p3
2751 O 5/25/78 p1
2752 O 6/2/78 p3
2753 O 6/19/78 p1 and 14
hours after assisting in the groundbreaking for that campus. The library on the new campus will be named in Poynter’s honor.2754

Dr. Max Kaplan, a former director of the Leisure Studies Program at USF, claims that his forced retirement at age 65 was discrimination and has filed a $100,000 suit against the university.2755

In response to Kaplan’s suit, USF general counsel Steve Wenzel argues that since USF is not a state agency, it cannot be sued. The focus of the suit should be the BOR according to USF’s defense. Wenzel also argues that Kaplan received his notice of dismissal on August 26, 1976 before the Age Discrimination in Employment Act was passed on October 1, 1976.2756

USF’s College of Medicine graduates its first students from the charter class of 1974.2757

Florida Governor Reubin Askew has signed a bill giving the student regent on the BOR a vote in BOR decisions. Les Miller, former USF Student Government President has been the sitting and non-voting Student Regent since September 1977. Miller’s abilities helped convince the governor to pass the bill he once opposed.2758

Because of the expanded powers of the student member of the BOR, the Florida Legislature an the Constitution Revision Commission “may have inadvertently robbed the Tampa area of its ‘representative’ to the BOR.” Because the constitution specifically

2754 O 6/19/78 p4, 7/12/78 p1
2755 O 6/19/78 p3
2756 O 7/7/78 p1
2757 O 6/23/78 p1
2758 O 6/28/78 p1
requires nine regents, the student vote would add a tenth, meaning one sitting voter would have to go.\textsuperscript{2759}

USF is found to be in “full compliance” with Title IX, the policy enacted by the federal government to ensure equality of the sexes concerning programs at federally funded secondary institutions. The evaluation was carried out by USF.\textsuperscript{2760}

USF considers the formation of a management team for the new Multi-purpose center, which will open in a year.\textsuperscript{2761}

A study reveals that universities in Florida “are lagging significantly behind universities in other parts of the country in most measures of quality.” Dr. Carl Riggs, Vice President for Academic Affairs says that Florida schools have good programs, but funding for great programs is inadequate. Riggs does state that things are beginning to turn around and he mentions that the state has begun a “Centers of Excellence Program.” The program allows the nine state universities to choose one program that is of high quality and develop it further. USF has chosen the Marine Sciences Department.\textsuperscript{2762}

USF is in negotiations with the University of Florida to transfer four USF astronomy professors to UF. USF is attempting to “perform more economically.” This would result in the end of the department at USF.\textsuperscript{2763}

A hearing is planned to give students, faculty, and staff a chance to discuss other options besides the proposed parking decal increase. The Space Committee has recommended that the price of a parking decal be raised from $10 to $20, this has met

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\textsuperscript{2760} \textit{O 6/28/78 p1} \\
\textsuperscript{2761} \textit{O 7/5/78 p3} \\
\textsuperscript{2762} \textit{O 7/10/78 p1} \\
\textsuperscript{2763} \textit{O 7/17/78 p1}
with opposition. Despite “spirited opposition from faculty, staff and student representatives” the Space Committee sticks with its recommendation.2764

USF student and ROTC member Donna Schoenecker has been selected for the Regional Commander’s Leadership Award as the Most Outstanding Cadet of the Camp. Schoenecker is the first woman to receive the award since the ROTC began accepting women into the program in 1973.2765

USF’s new multi-purpose center, which will open next year, has received a generous donation of $100,000 (providing the University provide matching funds) for seating from George Strawbridge, a Pennsylvania Philanthropist, teacher at Widener College in Pennsylvania, and owner of the Tampa Bay Rowdies professional soccer team. The building went over budget and only had the money for bleachers on the first two levels of the three level facility. With Strawbridge’s donation and a possible donation from American Seating, the building may have “molded chair-back seats” rather than bleacher seating.2766

In order to meet federal regulations for handicapped accessibility, USF needs about $628,000 in the next two years. Unfortunately “officials aren’t too sure where they’re going to get the money.” It is later revealed that money for the upgrades will come from the state and possibly federal governments.2767

The Role and Scope Institutional Planning Committee hopes to “revamp an academic planning document and present the revision to the Board of Regents in October.” The document is intended to “report our dream of what a comprehensive

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2764 O 7/19/78 p1, 7/21/78 p1
2765 O 7/19/78 p1
2766 O 7/26/78 p1
2767 O 7/26/78 p1, 7/28/78 p1
urban university should be.” Hopefully it will help develop broad doctoral and masters programs at USF, while linking the programs together rather than letting them operate distinctively.2768

Besides expensive classes that lead to a degree, USF students can also take classes in the Common Learning Network. There is no registration or fees for CLN and teachers do not need to be certified, anyone can volunteer and submit a syllabus proposal to the CLN office. Classes cover a number of topics including, yoga, juggling, automobile maintenance, karate, fishing, parapsychology, and Roman literature. Some other course titles include, “Being Without Clothes,” “The System and How to Beat It,” and “Nonplastic Nutrition.”2769

The Oracle publishes a “Preview” for the academic year 1978-1979. The two sections are released for the benefit of new students and include an introduction to university programs, administrators and university life in general in the Tampa area. They also include a section on dorm life.2770

The Student Council for Exceptional Children holds a “Car Bash.” The event is a fundraiser for improvement of education for exceptional children. The first person to hit the car with a sledgehammer is President John Lott Brown, who later remarks, “I don’t think this is good for my image, I’m being cast in a destructive role.” The Student Council charges 25 cents per swing of the hammer and makes about $50.2771

University Sanitarian Tom Ferguson says that “vaporized grease bellows out of the frying area in the Empty Keg, coating everything in the University Center with grease

2768 O 7/28/78 p1
2769 O 8/4/78 p5A
2770 O 8/4/78 Parts A and B, Section on dorm life is in O 8/7/78.
2771 O 8/9/78 p1
for roaches to eat, making the air a health hazard and creating a possible fire hazard.”

Food Director Ray King disagrees with Ferguson on the seriousness of the problem.2772

Speakers for this fall’s University Lecture Series include consumer advocate Ralph Nader, founder of the Grey Panthers Maggie Kuhn, activist Angela Davis, author George Plimpton and scientist Jean-Michel Cousteau. The Cousteau lecture fills up the teaching auditorium, a rare feat. Ralph Nader’s speech galvanizes students to run a petition drive to get permission to start a student-funded Public Interest Research Group (PIRG) on campus. About 1,500 students sign the document that requests a fee is raised form each student to find the group, but the fee could be refunded upon request. But BOR rules say that extra fees can only be collected on a voluntary basis unless 25% of students actively volunteers to keep the group going.2773

There have been delays in the construction of the new Business Administration Building, prompting the state to threaten legal action against the general contracting firm, architects and subcontractors.2774

Thieves have stolen a $300 macramé wall hanging made by employees at the University Center. UC director Phyllis Marshall says that she is “so sad, I’m gonna cry.” The employees worked very hard to get the wall hanging done before the beginning of the quarter and it had only hung in the UC for 11 days.2775

Madelyn Rankin, director of USF’s daycare center, quits because of personality conflicts with and “unreasonable demands” by Larry Scott, assistant Vice-President for Student Affairs. Scott tells the Oracles that he doesn’t want “to discuss the childcare

2772 O 8/9/78 p3
2773 O 9/28/78 p8, O 10/19/78.
2774 O 9/29/78 p1
2775 O 9/29/78 p12
center at all,” and that he will “discuss anything else but that.” The center is being investigated because parents, who give two dollars and two hours of volunteer time a week in order to enroll their children, may be liable for accidents that occur while they volunteer. The university is now looking into that possibility.  

USF is awarded a certificate of appreciation from the National Association of Businessmen for making an effort to place handicapped students in campus jobs.

Former USF SG president Richard Merrick, who now works for the Florida Department of Education, says that a proposed revision to the Florida Constitution would give the BOR “unreasonable influence” over public education by exempting the Board from legislative and Board of Education control. The Oracle prints the two proposed revisions to the Constitution that are under the most scrutiny.

The University Space Committee has approved renovations of the College of Fine Arts.

The Public Interest Research Group is attempting to establish a chapter at USF. They are fast approaching the “all-time record for obtaining student signatures.”

In what should have been a “routine disposal,” chemicals from the USF chemistry lab exploded on campus. The chemicals were to be burned, but a University Police officer shot their containers with a shotgun, in an attempt to allow for slow drainage, and caused an explosion that was heard all over campus. Smoke from the “controlled chemical explosion” blew across the campus all morning. The Chemistry Department’s Safety Committee says that more precautions should have been taken, such as separating

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2776 O 10/4/78 p1, 10/6/78 p1
2777 O 10/6/78 p.10
2778 O 10/2/78 p5, 10/10/78 p5
2779 O 10/6/78 p3
2780 O 10/6/78 p3, 10/12/78 p3
the volatile chemicals before incinerating them. Health and Safety Officer Joe Warner supervised the disposal, and says that he refuses to invite anyone from the public (or Chem dept.) to observe “disposing chemicals in an approved manner.”

Chinsegut Hill conference center is steadily being upgraded. Chinsegut Coordinator Jeff Mack wants to increase weekday usage to increase revenue for the center. A new dining hall and rec center have recently been built. History Prof. Georg Kleine is one of Chinsegut’s most frequent patrons, often bringing classes for weekend conferences. Kleine says, “The amazing thing to me is, on Friday evening you go up with 20 individuals and on Sunday leave as a group. Every time it works.”

Comedian/performance artist Andy Kaufman performs in the gym. A review in the Oracle is entitled “They booed him and he loved it,” and reads, “Kaufman has the ability to make an audience do anything. He can make them laugh at him, feel sorry for him, and even sing along with him.” The performance features a three piece band, a Yiddish reading of “MacArthur Park,” terrible jokes, sobbing, a levitation act, and even a wrestling match against a female challenger. He ended by thanking the audience and walking among them, shaking hands.

SG reps on the Sarasota and St. Pete campuses complain that they have had little chance of participation in a plan that is meant to increase communications between the SGs on all campuses. The branch campus leaders say they had not been notified of recent changes in the Inter-Campus Council. The St. Pete SG and NC’s Student Executive Committee say they have reservations about the changes because they were never consulted, while Tampa leaders assume all is going ahead as planned, because the

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2781 O 10/13/78 p1, O 10/19/78.
2782 O 10/16/78.
2783 O 10/16/78.
new revisions do not affect branch SGs. One of the revisions includes a commitment by fine arts students to bring programs to the branch campuses. The branch SGs support the proposal, but only on the condition that they are recognized as autonomous SGs.²⁷⁸⁴

An Activities Mart set up in a tent near the UC sees a low student turnout due to lack of promotion, signage, and the oppressive heat in the tent.²⁷⁸⁵

An assailant in a green mask mashes a pie into Phyllis Marshall’s face at Oktoberfest activities. An Oracle photographer admits that he was told of the plot days before, and identifies the perpetrator. The photographer is dismissed for withholding the information. Marshall says that if authorities positively identify the masked man, she will press charges, saying, “We don’t have to take things like that. … A young man with a mask on had been dancing on the sidewalk for some time. When I walked up the sidewalk, I was always in a group. A new student I had met came over and asked me how to get into the food line.” After the brief conversation, Marshall turned around and “it felt like a fist had hit me.” After the assault, the masked man ran through the UC. He had earlier tried to get beer by holding out his hand and grunting. The UP asks for tips, and when the Oracle photographer identifies a suspect, the suspect denies any involvement, just that he passed on a rumor of the “pieing.” A letter to the Oracle later condemns the photographer’s firing. Another accuses Marshall of lacking a sense of humor, citing a going away party at the UC, where an outgoing employee was pied, and Marshall laughed then.²⁷⁸⁶
USF’s office of Veteran Affairs receives funding after almost being cut off after Federal funding was drastically cut the year before.2787

Films presented at USF tend to be racy, with rates X film not unusual. “Sweet Movie” includes interracial rape, sex in a bed of sugar, melted chocolate baths, a groom urinating on his new bride, and sadomasochism. The film is panned in a review.2788

Reacting to a recent Trib article, President Brown says that stringent guidelines will be created if the trend of faculty “moonlighting” (taking on extra jobs without consulting their dept. chairs) continues.

In response to requests by local businessmen, USF is considering offering entire program during the evenings or on Saturdays.2789

Red tape and administrative stonewalling have delayed the sale of non-prescription contraceptives in the bookstore. The sale of the items is later approved.2790

The dorm halls have been given nicknames. All-male Beta, aka the Zoo, because of the appearance and atmosphere, but some say it is more like an amusement park. Residents of Lambda II, also all male, call themselves “Hogs” for some undisclosed reason, and have a high overall GPA, and participate in intramural sports with enthusiasm. The females of Delta call themselves “Hot Trotters,” originally a distinction earned during sports events, but now increasingly identified with them off the playing field. Male floor Zeta II call themselves the “Sun Devils” simply because they wanted a name.2791
The BOR forces USF’s Oceanography dept. in St. Pete to participate in a “cooperative” PhD program with FSU. USF does not protest the scheme, although it is not pleased.2792

The faculty team leads the IM league over 19 student teams. But the student team called the Islanders shocks the faculty in an upset, 19-7.2793

A genuine athletic rivalry has sprouted between USF and UT. A soccer match has raised tensions, on previous occasions, USF won each of their three matches. USF wins once again in this match, 2 to 1.2794

Crime is on the rise in the USF area. Some students living nearby are scared, especially after the rape of a coed in Wildwood Acres. Wildwood has a security guard, but is never seen at night. With rent at about $150 a month, many students can’t afford not to live there.2795

Officials complete a study that finds USF is in compliance with Title IX, a federal law that stipulates that (in part) male and female athletic programs must be treated equally. The law is in the course of being rewritten.2796

The Hillsborough County Commission completes a study of possible bike paths in the USF area, originally brought about by pressure from residents in the area.2797

Theater alumni “The Alice People,” who derive their name form their first play after graduation (Alice in Wonderland), set up shop in a nearby shopping center. Upon receiving a $30,000 grant from the Fla. State Arts Council, they are the only professional

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theater company in Tampa, performing all over the community. The company participates in a new government program called “Theatre for the Elderly” in which senior citizens have dinner while taking in a play.  

SG postpones a proposal that would allow the Black Student Union to use long distance phone accounts again after drastic overuse. A budget subcommittee in the Student Senate finds that the BSU has spent its entire annual budget in 5 months, adding to a growing chorus that BSU officials are financially irresponsible. Last year, the BSU overspent its budget by $2,330, forcing the Senate to pay the difference. The BSU complains that its budget is less than half of what it was three years ago ($5,800 as opposed to $12,000) and that its funds are less than the Sports Car Cartel and the Para-Professional Counseling Service. Russel Odom, former BSU president, says that the BSU was only trying to do more with less. Other advocates claim of “misrepresentation: and “harassment,” mainly because the Oracle rarely reports on BSU activities, only when something goes wrong.

Jack Klein, known for scathing sarcasm in his Oracle column, writes that USF is simply racist after BSU representatives make the allegation in multiple letters to the Oracle. Excerpts: “The Oracle has ignored stories on the BSU, just because the Minister of Information or whatever didn’t pick up the phone and call the paper of walk down a flight of stairs in the UC and talk to the reporter in the Oracle UC Bureau.” On the excessive phone bills, “The fact is, BSU members don’t know who placed the calls, so why should students this year have to pay for it? This is just one more example of racism at USF. There must be some reasonable students at this university who realize that the

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only way we can stomp out this blatant racism is to turn over the entire student-generated A&S budget to the BSU and let them spend it as they see fit. With a couple million dollars to spend, we just may be able to eliminate all the racism here at USF.”

Property thefts in the dorms between 1/1/78 and 9/18/78 total 60 incidents at a value of $4,191, an increase over last year.

The roofs on the dorms at New College are replaced. They had been leaking since they were first built in 1968.

Dr. Anna Lydia Motto from the Dept. of Foreign Languages sends the Oracle a copy of a lengthy letter she sent to President Brown expressing her lack of confidence in his leadership. Motto says that she and other faculty are “disappointed by your inertia and incapacity as a leader.” Motto chastises Brown for supporting the “non-rational administration” of VP Carl Riggs and Dean David Smith. She also condemns him for dismissing dept. chairmen who had support from their units—including her own. To her, Brown has no respect for “our civil and human rights.” Brown is accused of lying and caving in to his own subordinates.

USF’s new Tampa History Manuscript Collection receives its first donation. The documents concern aspects of Tampa’s civil rights movement.

USF student Dona Schoenecker becomes the first woman to receive the regional commander’s leadership award for the outstanding ROTC cadet at Fort Bragg, N. C.
USF Student Mechy Kent, takes time out of her education to become Tampa’s first female fire fighter with the Tampa Fire Department.\textsuperscript{2807}

The USF Faculty Senate forms a committee to help clarify the role and status of departmental chairmen. The committee is formed because of a “lack of guidelines” in the university, such as procedures for appointing chairs, length of terms, removal of chairs, placement in the hierarchy, and so on.\textsuperscript{2808}

The communications dept. opens a season of productions with a performance derived from “The Princess Bride,” while the Theater season opens with “The Misanthrope.”\textsuperscript{2809}

For the last two years, USF students participate in a food co-op that saves them money through bulk purchasing. Student volunteers run the co-op. Besides the dues, money is often raised by renting refrigerators to dorm students out of an office in the UC. Besides fresh fruits and veggies, the co-op supplies juice, yogurt, pasta, dairy, tea, popcorn, cooking oil, honey, molasses, bagels, beans, natural whole grain bread, dried fruit, rice, nuts, oats, and flour.\textsuperscript{2810}

Activist Angela Davis speaks to 2,000 in the gym, saying, “It’s very exciting and very inspiring that so many of you have come out this evening and I know you didn’t come to be entertained.” Davis was the last speaker in the USF Lecture series “Freedom and Women” conference.\textsuperscript{2811}

SG Rep. Mark Louie complains to the FCC that WUSF-FM, although dependent upon USF and its students, does not serve the university community, with only two 30-
minute programs underwritten by students. “It is not the business of a SUS-BOR owned radio station to cater to the whims of a select few while all but totally ignoring its responsibility to the population of students and faculty at USF.” The FCC is expected to ignore Louie’s letter, which he says is “the culmination of four years of student efforts to negotiate an equitable solution to this dilemma.” Station manager John Young retorts, “Getting the highest audience numbers is not the reason why we’re here. I do not see it [student-oriented programming] to be part of the mission of this station. Our first commitment is to seek those areas [of programming] not feasible commercially [on other stations].”

In a tentative agreement between administration and SG, if a petition drive succeeds, WUSF-FM may allow 4 hours of student programming per week. The station manager and chairman of the MassComm dept. need to approve the proposal.

WUSF-TV will air the PBS documentary “The California Reich” after WEDU rejected it.

Balking at the BOR’s recent budget proposal, Senate Appropriations chairman Jack Gordon suggests that the BOR cut its own staff to save money.

Almost $4,000 worth of bikes have been stolen on the Tampa campus so far in 1978. Out of 45 stolen bikes, 9 were swiped between 9/20 and 10/20. Bikes near the residence halls are the prime targets, exacerbated by the lack of parking—there are twice as many bikes than spaces to lock them—and student carelessness. Two bike thieves are apprehended at the end of October. The suspects loaded stolen bikes into a car and were

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chased by police to a nearby mobile home park. Neither was affiliated with the university.  

A newly-refurbished staff-faculty lounge and dining room is opened on the 5th floor of the Student Services building. Patrons will be able to choose from 4 entrees and two soups with table service.

The State Awards Program honors Cy White, maintenance supervisor in the College of Medicine’s Physical Plant, was named “Suggester of the Year” in 1977. White has been a most frequent participant in a program through which employees can make suggestions on how universities can save money. They are awarded with 10% of the money their suggestion will save their university. White recently suggested that high output fluorescent lights be replaced by high-pressure sodium fixtures, saving USF over $10,000. The suggestion earned him a check for $1,025. White’s suggestions in 1977 saved USF over $67,000, giving him a one-time raise of $6,700.

The College of Education’s Media Lab uses just-emerging videotape technology to educate students. Students will teach in mock classroom situations and then be able to play back their performances. The lab is exclusively for the College of Education’s use.

The National Scholastic press Assoc. gives the Oracle the All-American Rating, which it has earned consistently since going into print in 1966.

About one-third of USF’s student body is over the age of 25. Lee Leavengood, who would play such a large role for older students in the future recalls her experience, “I

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felt I was unique in doing this and everyone who comes out here as an adult feels so. You feel very lonely because even though we have many, many more adult students now than when I was here, they usually feel very isolated.” The Mature Student Organization holds brown bag lunch lectures, happy hours, and group jogging. Leavengood meets with prospective elderly students to counsel them.

The library begins charging fines to staff and faculty members in hopes of increasing the availability of books. Director Mary Lou Harkness said, “It really came as a result of continuing student dissatisfaction that the faculty was not paying attention to due dates.”

Folk singer Rickie Havens plays at the first Bayborough Jam at the Bayfront Center to benefit USF’s Marine Science program. The event will be recorded in hopes of airing it as a TV special, which will give the local opening acts national recognition.

Members of the USF Sunshine Action Group working out of the Environmental Action Research Center offices travel all over Florida in a “Caravan fro a Non-Nuclear Future” in November. A good deal of nuclear waste travels through Florida, even from such countries as Sweden, because President Carter has an agreement that the US take their nuclear waste so it cannot be used as material in nuclear weapons.

The Student Senate unanimously passes a resolution supporting an open dorm visitation policy, or for “24 hours.” President Brown declares that he will “respect”
the wishes of the students. Brown also explains that in order to meet BOR requirements, students must vote on the change. 2826

TKE fraternity’s house on Regnas Avenue has applied to re-zone the property, or else it may have to move. Some neighbors have expressed that they do not want the frat house near them, while others say the young men are well behaved. 2827

Police arrest a man suspected of stealing $3,500 of equipment from the Multipurpose Center construction site. 2828 Groundskeeper James Haney is arrested for stealing $280 worth of construction materials from the same site. 2829

The Geology dept. receives a case of rock specimens and extensive data on them from the Exxon Corporation. The specimens come from a petroleum drill core in Sunniland, one of USF’s first samples from south Florida. 2830

Tampa’s Chamber of Commerce Committee of 100 salutes USF and Tampa’s other institutions of higher education to emphasize the economic benefits they bring to the community. Dave Essenfield, coordinator of the salute explains, “We don’t often think of how these institutions vitalize our community.” 2831

USF officials review an SG plan that would allow USF to bring big-name entertainment to campus while allowing profits to be routed into USF’s revenue accounts. 2832

Library Director Mary Lou Harkness says there is a backlog of 11,000 books that have yet to be cataloged, and the number will increase to 29,000 by next year if

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budgeting procedures are not changed. Last year’s book budget was more than doubled to $1,569,000, but personnel funds were left as is, creating a deluge of books and insufficient personnel. Harkness asks for 40 part-time employees to augment the 12 already working on the backlog. University employees, students, and organizations volunteer to process and shelve the backlog during the winter break, among them VP for academic affairs Carl Riggs. Harkness modified some of the restrictions on volunteer help to welcome the workers. Some workers will join the library over the break because climate control will be shut off in their divisions to save money on utilities.

The USF Space Committee and the College of Medicine get into a dispute over university events can be held in the Medical Auditorium if it isn’t being used by the college.

The men’s Golf Team places second in the state.

WUSF-FM station manager William Mitchell accepts student interns but does not agree to give student air time. When SG leaders express dissatisfaction with WUSF music formats, Mitchell replies, “I’m awfully sorry you don’t approve of this. I am not doing the programming to suit myself. I am doing what I am told to do. That’s my job.” When polled by the Oracle, a vast majority of students favored some kind of change in programming at the station.

Economics Prof. Gordon Brunhild is elected onto the Hillsborough County Planning Commission as chairman after two runoff elections.

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The library installs a drive-thru book drop.\textsuperscript{2839}

A touch football game between USF’s and UT’s fraternities takes place for the second year in an event called the Bud Bowl. USF won last year 21-14, and the team is expected to be even better this year. This year, USF won in a 20-0 shut-out. Despite several USF turnovers, their defense stopped UT’s early drives.\textsuperscript{2840}

Dr. Albert Pierce, the public info officer of the State Department, speaks on campus about the latest arms control treaty, the Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty (SALT II).\textsuperscript{2841}

Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity kidnaps President John Lott Brown and VP for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt for their annual event. The Kidnap the President Day raises donations of canned food for Tampa Faith Children’s Home.\textsuperscript{2842}

The John D. MacDonald Conference on Mystery and Detective Fiction is held on the Tampa Campus. The JDM Bibliophile, a magazine devoted to mystery and detective fiction, has moved from California to the USF’s English dept. MacDonald has written over 60 novels including the Travis McGee series, The Empty Copper Sea, and The Executioners, which the film Cape Fear was based upon.\textsuperscript{2843}

Having been appointed to the County Bicycle Pathway Advisory Committee, Chemistry Prof. Jesse Binford presents the County Commission with a master plan for bike paths in the USF area.\textsuperscript{2844} Binford is a tireless bicyclist advocate and acts as the bicycle club’s faculty advisor. He helped students lobby for the bike paths in 1972-73

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that brought a network of some paths to the USF area. He became a zealous supporter of
cycling after the oil crisis in 1973-74.\textsuperscript{2845}

Alumnus Dennis McGarry makes a challenge gift of $10,000 if the Alumni
Center can convince 100 alumni to donate $100 each.\textsuperscript{2846}

USF Herbarium Director Dr. Richard Wunderlin gets a $29,000 grant to study 35
Florida plants that may be endangered.\textsuperscript{2847}

Since opening in 1964, USF’s planetarium draws about 3,000 visitors a month.
The Christmas Star Show is already booked solid over a month ahead of time.\textsuperscript{2848}

USF student Steve Dwinell writes a latter to the County Commission warning that
the nuclear waste that is imported into the Port of Tampa could present serious risks and
that safeguards should be put in place to prevent accidents and spills. A radiological
expert admits the presence of nuclear waste shipments but claims that present safeguards
are adequate.\textsuperscript{2849}

Before the USF-Eckerd basketball game, a pep rally takes place on Crescent Hill.
The Parachute club will drop crepe paper streamers onto the hill before skydiving on the
site, the Pep band and music students will play the alma mater, the release of 500 green
and gold balloons, a theater dept. skit, the effigy hanging of Eckerd, prizes, cheers, and
performances by the Commuter Rooters and the Green Scream Machine. All the pep
may have had an effect: USF won 90-70.\textsuperscript{2850}

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After budget shortfalls, the BOR grants USF a loan of $400,000 for construction of the Multiple Use center (later the Sundome).\textsuperscript{2851}

Dr. Albert B. Sabin, the famed developer of the oral polio vaccine lectures at the Medical center on influenza.\textsuperscript{2852}

USF employees who failed to use the Suncom long distance telephone system cost the university a whopping $57,275 between September 1977 and May 1978. USF officials are planning to “lay down the law” regarding the mandatory use of Suncom. Any calls not made on Suncom are supposed to be noted in a log and reasons given for not utilizing the money-saving system. Those who do not follow the instructions will have to reimburse USF for 2/3rds the cost of the call. When Suncom was first implemented at USF there were not enough “trunk lines” to carry the calls, so many calls were blocked early on, prompting employees to avoid Suncom.\textsuperscript{2853}

Mimeographed signs appear on the USF campus which contain derogatory terms towards blacks, the UP reports. The posters were attributed to the Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade (RCYB), but the Brigade denies any involvement in what they call “racist trash.” Bruce Williamson, spokesman for the group said, “The RCYB has always fought for the liberation of blacks and other oppressed people, and won’t be scared off by a few racist creeps who are afraid to put their own name on their racism.”\textsuperscript{2854}

Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity holds a Great Greek Grease Festival, a nostalgia-laden dance. With music provided by Jungle Jack and the Highlanders, students participated in

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a twist contest, an Elvis impersonation contest, and drawings for door prizes. The event, held at the Lake Forest Club, is a chance for PKA to “establish a rapport with campus and let people know they’re welcome to our events,” said Neal Kimball, president of PKA, or “Pike.” Students arrived with slicked hair and bobby socks.

The Oracle prints a laudatory tribute to BOR member Chester Ferguson upon his final meeting with the Regents. “We remember a time,” the piece read, “in May 1974 when things were a bit shaky around here. Mackey had visions of kicking the Oracle off campus into the cold, cruel world. And many say a regent named Chester Ferguson helped stop him. We remember, Chester. Thanks.”

Climate control is deactivated over the Christmas break to save money, so employees that choose to work over the break will have to “dress up” if there’s a cold snap and “dress down” if it is warm. The shut-down is expected to save $30,000.

Leaders in the SUS go to Tallahassee to ask the state cabinet to oppose cuts in the BOR’s proposed budget written by Education Commissioner Ralph Turlington. He cut the proposed $604 million budget by about $80 million. USF is already experiencing budget woes due to a slackening of credit hours taken by students. The tightened budget is especially disappointing because much of the increase in the funding suggestions stem from recommendations by the state education commissioners.

Physical Education Professors Dick Heeschen and Chuck Smith plan a Vita Par course on campus, or a course that incorporates jogging and various exercises.
The 4th Annual Festival of Winds is held, founded and coordinated by Dr. James Croft. The festival celebrates all manner of wind instruments with a series of concerts.\textsuperscript{2861}

As of this fall, 22,780 students are enrolled at USF: 19,000 in Tampa, 1,718 in St. Pete, 1,380 in Sarasota (900 at USF and 490 in New College), 534 at Ft. Myers, and 468 in off-campus continuing education courses. The overall student population is a slight downturn from last year, but attendance at the regional campuses is up. Both genders are equally represented, except in Sarasota (561 to 328), Ft. Myers (362 to 172), and continuing ed (283 to 185) which are dominated by women. There are 2,630 graduate students, all but about 300 on the Tampa Campus. There are 229 male medical students but only 57 females.\textsuperscript{2862}

The second annual USF Library Associated Booksale sells 6,000 donated books to raise money for the Foundation.\textsuperscript{2863}

The Faculty Senate heavily opposes an SG suggestion that a syllabus and course objectives should be distributed to students during the first week of classes. Faculty members claim that such a requirement would violate their “academic freedom” and add to “Bureaucratic waste.”\textsuperscript{2864}

Headed by Dr. William Shuerle, a USF program for minors is ready after drafting procedures and approving the minor students. Minors will be able to take classes in a variety of departments, including American Studies, Religious Studies, Foreign

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Languages, English, Communications, Linguistics, Woman’s Studies, Dance, Theater, Music, Art, Political Science, and Sociology.\(^{2865}\)

With an eye toward bringing big name entertainment to campus, SG asks that it be able to swap reserve A&S money with equal amounts from other revenue sources. By using money from funds other than the A&S accounts, SG would be able to set up concerts and other entertainment and charge students to attend. Restrictions upon A&S money prohibit the charging of students to attend the event.\(^{2866}\)

The St. Petersburg planning commission approved a marina to be constructed on a plot of land already promised to USF. The plan, which limits boats in the marina to 100, is a compromise between plan submitted by USF and the Port Commission of St. Petersburg. Some researchers are worries that the marina will pollute the waters, affecting USF’s Marine Science facility, designated a center of excellence.\(^{2867}\)

Although approved by administrators and housing officials, the re-keying of the dorms will be delayed until September 1979. Each dorm will have its own key for its front door.\(^{2868}\)

The men’s basketball team makes it to the Big Sun tournament after blasting Georgia College’s Colonials 87-71.\(^{2869}\)

The Oracle prints a wish list for USF. The items include: “For Jesse Binford, USF bicycle enthusiast—a pair of Brahman green and gold streamers for his two-wheeler,” For VP Carl Riggs, “a pair of blue jeans to help him shelve library books comfortably and a tube of Ben-Gay for afterwards” and “a rubber-stamp with the initials

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‘JLB’ [John Lott Brown],” for President Brown, “enrollment in a Dale Carnegie course on ‘How to Win Friends and Influence People’” and “a public image—any kind,” to the managers of WUSF-FM, “a ‘Kiss’ album each of their choice,” to the BSU “$3,000 in cash and a $25 savings bond,” for disgruntles professors Jack Clark and Anna Motto, “stationary—they must be running out of it,” for FSU “a bucket of authentic sea water on which to base their oceanography program,” and to Phyllis Marshall, “a chocolate cream pie to throw at the student of her choice.”

NFL running back David Kopay, the first professional athlete to publicly admit to homosexuality, is scheduled to speak at USF on “The Right To Be Gay.” Sponsored by the USF Gay Coalition, the purpose of the talk is “to serve as an educational forum in an effort to dispel the myths and stereotypes about homosexuality which cause unnecessary fears and repression.”

A groundbreaking ceremony is held for USF St. Pete’s expansion project. Work is scheduled to begin in August on an 82,000-volume library, a classroom/office building, and a small central plant. The land for the project was donated by the City of St. Petersburg and St. Petersburg Progress, Inc.

Ralph Nader appears at USF to discuss citizen action and consumerism. The event is hosted by the Outdoors Club and the University Lecture Series.
1979: Incoming volumes create a backlog of thousands of un-catalogued books at the university library. Though volunteers logged more than four hundred hours over the winter break, 18,000 volumes still remain to be shelved. Library officials are asking for additional volunteers until additional help is funded.\footnote{O: Jan. 4, 1979}

University officials announce a proposal designating a tract of land for the creation of Greek housing on campus. Though an expensive endeavor, President John Lott Brown believes that the housing will be “an important thing on this campus by making it a more exciting place to be.” The proposal must pass state and local regulations before its final appeal to the BOR’s Facilities Committee.\footnote{O: Jan. 10, 1979}

Special consultants are appointed to evaluate services and operations at the University Center, according to director Phyllis Marshall. The purpose of the study, says one official, “Is to evaluate the services [the UC] perform[s] for the University area, [and] identify [and prioritize] needed improvements.”\footnote{O: Jan. 12, 1979}

A state commission approves the creation of research parks at four state universities, including USF. Once land is designated and design plans are approved, local research companies will be responsible for the funding after entering into a lease agreement with the state. Officials believe Tampa provides an ideal setting for the facility because it is a large, state university within an urban community with adequate resources in place to facilitate proper growth.\footnote{O: Jan. 23, 1979}
USF officials submit a plan to the Board of Regents for the creation of a $37.5 million cancer center at the College of Medicine.\textsuperscript{2878}

Administrators consider the purchase of a $163,000 computer to organize and streamline the flow of books and materials in and out of the library. The final decision is to be made by President Brown and Vice President for Academic Affairs Carl Riggs.\textsuperscript{2879}

Students complain of recurrent termite problems in the Alpha dormitory, swarms of which were discovered in the sheets and pillows of dorm beds. One resident recalls the problems began when she enrolled at USF in 1977, and complains that resident hall officials did not adequately deal with the pests. “Termites might seem like a small problem,” comments one student, “but it’s the fact that we weren’t listened to or taken seriously.” Residents are currently being provided with alternative accommodations while the infestation is properly treated.\textsuperscript{2880}

Members of the Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade protest Police recruitment at USF, carrying signs and passing out flyers with such slogans as “Pigs off campus!” and “Killer cops at USF!” Said RCYB spokesman and USF faculty member Bruce Williamson, “We’re here to expose the killing by the … cops and the fact that there’s no justice in America.” Recruiting officers reported that although they had never experienced protesters before, they had average success at the university.\textsuperscript{2881}

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The Delta Gamma sorority holds its second annual rocking chair marathon to raise money for the prevention of blindness. Participants raised $400 last year and hope to double the amount this time around.  

In celebration of Indian Happy Day, members of the Seminole Indian tribe give a demonstration of alligator wrestling on the University Center mall. “Our objective in organizing [the event] is to make people more aware of the Seminole people in South Florida,” says one participant. “[It] is a tribute to the Seminole Indians and their culture.”

The results of the Student Government presidential election are invalidated after an SG investigation denounces the “flagrant disregard” of election rules. Because a number of violations were observed, an oversight committee is appointed to supervise a new election to be held in three weeks time. John Goldsmith was originally declared winner until losing candidate Tracy Cooley expressed some concern over the accuracy of the voting process and adherence to the established standards of conduct.

University Police express concern over recurrent bike thefts around the campus, suggesting that perhaps it “may be the work of a bike theft ring which is more extensive and better organized than people realize.” Last year there were a total of 73 bicycles stolen at an approximate value of over $8,000, and the trend has continued this year, as 20 bicycles were stolen last month alone. UP officers encourage students to spend the extra money on a good lock in order to deter thieves.
A student government committee investigates alleged overspending by the Black Student Union. According to university administrators, the organization’s phone toll charges from December and January will overdraw their budget by $100. Additionally, the BSU has a number of outstanding bills from last year, and has no means of paying for their secretary. The Union has asked the Student Senate to allocate an additional $6,000 to them to cover third quarter expenses.²⁸⁸⁶

President John Lott Brown vows to improve the quality of academic programs at USF by increasing the allocation of funds to the university. “USF is underfunded with respect to other state universities,” Brown commented to a county legislative delegation, “We are simply not getting our percentage of money.”²⁸⁸⁷

Lounges in USF’s residence halls will soon be receiving color televisions, according to the Andros area coordinator. The fourteen-inch television sets were procured from a nearby motel for $150 apiece and will replace the antiquated black-and-white sets currently installed in the dorms.²⁸⁸⁸

Encouraged by President Brown and Student Government representatives, WUSF-Radio agrees to allot programming time to university students over the course of the next year, during which time a student owned and operated station will be developed.²⁸⁸⁹

John Goldsmith is elected president of student government in a second election after the first was declared to be in violation of election regulations. “I can’t say I’ve

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worked harder for anything in my whole like,” Goldsmith commented, “This was the closest student government election I’ve ever experienced.”

Edward William Kopp, the first dean of the College of Engineering at USF, dies at the age of fifty-three.

USF students take part in the C. A. U. S. E. (Community and University Service Encounter) organization, which recruits and places volunteers in Tampa Bay’s 42 human service agencies. The program originated in 1968 through the efforts of USF students and a group of citizens from the community.

More than five hundred participants take part in the Special Olympics held at USF. Events included bowling, swimming, gymnastics, and track and field. Said John Hill, district director for the Special Olympics, “We give [these kids] a chance to be winners in a world where they don’t have a lot of success.”

A ‘Whatchamacallit’ contest is officially underway at USF to encourage suggestions for the naming of the new multi-purpose center currently under construction. “I think the contest will generate interest in the place [and] point out the uniqueness of the place,” says Dan Walbolt, vice-president of student affairs. The winner will receive a ten-year pass to events at the facility, as well as formal recognition at the dedication ceremony.
The Foreign Forum at USF holds a presentation entitled, “We Remember Asturias” to recognize community residents who trace their ancestry to the province in northern Spain.\textsuperscript{2895}

The Student Senate votes to convict Black Student Union president Curtis Downing and remove him from office on charges of malfeasance. Downing responded with an adamant denial of the charges and a warning to student senators to proceed with caution and “be prepared to deal with repercussions.” He later criticized the student government’s behavior, asserting, “Most senators do not understand the magnitude or concept of their duties, which are to represent all student interests and not just whites.”\textsuperscript{2896}

A trauma seminar is held by the USF College of Medicine, drawing two hundred physicians from around the country to participate in a course designed to enhance the knowledge and skills of emergency room medical staff.\textsuperscript{2897}

T. Terrell Sessums, former state representative and newly appointed Board of Regent’s member, espouses enrollment caps as an effective means of “improving the quality of the university system and aiding in planning for the growth of individual campuses … To improve the system we need to attract and retain the best possible faculty and students.” President John Lott Brown voices dissent, however, arguing that, “The projected growth of the state suggests that some continuing expansion of the State University System will be essential if the needs of the state are to be served adequately.”\textsuperscript{2898}

\textsuperscript{2895} O: Mar. 6, 1979
\textsuperscript{2896} O: Mar. 6, 12, 1979
\textsuperscript{2897} O: Mar. 8, 1979
\textsuperscript{2898} O: Mar. 12, 26, 1979
President John Lott Brown approves a controversial policy requiring USF faculty members to provide course syllabi to their classes.

WUSF Radio begins student-oriented programming this week featuring rock ‘n’ roll and progressive music in a show entitled “Free Form Radio.” “We have enough different people working on it so you’ll get a variety of musical tastes,” comments Communications Committee member Ken Spear, “But no top-forty crap!”

Increased demands for student housing prompt university officials to consider the purchase of the nearby Fontana Hall apartments. Housing director Ray King guarantees that there is already more than enough demand to fill the building. “If the purchase is approved,” he said, “Fontana Hall will just be another USF residence hall.”

The Board of Regents and United Faculty of Florida agree to a salary schedule for USF faculty members and continue negotiations for a six percent salary increase across the board.

The Campus Book Exchange is established as an alternative to the campus bookstore for students looking to negotiate textbook prices. The CBEX is located in the University Center and provides a forum for students to buy and sell books at prices set by themselves. “We’re selling books at a lower price than students would pay at the bookstore,” said participant John Wajdowicz, “We’re excluding the middle man.”

USF students organize a Citizen Dispute Settlement Program to mediate off-campus conflicts that would not otherwise be covered by the USF Student Court.
Review. Though the program has no means of enforcement, it provides a neutral setting within which grievances can be voiced and conflicts resolved.  

Members of the Student Government Communications Committee assert that USF administrators misled students by suggesting the possibility of a student-operated radio station on campus. After meeting with FCC officials, lawyers, and congressmen, the committee saw little chance for such an opportunity at the university. “I’d say there’s maybe a one percent chance of getting it,” remarked committee member Tracy Cooley, adding, “We’re going to look at every possibility of pulling it off.”

State Representative J. Hyatt Brown espouses a greater emphasis at Florida universities on raising money from private capital. President John Lott Brown endorsed the suggestion, stating, “In order for USF … to become a ‘great’ university, it must have private capital.”

As a result of past violations, the Student Government passes a resolution to remove all telephones from the Black Student Union offices. Said one senator, “The senate has been pushed around long enough. It is time to make a firm stand against the irresponsibility of the BSU.”

Student Government president John Goldsmith refuses to act on the SG suggestion that telephones be removed from the BSU offices. He did, however, state that if such activity continues in the future, action would be taken. “If they break away from any of the understandings, I won’t hesitate to remove the phones.”

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2904 O: Mar. 29, 1979
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2906 O: Mar. 30, 1979
2907 O: Apr. 5, 1979
2908 O: Apr. 6, 1979
A USF student claims to have been robbed at gunpoint by two men who took $1,200 in cash. Upon further investigation by police detectives, it is determined that the loss was not in cash, but in marijuana. As a result of the discovery, the student is dropping all charges and withdrawing from classes at the university.\textsuperscript{2909}

Vice-President for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt announces the provision of a $260,000 financial aid package for the construction of on-campus housing for student organizations. Though only in the proposal stages, Interfraternity Council President Pete Baranoff comments optimistically that the outlook is “very good” and he expects the Greek community at USF to continue to thrive.\textsuperscript{2910}

In order to solve the housing shortage, USF officials are applying for a federal loan that would allow for the creation of more residence halls on campus. The maximum loan USF could potentially qualify for is $5 million, which would provide housing for nearly 1,000 students. Negotiations are also being conducted over the purchase of the Fontana Hall apartments on Fletcher Avenue.\textsuperscript{2911}

President John Lott Brown picks a name for the new multi-purpose building being constructed on the USF Tampa Campus. The winning name, submitted by student Gini David, is The Sun Dome.\textsuperscript{2912}

Chester Ferguson, founding chairman of the reorganized BOR, steps down.\textsuperscript{2913}

The construction of two new parking lots (450 spaces) is to begin at the cost of nearly $270,000 to the university.\textsuperscript{2914}

\textsuperscript{2909} O: Apr. 24, 1979
\textsuperscript{2910} O: Apr. 26, 1979
\textsuperscript{2911} O: Apr. 30, 1979
\textsuperscript{2912} USF Magazine, Vol. 21, No. 4 (May 1979), 5.
\textsuperscript{2913} USF Magazine, Vol. 21, No. 4 (May 1979), 12-14.
\textsuperscript{2914} O: May 4, 1979
Despite the rising costs of university textbooks, Tom Berry, director of auxiliary services, asserts the USF textbook center is just breaking even. “Students have a right to gripe about the high price of textbooks, [however] the bookstore makes no money off the sale of texts.” Berry encourages students to buy used books whenever possible to cut down on expenses.\textsuperscript{2915}

Heavy rainstorms flood the campus, soaking dormitories and forcing the cancellation of classes. One resident recalls that when he awoke for early morning classes, “Water was coming under the hall door like a river.” Because the campus sewage system could not accommodate the excess water flow, domestic water had to be shut off temporarily. In the meantime, those students stranded on campus were shuttled back and forth to restroom facilities in the back of a truck.\textsuperscript{2916}

Sun Dome construction is delayed when a crane tips over causing an estimated $200,000 worth of damage.\textsuperscript{2917}

Amid student protests, the state House of Representatives votes to raise next year’s tuition nine percent, from an average of $720 per year to $768 per year. Says Student Government Vice-President Candy Barr, “I have a hard time believing we’re going to improve our education by paying higher tuition rates.” A protest rally organized by the SG is being held at the University Center.\textsuperscript{2918}

A Florida legislative conference committee rejects the proposed creation of Boards of Trustees at the nine state universities.\textsuperscript{2919}

\textsuperscript{2915} O: May 7, 1979
\textsuperscript{2916} O: May 11, 1979
\textsuperscript{2917} O: May 15, 1979
\textsuperscript{2918} O: May 23, 1979
\textsuperscript{2919} O: May 30, 1979
USF awards its 50,000th degree to Patrick Kendrick, an art student from West Palm Beach. Patrick hopes to finish a book he has been working on, “Then I have several big art projects I hope to do. One will be based on the Jamestown massacre.”

USF Student Government presents a petition calling for the implementation of an “open-visitation” policy at university dormitories. The petition, bearing the signatures of 109 male residents, would allow for twenty-four hour visitation at campus residence halls. While proponents argue that students are ready for such a responsibility, others suggest that noise and privacy problems may be exacerbated by the open policy.

USF administrators grant SAGA food services a twenty percent rate increase for the upcoming academic year, citing increases in minimum wage and food production costs. “We’re going to raise holy hell,” responded SG President John Goldsmith.

Upset by proposed rate increases, Student Government threatens to boycott SAGA food services. SG President John Goldsmith argued that SAGA was in violation of President Carter’s voluntary wage and price controls, and demanded a reduction in the rate increase. The USF administration has appointed a committee to further investigate the matter.

Dan Walbolt, USF Vice-President for Student Affairs, announces the right of campus dormitories to elect twenty-four hour weekend visitation programs. Before a residence hall can implement the program, unanimous approval of residents must be obtained through a secret ballot.
Student Government and SAGA food services negotiate a temporary compromise that includes acceptance of rate increases for residence hall cafeterias. In the meantime, the Student Senate votes to put USF’s food service contract up for bid.\textsuperscript{2925}

The Sun Dome faces safety corrections after two studies reveal concerns regarding the “design and safety of the building.” The general contractor for the facility’s construction still expects on-time completion by December of this year.\textsuperscript{2926}

The prospective benefits of roofs like the Sun Dome’s leads one \textit{Miami Herald} reporter to declare that “by the year 2000, millions of people will be working, shopping, playing – perhaps even living – in tents.”\textsuperscript{2927}

Administrators release a press release reminding people coming to the inaugural basketball game that the dome is still under construction, reassuring them that the seats will be safe, and that the cardboard signs and piles of dirt aren’t part of “the Sun Dome landscaping.”\textsuperscript{2928}

The new business building opens for classes at USF this quarter. The buildings that previously housed the business program will now function as the Human Services building and the University Lecture Hall.\textsuperscript{2929}

USF employees protest Governor Graham’s qualification of the tuition fee waiver, now requiring that classes taken by university staff members be exclusively “job related.” Critics argue that such a move discriminates against individuals who do not

\textsuperscript{2925} O: July 11, 1979  
\textsuperscript{2926} O: July 27, 1979  
\textsuperscript{2927} Jo Werne, “Will the Future Find Us Living in Tent Cities?,” \textit{Miami Herald}, August 1979 (date unspecified), Sun Dome File [unprocessed], Special Collections, University of South Florida.  
\textsuperscript{2928} “Pardon Any Inconvenience, We’re Still Under Construction,” Press Packet, Sun Dome Media Briefing.  
\textsuperscript{2929} O: Sept. 24, 1979
otherwise have access to a college education, and compromises the initial intentions of the program.\textsuperscript{2930}

Austin-Westshore, the contractor responsible for the construction of the Sun Dome, announces a delay in the completion of the facility due to a “lack of cooperation between contractors and architects.” An official for the company cited the complexities of the air-supported roof system as an additional reason for the delay, as well as improper planning and resource management on the part of the architects. The growing list of problems at the Sun Dome includes several significant cracks in the structure, as well as a past crane accident that slowed down construction.\textsuperscript{2931}

USF applies for a federal loan of $5 million for the construction of two new residence halls on campus. Nearly 1500 students were turned away this quarter after the current facilities reached their capacity of 2,716 residents.\textsuperscript{2932}

An editorial offers advice to incoming students at USF: “Don’t think you’ll be given a few days to get a parking sticker; you’ve probably got a ticket on your windshield right now”; “Sun Dome: USF’s claim to fame. But don’t worry, it’s only a myth”; “Bomb Threats: Popular during exam week. But study just in case someone forgets to call”; “Disco: Punishable by death. This is a rock ‘n’ roll school.”\textsuperscript{2933}

Sixteen USF students are appointed as ambassadors to serve the alumni student council and increase student contact with community leaders. Said the assistant to the director Lee Patouillet, “It’s students helping students, past, present, and future.”\textsuperscript{2934}
USF housing officials begin installing a new key system in residence halls to increase security for residents. While in the past anyone could walk into the dormitory halls from outside, the new system requires a key to get into the building. Phones are being installed outside the entrances for visitors to call and gain access from dorm residents.2935

The USF Office of Institutional Research conducts a survey of regional employers to see where the graduates of various universities rank among their employees. Those surveyed unanimously agreed that USF’s former students ranked “average” or “above average” when compared to others.2936

The USF College of Business’s new building opens on the corner of Elm and Maple drives. The structure cost $5.1 million to build and opened its doors to professors and students last month.2937

Betty Sue Moehlenkamp, the new chairman of USF’s dance department, seeks to open classes up to non-majors as well. Though she espouses the merits of the program, she complains that it exclusively caters dance majors. “We should expand the program … we just don’t provide enough for the non-majors … the best way of learning about art is experiencing it.”2938

An ineffective drainage ditch causes flooding at USF’s Botanical Gardens, drowning trees and vegetation. A result of recent heavy rains, the Garden’s pond rose six

2935 O: Sept. 28, 1979
2938 O: Oct. 2, 1979
to eight feet above its normal level, overflowing into the lower end of the Gardens. Damages will be assessed once the waters have cleared.\textsuperscript{2939}

As a result of overcrowded residence halls, sixty-six USF students are being housed temporarily in hall lounges, rooms originally intended for cooking and recreation. “What we’re trying to do is maximize the residence hall facilities we have by letting as many students as possible live in lounges,” explained Housing Director Ray King. Though the students are not entirely content living in the lounges, they are all happy to have found living space on campus. Freshman Carolyn Williams described her living conditions: “The lighting is terrible. As far as the conditions, there are no closets or shelves (\textit{sic}). We’re using the kitchen cabinets to put stuff in. The only advantage of having a sink in here is so we can brush our teeth and don’t have to fight over two sinks.” Williams remains optimistic, however, urging her fellow residents to “rough it and learn to put up with the inconveniences.”\textsuperscript{2940}

The Academic Programs Council discusses the prospect of a “testing and final examination week” at the end of each academic quarter. The issue has been in the Council’s agenda since last year, and faces opposition from those who fear it will infringe upon traditional class time. “If it was added to what we have already it would be different,” comments USF Professor Peter O’Sullivan. “But, if it cuts in, I can’t afford to give up that time.”\textsuperscript{2941}
The University Center hosts a yo-yo contest, sponsored by Duncan Toy Company. There is no fee to enter the tournament, and all contestants will be awarded prizes.2942

WUSF-Radio News Director Neal Lavon resigns after five years of employment, citing frustration with the station’s programming and tenuous relations with the station manager. In his letter of resignation to station manager John Young, Lavon wrote: “My experience here in the last four years has turned me off to radio, public broadcasting, and the government in general. If this is what you had in mind, you accomplished your task, although I think you could have saved all of us a lot of trouble if you had just mentioned this up-front and person-to-person. But then, I didn’t expect that from your administration.” Lavon plans to begin doing free-lance journalism work in the Tampa Bay area.2943

USF purchases a boat for the water ski club, and furnishes two locations where the organization can practice. “We’re really optimistic about our chances because of the opportunities to practice as much as we want now,” said team member Chip King.2944

USF’s Gay Coalition continues to grow, from the humble beginnings of ten people in 1974 to nearly 150 current members. The coalition, which previously met off-campus to ensure safety and security, now holds regular meetings on campus providing counseling services, social activities, a monthly newsletter, and a radio show entitled “Gay Space.”2945

2942 O: Oct. 9, 1979
2943 O: Oct. 12, 1979
2944 O: Oct. 12, 1979 (see photo)
2945 O: Oct. 16, 1979
USF opens the Parcourse Fitness Circuit, a 1.8-mile jogging track with eighteen exercise stations positioned along the route. “This facility is something all people of various levels of activity can use,” said proponent Richard Heeschen. “It provides the kind of facility the whole public is able to use.”

USF reaches its highest enrollment ever, and continues to grow, according to university officials. There are 23,500 current students in attendance at the university, nearly 400 more than last year. President John Lott Brown celebrates the growing student population, while continuing to emphasize a high standard in academics. “We are not in a position … to compete with Harvard … but there is in Florida a great concern about the quality of higher education,” he said.

USF students form a “Brahman Football Committee” to generate support and enthusiasm for bringing the sport to the university. “I love football,” commented Athletic Director Richard Bowers, “but right now I don’t see it in the cards for USF in these inflationary times.”

The USF engineering building is renamed after Edgar W. Kopp, Jr., the first dean of engineering whom the students affectionately referred to as the “father of our college.” Kopp served as dean from 1964 until his untimely death in February 1979.

Betty Castor, the former director of Florida’s Division of Elections, is named director of governmental and community relations at USF.

Thermostat settings in the residence hall showers are raised from 105 degrees to 140 degrees after insufficient heating allows water temperatures to dip as low as seventy degrees.

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2946 O: Oct. 16, 1979
2947 O: Oct. 17, 1979
2948 O: Oct. 17, 1979
2949 O: Oct. 24, 1979
2950 O: Oct. 25, 1979
degrees. Additional efforts are being made to ensure that the facilities are cleaned and returned to efficient operations. “Ideally, the heating coils should be cleaned yearly,” comments engineering student Ken Spear. “Some of them haven’t been cleaned in six years.”

A portion of the ceiling collapses in the Chemistry building over the weekend, scattering pieces of plaster across the floor and exposing electrical wiring. The supervisor of the labs, Inez Watson, attributes the occurrence to an electrical breaker malfunction that rattled the nails out of the ceiling causing the collapse. The incident is added to a growing list of structural problems with the building that includes leaky faucets and countless malfunctions. Because the building is still under warrantees, the contractor is responsible for the repairs, though the Physical Plant is often burdened with the more immediate concerns. “We feel very unsafe,” said Watson, “As a matter of fact we were planning to declare this a hard-hat area.”

The USF men’s soccer team wins the Sun Belt Conference Tournament in Atlanta with a 3-2 victory over the University of North Carolina. The cross-country team also competed in Atlanta and won the conference title.

USF Vice President for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt acknowledges that negotiations are underway for the purchase of Fontana Hall, a nearby student housing facility located just off-campus on Fletcher Avenue. He asserted the necessity of such an action in order to guarantee that the units will continue to be available for student occupation. “We could simply not afford to have that building converted to something

2951 O: Oct. 26, 1979
2952 O: Oct. 30, 1979
2953 O: Nov. 5, 1979
other than for student use,” he said. “Our experience has been that if we do not have sufficient student housing, we will lose students.”

A fire in an electronics laboratory at USF’s St. Petersburg campus causes $250,000 worth of damage to the marine science equipment.

Residents of USF’s Gamma Hall participate in the First Annual Health and Lifetime Fitness Week to promote health and fitness. Participants espouse abstention from cigarette smoking and resistance to the “temptations of carbonated beverages, beer, and wine.” The week will culminate in an Alcohol Awareness presentation where the University Police will give a breathalyzer demonstration. Said Health Week coordinator Celeste Methot, “This is the first time in the history of the residence halls that an event of this kind has ever been planned to this magnitude.”

The Science Center at USF suffers from a rat and fly infestation, according to building occupants. Tom Ferguson of the Office of Health and Safety reports that at least twenty-five rats have been caught over the course of the past two months. “They’re big rats – the size of small cats – but they’re not that dangerous as far as bites,” said Ferguson. The flies present additional problems for lab researchers who require a sterile working environment. Dr. Eileen Hickey asserts that the flies are not of the common household variety, but are “real carrion flies – about five times the size of normal houseflies.” Dr. Lee Weber, a professor of biology, proposes a theory: “It’s not uncommon for [rats] to crawl inside a wall and die … So what might have happened is

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2954 O: Nov. 6, 1979
2955 O: Nov. 7, 1979
2956 O: Nov. 7, 1979
that a rat was poisoned, crawled up through a duct, died and a fly came along and laid eggs on it.” Officials continue to investigate possible solutions.\textsuperscript{2957}

Student Government officials distribute a petition among students calling for administrators to re-bid the food service contract when it expires in six months time. The action was prompted by numbers of student complaints about the quality of SAGA Food Service.\textsuperscript{2958}

BACCHUS, a volunteer student organization, is formed to inform students about alcohol abuse prevention. “I’m enthusiastic about our group,” said Fran Brennan, director of the Campus Alcohol Information Center. “We are not concerned with total alcohol prevention, but with the misuse of it.”\textsuperscript{2959}

A three-day long dedication ceremony begins at the Business Administration building after nearly a year and a half of construction delays. Numerous speakers and events are planned throughout the three-day event, including New York Yankees owner George Steinbrenner.\textsuperscript{2960}

Members of the Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade meet opposition from students while distributing flyers on campus calling for justice in Iran. “Justice will be served by the shah’s return,” said RCYB member and USF professor Bruce Williamson. “Let him face the wrath of the Iranian people.” The activists were surrounded by a group of nearly 250 students who voiced their opposition through chants of “Bullshit,” “Go home,” and “Let our people go.” The RCYB has been active regarding the situation in Iran, and has claimed responsibility for numerous instances of graffiti and defacement

\textsuperscript{2957} O: Nov. 9, 1979
\textsuperscript{2958} O: Nov. 9, 1979
\textsuperscript{2959} O: Nov. 13, 1979
\textsuperscript{2960} O: Nov. 14, 1979
around the campus. “We go where the shit is sticking and we make it thicker,” said a speaker for the RCYB. Other students formed a counter-demonstration, two of whom carried a banner that read: “Students for American capitalism say screw Iran.” USF President John Lott Brown spoke about the incident, saying, “We are at an interesting period in history in the United States. I regret the ways in which human groups become polarized, and that universities are often sites for demonstrations. Ours is no exception. But we can speak out for those values we hold dear. Let’s try to preserve the dignity we have in the face of these provocations.”

The Student Government passes a resolution calling for more student authority and control in the operation and governance of the University Center. “The people administering the UC are not doing as good of a job as they could if students were directly involved,” commented SG President John Goldsmith. “We can do a helluva better job with students in policymaking at the UC.”

More than 1,000 students congregate at the UC mall to protest a pro-Iranian rally organized by the Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade. The students waved American flags and drowned out speakers with chants of: “Nuke ‘em,” “Kill Khomeni,” “Deportation,” “Iran sucks,” and “2-4-6-8, nuke ‘em till they radiate.” When RCYB member and USF professor Bruce Williamson tried to speak before the raucous crowd, he was hit on the side of the head with an egg thrown by a protestor. After about twenty minutes the amplification system was disconnected and he was forced to leave the stage. Facing a threatening crowd, RCYB supporters were escorted out of harms way by uniformed UP officers. USF Vice President for Student Affairs commented on behalf of

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2961 O: Nov. 15, 1979
2962 O: Nov. 21, 1979
the administration: “[President Brown and I] were both in Washington last night, and we are, in substance, in agreement that these kinds of actions, these kinds of viewpoints, should be expressed.”

USF reactivates its Committee on the Status of Women, originally formed in the early 1970s, to gather information on discriminatory acts against women on all USF campuses. The eighteen-member committee consists of female students, faculty, and staff members who will function in an advisory capacity to the administration. “I think there are things that can be done by this committee,” said committee member Joni Long. “The existence of this committee reflects well on our school.”

Soviet dissident Alexander Ginzburg speaks to an audience of nearly 300 people at USF, describing “the horrors and injustices of the totalitarian Soviet regime which imprisoned him several times and finally cast him into exile against his will.” Said Ginzburg of the conditions in the communist country, “If I was going, tonight, to lecture on human rights in Russia, it would be the shortest lecture you have ever listened to at this university. It could be told in a single word – that there are none.”

During a pro-Iran demonstration held November 28th on the University Center Mall, pro-American students took control of the gathering. A scuffle then occurred which included egg throwing and police had to protect the Iranian sympathizers.

A United States presidential commission recommends the reinstatement of language requirements at universities, decrying the “scandalous incompetence in foreign languages” among Americans. The matter has been at the center of an ongoing debate at

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2963 O: Nov. 29, 1979 (see photos)
2964 O: Nov. 30, 1979
2965 O: Nov. 30, 1979
USF among faculty and students. Proponents argue that a foreign language requirement will “help students to learn English grammar, improve their knowledge of other cultures, and expand international communications. Conversely, opponents contend that such benefits can just as easily be obtained through cultural enrichment courses at the university.”

A study conducted by USF’s Division of Institutional Research finds the salaries of South Florida professors to be 12.4 percent below the national average. “This is what we have been telling them for years,” said UFF chapter president Richard Taylor. “The administrators are overpaid and the faculty are starving.” President John Lott Brown agrees that faculty salaries need to be raised significantly.

Cesar Chavez, founder of the United Farm Workers of America, speaks at USF about his organization and their boycott of California lettuce growers. “We should not confuse non-violence with pacifism,” Chavez said. “We must force [the growers] to fight with us at our level and not stoop down to theirs. We can picket and boycott but we must do it nonviolently.”

USF President John Lott Brown comments on a number of the more contentious issues on campus. First, Brown addressed SAGA food service, noting that whenever he ate at the cafeteria, he received a good meal. “Those students who were raised on hamburgers maybe did not enjoy the exotic meals provided by SAGA,” he said. Although the student petition drive against SAGA continues, Brown argues that, in fact, “great number” of students are not dissatisfied with the quality of service. Secondly, President Brown responded to a Tampa Tribune editorial that called for the immediate dismissal of

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Biology Professor Bruce Williamson for his involvement in the Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade. “The fact that an individual who is employed here goes out and does these things (supports communism), sometimes on campus, does not justify his discharge.” What is more, Brown employs the language of the U.S. Constitution to defend Williamson’s right to free speech.  

The USF Theatre Department takes first place in the Florida statewide competition of the American College Theatre Festival in Gainesville for its production of Carol Goldini’s comedy, “Servant of Two Masters.” The final national competitions are to be held in Washington D.C.  

USF Professor Bruce Williamson is called before the Student Organizations Advisory Board and questioned about his organization, the Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade, and its involvement in instances of graffiti around campus. Williamson was also criticized by committee members for his organization of the pro-Iranian rally at the UC last week. “To call a rally in such a tense situation shows reckless disregard for responsibility,” said one member of the board. Williamson defended his decision, however, retorting, “We were trying to set up a discussion of the issues. Why aren’t you talking to the people over at the dorms who marched over here waving flags and shouting?”  

USF Postmaster Jack Boyd complains about campus residents having to share mailboxes, “Which is a crime as far as I am concerned.” Under the current system, mailboxes are assigned at random to students who typically do not know one another.
Though numerous instances of mail theft have been reported, Housing Director Ray King said there are no future plans for changing the arrangement.2973

USF’s Model United Nations – World Affairs Council sponsors a debate on Iran in the University Lecture Hall, drawing nearly 400 spectators. Participants considered the forum a success.2974

USF residents that were housed in dormitory lounges due to a lack of space demand that standard fees be refunded. In a letter to the housing office, they wrote, “The unacceptability to live in a lounge has been detrimental to our study habits and has caused conflict between many living members in the hall.” Jeff Mack, the Assistant Director of Housing, denied their claim to reduced rates, asserting that the students knew the housing policy before signing the contract, and were never guaranteed a room.2975

Student Government calls on the Student Organizations Advisory Board to revoke the rights of the Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade for its involvement in the defacement of university property. The SG resolution stated, “The Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade has proudly proclaimed the defacing of USF buildings … such actions when perpetrated by organizations belonging to USF reflect upon the moral integrity of the USF student body as a whole.” RCYB members insist that the SG action is politically motivated and only seeks to “derail the Brigade off campus.” Referring to the debate over Iran, Bruce Williamson said, “It is pretty interesting that they are more interested in spray-painting than human lives. The student government didn’t make up

2973 O: Dec. 5, 1979
2974 O: Dec. 6, 1979
2975 O: Dec. 6, 1979
any resolution about the people that were attacked at the rally. They ignored the whole thing.\textsuperscript{2976}

President John Lott Brown formally approves the proposal to institute a final-exam week at the end of each academic term. As the policy states, the program will largely be left to the discretion of individual professors. “The instructor has the responsibility of maintaining a fair and impartial testing and examination procedure, has the right to define and structure the testing process, and shall not be restricted as to form, style, [or] content of the examination.”\textsuperscript{2977}

Sun Dome Construction lags 6 months behind schedule. Cracks formed in many of the columns, and many wonder if it is safe after a series of stadium collapses around the country.\textsuperscript{2978}

Engineering building dedicated in the memory of first Engineering Dean Edgar W. Kopp.

USF fails to purchase Fontana Hall after years of negotiations.

A group calling themselves “The Sons of Hitler” culminates a three-year vandalism and terror spree by ransacking the offices of two Jewish USF Professors. Flyers appear on campus with a variety of radical political positions. People using strange voices threaten Jewish faculty over the phone. After an intensive investigation campus police never find a suspect. Some criticize the UP, saying the investigation was just “window dressing.”

Betty Castor accepts the post of USF’s Director of Government and Community Relations. She has previously served as a state senator, a state elections chief, and a

\textsuperscript{2976} O: Dec. 7, 1979
\textsuperscript{2977} O: Dec. 10, 1979
\textsuperscript{2978} Tampa Neighbor, 10/25-31/79.
candidate for Lieutenant Governor, all in the last 18 months. She will now serve as USF’s top lobbyist.  

The legislature approves two bills that provide significant financial relief to New College, as well as designating it a “Center of Excellence.” The bills mark a new, more stable era for NC. As the college kicks off a new fundraising drive, the Annita and Jacob France Foundation of Baltimore donates 123 acres of land to NC, 35 miles south of the campus, on the condition that a portion will be set aside as a preserve.

A recent survey conducted by the Student Activities Office reveals frequent complaints in the following areas: the selection of classes; the paucity of resident faculty members; parking problems; the library circulation system; and air pollution. Conversely, students are favorable to the size and atmosphere of the St. Pete campus, “where people are treated as people and not as numbers.”

Mary Louise Clendenin is the first to receive USF St. Pete’s certificate in Latin American studies. “The certificate helps to emphasize two things,” explains professor Harry Vanden. “The historic tradition that exists in this community as a result of its Spanish roots, and the growing interaction of the greater Tampa Bay area with the Caribbean and Latin America.” Ms. Clendenin, a recent graduate, plans to pursue an M.A. in Latin American Studies at Georgetown University in Washington D.C.

In an advertisement for the new Sun Dome, USF promises an “all new showplace that’s all business in a showtown that means business.”

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2979 Tt 10/24/79.
2980 New College, p. 151-152.
2981 CN: Feb. 15, 1979
2982 CN: July 20, 1979
2983 “The Sun Dome is Rising to Your Occasion,” Sun Dome File, Special Collections, University of South Florida Library, Tampa.
School officials assure potential Sun Dome visitors that the roof, made of “fabric and steel cables” will never fall on them despite the fact that it is not solid and is supported by the “air conditioning and air support pressure system.” In the event of a power failure the generators will turn on the lights and return the roof to its inflated status, although it might “begin to deflate” and show “small wrinkles and ripples in the fabric.” Even if the roof completely deflated, which could take anywhere from 2 to 12 hours, “the fabric and cables” would “sag no lower than the existing light and speaker system cable over the arena. The roof would never touch or fall on anyone – even people sitting in the very top level seats.” When deflated completely, the roof still hangs 18 feet above the highest level seats.

Administrators warn prospective visitors to the Dome that “Whoosh! ‘Skirt Alert!’ is the cry,” because visitors hats, skirts, and other clothing might be susceptible to the wind patterns in the doorway. Because of the domes air supported roof the open doorways will feel “like a blustery day” every time you step into them. Air locked lobby areas were planned, but budgetary concerns led to their abandonment.

1980: USF officials decide not to renew the food service contract with SAGA, citing increasing expenses around the university as a primary factor. Remarks one student, “I feel that the free enterprise system will decide what food service can best fit the needs of

2984 “As the Dome Rises and Falls,” Press Packet: Sun Dome Media Briefing, Sun Dome File [unprocessed], Special Collections, University of South Florida.
2985 “Whoosh! Hold On to Your Hats,” Press Packet: Sun Dome Media Briefing, Sun Dome File [unprocessed], Special Collections, University of South Florida.
the students.” University consultants will begin a study to determine whether USF will begin operating its own food service program, or consider alternative contract proposals from outside organizations.  

President John Lott Brown rejects a proposal made by student government to investigate the operations of WUSF Radio. “As president of this university, I found no grounds for such a step,” explains Brown.

Five USF advertising students win a national competition sponsored by the National Institute of Drug Abuse. Their winning entry was entitled, “Don’t Turn On, Turn Out,” an ad directed at children ages twelve to fourteen. The students were awarded a trip to Washington D.C. where they received a reception at the White House.

English professor John “Knocky” Parker denies allegations that the “presents he receives from students have any correlation to the grades he gives in his classes.” Meanwhile, the University Police investigate complaints that students are consuming alcoholic beverages in Dr. Parker’s classes.

USF falls $300,000 short of paying its annual utility bill, according to university officials. Glenn Clayton of the administration finance and planning department comments, “We have no concrete plans yet. We must determine the size of the problem and pin it down.” The deficit is attributed largely to rising utility costs on campus.

A U.S. Army current affairs panel meets at USF to engage students and faculty in a discussion of national security issues. Participants expressed particular interest in such
issues as the development of weapons by the U.S. military and the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. 

The USF Status of Women Committee hosts an open forum to discuss sexual harassment in employment and education at the university. The forum is being held in response to concerns voiced by female students about being the victims of sexual pressure. Notes one organizer, “One of the purposes of this meeting is to make these women feel better that it doesn’t just affect them.”

Structural problems impede progress on the construction of the Sun Dome. “The problem is that the design was faulty,” argues Tom Raker, administrative assistant. The architects will be charged $100,000 in additional fees to make proper corrections to the facility. “If they do not do what we ask them to do, we will have the alterations performed and if necessary, we will go to court.”

Controversial poet Nikki Giovanni speaks to more than one hundred people at the Florida Writers Conference.

In part because of rising energy costs (125-150 percent in the last five years), USF offers a four-credit “Energy and Humanity” course that addresses energy problems while educating students in conservation. “We spend a great deal of time on energy conservation,” says the professor, “We also look at all the energy alternatives, such as solar and nuclear power … The economic incentive is going to become stronger and stronger as time goes on.”

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Bottles of liquor with students’ names attached are found in Professor John “Knocky” Parker’s office during a search investigating allegations of academic dishonesty. Though the presence of alcohol is not in itself a violation, university officials intend to analyze grade books in order to determine whether or not such gifts influenced final grades.\(^{2996}\)

Cracks in the Sun Dome supports are blamed on a design flaw made by Geiger Berger, Inc. At present time, it is not safe for occupancy.\(^{2997}\)

USF administrators investigate the feasibility of instituting a four-day work week on campus. While the program would shut down most university offices and classrooms for a three-day weekend, proponents argue that energy conservation would be substantial and cost-effective. Despite rising utility costs, critics argue against the plan, asking, “What are you going to do with those students who live here? For 2,700 students, it’s their home.”\(^{2998}\)

Fights erupt between Iranian and American students at USF following a lecture on Iran by political activist Clark Kissinger. “These are heavy topics and you’ve got to expect that some people are going to get very excited about the issues.”\(^{2999}\)

USF offers a course introducing incoming freshmen to the research studies of faculty members. The course is limited to those students who meet certain academic requirements and professes to demonstrate that, “There really are a great many things of interest in important research [at USF].”\(^{3000}\)
Voter turnout for the student government elections at USF was the worst in five years. With only seven percent of the student population voting, creative explanations range from an overall unfamiliarity with the candidates to inconveniences caused by the inclement weather.3001

Fossil fuel shortages prompt a sanitation study at USF in which students sort nearly 1,000 pounds of garbage daily in an effort to determine the economic feasibility of converting the trash into an alternative source for fuel. Says director Richard Garrity, “The end purpose is to determine if the garbage could burn as a fuel to make steam and perhaps to make electricity … It’s better than just landfilling the garbage.”3002

Ongoing controversy surrounds attempts by the university administration to move the classics program out of the foreign language department at the recommendation of an outside consultant. Classics professor Anna Motto argues that the “banishment of classics faculty” is an effort to “enforce majority support in foreign languages for an unwanted chairman.” Meanwhile, UFF representatives express concerns over the protection of faculty rights and contractual obligations. The proposed move temporarily places the classics program within the philosophy department, a notion opposed by philosophy faculty members.3003

In a speech at USF, black activist and self-professed revolutionary Kwame Ture (formerly Stokely Carmichael) calls for black Americans to support a worldwide African revolution. “Africa must be free, unified and socialist,” Ture asserts, “One man cannot free the people, the masses must free themselves.”3004

3001 O: Feb. 8, 1980
3002 O: Feb. 8, 1980
3003 O: Feb. 8-11, 1980
3004 O: Feb. 12, 1980
USF names Michael Barber director of the Sun Dome. Barber comes from a position as director of facilities at the University of Toledo.\textsuperscript{3005}

President Brown announces an administrative “overhaul” at the university in order to create greater efficiency. The changes involve the reorganization of departments and the elimination of unnecessary positions within the administration. “It is refreshing to hear an announcement of one less administrator,” comments UFF president Richard Taylor.\textsuperscript{3006}

U.S. Secret Service agents question USF professor Bruce Williamson after the Oracle staff receives a letter in which he espouses the violent overthrow of the government and the assassination of President Carter. Williamson denies that he wrote the letter and suggests that it was, “only an excuse to put the heat on him.”\textsuperscript{3007}

A pep-rally is held at the University Square Mall to generate enthusiasm and support for the creation of a football team at USF.\textsuperscript{3008}

In a vote of 9-1, the Board of Regents decides to increase dormitory fees at USF from $230 to $250 each quarter.\textsuperscript{3009}

The Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade hosts a rally at the University Center to protest President Carter’s armed services draft legislation. “It is very important for students to express their feelings against the draft now,” says USF professor and RCYB member Bruce Williamson. “If students don’t take a stand now, then it’s certain they will be drafted.”\textsuperscript{3010}

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\textsuperscript{3008} O: Feb. 15, 1980
\textsuperscript{3009} O: Feb. 18, 1980
\textsuperscript{3010} O: Feb. 20, 1980
USF hosts its twelfth annual Suncoast Invitational Model United Nations conference, drawing nearly 250 high-school and college students from the southeastern United States. The students will replicate United Nations proceedings by participating in committee meetings and a General assembly. Topics to be discussed are the conflicts in Iran and Afghanistan, human rights issues, terrorism, and the contemporary issues confronting developing nations.3011

To celebrate USF’s 10th annual Greek Week, participants roll a 150-pound keg 12.3 miles from the campus University Center to City Hall in downtown Tampa. “We want to generate [public relations], not just for the Greeks, but for the whole Tampa community,” says the Interfraternity president. “It also shows that the Greeks do a lot more than just hang out and drink beer.”3012

An informal poll taken among USF students finds that nearly fifty percent favor selective service registration, thirty-one percent oppose it, and nineteen percent remain undecided.3013

Maya Angelou speaks to nearly two hundred students at USF as part of Black Emphasis Month.3014

Students form the Progressive Student Union as an ideological alternative to existing campus organizations. In addition to national issues, the PSU will also address questions particularly relevant to university students, such as the quality and cost of

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education in Florida. “The PSU … will seek to provide a forum for discussion of student-related political issues that has been lacking at USF.”

The Teflon, air-inflated roof to the sun-dome is raised, and officials expect the construction to be completed by the year’s end.

USF’s Hispanic student population voices concern over the failure of the university to recruit Hispanic students and meet the needs of those already on campus. “There are serious problems,” comments the chairman of the foreign languages department, “and as an urban university, we should play a role [in solving those problems].”

President Brown proposes that USF faculty up for promotion and tenure be subjected to reviews from people outside the university. He suggests that such a requirement is necessary, “for faculty members who wish to ensure that their achievements in research and scholarship be given full weight in the process of decisions on promotion and tenure.” The faculty response is mixed.

The National May Day Brigade, a group espousing the overthrow of the capitalist system, draws 300 participants to an anti-draft rally on the USF campus. Says a spokesman for the group, “If we see that it’s bad and we don’t want that kind of future, we must, in our thousands, rise up and take action.” Among the speakers at the rally was RCYB member and USF professor Bruce Williamson, who urged the overthrow of the, “rich fat cats of the ruling class.”
The USF Office of Gifted Education offers enrichment classes for gifted youth ages four to fourteen. One’s admittance to the program is based exclusively upon their I.Q. score, “That’s what we’re using to decide who’s gifted and who’s not gifted.”

Carl Riggs, Vice President for Academic Affairs, espouses tougher faculty evaluations in order to improve the quality of academics at USF. “Our students deserve the best faculty we can maintain with the resources available to us,” says Riggs. 3021

A USF graduate college is considered by administrators in an effort to gain stature as a research institution. 3022

In order to reduce traveling problems, USF considers a mass transit system to link the main Tampa campus to its branch locations. Proposed by the dean of Regional Campus Affairs, the plan calls for automobile service to the St. Petersburg and Sarasota campuses, as well as a chartered flight to Ft. Myers. The service would be offered exclusively to faculty members. 3023

The decision to grant tenure to professor Bruce Williamson (RCYB) is postponed until next year, at Williamson’s request. “I have done a bunch of research,” he explains, “And I want to wait until the papers are published before the decision comes up.” 3024

In a recent survey, ninety percent of USF students voted in favor of starting a football program at the university. “Having a football team would help remove the apathy and create more school spirit.” 3025

New College receives a 120-acre parcel of waterfront land, which is worth approximately $1 million from the Annita and Jacob France Foundation of Maryland. 3026
Dr. Daniel Lim creates a test to detect group B streptococci, a bacterium found in the new venereal disease of the same name. The disease, if present in a pregnant woman’s body, can cause severe detriment to the child she is carrying, if it is born in an advanced state of the disease. USF is considering patenting the technique.  

USF offers a Frisbee course as a physical education elective. The text for the course is the “Frisbee Player’s Handbook.”

Three USF students organize a cheering squad called the Sun Dolls to appear at selected sports events. A departure from more traditional cheerleading, the Sun Dolls emphasize dancing and choreography, defining it as, “More like an Ivy League type of group – a little sexy – a really good dance group.”

The hiring of nationally renowned basketball coach Lee Rose at USF prompts mixed reactions from the university community. While some applaud efforts to improve the athletic program, others suggest that the “accent on learning” espoused at USF is being compromised for an emphasis on “big-time sports” and the revenue it will bring. Laments UFF president Richard Taylor, “I think this is a strong indication of where the priorities of this institution lay (sic).”

The Sunshine Action Group at USF recruits students to participate in a demonstration against nuclear power at the nation’s capitol. “This one is big,” comments SAG member Barry Gills, “About a half million people will be there to call for a halt to nuclear power, adopt safe alternative energy sources, and stop the arms race.”
Faculty and staff at USF sponsor a scholarship drive to provide financial assistance to students. “It is a good cause,” says dean David Smith, “The scholarship is a good way to show the students we care.” The committee raised $12,000 dollars last year, and hopes to exceed that amount this year.\footnote{O: Apr. 18, 1980}

Nobel Prize winning author Isaac Singer speaks at USF as a part of the Department of Communication’s “Celebration of Literature.”\footnote{O: Apr. 21, 1980}

USF is to receive $360,000 worth of free labor this summer as a result of UFF’s summer work-training program for economically disadvantaged youth. The program is funded by the City of Tampa and Hillsborough County.\footnote{O: Apr. 21, 1980}

United Faculty of Florida charges the State University System with “systematic and ongoing discrimination against women.” Faculty members cite enormous disparities between the number of male and female professors employed at USF, a figure they allege is reflective of universities statewide.\footnote{O: Apr. 22, 1980}

The College of Medicine at USF is one of two state institutions authorized to conduct experiments using marijuana as a means of combating the nausea associated with chemotherapy treatments.\footnote{O: Apr. 29, 1980}

Military recruiters are banned from the University Center after a demonstration is held by members of the Progressive Student Union. Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs Charles Hewitt determined that, in fact, the UC lobby area is reserved exclusively for student organizations. “Military recruiters will be treated just like any other employment entity,” he comments. “It’s a definite victory,” says PSU member Ed Feigen,
“I think this shows that students can get things done if they are willing to stand up and take direct action on issues.”  

Members of the Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade lead a May Day parade through downtown Tampa and the surrounding communities.  

Leaks in the roof of the USF Medical Center prompt the Board of Regents to file a civil suit against contractors, architects, and the insurance firm accountable for the building’s construction.  

The USF library receives a rare collection of maps and journals supporting the theory that an English explorer named John Cabot discovered North America several months prior to the arrival of Christopher Columbus.  

Graphicstudio II is reborn at the College of Fine Arts, USF. The coordinators plan to invite one sculptor and three printmakers each year.  

A road crew finds ancient human remains alongside the Alafia River. USF archeology team members made a hurried excavation of the area and found that the bones may indicate the former existence of a large settlement.  

Dr. Dan McClowry and Suzanne Daly, a learning-disabilities specialist, work with language-delayed toddlers in order to prevent further slowing of their developmental process. They are members of USF’s communicology department and have received a three-year HEW grant which allows them, in addition to eight graduate students, to work with the children.

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3037 O: May 1, 1980  
3038 O: May 1, 1980  
3039 O: May 16, 1980  
3040 O: May 28, 1980  
Graduate students at USF vote in favor of UFF representation.\textsuperscript{3044}

Enrollment for summer classes at USF reaches a record high of 15,190 students, eighteen percent over last summer. Albert Hartley, vice-president for Finance and Planning, speculates, “The reasons are general population increase in the area, increased business activity, and a general trend toward the population seeking greater educational opportunities.”\textsuperscript{3045}

Due to the recent increase in sexual assault incidents, University Police are stepping up security patrols around the campus, paying particular attention to wooded areas as well as dormitories. “Our primary concern is the residence halls, particularly the female halls, because people are there twenty-four hours a day.” In an effort to avoid future incidents, UP officers issued flyers outlining personal safety measures to females who live on campus. “Unfortunately, it takes a tragedy to occur before people’s interest arises,” says UP Sgt. Randy Gonzalez. “We always try to develop programs before something happens.”\textsuperscript{3046}

Of the 225 prospective teachers taking the competency exam at USF, twenty-two percent flunk. Explains one administrator, “There was no pressure, and I don’t think the students took it very seriously.”\textsuperscript{3047}

President John Lott Brown writes a letter to Governor Bob Graham in protest of the inadequate funding allocated to the university. Brown’s purpose, he writes, “Is to convey my deep personal concern over the use of a funding formula that includes an
arbitrary classification component that threatens the future of the fine university for which I have a major personal responsibility."  

USF is scheduled to receive a $1.8 million computer this fall to handle all of the demands made by both administrators and students. “The machine we currently have reached its capacity a while back and hasn’t been performing well,” remarks the director of computer services at USF.  

Extended construction deadlines and repair costs estimated at $925,000 threaten to delay the Dec. 2 official ribbon-cutting ceremony for the opening of the USF Sun Dome. Though university officials had scheduled the Brahman’s November 29 season opener to be played in the facility, contractors suggest that, “completion is highly questionable.”  

A new enrollment record is set at USF, with more than 24,000 students scheduled to attend fall classes.  

Housing Director Ray King laments the “worst housing shortage in [USF’s] history.” With ninety students living in hall lounges, 1,500 more are put on waiting lists until additional accommodations are provided. With a record enrollment this fall at USF and the increasing prices of off-campus apartments, officials see little respite in the growing demand for university housing. “The only answer is to build new dorms,” suggests SG president Shaune Einbender. “If we don’t have more housing built on this campus soon, people will just pack up and go to another school.”

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Construction is set to begin on the long-awaited Ft. Myers branch campus.\textsuperscript{3053}

USF breaks ground at the Fort Myers regional campus.\textsuperscript{3054}

Retsmah, a USF student’s hamster, draws a crowd of nearly one hundred onlookers to the Andros Pool where he plunged from a twenty-seven foot high dive into the water below. “He made a couple of pretty good dives,” comments the hamster’s owner. “The first one wasn’t that good, but the other two went pretty well.” The hamster has only been “diving” for about a week, and despite his aversion to water, he loves to jump. A scuba diver was stationed in the pool during the dives to ensure the safety of the daring rodent.\textsuperscript{3055}

SAGA Food Service at USF receives a warning from the Hillsborough County Health Department for a series of health violations. Eight citations were made, ranging from missing ceiling tiles and inadequate sneeze guards to mice in the foodservice areas.\textsuperscript{3056}

USF is awarded a $2.25 million grant to fund the Suncoast Gerontology Center, an independent unit within the USF Medical Center. “The establishment of the center reflects a major commitment … to develop an interdisciplinary research and training program,” says Andor Szentivanyu, dean of the College of Medicine. “This represents the beginning of a new era in the development of the institution.”\textsuperscript{3057}

The Campus Alcohol Information Center offers workshops for both students and staff in order to “promote responsible decision making as it pertains to alcohol.” The workshops will include leadership programs, informational films, and counseling. “We’re

\textsuperscript{3053} O: Sept. 25, 1980
\textsuperscript{3054} USF Magazine, Vol. 23, No. 1 (October 1980), 3.
\textsuperscript{3055} O: Oct. 3, 1980
\textsuperscript{3056} O: Oct. 8, 1980
\textsuperscript{3057} O: Oct. 8, 1980
not trying to take a stance (sic),” says program director Burt Harres, “We’re just trying to provide information if we have it.”

A state bill passed last spring is allowing several hundred elderly students at USF to attend classes for no charge. Comments one of the participants, “I would hope we might add something to the classroom rather than take something away.”

A public hearing is to be held at USF to provide handicapped students a forum in which to voice their grievances. “The hearings will give individuals the chance to talk about things the colleges are not doing or things they would like them to do,” comments equal opportunity officer James Goss. The meeting anticipates the upcoming “Year of the Disabled,” designated by the United Nations.

The USF Alumni Association kicks off its seventh annual Telefund campaign.

USF is selected for the third consecutive year to host the National Collegiate Athletic Association’s soccer championships. “Soccer is the fastest growing sport in the NCAA and by far out distances the other sports,” says NCAA representative Ralph McFillan. “I hope the people in the Tampa Bay area get on the bandwagon and get out and support the championships.”

USF misses a deadline set by the Department of Health to make the campus accessible to handicapped students. Although given three years to make the necessary modifications, the chairman of the USF Compliance Committee asserts that less than ten percent of the Transition Plan has been completed. USF’s Equal Opportunity director
Rosalie Hill responds, “We’re going to do what we can as the money is available, which is what we’ve been doing all the time.”

The University Police “crack down” on inconsiderate bicyclists who fail to comply with traffic regulations. Explains UP officer Randy Gonzalez, “We’re going to give every effort to enforce the traffic laws and still be fair about it … bicyclists are getting very flagrant.”

Edward Teller, creator of the hydrogen bomb, speaks at USF, warning of Soviet aggression in the Middle East and the failures of the Carter administration, while espousing the deregulation of the oil industry to facilitate greater energy self-sufficiency. Teller also encouraged the proliferation of nuclear power plants as a means to overcome fuel shortages, while suggesting the elimination of air-conditioning as an effective means of conserving energy. Teller asked his audience, “Do you prefer these measures, or do you prefer war – and not only war, but one in which the Soviet Union is prepared and we are not?”

The Business Administration building at USF is renamed Chester Howell Ferguson Hall after the local attorney, businessman, and founding member of the Florida Board of Regents who has made “many contributions to higher education in Florida.”

The Black Faculty Caucus at USF protests the Equal Opportunity Awards ceremony, citing the failure of the university to meet standards of diversity and equal representation. In a letter to President Brown, the Black Caucus explained, “We fail to
see why the university continues to give equal opportunity achievement awards for a universally agreed upon failure to achieve.”

The director of the USF Child Care Center complains that the facilities are inadequate, and must be expanded to meet the needs of some 22,000 students at the university. At present, the center can only handle twenty-two children at a time.

The ROTC program at USF is named top in the nation for the second year in a row.

A Board of Regents task force determines that without a statewide tax increase, the development of a cancer center at USF is highly unlikely. The effort is being spearheaded by state representative H. Lee Moffitt, who requested $37.5 million for the center.

The USF Scuba Club breaks the underwater backgammon record, logging 125 hours at the bottom of the Argos swimming pool. The marathon is part of a fund-raising effort for the United Way campaign.

USF receives a $300,000 donation from Charles Lykes of the Lykes Bros. Inc., to be used towards the creation of an endowed chair position at the university.

The Jewish Student Union becomes the third Jewish organization at USF. “JSU is not religious,” comments the organization’s vice-president, “We are political and cultural only.”
The USF faculty senate approves the proposed conversion to a semester calendar system at the university.\textsuperscript{3074}

In order to celebrate the opening of the Sun Dome, USF officials will hold a weeklong celebration in spring 1981. The celebration will include “concerts, lectures, receptions, tours, entertainment and a special community day.” Community day will include “continuous entertainment on the Sun Dome stage – singers, dancers, bands, a magician, puppets, a theatre presentation and lots more. Also expected are roving entertainers like clowns and bellydancers, elephant rides, a hot air balloon, parachutists and exhibits and food booths from USF and community groups. All events are free and open to the public. The celebration was originally slated for January 1981, but had to be pushed back so the building would be completely finished.\textsuperscript{3075}

A lack of funding delays plans for a new campus post office that would provide mailboxes to all USF students. The project has been a low priority within the university’s limited budget, listed fourteenth out of seventeen on the agenda. USF postal administrator Mitch Fields vows that he will “not give up the fight for the new building.”\textsuperscript{3076}

The USF Arts and Letters building is to be renamed after the late Russell M. Cooper, who served as dean of the College of Liberal Arts from its inception in 1961 until 1971. While working in various capacities at the university, Cooper emphasized the school’s accent on learning, saying, “Breadth of perspective is more important than deep expertise in one narrow field … A student’s education should also give him the

\textsuperscript{3074} O: Nov. 13, 1980
\textsuperscript{3075} "Here Comes the Sun!" (There are two copies of this press release, one is attached to “Whoosh! Hold on to Your Hats!”), Press Packet, Sun Dome Media Briefing; Joseph F. Busta Jr. to Members of the Sun Dome Dedication Committee and Member of the Homecoming/Celebration Committee, 17 November 1980, Sun Dome File [unprocessed], Special Collections, University of South Florida.
\textsuperscript{3076} O: Nov. 19, 1980
equipment for creative leadership, as well as a cultivated and understanding way of life.”

Increased student demand prompts the installation of $5000 worth of additional bike racks on the university grounds.

Although still under construction, the Sun Dome will open partially for its first event, the opening game of the 1980-1981 men’s basketball season against Florida A&M University. The game will take place on November 29th. The second game will be played on December 2nd against Duke University and will feature a dedication ceremony, dedicating the new facility to “the students of the University of South Florida, past present and future.” The opening for concerts and other activities will take place in spring 1981.

USF loses the first game to FAMU 65-63. 5,213 fans come to the Sun Dome for the first game.

In a press release, USF officials describe the Sun Dome as “the largest and newest mass seating facility in the greater Tampa Bay area. With its air-supported, fabric-covered roof, it marks a new era in innovative, energy efficient design. This design offered savings in its initial construction costs and is expected to reap energy saving rewards as it is used. The dome was proposed in 1976 and supposed to be finished in summer 1979, but met with construction delays. It will have 10,497 seats, “several

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thousand more permanent seats than the other major event centers” in the bay area. The 1,400 seats on the first level next to the playing surface of the basketball have been named the “Rose Garden” after Coach Lee Rose. These seats are reserved for USF students. The roof is “woven, Teflon-coated fiberglass” and has 2,800 feet of steel cable supporting 90,000 square feet of fabric. Four fans “exert about four pounds per square foot positive air pressure to support the roof.” The fans are maintained “by constant computer monitoring tied in with a barometer.” The white roof is meant to be energy efficient as well, allowing “about 5-10 percent of the outside light to filter through the translucent fabric” to help light the dome. “At night the interior lights will glow out, and be visible for miles.” The Teflon reflects 70-75 percent of the sun’s rays to keep air conditioning costs down. The inside liner “forms and insulating boundary of air which reduces heat transfer” and “baffles sound waves to improve acoustics.” Dirt washes off the “non-stick coating” whenever it rains, so the roof is “self-cleaning.” The fabric roof “has been built to withstand hurricane force winds” and is “unaffected by ultraviolet rays and will not burn nor support combustion.” The press release also explains why some of the delays to construction took place. The Sun Dome will also have 1,805 paid parking spaces and free overflow parking for USF Basketball fans.

USF receives a $1 million Eminent Scholars Chair in banking and finance from the Lykes family, Lykes business interests, Bank of Clearwater and First Florida Banks. It is the first of this type of chair for the university.


USF’s basketball team plays its first game at the new Sun Dome during Dedication Night.  

Administrators release a press release reminding people coming to the inaugural basketball game that the dome is still under construction, reassuring them that the seats will be safe, and that the cardboard signs and piles of dirt aren’t part of “the Sun Dome landscaping.”

The Sun-Dome opens its doors to 5,213 spectators for the first time Saturday night to host the Bulls basketball team’s season opener against Florida A&M University. As the crowd arrived Saturday evening, two Tampa electricians stood outside with signs protesting the inadequate construction of the Dome and the potential danger posed to spectators by electrical and structural flaws. Though construction is yet to be fully completed, the necessary adjustments were made and the event transpired smoothly without any traffic or crowd control problems. Though the Bulls lost to the Rattlers 65-63, Coach Lee Rose was delighted with the team’s growth and improvement since last season. “I was really pleased with the way the team didn’t quit and with the good crowd turnout.”

More than one hundred USF fraternity members gather on the front porch of President John Lott Brown’s home to serenade his wife, Katie Brown. After collectively singing the university’s alma mater, each fraternity made its own presentation to the first lady of USF. With her arms full of flowers and gifts, Mrs. Brown joked, “What a surprise … If I would have known they were coming, I would have combed my hair.” After the

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3085 O: Dec. 1, 1980
moonlight serenade, the men were invited into the Brown’s home. The event was held to promote Greek unity and build tradition at the university.\footnote{O: Dec. 2, 1980}

The USF men’s basketball team makes their first appearance on national TV with their December 2nd 1980 game against the Duke Blue Devils. It will be broadcast on the Entertainment and Sports Network (ESPN). A memo from Coach Lee Rose (at the request of President John Lott Brown) describes the various goals that the school would like to achieve during the nationally televised game. They include projecting “a positive image” of the school, having President Brown interviewed on ESPN, showing a film about USF during halftime, providing accommodations for ESPN and sportswriters, and to “mobilize the campus to show spirit and a unified enthusiasm that exists at USF.”\footnote{“USF Brahman Basketball Makes National TV Debut,” Press Packet, Sun Dome Media Briefing; Lee Rose to Mike Simmons, “South Florida Vs. Duke: National Television”; Dave Scheiber, “Sun Dome Dedication: Bulls vs. Blue Devils,” \textit{St. Petersburg Times}, 2 December 1980, Sun Dome File [unprocessed], Special Collections, University of South Florida.}

The December 2nd “Dedication Game” features a special insert into the program, which includes photos of the Dome and stories about the Dome.\footnote{“To Fox & Fink Printing: Special Basketball Program Insert for Dec. 2 Dedication Game, USF,” Sun Dome File [unprocessed], Special Collections, University of South Florida.}

USF holds the “first annual, one of its kind, first time only, never to be repeated Slogo contest,” which is created to develop a “catchy slogan and logo (‘slogo’) for USF’s 1981 Homecoming and Sun Dome opening Celebration.”\footnote{“’Slogo’ Contest Promotes USF Sun Dome/Homecoming Celebration,” Sun Dome File [unprocessed], Special Collections, University of South Florida. The folder also includes a yellow flyer advertising the contest.}

Seventy-two rodents are stolen from the USF psychology lab by a group called the International Animal Liberation Front. The rodents were part of an on-going
experiment to study the effects of frustration. Because parts of their brains were removed, scientists doubt that the rodents will live long outside of a controlled environment.  

A warehouse adjacent to the St. Pete campus is soon to become a large art museum dedicated to the works of Salvador Dali.  

Construction begins on a permanent Ft. Myers campus.  

Graduate school founded.  

USF Sun Dome inflated, total USF buildings on all campuses—148.  

Phi Beta Kappa denies USF’s application for the fourth time. They point out USF’s low admission standards, low faculty salaries, no foreign language requirements, and the lack of emphasis on the liberal arts. For example, the liberal arts have been fragmented into four different colleges. State regulations limit USF’s ability to make the appropriate changes, and if UF or FSU were to reapply, they would be denied for similar reasons. In 1977, USF had 109 graduates in foreign languages. In 1979, the number drops to 31.  

President Brown adapts to his role as USF President. Besides serving on the Council of Presidents and reporting to his bosses at the BOR, his serves in the following organizations: USF Foundation, New College Foundation, Tampa General Hospital Foundation, Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce, Florida Council of 100, Tampa Performing Art Hall committee, the board of the Naples Institute for Advanced Studies in Medicine and the Humanities, Florida Gulf Coast Symphony board, Tampa Bay Freign Relations Committee, and the Mid-America Institute for Professional Development board. So many off-campus connections is a blessing when Brown is in search of donors or political pull, but they also draw fire from faculty who say he travels too much and is

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3090 O: Dec. 8, 1980
out of touch. Of his critics he says, “It’s fantastic, the number of people who think the president can straighten everything out. They think, ‘Hey, you’re in charge.’ The hell you are. It’s not a situation in which one person can make all the difference.”

The USF Ambassadors are founded “to motivate spirit in the community with the alumni, faculty, staff and throughout the entire university. It upgrades the worth of the university,” Joe Tomaino said, Director of Alumni Affairs, “The ambassadors are image builders.” Tomaino adds that he thinks the number one problem at USF is a lack of school spirit. Ambassadors participate in orientation sessions and tours for incoming freshmen, transfer students, and parents. They assist the president with social functions and fundraising events on campus.

George Steinbrenner agrees to fund USF Symphony scholarship concerts at USF not just this year, but every year. The annual cost to present the two concerts (one in Tampa, the other in Sarasota) is $10,000.

A courier system is reinstated, transporting passengers back and forth between the St. Petersburg and Tampa campuses.

1981: USF submits its revision of the Equal Opportunity Affirmative Action Plan for approval by the US Department of Labor. The document articulated a plan to achieve hiring goals at the university based on the local population and labor supply. If its
affirmative action plan does not comply with federal equal opportunity guidelines, USF could be in danger of losing future research grants and contracts.\textsuperscript{3095}

An ongoing housing shortage at USF turns away approximately three hundred potential male residents, though accommodations are still available for a limited number of female students. A limited budget has prevented the construction of any new dormitories on campus since 1965, when the last of twelve residence halls was completed.\textsuperscript{3096}

The USF College of Engineering receives a $150,000 research grant from Honeywell Inc. for its Center for Electronic Development and Research.\textsuperscript{3097}

USF Chemistry Professor Theodore Ashford, the first dean of the College of Natural Sciences, donates $5,100 for the creation of a doctoral fellowship in chemistry. “I believe this university has a great future,” said Ashford, “and this is why I wanted to establish the fellowship as a living endowment for doctoral students in chemistry.”\textsuperscript{3098}

USF political science professor Jamil Jreisat travels to Saudi Arabia to teach a course at the University of Riyadh. “Somehow the leaders of this country must find a way to blend old and new,” he said. “They must provide education and training for their people without destroying the traditions of the past.” Commented assistant dean Edward Silbert, “Other countries don’t have Arabian wealth and must pull themselves up by their bootstraps. Saudi Arabia can afford to hire Dr. Jreisat.”\textsuperscript{3099}

The Board of Regents approves plans for a cancer center at USF that would serve the need for research and treatment while providing a teaching opportunity for USF

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medical students. The $63 million price tag on the center includes construction, equipment, furnishings, and management costs.  

Maggie Kuhn, founding member of the Gray Panthers, speaks to an enthusiastic and supportive crowd at USF regarding the mistreatment of the elderly. “[We] are a coalition of people of different ages … working together for a just and human[e] peaceful world,” the 74-year-old Kuhn said. Among the topics discussed were environmental policy, alternative energy sources, nursing homes, and health care for the aged.  

President John Lott Brown formally approves plans to implement a semester schedule for the 1981-82 academic year.  

The Empty Keg begins offering wine to USF students from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily. “Selling wine is something we have been thinking about for some time,” said Ray King, USF Director of Housing and Food Services. The wine offered will be of three types: Chablis, rose, and sangria.  

A female student at USF complains about the display of Playboy magazines in the College of Engineering offices. In response, USF President John Lott Brown issues a memo stating, “It is recommended that any suggestive pictures or written materials that are sexually offensive not be displayed in any university building where mixed groups congregate.”  

The USF Continuing Education Program sponsors an executive burnout seminar at Chinsegut Hill to help revitalize mid to top-level management personnel. The seminar

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3100 O: Jan. 12, 1981
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3104 O: Jan. 14, 1981
focuses on developing effective methods of stress relief and constructive attitude in both personal and professional lives.\footnote{3105}

Nigel Clarke, a USF soccer player who helped lead the Bulls to a 14-1-1 record last season, is named to both the All-South and All-State first teams. Clarke is also the only freshman in USF history to receive All-American honors in the sport.\footnote{3106}

Feminist author and educator Florence Howe speaks at USF, campaigning for the expansion of the academic fields of women’s studies and research in American universities. “Education empowers people with the potential vision to see through and around power and money,” she said to an audience of about thirty men and women. Howe espoused the necessity of reforming advanced education through the introduction of gender studies. “The question is this, though: We need a willing faculty, and where are they to come from? Men head most departments and chair most committees now in universities. Will these men be willing and able to teach in a feminist manner?”\footnote{3107}

The Board of Regents imposes an enrollment cap on all nine state universities in effort to “improve the quality of the State University System.” The cap limits enrollment at USF to 25,000 students, 4,000 more than the current student population.\footnote{3108}

George Murray, a junior physical education major at USF, wins the International Wheelchair Racing Association world championship in Miami. Murray finished the twenty-six mile race with a time of 2:12:31, two seconds ahead of the winner of the footrace competition.\footnote{3109}

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Showbiz Pizza Place opens on Fowler Avenue with a cast of animated characters created by USF graduate Aaron Fechter. “I always wanted to be an inventor,” he recalled. “All it takes is a good idea, a lot of common sense, and an eye for what people want.” The cast includes a troupe of singing and dancing characters that perform nightly at the restaurants. “My education at USF was not a waste of time at all,” Fechter commented. “It helped me to round myself out socially. But most importantly, I learned how to keep learning; and whether you’re in a classroom or not, that’s one thing that never stops.”

Jerry and Terry Brown bring a taste of gypsy culture to students at USF, performing song and dance at the Empty Keg. The performance is based upon research the couple conducted while traveling around the country. “After researching and meeting with gypsy families, we converted an old truck into a van and lived as gypsies for five months,” Jerry Brown explained. “We were greeted with all the hospitality and prejudices gypsies have traditionally encountered.” The performance also included fire eating, storytelling, and juggling; they even involved USF students in magic tricks, bringing “wild applause” from audience members.

The Off Campus Term program allows USF students to travel while earning credit hours by writing term papers. While most trips are undertaken individually, three OCT group trips are offered annually to New York City, Jamaica, and the Cayman Islands. “Every conceivable type of off-campus experience is acceptable,” according to OCT director Keith Lupton. “Students can earn … academic credit while seeing and

3110 O: Jan. 22, 1981
3111 O: Jan. 23, 1981
participating in what others can only read about in textbooks.” Full tuition rates apply, and students are responsible for covering all of their travel expenses.  

According to Education Dean William Katzenmeyer, the twenty-two USF education majors who recently took the teaching competency exam scored higher than students at any other state institution. Katzenmeyer called the students, “a credit to our program.”

Approximately 165 senior citizens currently attend classes at USF as a result of a state bill passed last spring waiving state university tuition for residents over sixty. Pauline Guyer, a seventy-seven year old participant of the program, treasures the open exchanges between her and younger students. “I just love the academic world,” she commented, “I was delighted when I found out about the program.” Sara Deats, Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Letters, heard generally favorable reports from faculty members who believe that elderly students contribute an added dimension to the course.

A panel composed of six officers from the U.S. Army War College meets at USF to discuss military preparations in anticipation of a possible Third World War.

Twenty-five USF students travel to Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. to participate in the first League of the Organization of Arab Faith Conference. The conference was an exercise in international diplomacy for students who debated issues such as the autonomy of Palestine and the effectiveness of the Camp David Agreements.

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3112 O: Jan. 23, 1981
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“It gives students a chance to not only learn in the traditional way, but to actually practice diplomacy,” said Abdelwahab Hechiche, USF professor of interdisciplinary social science. “To compete nationally is remarkable, and it is going to be a beautiful opportunity for USF to gain national visibility.”

Alex Haley, celebrated author of “Roots” and “The Autobiography of Malcolm X” speaks at USF to an audience of 1,700 in celebration of Black Emphasis Month. Haley received three standing ovations during his lecture, as was presented a key to the city by Mayor Bob Martinez. “Black people need to be proud of who they are, where they’ve been, and where they’re going,” Haley told the audience.

Zeta dorm residents at USF invest $150 in a Pontiac Grandville used to make beer runs for hall residents. The students painted the car black, sawed off its roof, removed the back window, painted skull and crossbones on the hood, and designated it the “Loser Cruiser.” Dorm counselor Jim Barco remarked that the car has not elicited any problems with the University Police, adding that the most significant issue has been keeping it running.

Twenty-five USF students and faculty members come together for Black-White Uptight, a seminar designed to promote communication between blacks and whites on campus. Brian Jones said of the program’s objectives, “We’re trying to get blacks and whites together to discuss their relations on campus.”

Poor ventilation in the University Center’s craft shop leads to the accumulation of potentially toxic levels of fumes. Though the craft shop staff reported the problem nearly
four months ago, the University Department of Environmental Health and Safety claims to have never received any complaints. “We were told we would get an industrial fan (four months ago), but nothing has been done about it,” said staff member Janice Davis. “We’ll all accumulate enough lead to do us hard … the lead fumes are being collected in everybody’s lungs.” Jim Crouch, a UC supervisor, believes the shop’s ventilation is adequate, though the current system is overtaxed. He would like to install an industrial fan in the shop as soon as possible. Dan Walbolt, Vice-President for Student Affairs, said that if indeed a problem does exist, soldering would have to be stopped until the building’s ventilation system is corrected.\(^{3120}\)

USF fraternities hold their second annual eighteen-hour Dance-a-thon for the American Cancer Society. A cruise to the Bahamas will be rewarded to the couple that manages to raise the most money during the event.\(^{3121}\)

More than 20,000 spectators are drawn to USF’s two-day engineering expo, which featured over forty exhibits on “robots, lasers, and other space-age devices.” Cecil the Robot, a favorite of expos past, also made an appearance at the event.\(^{3122}\)

Doug Andrews, a former professor from Miami-Dade Community College, is hired by USF to improve the handicap facilities on campus. “I am impressed that the University wants to help,” said Andrews. “I need to communicate and work with the students and get the University to meet their needs.” Wheelchair-bound himself, Andrews believes more ramps and lighter doors are priorities for increased accessibility to campus

\(^{3120}\) O: Feb. 17, 1981
\(^{3121}\) O: Feb. 18, 1981
\(^{3122}\) O: Feb. 23, 1981
facilities. “I don’t feel angry at the discrimination,” he commented. “It’s so subtle that people aren’t always aware of it. We simply experience the world differently.”

According to a report from USF Parking Services, more than $100,000 in fines was collected last year as a result of nearly 33,000 parking violations. After paying personnel salaries, the remainder of the money was allocated to financial aid funding.

The Board of Regents backs proposals to increase tuition by twenty-six percent over the next two years. Housing fees may rise as much as fourteen percent. The rate increases come at a time when budget cuts at the federal level severely limit financial aid funding.

The USF Sun Dome hosts a boxing match between Greg Payne and Leroy Brodus. The match is the first “non-basketball event” held at the multi-purpose facility.

Unreliable elevators at USF residence halls create difficulties for handicapped students like John Santoro, who is forced to drag his wheelchair up the stairs behind him by a rope when the Beta Hall elevator breaks down. “I paid money for a room and board, and I think I have a right to have a working elevator,” commented Santoro. The elevators are a problem for everyone, however, as illustrated by another student who complained of problems in Cooper Hall. “The other day I got on it and was fine until I got to the fourth floor when it began to rattle and shake and make a lot of noise. I thought it was going to

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3123 O: Feb. 25, 1981
3124 O: Feb. 25, 1981
3125 O: Mar. 2, 1981
3126 O: Mar. 4, 1981
fall. I’ll never take the elevators in this building again.” Bob Nichols, the owner of the
campus elevator service, refused to comment to Oracle reporters.\footnote{3127}

The USF Sun Dome, scheduled for completion nearly two years ago, still faces
construction delays due to a lack of funds. “At the earliest and with a lot of ‘ifs,’ the Sun
Dome may be completed in a year,” said Mike Patterson, USF Director of Facilities
Planning.\footnote{3128}

Two recently wed USF students make a suicide pact and hike into the Great
Smokey Mountain National Park to carry it out. Although eighteen year-old Janet
Nichols did not go through with the pact, her husband, nineteen year-old John Rudd, was
found dead in the park after a four-day search.\footnote{3129}

Wheelchair-bound USF students George Murray and Phil Carpenter begin their
“Continental Quest,” traveling more than twenty-six miles per day in order to cross the
continental United States. “For Phil and I this represents the realization of a dream we’ve
had for a long time,” Murray said.\footnote{3130}

As a result of a national increase in divorce rates among married couples, USF’s
Psychological Services Center offers help sessions “for those coping with divorce.”\footnote{3131}

A $350,000 legislative appropriation funds the construction of new facilities at the
Sarasota campus, including a new library and the erection of a bridge over U.S. 41, a
busy highway that currently divides the campus. The total cost of the projects is
estimated to be around $11 million.\footnote{3132}
More than 7,000 people attend the annual River Riot at USF’s Riverfront Park to “drink beer, listen to music, drink beer, dive off a bridge, drink beer, watch sun-tanned bodies, and drink more beer.” Other activities included camping, kite flying, and a skydiving exposition. A stage was set up for three bands that performed for the throngs of spectators. “Anytime you get this many people together on a nice day with a lot of beer, it has to be good,” commented one USF student. The annual event is hosted by USF’s Office of Student Programming.  

Four bay area television stations contribute $4,000 each to an endowment fund for broadcasting majors in the USF Department of Mass Communications. The $16,000 fund will provide a full-tuition scholarship each academic year for an outstanding student in the department. The award will be determined based on merit and career potential.

An unidentified man exposes himself to a female USF student while she was jogging along the par course early in the morning. “It’s fairly common during this time of year,” said UP spokesman Randy Gonzalez. “It’s partly due to the warm weather but we’ve always had flashers.”

USF Biology professor Bruce Williamson is denied tenure, forcing him to leave the university within one year. Despite his very public involvement in the Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade, university officials maintain that the decision was made because he “didn’t develop and maintain the outside research … require[d] for tenure.” Williamson is enormously popular among his students, many of whom believe the decision was influenced by his politics. “He’s enthusiastic and works really well with students. Even though I don’t personally agree with his politics, I don’t think that’s ...

3133 O: Apr. 13, 1981
3134 O: Apr. 14, 1981
3135 O: Apr. 17, 1981
connected to his academic quality,” said one graduate student. Williamson has maintained a low profile over the past few months, and has quit the Revolutionary Communist Party. He declined to comment on the decision.\(^{3136}\)

The Veterans Affairs Office at USF circulates a petition in effort to find alternative sources of funding due to recent budget cuts at the federal level. “Unless the USF VA office finds an alternate source … it will be forced to close,” warned Michael Molino, a student veteran. According to veterans coordinator Meredith Dube, USF has the largest veteran population of all the state universities. “It’s hard to understand how important GI benefits are to the veterans, but we have had a good response from non-veteran students. They do seem to care.”\(^ {3137}\)

USF science professors defend Bruce Williamson and question the decision to deny his application for tenure. Biology professor Gideon Nelson suggests that Williamson only received negative evaluations from administrators, from the dean to the office of the president. “It’s hard to get really good faculty at USF because we don’t pay enough to compete with most good schools. Then to watch an excellent teacher like Bruce come in, try to fulfill his obligations, and not get tenure. It’s pretty difficult to believe.” Another of Williamson’s colleagues commented on his personal and professional character, noting that, “He’s an excellent teacher, an excellent scientist, and a very warm person.” University administrators continued to assert that the denial was based upon academic expectations rather than personal politics.\(^ {3138}\)

Overcrowding at USF forces the College of Engineering to hold classes in the library and at alternative industrial sites around Tampa. Because of space limitations,
department personnel have even converted a department bathroom into a research laboratory. While an exhausted budget delays completion of the Sun Dome, the Sarasota campus also faces myriad spatial concerns of its own. University officials have submitted a request for $10 million to the State Legislature in order to fund construction and improvement projects. 3139

A new university policy allows professors to drop students who do not attend the first day of class, thereby clearing space for those students on the standby lists. “Students are overloading their schedules and then dropping the classes as the quarter progresses,” said Vice President for Academic Affairs William Scheduler. “This is not fair to students waiting to get into those classes.” 3140

USF’s St. Petersburg campus dedicates its first new buildings during a week-long public celebration. Events will include an art exhibit, lectures, tours, and entertainment, culminating in a formal dedication by Governor Bob Graham. 3141

An auditorium is vandalized in the Chester Howell Ferguson Hall, leaving the UP baffled as to how the perpetrators gained access to the facility over the weekend. Seats in the auditorium were marred by swastikas and the names of several prominent Nazi figureheads such as Hess, Ley, Goeffer, Goering, and Himmler. The vandals also left a signature, the “Sons of Hitler,” linking them to an organization responsible for numerous acts of graffiti at USF since 1979. The UP has no leads at this time, but will continue to investigate. 3142

3139 O: May 5, 1981 (see photo)
3140 O: May 8, 1981
3141 O: May 11, 1981
3142 O: May 12, 1981
According to university administrators, minority enrollment at state universities continues to decline despite affirmative action programs. To address the disparities locally, USF Vice President Greg O’Brien has asked local television stations to broadcast public service announcements directed at minorities.\textsuperscript{3143}

Former USF professor William Fisher is one of nineteen certified astronauts chosen by NASA to fly on the space shuttle.\textsuperscript{3144}

The health services fee is increased $23 per semester in order to compensate for insufficient funds in the Activity and Service budget. The higher rate is expected to generate nearly $90,000 in additional A&S funding. President John Lott Brown disagreed with the increase, objecting to “short-term answers for long-term problems.”\textsuperscript{3145}

Continued delays and design flaws in the construction of the Sun Dome lead one student to editorialize in the Oracle, asking, “Who is responsible building the Sun Dome so that it would be inadequate for concerts, soccer, tennis, and many other reasonable uses originally claimed and planned for it … What right does the administration have in taking our money and squandering it on such wasteful projects?”\textsuperscript{3146}

Four-time Emmy award winner Gil Noble hosts a workshop at USF on the civil rights struggle of the 1960s. Currently managing editor of a television series, Noble has produced documentaries on such prominent African Americans as Paul Robeson and Malcolm X. The workshop will include a viewing of his most recent film on black civil rights, the “Decade of Struggle.”\textsuperscript{3147}

\textsuperscript{3143} O: May 13, 1981  
\textsuperscript{3144} O: May 27, 1981  
\textsuperscript{3145} O: June 1, 1981  
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\textsuperscript{3147} O: June 1, 1981
USF’s Sunshine Action Group conducts a “die-in” to illustrate the dangers of nuclear war. One student used a megaphone to mock the ineffectiveness of defense drills and procedures. “Attention, fellow Americans. The war is going well. You are to immediately proceed to the nearest underground shelter. Find the most remote and protected corner. Place your right hand over your heart. Bend over … and kiss you’re ass good-bye.” Another stood amidst a sea of “casualties” dressed in a military uniform, exclaiming, “The situation is completely under control. There is nothing to worry about … Where you see casualties, I see patriots and heroes. The Ruskies are hurting a lot worse than we are if that’s any consolation to you.” The presentation was ended with a rendition of “This Land is Your Land” performed on a harmonica. One student later criticized the action, noting, “If this is an example of the kind of revolutionaries we have on this campus, the administration should be able to sleep soundly.”

Harold Humm, a USF marine biology professor, is named the “Outstanding Scientist of Florida” by the Florida Academy of Sciences. Humm is known for his work on the distribution, classification, and utilization of marine algae, as well as for his work in marine bacteriology.

The manager of the USF golf course is one of four men arrested and charged with the killing of an alligator. If found guilty of the crime, he faces a maximum of five years in prison or a $5,000 fine.

Pending final approval by Governor Bob Graham, the Florida Legislature recently allocated $1 million to USF for the construction of an athletic stadium to house the Special Olympics. It is believed that the proposed 8,000-seat stadium would improve the

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3148 O: June 4-5, 1981
3149 O: June 5, 1981
3150 O: June 8, 1981
university’s chances of hosting the 1988 International Special Olympics. The stadium is slated to cost $850,000; the remaining funds would be used for a multipurpose athletic field for the handicapped.\(^{3151}\)

Construction is set to begin on a 250-space parking lot located south of the Sun Dome. “We had expected that it would cost $168,000 when it was approved by the Space Committee,” said Traffic Director Otto Meerbott. “We got a bargain at $93,000.”\(^{3152}\)

The Paraprofessional Counseling Service at USF operates a Helpline that offers students anonymous counseling services free of charge. “No problem is too small,” says program director Ann Taylor. The Helpline receives about 300 calls each month, sixty-seven percent of which are from students who “just want to talk.” Though callers are initially hesitant to open up, Helpline volunteers report that calls lasting over an hour are not uncommon, and have gone as long as four hours.\(^ {3153}\)

USF student Nancy Givens is named Miss Wheelchair Florida. Givens, 35, was confined to a wheelchair when she contracted polio at the age of six. The United Nations has made 1982 the International Year of the Disabled Person.\(^ {3154}\)

A lightning strike creates a campus-wide power shortage at USF, and, in conjunction with the appearance of a full moon, encourages “bizarre behavior” among students. Forty-five people were found swimming in the Argos pool at 3:00 am, while others spent the time studying by flashlight. Slumbering students in Alpha Hall were awakened when an indoor explosion of fireworks prompted a late-night evacuation of the building. “I thought it was pretty great to have my class cancelled, but I don’t know if it

\(^{3151}\) O: June 24, 1981
\(^{3152}\) O: June 24, 1981
\(^{3153}\) O: June 29, 1981
\(^{3154}\) O: July 1, 1981
was worth it. With the air conditioners off it was pretty bad. A friend of mine opened her window which is against the rules, but it was really hot in there.” Most students were able to take advantage of a three-day weekend, and power restored by early Friday evening.3155

Alice Cooper performs the first staged concert at the USF Sun Dome, drawing 6,600 spectators to the show. “This is the first entertainment event, besides basketball, that we’ve ever had there,” said Director of Information Services Michael Simmons. Other performers had turned down offers to play in the facility because inadequate rigging at the Dome could not support the heavier sound equipment. Although announcements were made forbidding smoking and the consumption of alcoholic beverages, few of the spectators complied. Sun Dome officials feel the concert was an overall success.3156

USF offers a program entitled “To Educate the People” designed to provide access to education for working people unable to attend traditional classes. Students who enroll in the program complete twelve credit hours each semester by attending a weekly class, watching televised instruction, and participating in three scheduled seminars. According to Richard Taylor, the program director, student tuition is largely funded by employers, at an estimated cost of approximately $8,000 per student each academic year. “For its first twenty years, USF virtually ignored the Tampa community,” commented Taylor. “For a university that professes an ‘urban mission,’ this program couldn’t be more specifically geared to our task.”3157

3155 O: July 20, 1981
3156 O: July 27, 1981
3157 O: July 27, 1981
USF moves to incorporate technological advancements as educational tools to increase access to and efficiency within the university. Among the proposals is a computerized registration system that will provide students with “instant, error-free schedules,” and an open channel audio-visual network that would link all USF campuses, eliminating the need for professors to travel back and forth for lectures.3158

The USF traffic department issues parking permits to students at a cost of $20 per year.3159

The USF Counseling Center offers free psychological assistance to students having trouble dealing with the rigors and demands of academic life. “It doesn’t matter what type of problem it is, if it is of concern to you and you are having a difficult time dealing with it effectively on your own, then you would certainly benefit from the center,” said clinical psychologist Lavinia Rodriguez. The center employs six clinical psychologists and two part-time psychiatrists; services are available to all USF students and alumni.3160

USF begins operations under the semester system for the first time along with the other eight state universities. Though the terms will shorten the Christmas holiday, classes will now end in May, a month earlier than they did in the past.3161

The USF Bookstore faces a severe shortage of textbooks as students clamor to prepare for their upcoming classes. Handling more than 250,000 books this semester, the
bookstore’s general manager Jack Burns insists that the shortage is largely the result of individual instructors and departments who wait too long to place their orders.\(^{3162}\)

Student organizations at USF are granted housing space on campus, and the university has agreed to put up “a rather large portion of money for roadways, lighting, and parking.” Negotiations are underway to make the plans a reality.\(^{3163}\)

University Chancellor Barbra Newell pushes for more stringent admittance requirements at state universities. Her plan would require three years of English, two years of writing, two years of natural science, and two years of math before being admitted. The proposal allows an alternative to students who do not meet those requirements but “prove they have potential to be successful in college.” Pending formal approval by the Board of Regents, the new criteria would go into effect in 1984.\(^{3164}\)

Harrison Covington, Dean of the College of Fine Arts since 1977, announces his retirement effective June 30, 1982. A painter and sculptor, Covington plans to return to his studio, putting “the full force of my energies into my work,” while continuing to teach painting and drawing one semester per year.\(^{3165}\)

Although no formal commitment has been made, Sanford’s Cardinal Industries Inc. is in negotiations with the University for construction of new campus dormitories. According to Housing Director Ray King, prefabricated structures are preferred because they can produce “more beds for the dollars.” The University is awaiting final approval.

\(^{3162}\) O: Sept. 2, 1981
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on a $3.5 million federal college housing loan before more detailed proposals are considered.\(^{3166}\)

A $4,199 budget cut and a leaking roof threaten licensing for the USF Child Care Center. The center cannot operate legally without a county license, which requires that one staff member be present for every twelve children. “I don’t have any money to pay staff this semester,” lamented Center Director Melonese Strong. The leaking roof presents a danger because of the potential for water to flood the Center’s fuse box.\(^{3167}\)

The Church of Scientology funds a human rights investigation of the USF Psychology Department, charging them with cruelty to animals and conducting research “solely designed to control human beings.” Douglas Nelson, acting chairman of the department, denied the charges, asserting that “the goal of research at USF is knowledge, not animal cruelty or mind control.” Pat Strong, director of animal research at USF, contends that the charges were intended to “arouse emotion without considering how animal research benefits science. They don’t think the issue out with intellectual depth; that’s the difference between a university and the Church of Scientology.” Currently, the University conducts experiments on rats, crows, pigeons, and monkeys, though never subjecting them to extreme stress or pain. The Committee is awaiting a formal response from USF before taking further action.\(^{3168}\)

Pat Frank, Tampa’s State Senator and the Chairman of the Senate Education Committee, speaks to USF students and faculty about the legislative process in Tallahassee. Frank suggests ways that the USF community could be affected by pending state legislation. “The Senate is looking at federal cutbacks in higher education … If

\(^{3166}\) O: Sept. 9, 1981
\(^{3167}\) O: Sept. 14, 1981
\(^{3168}\) O: Sept. 16, 1981
federal funding is reduced, state lawmakers must decide whether or not to further 
subsidize affected areas.” After fielding a complaint from a student who asserted that 
students often come last behind the administration and Board of Regents at USF, Frank 
urges the audience of twenty-five to “marshal up your own set of priorities and make 
senators and representatives aware of individual concerns any way possible.”

The New York Yankees agree to play against the USF Brahmans in a charity 
baseball game at Red McEwen field. The proceeds of the event will go toward providing 
support for the children of Hillsborough County law enforcement officers and firefighters 
who have lost their lives in the line of duty. “It is not enough to give a folded flag or a 
kiss to the widow,” said Yankee owner George Steinbrenner. “All of the proceeds will go 
to the fund we plan to establish. We will make sure it works. We owe it to these men. The 
New York Yankees are proud and happy to be a part of this.”

Although he pledges to obey it, President John Lott Brown supports student 
resistance against the Trask-Bush Law, a resolution that threatens to withhold funding 
from state universities that “provide assistance or meeting places to campus groups that 
advocate sex without marriage.” “We see it as something that may abridge some of the 
guaranteed freedoms of the Constitution,” Brown said. Led by SG President Ken 
Richter, student senators officially endorse premarital sex in defiance of the 


\(^{3169}\) O: Sept. 17, 1981
\(^{3170}\) O: Sept. 17, 1981
\(^{3171}\) O: Sept. 25, 1981
\(^{3172}\) O: Oct. 1, 1981
USF receives $100,016 from the Board of Regents Racetrack Trust Fund, a charity that has collected donations from racetrack events around the state over the past thirty-two years. The funding is to be used primarily for athletic scholarships.\textsuperscript{3173}

A $3.5 million federal housing loan is awarded to USF by the Department of Education after four years of negotiations.\textsuperscript{3174}

“Assassins” becomes the latest craze among plastic-gun toting USF students. The game begins when a student receives a “hit card” in the mail, containing the name of a student whom he is supposed to stalk and assassinate. If he is successful, the assassin collects the victim’s “hit card,” and the victim is out of the game. The difficulty is that no one knows who is stalking whom, and participants are constantly on edge throughout the day. “You never know who’s after you,” comments one Beta Hall resident. “You’re really paranoid … You start plotting ways of tricking and shooting your best friend.” “You always have to be alert,” asserts another participant. “You could get shot in the showers – anywhere except the cafeteria.” The winner is congratulated by a “firing squad” made up of everybody who played the game.\textsuperscript{3175}

The Caravan for Human Survival arrives at USF, marked by the ceremonious passing of a flame representing world peace. The intention of the Caravan is to generate support from all over the country in order to pressure the U.S. and Soviet Union to agree to nuclear disarmament. The turnout at USF was sparse, however, drawing only thirty people to the event. “We wanted to see if there really is opposition to the arms race,” said one foreign journalist. “Judging from the turnout it doesn’t appear to be a hotbed of radicalism.” The USF administration, including Student Government, faculty members,
and even President John Lott Brown, all endorsed the Caravan’s efforts and supported their visit to the University. “The support illustrates concern,” said the leader of USF’s Sunshine Action Group, “but the problem is getting people to take action.”

The USF Planetarium begins a new program entitled “Cosmic Fireworks,” which includes an examination of meteors and comets within a comprehensive discussion of the night sky. The planetarium, which opened in 1964 at the cost of $50,000, now contains approximately $500,000 worth of equipment. “I hope all students will make a point to visit the planetarium before they graduate,” said Planetarium Director Joseph Carr.

USF SG President Doug Currier travels to New York to appear on NBC’s Today Show in order to discuss the Trask-Bush law. The law, currently being appealed in the Florida Supreme Court, stipulates that funding can be withheld from any state university that provides meeting space and/or resources to groups advocating sex without marriage.

Due to student reports on academic advising, the Board of Regents establishes a task force to investigate the quality of advising at the university. “The students see a need for better advisement,” said student regent James Blount. “As do the chancellor and the chairman of the Board of Regents.” University administrators, however, assert that the responsibility falls on the shoulders of the students who must take the initiative to establish connections with their respective advisors. “What students have to learn is that we have advisors on an appointment basis, and problems arise from those who either don’t seek advice or who take advice from fellow students,” said Assistant Dean Ed Silbert. The task force will research current conditions and report back to the Board of

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3176 O: Oct. 6, 1981
Regents with recommendations. Said USF Vice President for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt, “The role of the advisor must be placed in higher status if academic advising is going to be better. There must be specific, definable recognition for an advisor.”

Officials from the Tampa campus of USF meet with regional campus administrators to resolve disagreements and better define the roles and relations of the various locations. Greg O’Brien, Vice President for Student Affairs, said, “The rules need to be rewritten to provide clarification and program and faculty enhancement on the regional campuses.”

USF’s Silver Anniversary celebrating twenty-five years begins with an honors convocation featuring Sam Gibbons, the “father of USF.” Also scheduled is a presidential reception for the fifty-one remaining faculty and staff members who were part of the pioneer group. A more informal “birthday bash” is also planned from noon until the “wee hours of the night” on the University Center mall, featuring a birthday cake large enough to feed 1,000 people.

Congressman Sam Gibbons speaks at USF’s Silver Anniversary Celebration to a crowd of approximately 900 people. “None of us ever dreamed we’d have a university this large or this successful,” said Gibbons. “I think our goal now should be to serve the world.” English professor James Parrish also spoke of the university’s development and his role in it. “I thought helping start a new university would be interesting. It turned out to be more than that – we were participating in an exciting endeavor.” Other speakers following including James Woodroffe, president of USF’s charter class, Judge John

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3179 O: Oct. 15, 1981
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3181 O: Oct. 16, 1981
Germany, a local community leader, and Director of Alumni Affairs Joe Tomaino. More than 1,000 current honors students were recognized at the ceremony as well.  

Lord Grenfell, deputy director for the European Office of the World Bank and special representative to the United Nations, speaks to members of USF’s Foreign Forum on international relationships between developing and industrial countries. He predicts that by the year 2000, the world’s population will increase by two billion, and ninety percent of that growth will occur in poverty-stricken nations. “I see no way we can avoid the disintegration of the Third World unless world leaders lend their support,” he said, “world aid should tackle the problem from its root.”

A group of concerned cyclists led by Jesse Binford, faculty advisor for the USF Bicycle Club, rides around USF and the surrounding community with county administrator Norman Hickey in order to illustrate to him the dangers bicyclists face on area streets. “We got someone high in the county government to come out and actually see the problems as they exist,” commented Binford. “Mr. Hickey has seen it from the bicyclists’ point of view. I think that’s important.” Mr. Hickey explained that often other priorities throughout the county exhaust a limited budget, thereby preventing such roadway improvements. “I don’t know right at the moment what we can do,” he said. “A lot will depend on this year’s budget. It makes sense to be thinking about bicycles. People need to be educated.”

USF and Shriners Hospitals announces plans to build a multi-million dollar hospital on campus grounds by 1984. “The idea arose because of our interest in research and patient care, and it required a location near a medical college,” said Lewis Molner,
Executive Vice President for Tampa Shriners. An official statement by USF President John Lott Brown was released in which he said, “The announcement comes at a particularly exciting time concurrent with the announcement of construction of a chronic disease center at the University and with our recent affiliation with the Florida Mental Health Institute.” A corporative agreement has been arranged whereby the board of directors will work alongside USF administrators in the development and operation of the facility. While USF will provide the site, the Shriners are responsible for erecting the building itself.  

USF operates a dining service from the counter at the Empty Keg called the Pizza Invaders. “We want it to take on the atmosphere of a restaurant – café,” said UC food service manager Lenny Conley. “We want to rebuild it where students can actually be proud of campus food.”

USF student senator Kevin Brown appears on “On the Line,” a televised talk show, to debate the controversial Trask-Bush amendment with Representative Tom Bush.

The University Police crack down on campus bicycle violations in an effort to make cyclists aware of existing regulations. According to the UP, riding with no hands is one of the most common infractions, and problems are frequent at intersections and crosswalks. After a one-week warning period, the UP will begin handing out traffic tickets for moving violations. “We’re trying to get people to be more careful,” said

University Police Chief Paul Uravich. “Everyone’s trying to encourage bicycling, and we’ve seen a significant increase in near-misses.”

USF representatives meet with members of the Hillsborough County Commission to encourage the construction of bike paths in and around the University. Professor Jesse Binford told the commissioners, “There’s just no place for bikes. There have been a number of accidents along Fletcher Avenue.” He espoused the necessity of bike paths for the nearly 2,000 students that ride to their classes on a daily basis. Commissioner Joe Kotvas supported the notion of installing bike paths during ongoing road construction projects, but articulated certain pecuniary concerns. “Like anything else, it’s a matter of economics. Where do the dollars come from?” Binford was glad to hear of the support at the county level, but voiced some hesitation, concluding, “I’m realistic enough that I don’t believe anything until I see it.”

A seminar is held at the University Center to promote rape awareness on campus. UP officer Randy Gonzalez shows a short film entitled, “Rape: A Preventative Inquiry,” followed by presentations from state attorney Diane Allen, Clarice Murfen of the Rape Crisis Center, Leonard Territo of the USF criminal justice department, and representatives from the USF Safe Team escort service.

Kenneth N. Leone Cissna, USF assistant professor of communication, is the recipient of the very first annual USF Alumni Professor Award. The award was established to recognize outstanding faculty members at South Florida.
Sean Sands, the nineteen year-old brother of Irish nationalist Bobby Sands, speaks at USF about his brother’s hunger strike and death inside Northern Ireland’s Maze Prison. “I’m not here to force my views on anyone,” he told the audience of about seventy-five people. “I am simply here to tell a long, depressing, story.” He referred to the IRA activists as freedom fighters, saying, “They do not fight for their own gain. They fight for the gain of their people … and for the right to form their own government and their own country, which is the right of every person who is oppressed in this world.” He also spoke of the deplorable conditions inmates faced inside English prisons. “They blocked up the windows so a man could not tell if there was daylight or darkness … When I visited one prisoner, I could see maggots crawling up his arms. They were forced to live like animals.”

Howard B. Altman, an internationally renowned language education scholar, speaks to a crowd of more than one hundred people about the foreign language crisis confronting the American population. Altman emphasized the need for better language education in the U.S., and espoused the merits of learning in “authentic situations” outside of the classroom. The lecture was sponsored by the USF Foreign Forum.

Mike Painter, hired eight weeks ago as assistant director for the USF Sun Dome, is fired from his position. “It just didn’t work out,” said Sun Dome director Mike Barber. “This is a personal matter of Sun Dome, Inc., and it’s not a policy to discuss personnel problems.” “I just wasn’t happy with the way things were being run,” commented

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3193 O: Nov. 2, 1981
Painter. “I’m real disappointed about the whole thing. I really enjoyed the job possibilities at the University. But it’s just time to move on to something else.”

USF Vice President for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt asserts that the University has made significant advancements in social and cultural programs oriented towards African Americans. “Student Affairs works hard to encourage blacks,” said Equal Opportunity Affairs Director Rosalie Hill. “In that way, it opens doors. But the problem is how do you get people inside the door?” Project Thrust and Special Services are instrumental programs for recruiting and retaining minority students at USF.

The College of Arts and Letters launches its silver anniversary celebration with paintings, poetry, and literature. Among the highlights of the showcase will be paintings by Gladys Kashdin, photographs by Robert Kerns, and poetry by Hans Juergensen.

A “concerned Gamma resident” writes to the Oracle about “toilet paper: the latest dorm issue.” In her letter, she complains about the quality of the paper, describing it as “a 4x5 inch piece of tissue with the texture of eyeglass lens cleaning paper.” She also criticizes the elegant “chrome boxes” that store the paper, noting that, “Quite often … they no longer wish to hold the paper and haphazardly release all of it onto the floor.” She concludes with a plea to the housing director for a better quality product. “I think it is about time something is done about this whole silly issue. Mr. King and Mr. Niemi, we want REAL toilet paper!”

A trip to a manufactured housing plant convinces USF administrators, students, and engineers that factory-built dormitories are the best solution to the current housing...
problem. “I was very impressed with the construction and the quality control,” said Vice President for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt. “It’s an exciting concept that can prove the answer to the housing shortage.” The search for housing has begun as a result of a $3.5 million loan awarded to USF last month by the U.S. Department of Education. According to Housing Director Ray King, only juniors, seniors, and graduate students will be eligible to live in the new dormitories. “I think it will liven up the campus,” said Ken Richter, USF Student Government President. “There will be more interest because there will be more people.”

USF’s Sarasota campus is awarded a $300,000 endowment from the John D. and Catherine T. McArthur Foundation.

With a victory over Riviera Beach, the USF Ultimate Frisbee team advances to the 1981 Southern Regional Ultimate Frisbee Tournament.

USF Ft. Myers opens a permanent campus after holding classes in high schools and decaying office buildings for eight years. When finished, the facility will accommodate 6,000 students at the final cost of nearly $6 million. Since classes began in 1974, approximately 550 students have graduated from the campus.

The Bulls Soccer Team wins their fifth Sun Belt Conference championship in six years, with a 2-1 victory over the Jaguars of South Alabama.

After years of delays, the Sun Dome receives its final finishing touches in anticipation of the November 17 season opener against Canada’s Brandon University.
Plans are approved for the construction of an additional parking lot behind the USF library to accommodate 250 more automobiles. The new lot will cost an estimated $125,000, or, $500 per space.\footnote{O: Nov. 17, 1981}

Kwame Ture (formerly Stokeley Carmichael), a citizen-militant from Guinea, speaks at USF as part of a national tour to recruit for the All-African People’s Revolutionary Party. Ture told a mostly black audience of 200 that blacks around the world must “unite to smash capitalism and oppression.” “I want to see the lines of the unemployed,” he said. “That’s where I get my armies from. I want to see things get worse; I don’t want to see them temporarily patched up and then passed off as fixed … I’m not a reformer; I’m a revolutionary.” Ture espoused “any means necessary” to accomplish his goals.\footnote{O: Nov. 18, 1981}

The University Police begin offering rewards in hopes that more witnesses will begin to report crime on campus.\footnote{O: Nov. 18, 1981}

A time capsule is buried at USF as a token of the University’s silver anniversary, to be opened in 2006 in celebration of the fiftieth anniversary. The intention, according to SG Senator Dave Bearden, is “to give students in 25 years an idea of what was going on.” The capsule contains a copy of Time magazine, letters from university leaders, a copy of the Trask-Bush amendment, and a guest list from the silver anniversary birthday bash.\footnote{O: Nov. 18, 1981}

Students write a letter to the Oracle to express dissatisfaction with the Sun Dome expenditures in light of significant campus-wide budget cuts. They propose that USF’s
“accent on learning” be revised to “accident if you’re learning,” and the Sun Dome be renamed the “Fun Dome.”

The Air Force ROTC program is added to the curriculum at USF.

USF is to have a new on-line computer registration system by March of 1982, according to Steve Mausert, the Director of Records and Registration. The new system will allow immediate registration for students whose course requests will be keyed into the computers by system operators. “The switch-over was brought about due to the need to process data faster and more accurately,” said Mausert. “The present system doesn’t help you if your classes conflict or if you make a mistake.” The $200,000 system includes one main computer, ten terminals, and five printers.

The Green and Gold Club is born at USF, designed to promote spirit, unity, and community involvement among university students. “A few of us got together and decided there was a need for a club like this,” said club president Cindy Goodman. “We felt there was just no spirit here; it’s not like Gainesville.” The club has about thirty-five members currently, and has received $1,700 in SG funding since its inception.

The Black Student Union holds its first annual celebration of Kwanza, an African-American holiday first instituted by Maulana Ron, the founder of the U.S. Cultural Organization. The holiday is an occasion for feasting, joy, and love, during which time a series of lectures will be given on the seven principles: unity, self-determination, collective work and responsibility, cooperative education, purpose, creativity, and faith.

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3208 O: Nov. 23, 1981
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3210 O: Dec. 1, 1981
“We are using this holiday as a basis for unity among black students on campus,” said BSU president Karl Brown.3212

The USF men’s basketball team defeats Florida State University 82-67 to clinch the first-ever Florida Four Tournament championship. “We are excited about having the tournament here at USF and we are fortunate to win,” commented coach Lee Rose. The other two schools involved in the event were the University of Florida and Jacksonville University.3213

The University Police report a steady increase in vandalism at USF over recent years. “I think students should be made aware that the money for repairs is coming out of their funds,” said Groundskeeping Supervisor George Sheffler. “We just hope people will call us when they see anything happening. If people in the community would report what they see, it would stop.”3214

USF administrators decide to limit university enrollment by imposing higher entrance standards on incoming freshmen and transfer students. Transfer students must have at least a 2.5 GPA, an SAT score of at least 950, and an ACT score of no less than 21. Students who meet those requirements will gain immediate admission to the university, while others may be placed in a “holding bank” awaiting a final decision.3215

Theodore Hoffman, USF chairman and professor of Humanities, writes the University’s Fight Song after being inspired by the basketball team’s twelve game winning streak. The song was introduced during the opening game this year, and will now be played at all home games. The lyrics for the Fight Song are as follows:

3213 O: Dec. 7, 1981
3214 O: Dec. 8, 1981
3215 O: Dec. 10, 1981
Go you Brahmans!
Go you Bulls!
Golden Brahmans,
Golden Brahmans,
USF Bulls.
Quick and tough and smart and tall,
You’re the best in basketball.
The cheers of the crowd
Show that we are proud
Of the Brahmans,
Go you Bulls!
Golden Brahmans,
USF Bulls!
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U.S. Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Frank H. Perez speaks to an audience of one hundred at USF about the role of the Soviet Union in supporting terrorist organizations. Defining terrorism as “a criminal act done for political purposes by radical elitist groups,” Perez criticized the Soviet Union for “support[ing] groups like the Palestine Liberation Organization, which uses terrorism to support its objectives.” Eschewing terrorist acts around the world, Perez concluded that, “We are fortunate that the U.S. has been spared as a battleground for terrorism.”

3216 O: Dec. 11, 1981
Governor Bob Graham attends the opening of two new buildings on the St. Pete campus, Bayboro Hall and the Nelson Poynter Library. Bayboro hall houses 20 classrooms, offices, and student services. Poynter dies in 1978, shortly after the groundbreaking for the two buildings. A PhD in Marine Science and an MA in social work are approved for the campus.

USF’s Herbarium has nearly 60,000 specimens, making it the largest collection of its kind in the state.

The BOR orders the SUS to switch back to the semester system. The move is easy on an administrative level, but professors must devote a great deal of time to converting their course content for the longer duration of classes. USF asks for $8.5 million to push the process forward. President Reagan’s proposed cuts in education make the change even more difficult. As of April, the students are not notified that the change will take effect in August.

At long last, New College achieves financial security, with a growing endowment (with $3.4 million raised in the last couple of years) and all debts paid. To add to the good news, the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation gives a $300,000 donation, the only liberal arts college to obtain such a gift.

1982: The university attains a chartered air service, which shuttles Tampa campus faculty to and from the Fort Myers campus. The practice is not unique to USF, as mid-western schools with widely scattered locations have used it.

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3218 Spt 7/25/81.
USF’s student government and administration will open homecoming festivities with an SG-administration basketball game. The SG has never won the contest, which has been held six times since 1971. Of last year’s game, played directly following a USF basketball game, Dave Persky, Assistant VP of Student Affairs and captain of the administration team, said, “as the Bulls ran off the court, the clowns ran on.” SG captain and president Ken Richter confidently states that his team is “really making an effort to see that the President’s Cup will return to us.” When reminded that the team had never actually won the cup, Richter responds, “It was in our hearts.” Student Government goes on to win the cup for the first time.\(^\text{3221}\)

The SG-Administration basketball game is just one aspect of USF’s homecoming, which features a “southern hospitality” theme. Other events include a screening of ‘Jezebel,’ the “second-best movie with a southern theme” (after ‘Gone With the Wind’), a bluegrass band, a ‘car bash’ (where students and faculty hit cars with sledgehammers), a wine-tasting symposium and a speech by G. Gordon Liddy. One letter to the editor describes the invitation of Liddy as an “obscenity.” The author, a “lifelong Republican,” promises to do everything in his “meager power to turn it into a free-for-all.”\(^\text{3222}\)

The Hillsborough County Project Review Committee of the Florida Gulf Health Systems Agency recommends approval of a cancer and chronic disease center at USF. This represents another step towards USF getting the facility. The Florida Gulf Health Systems agency eventually votes in favor of the 200-bed research and treatment center.\(^\text{3223}\) Final approval for the Cancer Center comes from the State Department of

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\(^{3221}\) Oracle (O) 1/8/82 p1, 1/13/82 p12  
\(^{3222}\) O 1/12/82 p1, p 5  
\(^{3223}\) O 1/8/82 p1, 1/27/82 p1
Health and Rehabilitative Service. According to USF President John Lott Brown, the last step is fund raising.  

The Museum of Science and Industry is set to open some of its exhibits under construction on January 23.  

The Oracle reports that Travis Northcutt Jr., Dean of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, has been dismissed as dean. Dean Northcutt and Vice President for Academic Affairs Greg O’Brien write a joint letter to editor criticizing the Oracle for publishing a headline, which “inaccurately conveys the situation.” According to Northcutt and O’Brien, the Dean had been planning on relinquishing his position for some time and was not “dismissed.”  

The Disabled Student Services Office now offers special desks for students in wheelchairs.  

Concentration camp survivor and famed “Nazi Hunter” Simon Wiesenthal speaks at USF.  

Journalist and historian Hampton Dunn donates his “vast collection of photographs, slide shows, post cards, books and other artifacts from Tampa Bay and Florida” to USF.  

The USF basketball team has been under investigation by the NCAA for 18 months. The Oracle publishes two humorous columns concerning the suspected

3224 O 3/2/82 p1
3225 O 1/8/82 p3
3226 O 1/11/82 p1, 1/12/82 p4
3227 O 1/19/82 p3
3228 O 1/25/82 p1
3229 O 1/27/82 p1

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violations, including a coach’s purchase of a McDonalds lunch for a prospective player.\textsuperscript{3230}

A book covering the first 25 years of USF history is published. Titled “The Vision of a Contemporary University: A Case Study of Expansion and Development in American Higher Education, 1950-1975,” the book is also the first published “under the imprint of the University of South Florida.” Dr. Russell Cooper, the first Dean of the College of Fine Arts, began work on the book in 1971. Dr. Margaret B. Fisher, former Dean of Women and Assistant to the Vice-President for Student Affairs finished the book after Cooper’s death in 1975.\textsuperscript{3231}

The USF Center for Economic Education, founded in 1974, has been chosen as the National Center for Elementary Economic Education for the next three years. USF’s center was chosen from among 200 others around the United States.\textsuperscript{3232}

Members of USF’s Gay Coalition are “jubilant” that the Trask-Bush Amendment, which would keep homosexual groups off college campuses, was declared a violation of free speech and un-Constitutional. Heterosexual USF students react more “casually” to the ruling. The Trask-Bush amendment also sought to outlaw university funding for student groups that advocate premarital sex.\textsuperscript{3233}

Budget cuts and lack of funding have seriously limited the library’s hours and circulation growth.\textsuperscript{3234}

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\textsuperscript{3231} Intercom (supplement inside the Oracle) 1/27/82 p2
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\textsuperscript{3233} O 2/5/82 p1, 10/21/82 p1
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The USF Engineering Expo, which began in the early 1970s, will be held February 19th and 20th. It is now the largest Engineering Expo on the Southeast and attracts over 25,000 people.  

Phyllis Hamm, USF’s Equal Opportunities Specialist from 1972 to 1975, has filed a suit which claims that she was harassed and demoted and several USF administrators “stifled her attempts to help those employees who complained of a breach of equal opportunity.” Hamm names Vice President for Finance and Accounting Bert Hartley (the only defendant still employed by USF), The Florida Board of Regents, former USF President Cecil Mackey and former administrators John Weicherding and Jim Williams in the case. Hamm claims that because many of the grievances against the University filed through her were being won, she was “denied promotion, paid less than her male counterparts, experienced a loss of prestige, suffered damage to her reputation and sustained injuries to her physical and mental health because of her demotion.” U.S. District Judge Joseph Willson later dismisses the case. According to Willson, the case has “no chance of success” because of a “lack of proof, a lack of evidence.”

USF Vice President for Employee Relations and Legal Affairs Steve Wenzel believes that Hamm’s lawsuit was “without merit and vexatious” and he believes the school should be reimbursed for legal costs. According to Wenzel, Hamm filed the suit knowing that it was frivolous and she would lose. According to federal law, if this is the case the school is entitled to reimbursement for legal fees. Hamm, who now works in the personnel relations department, was at the meeting where Wenzel made his statements, but she remained silent throughout. During his State of the University Address, President

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3235 O 2/15/82 p3, 2/22/82 p5
3236 O 2/18/82 p1, 2/24/82 p1
John Lott Brown is asked why Hamm is being counter-sued but former employees who stole from the University are not. Brown told Hamm, “I hope you don’t see the University as a large ogre that wants to penalize you.”

According to Donna Christensen, President of the Career Service Senate, Vice President for Legal Affairs Steve Wenzel threatened that the school would “seek to discredit” Phyllis Hamm during the case if she went ahead with her legal action. Christensen and Sara Deats, President of the Faculty Senate, met with Wenzel to discuss an out-of-court settlement for Hamm’s appeal. Both women recall that at the meeting Wenzel said that USF President John Lott Brown “has taken a lot of heat unfairly” in the public arena because of the case and expects to get a similar response from the legislature. Brown, according to Wenzel, will have to make a statement to the press that would be “very damaging to Hamm’s case and would effectively sway public sentiment from Hamm to Brown.” Wenzel denies making the alleged statements and Brown denies ever planning to make a public statement on the case or planning to discredit Hamm.

Deats, in a letter of clarification to the Oracle, says that she does not remember Wenzel making veiled threats towards Hamm. Wenzel reiterates that President Brown has never insinuated he would go to the press and he is surprised that Christensen felt threatened during the meeting. Christensen replies that she was looking for underlying threats and Deats was not, this is why Deats did not notice the statement by Wenzel. Both Deats and Christensen agree that Wenzel made two offers: first, if Hamm were to drop the “part of her suit seeking punitive damages, the defendants could drop their

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3237 O 9/15/82 p3, The “former employee who stole from the University is a reference to the Jack Anderson case, which appears later in the chronology and is in the Oracle, issues 4/5/82 p1, 6/23/82 p1, and 7/16/82 p1.
3238 O 11/24/82 p1
motion for recovery of attorney’s fees” or if Hamm were to “repeal her suit for punitive damages” then USF would pay her way through law school. Wenzel disagrees with their assessment of the second option and he says that Hamm would have to drop the case entirely for the school to pay for her law school education. Hamm states that she will not accept any of the out-of-court offers from the meeting and will not deal with Wenzel at all because the veiled threats were like “blackmail.”

USF awards controversial Biology Professor Bruce Williamson $45,000. Williamson left the school in 1981 after being denied tenure. Williamson, who claims he was denied tenure because of his “pro-communist beliefs,” threatened to take legal action against the university. President John Lott Brown admits that he is “completely opposed” to Williamson’s politics, but claims the professor was denied tenure because he lacked significant published research.

The new varsity sport at USF will most likely be riflery. Oracle columnists write that the team will “add new meaning to sudden death,” and “rid the campus of those squirrels once and for all.” A new NCAA rule stipulates that a school must field teams in 8 different sports in order to be eligible for competition in Division I. Riflery is chosen because its costs are the lowest. The team will begin competing in the fall. Roger Johnson is chosen as the coach and he is optimistic about the team’s success.

USF receives a $1-million chair in cancer research as part of its Silver Anniversary celebration. The gift was the result of a combined effort by two Tampa Businessmen: George V. Cortner and Theodore J. Couch.

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3239 O 11/30/82 p1, 5, and 7
3240 O 2/19/82 p1
3241 O 2/19/82 p1, 2/25/82 p4 and 5, 5/28/82, 7/16/82 p9
USF Magazine covers the life and work of Hampton Dunn, who donated his vast collection of photographs and memorabilia to the USF library in January of 1982.\textsuperscript{3243}

The College of Business Administration creates a new two-year course for mid-career managers called the Executive MBA Program. It is designed to both meet their work schedules and enrich their management skills.\textsuperscript{3244}

The Florida Mental Health Institute creates an innovative program geared towards re-educating elderly mental health patients so that they can successfully live in their communities, instead of in state hospitals.\textsuperscript{3245}

Oscar Sierra, owner of a local Tampa haircutting salon, donates all income from haircuts on a particular day to the Alumni Association’s Scholarship Fund as part of the first ever “Scholarcut.” The salon raised $1,000 for the fund.\textsuperscript{3246}

The Florida Cabinet has accepted Governor Bob Graham’s “guidelines to curb spending.” As a result of the decision, USF and other state schools will “face freezes in hiring, raises and promotions” as well as other budgetary restrictions.\textsuperscript{3247}

Representatives from Florida’s public universities, private colleges and community colleges have banded together to form Financial Aid Is Required (FAIR). The purpose of FAIR is to rally against a $62 million cut in federal funding of financial aid in Florida. The Oracle prints editorials and letters in support of FAIR and in opposition to the cuts for weeks.\textsuperscript{3248}

\textsuperscript{3243} USF Magazine, Vol. 24, No. 2 (March 1982), 6-7.
\textsuperscript{3244} USF Magazine, Vol. 24, No. 2 (March 1982), 8-9.
\textsuperscript{3247} O 3/3/82 p1
\textsuperscript{3248} O 3/4/82 p1
FAIR is not active over the summer and into the fall. Member Cathy England says that the SG was doing well in its fight against financial aid cuts and FAIR was not required. If the need arises, FAIR will become active again.3249

Personal problems have come between SG president Ken Richter and Engineering Senator Ken Dailey. Dailey used “profane language and gestures and barred Richter” from the SG office. Dailey admits that he “lost his cool” but was simply reacting to Richter’s pestering. Dailey claims he had been denied access to a list of SG candidates for the March election. Richter responds by drawing up a resolution for Dailey’s impeachment.3250

St. Petersburg Progress, an organization of St. Petersburg businesses, has endowed a third $1 million chair in the Marine Sciences department. The group has shifted its focus from increasing the campus’s size to enhancing the department. According to Dean of Natural Sciences James Ray, increased faculty, development of a doctoral program and the new equipment they have acquired as a result of extra funding is leading to the department “rapidly becoming one of the top 10 (marine science departments) in the country.”3251

USF President John Lott Brown participates in the opening of the Salvador Dali Museum in St. Petersburg.3252

USF officials are negotiating with the school system to build an elementary school on campus.3253
Because of state mandated enrollment caps, USF has instituted more strict standards for fall admission.\footnote{O 3/16/82 p1}

USF publishes the “Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Plan Update” as a supplement to the Oracle. The update provides statistical data on departments, hiring, policy, and other information.\footnote{Supplement to the Oracle 3/17/82}

According to the Oracle, parking fines pay for local scholarships that will affect about 55 students. Unfortunately, the tickets themselves generally “bring out the worst in people.” The paper also includes examples of appeals that were excused and appeals that were denied.\footnote{O 3/17/82 p1}

USF begins using a computerized registration system that will process schedules and find errors immediately. There are six computer terminals in the Student Services lobby. Students can “stand in line, register and receive their schedules, all within about 10 minutes.”\footnote{O 3/19/82 p1, 3/31/82 p1}

Student Government engages in a discussion over the deletion of obscene statements from the public record. Senator Eric Robinson referred to Senator Jim Leach as “an ass” during a debate. The statements were voted off the public record, but SG Attorney General Rob Barnhart replied that this violates Florida’s Sunshine Law. The Sunshine Law requires that the records of any civic meeting must be open to public scrutiny.\footnote{O 3/19/82 p3}

The Florida Senate has cut funding for several USF projects including the College of Engineering’s new complex, the cancer center, a fine arts hall and annex, money for
the College of Medicine’s four-year program and money for the Florida Mental Health Institute.\textsuperscript{3259}

The Annual Southeastern Conference of Lesbians and Gay Men is held at USF for the first time. The conference dealt with “subjects such as gays in the military, gay businesses, self-hypnosis and sexually transmitted diseases.” It was also devoid of hecklers and harassment.\textsuperscript{3260}

USF’s Equal Opportunity Affairs Office sponsors Women’s Awareness 1982. The program is designed to point out problems that women face in contemporary society. The ongoing program will range from “forums on sexism, reproductive rights and job opportunities to displays on books and bibliographies of women, women’s culture and women’s research.”\textsuperscript{3261}

According to little-used parking regulation 4-D, women can apply for a special parking permit late at night if they have commitments that force them to be on campus late and fear for their safety. Men are not considered for 4-D passes because, according to USF Traffic Coordinator, “What’s a guy got to fear?”\textsuperscript{3262}

The Student Senate votes 9-13 against a resolution to support the passage of the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA). The Oracle receives letters for many weeks regarding the SG’s failure to support the amendment.\textsuperscript{3263}

The American League Champion New York Yankees play the USF baseball team at Red McEwen field. All proceeds benefit the Gold Shield Foundation, an organization

\textsuperscript{3259} O 3/22/82 p1
\textsuperscript{3260} O 3/25/82 p1
\textsuperscript{3261} O 3/24/82 p1
\textsuperscript{3262} O 3/25/82 p1
\textsuperscript{3263} O 3/26/82 p3
that raises money for scholarships to benefit the children of slain Hillsborough County
Firemen and Police Officers. The Yankees win the game 9-1.\footnote{3264}

In order to cover a projected $830,000 deficit in the Traffic Department, USF is
raising the cost of a parking permit by 25\% to $25 a year.\footnote{3265}

Recently the Office of Student Programming has been “the object of much dispute
and criticism by University Administrators and Students.” Critics have charged that the
OSP has mishandled responsibilities and been poorly administered. David Gross, one of
the OSP’s few coordinators, defends the office saying that they are poorly funded and
should not suffer from the negative publicity they have received. SG President Ken
Richter says that, considering their financial status, they are doing “a phenomenal
job.”\footnote{3266}

There is a runoff election for SG President between Maureen Almond and Dave
Hilfman. Darrin Greck and Dave Bearden are the Vice-Presidential candidates. Hilfman
and Bearden win the runoff.\footnote{3267}

Alan Valdes, a former student senator and a USF grad admits to forging a letter to
the Oracle because “he thought another student gave him permission to do so.” The
letter, which appeared in the Oracle on April 14, 1982, was written in support of SG
Presidential candidate Maureen Almond (who lost the runoff election to Dave Hilfman).
The letter was attributed to John Priede, a former USF student who transferred to Florida

\footnote{3264} O 3/30/82 p1, 4/1/82 p14
\footnote{3265} O 3/31/82 p1
\footnote{3266} O 4/1/82 p1
\footnote{3267} O 4/2/82 p1, 5/10/82 p3
State University in 1981. Priede calls the incident a misunderstanding and hopes that the Oracle will not write a story about it.\textsuperscript{3268}

Former USF employee John ‘Bill’ Andrews Sr., will appeal his termination. Andrews was accused of “using University-paid workers to build a pool deck at his home and later threatening one of the workers” in order to keep him quiet. USF is ordered to reinstate Andrews, but almost three months after the fact he is still not at work. The school eventually pays Andrews $26,000 in exchange for his resignation.\textsuperscript{3269}

USF holds its annual ‘River Riot,’ which included skydivers (sporting Budweiser parachutes), 3,000 USF students, lots of beer and musical acts.\textsuperscript{3270}

USF is one of the universities testing the LAMBDA (Local Access to and Management of Bibliographic Data and Authorities) system. LAMBDA is a computerized system “designed for sophisticated searches of material,” according to USF library assistant director of technical services Art Kechersids.\textsuperscript{3271}

SG President Ken Richter and Senators Dave Hilfman and Joann Barthle have written a resolution, which would exempt USF students from fulfilling their required summer course load. According to Richter, “The selection of courses this summer is unreasonable.” Because there are not enough courses to take, the administration should not expect students to be forced to take a class. The Office of Academic Advising supports the waiver. The Board of Regents will most likely not pass the resolution.\textsuperscript{3272}

Loretha High, a resident assistant at the Mu dormitory, has proposed a plan to start an “all-black dorm.” The dorm would not be “a step away from desegregation,” but

\textsuperscript{3268} O 4/21/82 p1
\textsuperscript{3269} O 4/5/82 p1, 6/23/82 p1, 7/16/82 p1
\textsuperscript{3270} O 4/5/82 p1 and 6
\textsuperscript{3271} O 4/6/82 p1
\textsuperscript{3272} O 4/6/82 p1, 4/20/82 p5, 5/12/82 p12
would be a positive experience and chance for African-American students to form a strong campus community. High believes that many black students feel alienated from the rest of the student body and this leads to many people dropping out.\textsuperscript{3273}

USF dedicates the Martin Luther King Jr. Plaza. The plaza had been a project of the Black Student Union and supported by the Student Government. USF is the first state university in Florida to officially honor King. The dedication takes place by a memorial stone unveiled at the south end of the plaza, near the administration building. About 500 people attend the dedication.\textsuperscript{3274}

Dr. Larry Stevens resigned as director of USF’s Student Health Services last year. Stevens was under investigation by the Department of Professional Regulation for stealing pills. When asked by a member of the Board of Medical Examiners if he stole drugs, Stevens replied in the affirmative. Stevens believed that he “had an ulcer at the time and was having family problems.” While at work, he had been observed with “slurred speech,” “drooping eyes,” and a “staggering walk.” According to an audit of the last five years, “more than 1,400 pills of Seconal and Placidyl, two powerful depressants, and 240 Valiums were unaccounted for.” Stevens is also accused to of ordering pills for patients and keeping them for himself. Vice-President for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt, Steven’s supervisor, tells the Oracle that Stevens had assured him that “he personally could not account for the loss.” Stevens receives a sentence of a $3,000 payment, probation, direct supervision and frequent urinalysis.\textsuperscript{3275}

A special session Faculty Senate Meeting is the site of heated debate between USF faculty and Vice-President for Academic Affairs Greg O’Brien. Spurgeon Stamps,
a new hire, will be paid moving expenses from New York (Stamps teaches at Syracuse),
receive four years of automatic seniority and get $9,000 more than the average annual
salary for full professors in his college. Stamps was hired because his wife was offered a
position in the College of Business but refused to accept the appointment unless the
university hired her husband as well. O’Brien explains that the University does not have
enough black faculty and “has been lax about affirmative action.” History Professor
Cecil Currey laments the situation given the limited funds available that “deny
promotions and leave faculty positions unfilled.” Currey believes that Stamps did not
possess credentials which set him apart from other faculty who were receiving less
money and benefits. O’Brien responds that the interdisciplinary social sciences
department had approved Stamps’ hire, an assertion that Professor Charles Arnade
denies. Arnade explains that the faculty were not informed that Stamps would receive
such a high salary (Stamps will be making $42,000 a year to start, while the average pay
in the College is $33,000) or that he would enter the department as a full professor,
eligible for tenure in two months. According to the Oracle, the meeting was “highlighted
by yelling and long arguments.”

The controversy over Stamps’ hiring escalates “into a racism issues” which “has
created much bitterness among faculty and staff.” Arnade, who founded the Pasco
County chapter of the NAACP has been accused of being “racist” by some African-
American faculty members. The Blacks for Justice Party demands that Arnade be fired
“for leading the anti-black movement on campus” and “all those who support Dr. Arnade
be reprimanded (dock pay, loss of tenure, etc.)” The Blacks for Justice Party also states
that “there will be reprisals” against professors who support Arnade’s position. While the

3276 O 4/20/82 p1, 5/10/82 p1
Blacks for Justice do not advocate violence they will resort to force when it is “deemed necessary.” Arnade has been under police protection since the statement appeared on campus. The University Police investigates the Blacks for Justice Party for their involvement in the flyer distribution. 3277

According to Arnade the there are three factors in the protest against Stamps’ hiring: the creation of a job to accommodate Stamps, the procedures used by the administration in hiring, and the circumvention of standards in promotion and tenure to hire Stamps. Members of the USF Black Faculty Caucus accuse the protesting professors of timing their protests to embarrass a visiting black candidate for the Deanship of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences. The candidate, who had been the top rated candidate for the position by the search committee, has since withdrawn his application. 3278

O’Brien argues that the hire was not out of the ordinary except that the administration created a position for Stamps. O’Brien further argues that they did not hire Stamps to entice his wife to USF, two different departments would go through two different hiring procedures. O’Brien also states that Stamps’ salary is high because they needed to compete with his salary at Syracuse. Stamps has moved from Chair of Afro-American Studies at Syracuse to USF and has taken a cut in pay in order to “get back into the classroom.” Miriam Stamps denies that she required that her husband be hired if she were to take the job. Since they both had jobs in New York, there would be no reason for

3277  O 5/10/82 p1, 6/7/82 p1
3278  O 5/10/82 p1
one to move without the other. Charles Arnade expresses his sympathy for Mr. Stamps, whom Arnade believes to be “an innocent bystander” in the whole affair.3279

The Faculty Senate rejects the revised report on the Stamps affair written by the Faculty Senate Executive Subcommittee by a vote of 13-12 (with 3 abstaining). Faculty Senate Speaker Kofi Glover calls a senate meeting to vote on another revision in order to resolve the issue before the Stampses arrive for the fall semester.3280

Distinguished Professor of Mathematics Adolph Goodman writes a letter to President Brown requesting a raise that would bring him into a similar salary range as Dr. Stamps. Goodman does not “object to the hiring of Dr. Stamps,” (although he does question the need to pay such an “outlandish salary” to someone the university does not require) but feels that, in comparison with Stamps’ salary, Dr. Goodman can “only conclude” that he has been “underpaid for many years.” Goodman is listed in the Institute for Scientific Information’s “Who is Publishing in Science,” he has written 50 research papers, and has 30 years experience. President Brown is happy to receive legitimate written complaints and he sympathizes with professors who feel they are underpaid. Unfortunately, the Deans set the pay scale and President Brown cannot simply take money for pay raises from his “back pocket” or the “barrel in the treasury department.”3281

A special subcommittee of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee finds that “there were no violations in the hiring of Spurgeon Stamps and his future salary of

3279 O 5/10/82 p1
3280 O 5/21/82 p3, 6/14/82 p5
3281 O 5/28/82 p3
$42,000 is reasonable, but the hiring policy of the interdisciplinary social sciences is ‘weak.’”

Activity and Service fee budget cuts are hurting “the University Center, a crime prevention and safety program, student government and other University functions.”

Both campus cafeterias will close during finals week. Food services must conserve money and last semester during finals week they lost almost $40,000 when only fifty students used the cafeteria. The UC Cafeteria will stay open.

This was the first academic year in which USF charged non-students for copies of the official catalog. Despite the need to charge many people for the 310-page book, officials at the University have authorized the dumping of 25,000 leftover copies of the book because the school’s incinerator is out of order. 25,000 copies of the catalog cost more than $20,000 to print. In addition, 14,000 copies of a “viewbook,” distributed to prospective students free of charge are also dumped in Hillsborough County’s Taylor Road Landfill. 14,000 copies of the viewbook cost approximately $10,000 to print.

USF plans of starting a Center for Jewish Studies, which should open by winter of 1983.

USF considers making a foreign language a requirement for students. Rather than make students take two semesters of a language, Professor Richard Preto-Rodas, director of the USF division of foreign languages, recommends oral and written examinations, which would save on cost and allow students to learn a language as he or she sees fit.
The University’s current bookstore is not meeting student needs. Plans have been proposed to either renovate the existing bookstore or build an entirely new bookstore. A tentative plan for the new bookstore places it between the UC and the Administration building and estimates cost at around $4 million.

President John Lott Brown proposes a possible solution to the library’s funding problem at a meeting of Florida’s State University Presidents in Orlando. President Brown believes that libraries should use advanced technology to meet information needs because “We’re running out of space and the cost is just too high (to run conventional libraries).” Brown proposes a gradual transition to electronic storage of information, beginning with increased microfiche storage. He also proposes that the microfiche readers may eventually be “replaced by electronic systems capable of scanning the page of a book in a fraction of a second.” According to the Oracle, in the year 1992, students might be able to “turn to the University-loaned computer terminal in his or her room, phone the information center to request the journal and – Presto! the journal appears on the computer screen.” The Board of Regents (BOR) task force also recommends a proposition which will create a computer system that will automatically show students their academic records, progress in their majors, and changes they would need to make to complete their coursework. USF, the University of North Florida and the University of Florida have been selected as the institutions to test the program.

The library will be transferring more popular magazines to microfiche, rather than binding them, because pages are being torn from the popular magazines. Some of the
affected magazines include Time, Newsweek, U.S. News and World Reports, Sports Illustrated and the Harvard Business Review.\footnote{3290}

The University Center will most likely be renovated in the near future. According to UC director Jim Crouch, the center “just isn’t adequate” and “reeks of the ‘50s.” The 22-year old center was designed to service 2,000 students and faculty. The UC’s renovation had been behind other projects, including the construction of the Sun Dome and a second rehearsal hall in the Fine Arts Auditorium, on the list of project priorities. USF was allocated $50,000 by Florida’s Capital Improvement Trust Fund in 1981. The money was used to “collect data and evaluate the University’s needs regarding the UC.” USF has also hired the architectural firm of Fletcher and Valenti to help prepare a September statement in response to the CITF’s requests.\footnote{3291}

The planned UC renovations must be delayed because of a lack of funds. UC director Jim Crouch believes that the renovations will cost between $6 and $8 million, but the money will not be approved by Florida’s Capital Improvement Trust Fund for at least another two or three years.\footnote{3292}

The USF College of Engineering and a Japanese study team will work hand in hand to design the proposed Florida Bullet Train System. Akio Kambara and Hisashi Koshimizu, an economist and engineer respectively, will come from Japan to conduct a yearlong feasibility study at USF. Rodney Wainwright, USF program liaison and director of Industrial Programs in the College of Engineering hopes that an endowed chair in transportation will result from the exchange. The project is funded by $1 million from the Japanese Railway Technology Corp., and Japanese National Railways New
York office Director Kohei Matsui hopes that USF, “Will become the training center for experts and managers for bullet train operations in Florida and the United States.”

A USF Medical Anthropologist says that faith healing can work medically and merits serious scientific research. According to Dr. Ailon Shiloh, it operates like a placebo and speeds up the normal healing process without the use of western medicine.

USF Magazine highlights Project Upward Bound and its director Richard Pride.

Florida’s Special Olympics are held at USF for the fifth consecutive year.

Barbara Wheeler, visiting Associate Professor of African and Afro-American Studies has issued a statement requesting that the Black Student Union postpone a proposed rally in her defense. BSU members questioned President John Lott Brown during an open forum last week over the failure of USF to renew her contract. Because she is a visiting professor the university does not have to renew her contract and President Brown has stated, “If there is a way to keep her, we will. But we can’t create positions.” Many African-Americans on campus have supported Wheeler as “positive force” on campus and feel that if she leaves it will affect students at the university now and students in the future. But the rally is supposed to also touch on many of the issues faced by black students on campus. Wheeler has asked that it be postponed because although she wants to stay at USF, she would like to be retained because of her

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3293 O 5/28/82 p1
3296 O 6/2/82 p1
demonstrated skills and not “just because the black students want me to be retained.” Wheeler ends up at Hillsborough Community College the following spring.\textsuperscript{3297}

The Shriners will break ground on the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children at the USF College of Medicine. The hospital will include 60 beds and will treat children at no cost for “orthopedic deformities, disease and injuries.” The project will cost a total of $28.8 million and is paid for by the Shriners.\textsuperscript{3298}

USF’s theater department suffers from a lack of rehearsal space. In order to address this problem the university is planning a fine arts complex. Scheduled to begin construction in the fall, the $4.5 million project will be a “huge 6,000 square foot room 36 feet high.” The room will not have seating, but “will be expected to accommodate both rehearsals and performances.”\textsuperscript{3299}

USF is considering Nobel Prize winner Dr. Baruch Blumberg as the University’s Cortner-Couch Chair in Cancer Research. The school has contacted Dr. Blumberg, who has visited the school many times as a lecturer.\textsuperscript{3300}

Short of funds, USF’s student government is using ‘bypass’ money to operate over the summer. Essentially the SG is borrowing money from the administration and they will pay the money back from their allotment of funds next year.\textsuperscript{3301}

Weekend College, a program that provides courses designed for working people and holds classes in eight Tampa locations, is suffering from various problems. Assistant Director Doris Weatherford and Advising Coordinator Nancy Cooke have resigned. In her letter of resignation Weatherford alleges that the College’s director, Richard Taylor,

\textsuperscript{3297} O 6/9/82 p1, the article also includes a full copy of Wheeler’s statement. O 1/12/83 p10
\textsuperscript{3298} O 6/9/82 p1, 6/14/82 p3
\textsuperscript{3299} O 6/9/82 p11
\textsuperscript{3300} O 6/9/82 p1
\textsuperscript{3301} O 6/11/82 p3
has “done his job poorly,” and she could no longer “sell the program in its present condition.” Edwin Benton, assistant professor of political science attributes “99.9 percent of the problems” within the school to Taylor. Problems include a lack of funds, a lack of communication and an uncomfortable work environment, all attributed to Taylor. Psychology Professor Louis A. Penner writes to the Oracle that the article was a “cheap shot” and he has spoken with other Weekend College faculty who disagree with the writer’s opinion.  

University administration had hoped that the prefabricated dorm units they are putting on campus would be ready for the fall semester, but it seems that they will not be ready until January 1983. The University will also have to scale down the size of the project. The administration had hoped to add 600 dorm rooms to the campus but the school does not have enough money to pay even the lowest bid offered by contractors.  

USF officially rejects the bids for the pre-fabricated dorms and begins an inquiry into why the costs were so high. The 10 bids received were for between $4.4 and $5.7 million. Once the inquiry is concluded, the project will be scaled down and new bids will be accepted.  

Administrators decide to abandon pre-fabricated housing and revert to more economical and traditional construction. This may take longer, but will save the university money in the long run. The Oracle jokes that these new dorms are so new, “you may graduate before they’re built.”
The Azzarelli Construction Company is the low bidder among eight contractors to build the new dorm complex. They could begin work on the site in early 1983.\textsuperscript{3306}

USF’s Office of Veterans Affairs faces major cuts in funding, affecting more than 1,500 veterans who are students at The School.\textsuperscript{3307}

USF’s Postsecondary Education Planning Committee (PEPC or “Pepsi”) considers a placement exam for incoming freshman. Freshman will be tested and placed in classes that meet their skill levels. Those with “deficiencies in math or English” will take remedial classes.\textsuperscript{3308}

Incumbent Florida Senator David McClain has referred to USF as a “hotbed of political cronyism.” His opponent in the race, Betty Castor, accuses McClain of attacking her and her ties to the university rather than speaking on the issues. McClain believes it is immoral for Castor to run for office while employed by the state and he insinuates that President John Lott Brown’s endorsement of Castor will negatively effect his treatment of the university “when she (Castor) loses.” McClain also feels that the school has been “grooming” Castor to take his place. Castor has requested a leave of absence from the University (she serves in the Governmental Relations Office) and will resign if she wins the November election. President Brown assures the Oracle that he has “no personal concern to support Betty Castor” and intends to stay out of politics while president of the university. He adds that Betty Castor has every right to run for public office. Student Government President David Hilfman supports McClain. Hilfman argues that McClain “has always been there for the students” and “Betty Castor has really shitted on the students.” Hilfman later writes a letter to Oracle stating that “the quote that refers

\textsuperscript{3306} O 12/13/82 p1
\textsuperscript{3307} O 6/14/82 p1
\textsuperscript{3308} O 6/21/82 p3
to Betty Castor as defecating on the students was a comment taken totally out of context, was made in an air of jest and frivolity, and most certainly was not meant to be taken as a direct quote.” Hilfman apologizes for the appearance of the comment in the Oracle.  

After McClain’s accusations of political cronyism at USF, Betty Castor resigns her position. She came to the school as Director of Governmental Relations in 1979.

David McClain “slings more mud” at Betty Castor. McClain charges that Castor wants his Senate seat as stepping stone towards running for Commissioner of Education. McClain also accuses Castor of illegally lobbying for USF “during the two-year period in which the Florida Constitution prohibits former officeholders from lobbying before the body in which they held office.” Castor points out that the Supreme Court ruled in Myers vs. Public Service Commission that those rules did not apply to those holding office when the amendment was passed. She also points out that McClain supports a Constitutional Amendment to permit this action after filing a financial disclosure statement.

In an effort to garner support from USF students, Senator McClain offers free beer to any student groups who volunteer for his campaign. Pepin Distributors, who support the McClain campaign, will provide the beer. The Oracle publishes editorials and letters discussing the ethical debate surrounding McClain’s offer. Student Body Vice-President Dave Bearden writes a letter to Oracle defending himself from charges of supporting McClain in exchange for beer. Bearden reiterates that the Student Government does not support McClain and explains that the beer offer was simply an offer for a victory party, at which beer would be served. Bearden told McClain that USF
students would rather take the beer to an off-campus location than have the victory party on campus.\textsuperscript{3312}

Castor eventually wins a very close contest over McClain.\textsuperscript{3313}

Willie Redden, Tony Grier and Vince Reynolds become the first USF Basketball players drafted by NBA teams. Redden and Grier are drafted by the San Antonio Spurs in the third and fourth round respectively. Reynolds is drafted by the Cleveland Cavaliers in the sixth round.\textsuperscript{3314}

A former FBI operative, who wishes to remain anonymous, admits that the FBI broke into the office of USF philosophy professor Willis Truitt in 1974. Truitt came into his office that morning and found his papers “shuffled and out of order.” Apparently the FBI was interested in “an Iranian student’s paper about revolutionary movements in Iran.” The FBI sources was involved in COINTELPRO, the bureau’s top-secret Counter Intelligence Program. COINTELPRO “called for the infiltration and subversion of leftist and anti-war groups.” The program was “unmasked” in 1975 by a select Senate committee. Truitt had been involved in the anti-war movement and was fired by former USF President John Allen for “allegedly advocating the sabotage of U.S. military operations.” The charges were “groundless,” according to Truitt, and he was re-instated.\textsuperscript{3315}

The Student Senate passes the 1982-83 Activity and Service Fee budget, which totals just under $2 million. President John Lott Brown vetoes the budget because of inadequate funds for athletics. He passes the budget when about $38,000 is moved to

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\textsuperscript{3313} O 11/4/82 p1
\textsuperscript{3314} O 6/30/82 p12
\textsuperscript{3315} O 7/2/82 p1
athletics. The Oracle points out that, compared to last year’s budget, 23\% less money will go to student organizations while SG’s nine college councils will get a 61\% increase in funding.\footnote{O 7/2/82 p1, 9/1/82 p3, 8/9/82 p1}

USF librarians will vote on whether or not they wish to become faculty members, which “may result in higher salaries and tenure” and a “more influential role in campus administration.”\footnote{O 7/12/82 p1}

Some people have been confused over the presence of Ida and Vernon Cypher in the Medical Center parking lot. The retired Daytona couple have been living in their mobile home in the parking lot for almost a week while Vernon receives treatment for Meneires disease, which has robbed him of his hearing. The treatments appear to have been successful.\footnote{O 7/16/82 p1}

The game “assassin” has been renewed on the USF campus. Assassin had been the new campus craze in 1981.\footnote{O 7/16/82 p3, see Oracle 10/2/81 for more on “assassin.”}

Because of “insufficient legislative funding for faculty” there will be cuts in courses for the fall and spring semesters.\footnote{O 7/19/82 p1}

An anonymous student reports to the Oracle that he was explicitly denied a job by a USF graduate “because he was an Iranian.” John Barber, who refers to himself as a “redneck,” is the owner of Barco Corporation. Barber placed an ad in the Oracle but denied the applicant because he “won’t hire anyone but an American” and “the last son-of-a-bitch in the world I’d hire would be an Iranian.” Barber also claimed he was threatened when he told the student that “he didn’t qualify” because of his nationality.
Barber is not in violation of the law because the Civil Rights Act of 1964 declares that an employer cannot be refuse an applicant because of national origin, but the act defines an employer as someone with more than 15 employees. Barco Corp. has 5 employees. Barber hires an American-born engineering graduate student from USF.  

USF may be the location of a new psychiatric hospital and President John Lott Brown believes that the possibility that the hospital come to campus is “more than just a hope.” According to a Florida Gulf Health Systems Agency official there may be trouble passing bureaucratic obstacles and “there is no need for psychiatric beds at this time.”

The Florida Gulf Health Systems Agency Board of Directors rejects the recommendation for a psychiatric hospital by a vote of 11 to 12. The FGHSA is just an advisory board and the hospital will go forward if approved by the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services. The State Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services approve the center.

USF alumnus and “Tampa-bred comic genius” Leo Gallagher plays a show in Tampa. Gallagher defines his comedy as “sensical - a combination of George Carlin, Charlie Chaplin and Clara Belle. It’s satire because all of my comedy is truth, and the truth is funny. I vent frustration in society.” According to the Oracle, “Gallagher is undoubtedly one of the freshest, brightest talents in the wide competitive world of comedy.”

The Oracle prints a four-part 1982-83 Preview Issue, which introduces new students to the administration, gives advice from other students and offers historical

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3322  O 7/30/82 p1, 8/2/82 p1
3323  O 10/26/82 p1, 10/27/82 p3, 12/13/82 p1
3324  O 8/2/82 p1, 6 and 7
articles on the school. They also introduce new students to the University Police, various
groups they can join and places they can go with a wide range of concerns. The articles
cover sports, housing, on-campus entertainment, religious groups, the Student
Government, WUSF, and the ROTC (to name a few). The series covers many aspects of
campus life in 1982.3325

The Oracle’s 1982-83 preview issue asks the question, “Does USF deserve its
reputation?” According to Edward Fiske’s “Selective Guide to Colleges,” USF’s
“academic program is casual, good grades are easier to come by than good courses, and a
main ingredient for success is a bottle of Coppertone.” USF has been referred to around
campus as “Coppertone U.” and “The University of Sun and Fun.” University
administrators dispute Fiske’s assertions, pointing out the good reputations of the
psychology department, the College of Engineering, the College of Natural Sciences and
the Fine Arts Program. They do admit that budget crunches have negatively affected
certain aspects of the University, including the library. Students come to the university
because of its convenient location near their homes, course offerings and low cost of
tuition.3326

Dave Bearden, SG Vice-President, has been organizing a “Spit a pit for financial
aid” demonstration. Student can come to the rally on the Martin Luther King Jr. Plaza
and sign protest letters, call the offices of members of Congress toll free and “spit cherry
pits into a bowl to send to President Reagan.” According to Bearden, the cherry pits are
“to let him know that we think his financial aid cuts are the pits.”3327

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3327 0 9/8/82 p1
The rally features a speech by congressional candidate George Sheldon, President Brown and various concerned students. The toll-free phone line is connected to office of U.S. Senator Paula Hawkins and students throw olive (not cherry) pits into a bowl. President Brown “vehemently attacked the Reagan Administration” and compared the decrease in funding to the increase in defense spending. About 50 calls got through to Senator Hawkins’ office, whose line was busy most of the time.3328

USF is planning to spend $300,000 to add a platform to the Sun Dome in order to expand space and attract more nationally known musical acts to the campus. The physical planning personnel at USF and the University of Florida work on plans for a prototype portable rigging system with engineer Lev Zetlin. The proposed portable rigging plan would incorporate a 50-by-90 foot platform that can be raised and lowered by four towers. The towers will be controlled hydraulically. USF and UF are working with one another because UF’s O’Connell Center, on which the Sun Dome was designed, has “similar structural limitations.” The rigging will support 55,000 pounds of lighting and equipment. Most touring groups would fit underneath that requirement. According to Associate Director of USF Physical Planning, the largest requirements that he is aware of are the 42,000 pounds of lighting used by Kenny Rogers.3329

Registration this semester is a universal disaster of epic proportions. According to an Oracle editorial, “registration was a fiasco.” The article further argues, “There is no reason. There is no purpose. There is no need for human beings to have to endure this sort of mistreatment. If this is the way USF officials administer course selection, then students here ought to find another school.” According to President John Lott

3328 O 9/9/82 p1
3329 O 9/8/82 p1, 10/22/82 p1
Brown, the add/drop period for the fall semester was, “one of terrible frustration, unacceptably long lines and severe disappointment for our many students who needed courses which were already filled. The combined impact of budget cuts, which seriously limited our ability to offer needed courses, the first fall semester registration using a new computerized system and the attempt to offer a centralized add/drop period created great difficulties” for students, faculty, and staff. Vice President for Academic Affairs Greg O’Brien states, “it ain’t nothing compared to spring if we don’t get some funds.”

Hundreds of students sign an SG petition, which announced students’ “thorough disappointment and disgust with the current procedure for dropping and adding classes.” Even those who believe the new system will work and is a great improvement over the old system still admit that the registration this semester was handled poorly. Previously, students had to wait weeks for a printed schedule and then found some classes canceled, full, or moved to another time. The drop-add procedure was processed in individual colleges. This semester students automatically get a printed schedule and receive a new schedule with every class they drop or add. But because everything was processed in the gymnasium and not in individual colleges, students endured very long lines. According to the Oracle “The volume of students changing their schedules was much greater than university officials had anticipated.” About one-third of the 21,000 computer changes attempted were successful.

USF’s Registration Task Force recommends changes that may alleviate some of the problems that plagued registration. Their “short term” solution includes the

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3330 O 9/9/82 p6-7, 9/10/82 p1
3331 O 9/13/82 p1
elimination of early registration, an extension of registration, and enforcement of the rule that stipulates mandatory attendance for the first day of class.\footnote{3332}

Registration for the spring semester in 1983 begins much more smoothly than registration for the fall of 1982. The registration period continues to go smoothly throughout, although freshmen find that by the time they can register for courses, many of the classes are already filled.\footnote{3333}

The Citizens’ Council For Budget Research, a watchdog group for taxpayers, believes that the $2.6 million USF will spend on a computer system would be a waste of taxpayer money.\footnote{3334}

President John Lott Brown rejects an offer of $40,000 from the Jehovah’s Witnesses to hold an annual four-week convention at the Sun Dome. The convention was held there last summer but this summer their planned dates coincide with Coach Lee Rose’s basketball camp. The rejection came on the recommendation of new Athletic Director John Wadas, who believes that “in the long term, the decisions of the Sun Dome should not be based on money.” Wadas believes that the Sun Dome’s use must cater to certain priorities, the first is USF, then USF related activities (such as athletics). According to Wadas, these priorities must take preference.\footnote{3335}

At his State of the University address, President Brown accuses federal and state governments of having poor priorities after cutting education funding. The President, who had been critical of President Reagan at the “Spit a Pit for Financial Aid” rally, turns

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his attention to Florida Governor Bob Graham. Brown accuses Graham of treating symptoms and not problems.\footnote{\textcopyright 9/20/82 p3}

The SG Senate votes unanimously to make the contract of basketball coach Lee Rose public. Although contracts with state employees are public record, contracts made through the USF foundation are not. The debate is over whether or not Rose has a contract stipulation that allows the coach to use the Sun Dome at any time without interference from other events. The musical group Crosby, Stills and Nash had to move an October 16\textsuperscript{th} concert from the Sun Dome to the Lakeland Civic Center because it conflicted with basketball practice. The senate believes that this conflicts with the Dome’s purpose to serve the university community.\footnote{\textcopyright 9/23/82 p1}

Approximately 25 students, including SG President Dave Hilfman, demonstrate outside the Sun Dome and are invited to a staff meeting inside the dome by Vice President of Student Affairs Dan Walbolt. Walbolt tells the students he hopes the meeting does not turn into a “swearing contest over what has happened in the last few days.” Walbolt also explains that during basketball season, the basketball team must take precedence at USF. The administration knew that this would clash with other events (in this instance the Jehovah’s Witness gathering and Crosby, Stills and Nash concert) but felt that it was important for basketball coach Lee Rose “to have an opportunity to play and practice. We knew the conflicts were inevitable.” The Oracle publishes a brief history of the Sun Dome and an overview of the Lee Rose controversy. The article
reveals differences of opinion among administrators regarding the Sun Dome’s purpose and shifting opinions among administrators since the groundbreaking in 1977.  

Dan Walbolt recommends the formation of a task force to help administrators deal with potential problems and understand potential uses for the Sun Dome. Walbolt later decides against the task force because the Sun Dome’s Student Advisory Committee and Board of Directors can review any and all proposals.

A consultant’s report reveals that USF’s elevators are in need of critical improvements. According to the consultant, USF needs to establish a short-term cleaning and maintenance plan, develop a long-term plan for cleaning and maintenance, and set up a position that would oversee the elevator repairman. Elevator difficulties have plagued the campus for years, and a student was recently injured because elevators were out of service. The student required assistance getting his wheelchair down the stairs. One of his friends accidentally lost his grip of the chair and the student fell down the stairs, seriously injuring himself. According to Robert Nichols, of Nichols Elevator Service, USF’s elevators “never have worked right and probably never will.” Nichols Elevator Service maintains and repairs all 48 elevators at USF. In March 1983, Director of Physical Plant Operations Robert Bieling negotiates a contract with a new elevator service company. Bieling says he had never ridden such rough riding elevators in his life as the ones at USF.

The paraplegic student who fell down the stairs at the Fine Arts Building, a junior psychology major, will not bring a suit against the university. The student suffered a fractured neck, a concussion, and required 25 stitches in his head. Because of his

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3340 О 9/24/82 p1, 9/14/82 p1, 9/29/82 p6, 3/24/83 p4
recovery period, the student misses all his classes in the fall and is not able to register for classes in the spring. He hopes to return to USF next summer.\textsuperscript{3341}

After eight years of waiting, the USF Fort Myers regional campus’s campus is finally completed.\textsuperscript{3342}

According to the University Police, 43% of the thefts at USF are items taken from buildings. Theft from parking lots, thefts of bikes, and theft from dormitories make up 20%, 13% and 11% of all theft respectively. The police also report the statistics for violent and non-violent crimes in the years 1979, 1980, and 1981. The list includes (among other crimes) zero reported homicides in those years, 12 total cases of sexual assault, 24 cases of aggravated assault, and about 450 cases of vandalism.\textsuperscript{3343}

Because past student events have been “marred by violence and disorganization” the administration will be very careful in the future of events sponsored by the OSP. The annual River Riot seems to be the most likely candidate for cancellation. According to Vice-President of Student Affairs Dan Walbolt the River Riot has experienced problems with underage drinking, security and cleanup. Associate Vice President Charles Hewitt believes that crowd control, parking, and the length of the riot would have to be changed before the administration approved any future riots. OSP coordinator David Gross says that “the River Riot is dead.” According to Gross, the major problems were lack of security, large numbers of non-USF students in attendance and excessive alcohol consumption. OSP Program Coordinator Brian Kreimendahl reports that people went from the Riverfront Park to the residential area nearby damaged property and urinated

\textsuperscript{3341} O 2/1/83 p4  
\textsuperscript{3342} USF Magazine, Vol. 24, No. 4 (October 1982), 4-5.  
\textsuperscript{3343} See Oracle 10/1/82 p2 for a complete list of the crimes.
into pools. Kreimendahl also points out that the costs might be too high for the financially strapped OSP.³³⁴⁴

Matem Hussani, Director of the Palestinian Information Office in Washington D.C. will speak at USF. Now that it is official, groups that had opposed Hussani’s speech will continue to protest, but in a more “low key” fashion. The Oracle prints columns and letters, some opposing the use of student funds to bring a “terrorist” speaker to campus and some supporting the free speech rights of a Palestinian diplomat.³³⁴⁵

Many people complain that the University Lecture Committee deceived the Jewish community when it voted in favor of Hussani’s lecture. Local members of the Jewish community complain that the prospect of the lecture was brought up as old business and they did not know that the matter would be discussed that evening, therefore “no representatives from Jewish agencies were there to plead their case.”³³⁴⁶

Mr. Hussani’s lecture goes forward under heavy security and with a few hecklers. Letters to the editor continue to be printed in the Oracle for over a week after the lecture. Math Professor A.W. Goodman requests that the school uphold free speech and open debate by allowing him to speak in response to Hussani in the same auditorium, with the same time allotment and all the same arrangements. Goodman’s speech is more sparsely attended than Hussani’s, attracting around 60 people.³³⁴⁷

For six weeks residents of Iota Hall, a men’s residence, have been living without properly functioning air conditioning. Six students take their complaints to Housing Director Ray King. King explains that the coils need to be cleaned, but it will take a
while to find a mechanic who will do the work well at the least amount of money. The situation is resolved in just over a week.3348

The Oracle publishes the first in a two part series on the life of legendary USF Professor John “Knocky” Parker.3349

SG President Dave Hilfman and student Scott Carrico present a petition to Director of Educational Resources William Mitchell. The petition, signed by 1,000 students, requests an increase in programming at WUSF-TV and WUSF-FM created, produced and designed by students. Carrico says the petition plan was initiated when WUSF-FM decided not to broadcast USF basketball games. Mitchell refused to comment until he had spoken with a supervisor. The debate over WUSF’s role on campus stems from whether or not the stations serve the campus or the surrounding area.3350

For the past few weeks there has been heated debate on campus over controversial SG rule, 800.6. Part of the rule reads, “No Activity and Service funds shall be used by any entity to fund any singular political activity…in which only one viewpoint is presented.” As a result of this rule the SG has frozen the Arab Student Union’s A and S funds. Critics of the rule believe that it oppresses political minority groups. The senate deletes most of the controversial rule.3351

Despite budget cuts, administrators will submit the largest funding request that USF has ever required. The schools’ operating costs have risen from just under $40 million in 1974-75 to just over $100 million in 1984-85. The requested budget will help

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3349 O 10/11/82 p1, 10/12/82 p8
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reduce the faculty to student ratio, hire more staff at regional campuses, add more summer courses, expand the honors program and the liberal arts curriculum and augment WUSF-TV and WUSF-FM.\textsuperscript{3352}

USF is spending $30,000 to study whether or not the school needs a Lakeland campus and the feasibility of such an expansion.\textsuperscript{3353}

Local historian Tony Pizzo donates his vast collection related to Tampa history to the USF library. Pizzo has been documenting Tampa history for over 30 years and his collection includes “old photographs, letters, diaries and cigar labels, which Pizzo said reveal how long-ago Tampans saw their work, and their city.” Pizzo believes that since his collection is “invaluable” it would be wrong to get rid of any of it. He wishes for the collection to be placed somewhere where it can be used for research and “the special collections library at USF is probably the best reservoir in Florida.”\textsuperscript{3354}

The Oracle is running a survey on behalf of President John Lott Brown. Sun Dome officials are in negotiations with a promoter to bring the Volvo Grand Prix Tennis Tournament to USF. The weeklong tournament would necessitate moving graduation back one day, from May 1, 1983 to May 2, 1983. Brown would like the student’s input as to whether the administration should have the tournament or hold graduations as scheduled.\textsuperscript{3355}

Senior Class Committee President Bill Andree refuses to release the results of the Oracle’s poll. Andree argues that there is substantial evidence of ballot stuffing, he found many of the ballots had been “cut in the same way and similarly marked.” Andree insists

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that the Senior Class Committee conduct a poll, in which students must sign their names and social security numbers. This poll would also be restricted to seniors only.3356

Bill Andree releases the data from the first day of the Oracle’s poll. According to Andree, 26 students wanted to keep the date scheduled and 26 would allow graduation to move. He later decides to conduct the poll over the telephone because method will be “more scientific.” Andree will call 100 randomly selected seniors who have a legitimate chance of graduating in May and ask them their opinions.3357

The Student Government Senate narrowly rejects a resolution, which would have protested the proposed date change for graduation. President John Lott Brown gives Sun Dome officials word to start negotiations with the promoters of the tennis tournament. Possible alternatives to the Monday graduation include holding graduation on Sunday morning, holding the ceremony at the still unfinished Special Olympics Stadium, or handing out Masters and Doctoral degrees in the morning and giving out Bachelor diplomas at separate colleges.3358

A proposed one-cent sales tax, which will be in effect for one year if passed, has created some debate on campus. President John Lott Brown, his Vice-Presidents, several college deans, the Faculty Senate and the Student Government support the tax, believing it will aid higher education. The Sun Dolls and the USF Cheerleaders will “cheer for the tax increase on Franklin Street Mall” on November 1, a day before the referendum goes to a vote. Assistant Professor of Economics Mark Herander, wonders if the school is using “resources and money to campaign for something outside of the educational realm.” Herander wonders if administrators such as Brown represent themselves and

3356 ò 10/29/82 p1
3357 ò 11/1/82 p1
3358 ò 11/4/82 p5
their personal views or the University as a whole. Associate Professor of Accounting
Stephen Kahn believes that the school should be neutral on the issue.3359

USF administrators prepare a list of priorities for the $12 million they may
receive from the Board of Regents for construction. The list includes work on the Fine
Arts Rehearsal hall, a new bookstore, renovations to the UC, another basketball gym, and
work on USF Sarasota. The list also includes $750,000 for Sun Dome legal fees, a price
which upsets some student leaders. Administrators from USF’s branch campuses ask that
they are included in the proposed construction projects. USF St. Petersburg Dean John
Hinz argues that there are “no facilities for the students” to enjoy university sponsored
recreation and the campus should be allowed a fair share of the money since their student
fees provided $141,158 last year alone.3360

Physical plant workers have been removing fluorescent light tubes from around
campus in an effort to ease financial woes. The removal of one tube could save the
university $5 a year. The total amount removed might save the school $8,000 annually.
This is all part of an effort to reduce USF’s $2 million annual electric bill.3361

According to a Board of Regents review, USF is an “extraordinary…up to date”
school with just a few problems, including issues with on-campus housing, the Office of
Financial Aid and the University Center.3362

William Breidenbach, the architect who designed USF’s Tampa Campus, dies in
Tampa.3363
The SG Elections are plagued by three major problems. According to the Oracle, those in charge of the election failed to put a Constitutional revision on some ballots, some ballot boxes were locked during the day, and they made a mistake in the disqualification of a candidate. The election can be challenged before the Student Court of Review. Dave Hilfman and Scott Schwarz are elected Student Body President and Vice-President, respectively, though only 5.4% of students voted. The election may be overruled because of an official protest by Senator Bob Kral. According to the Oracle, Kral maintains that someone working at the polls handed out campaign literature for one of the candidates. If Kral’s protest is upheld and the elections are invalidated, they will have to start the entire process again from the very beginning, including candidate sign up, campaigning, and primary elections. Senator Ken Richter files a protest against Vice-Presidential candidate Rob Barnhart. Richter accuses Barnhart of consistently campaigning within 50 feet of a polling booth, posting unapproved campaign literature, and failing to produce a receipt for expenses incurred mimeographing a letter sent to various student organizations. The Student Court of Review rejects both protests and declares the elections valid.\footnote{\textsuperscript{3364}}

USF’s Ft. Myers campus opens on a 55 acres piece of land next to Edison Community College. The campus has four new buildings, erected after the school had been borrowing class space from the Gwynne Institute beginning in 1974. In 1977 Senator Frank Mann (R-Ft. Myers) asked the legislature to fund the branch campus. The legislature appropriated $6 million in 1979 and the Ft. Myers community got behind the initiative. Ground was broken in June of 1980 and the school had been sharing class and

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office space with ECC. The two schools plan to continue sharing space now that they both have campuses.  

Beta Hall residents are arrested with cocaine, marijuana, and drug paraphernalia. They are later kicked out of the dorm.  

Officials break ground on a new Student Services Building on the St. Petersburg Campus.  

William C. Tremmel, Chair of the Religious Studies Department, has noticed a turn towards fundamentalism in students interested in religion. This growing conservatism is reflected in the classes that students take. According to Tremmel, students appear more serious about religion and turn towards traditional religious classes “instead of taking Eastern religion classes like they did in the early ’70s, they now want solid answers, rather than new experiences.” Ray DeHainaut, the Campus Minister at the University Chapel Fellowship, has also noticed a rise in cults such as the Moonies throughout the campus.  

Harri and Ruth Kosove, a retired couple from Sebring, donate over $600,000 to USF, the largest single donation in the university’s history.  

The Counseling Center for Human Development sponsors Minority Career Identification Week. This program allows minority students to work closely with an administrator for a week, spending as much of the day together as the student’s class schedule allows. Participants and organizers hope it can become an annual event.

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3367 O 11/24/82 p2  
3368 O 12/1/82 p1, the Oracle features an article on the Moonies on campus on 11/2/82 p1  
3369 O 12/2/82 p1  
3370 O 12/6/82 p1  

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USF parking officials are considering raising the price of a parking ticket from $2 to $5 because many students don’t mind paying the $2 fine and simply park wherever they wish.  

Faculty and students at the St. Petersburg campus hope that the University will fund the construction of a $1.4 million multi-purpose facility on the campus.  

Chemistry Professor Jay Worrell found an interesting response when his students asked how to study for their final exam. Worrell listed 13 meaningless ‘words’ in the Oracle classified section from Wednesday to Friday of last week. If a student can re-arrange the letters with proper spacing and spelling, they will have a handy study guide. According to Worrell, “If you’re smart enough (to decipher the code), you’ve got the exam in your hand.” According to one of his students, Worrell only said that the “key to studying for the exam was virtually posted in every major building on campus.” Worrell explains that the Oracle is in every major building and students who study for the exam traditionally won’t run into any extra hurdles. He also added that there would be one question on the exam in either Persian or Chinese as a “bonus” for students who can speak either of those languages.

President Brown pays a “diplomatic” visit to the St. Pete campus, ostensibly to “extend a conciliatory hand to Bayboror students who have said recently that they are tired of receiving second-class treatment.” Brown’s message was not always welcome, however. He said that he would not be able to supply all of the $1.4 million for a rec center (while the Tampa campus received $7 million from the same committee); that the 7-week summer terms would continue (St. Pete students thought the terms too short,  

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while Brown maintained that Tampa students preferred them) or be lengthened only slightly; he would not allow St. Pete to use any of their $100,000 in student fees for intramural sports (St. Pete accommodates 2,347 students). Students wore green ribbons that symbolically demanded a “fair share” of the fees the campus has contributed to the capital improvement trust fund. Students complained that their athletics finds disappeared in Tampa rather than provide services like intramural sports on the St. Pete campus. Brown said, “I believe in providing everyone with a fair share, but that can’t mean full equality. To achieve that, we’d have to duplicate every single program on the Tampa campus … I don’t think the legislature would look too kindly on such a request.”

USF receives second and third endowed chairs under state’s Eminent Scholars Act: one for cancer research and one for marine science.

USF’s baseball team wins its first Sun Belt championship.

New public radio and TV stations serving southwest Florida begin broadcasting from Fort Myers campus.

Auditors find that officials improperly bought season tickets (Tampa Buccaneers and Rowdies) with USF funds.

Harri and Ruth Kosove give a large undisclosed gift to USF, the largest ever given, worth at least $600,000.

New York Times writer Leonard Harris rates 265 universities around the nation, and USF does not fare well. He writes of USF, “casual good grades are much easier to come by than good courses, and a main ingredient of success is a good bottle of

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Coppertone [sun tan lotion]. The main library on the Tampa campus is not particularly well stocked, but who really cares? It is not the place for either rigorous academics or strenuous partying, but rather for lazing around in a sort of perpetual drowsy summer attitude.” USF’s student body president attributes the comments to “geographic jealousy.”

Florida journalist Hampton Dunn donates his large private collection of books, photos, artifacts and clippings to USF Library’s Special Collections, which includes over 1,000 volumes. Tampa historian and entrepreneur Tony Pizzo also donates his collection, which contains over artifacts, cigar memorabilia, clippings, and 10,000 photos.  

John Allen, USF’s first president, dies of Alzheimer’s disease and pneumonia on December 26 at University Community Hospital at the age of 75. USF conducts a memorial for him shortly after. Religion columnist Dr. Adiel Moncrief wrote of the event in the Tribune, “I was profoundly impressed by the spiritual beauty and nobility of the occasion. His former colleagues in academe … spoke with eloquent simplicity of the gift of learning from the Bay area and his valiant defense of freedom in academic pursuits. I visualized Dr. Allen’s spiritual presence with us as his achievements were noted, and as love and appreciation were expressed to his surviving helpmate, Grace, who shared with him his pioneer labors. Immortality is achieved in so many marvelous ways, and this gentle Quaker, John Stuart Allen, has possessed it as a part of the lengthening shadow of a great and growing institution.” His long time administrative assistant Mozelle Beverly said, “He was admired and respected by all who knew him, he was really a gentle man and in every respect a gentleman. He was a man of great vision.

3376 Oracle, 1/27/82; Tt 10/22/82.
because things are still coming to pass that we planned before we ever moved to campus and took our first students. Before we had groundbreaking ceremonies on campus we had plans for the use of the campus and the surrounding territories where the VA hospital, community hospital, research labs and doctors’ offices are. It’s getting to be a regular medical center.” Allen’s family asked that all memorials be sent in the form of financial contributions to the scholarship to which he gave his name.3377

USF offers 85 undergraduate, 65 MA, and 11 PhD programs. When USF opened, it offered three undergraduate programs. USF’s annual economic impact on the area exceeds $137 million.

Among the Black Student Union’s speakers for 1981-82: Stokeley Carmichael and Alex Haley, author of “Roots.”

USF credits their lobbyist Betty Castor (formerly a Hillsborough County commissioner) with a generous haul of Tallahassee funds, despite a shortfall of revenue in the state. Much of the additional funds will go toward construction, such as the cancer center, an engineering building, and a fine arts complex. She is also credited with approval of the College of Public Health. Castor credits legislators, but others insist she was the catalyst. Later in the year, she resigns her post while she runs for the Florida senate. She resigned to spare USF of criticism, especially from senate incumbent David McClain, who announced, “I’m surprised that somebody who lobbies for [USF] is running against an incumbent senator who has helped the university.” He also says that USF “grooming” her as a candidate makes it “a hotbed of political patronage.” Castor counterattacks by pointing out that McClain received $6,000 worth of contributions from

3377 Tt 2/26/83, spt 12/27/82, tt 12/28/82.
Political Action Committees (PACs) representing beer distributors and greyhound racing interests, “all good for government, of course.” 3378

Eugene Lewis, provost of New College tells the Chronicle of Higher Education, “Our [New College’s] greatest problem today is that people don’t know we’re here. They think New College has disappeared. They ask, ‘Can a small, private, innovative, liberal arts college merge with a gigantic university and still have feathers, web feet, and quack? The answer is yes, but people don’t think so. We’re well regarded in national academic circles, the graduate schools know we’re here, but the high schools don’t.’”  3379

1983:  Tony Pizzo donates his varied collection of personal and Tampa memorabilia to the USF Library, Special Collections Department. 3380

Units of the Army and Air Force ROTC are both housed on the USF campus for the first time in its history. After the Vietnam War, the program became widely unpopular, but recently it has grown and most students are more accepting of its presence on their campuses. 3381

Dr. John Stuart Allen, USF’s first President, dies December 26, 1982. He was 75. Dr. Allen, whose academic specialty was astronomy, dies of Alzheimer’s disease and pneumonia. USF president from its inception in 1957 to 1970, Allen is survived by his wife Grace, two sisters, several nieces and one nephew. 3382

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3378  Tt 7/10/82, tt nw 4/29/82, tt 6/23/82.
3379  New College, p. 160.
3382  Oracle, 1/10/83 p1, A memorial article to John Allen also appears in Intercom, supplement to the Oracle, 1/12/83.
The drop/add period, which was a period fraught with problems last semester, goes much more smoothly in every college this semester except the College of Business.  

Attorneys for both Austin-Westshore Co. and the state of Florida give their closing arguments in an 11-month arbitration hearing regarding delays and costs during the construction of the Sun Dome. Both parties argue that the other owes them money. The Board of Regents approves of USF and the University of Florida’s suit against Geiger-Berger and Associates (Geiger-Berger designed the Sun Dome and UF’s O’Connell Center) because they “negligently and carelessly performed the engineering services” on the projects, which led to delays and excess cost.  

Sophomores at USF take the College Level Academic Skills Test (CLAST) and score higher than the state average.  

The new student services building at the St. Petersburg campus must be redesigned because it violates air space at Albert Whitted Airport.  

A bad electrical socket leads to a fire in room 117 of the Epsilon Dormitory. The residents of the room were not home when the fire broke out at 3:00 pm, and no injuries were reported. A mattress that caught fire is the most major loss in the blaze.  

The Oracle prints an article about Kevin Cramer, USF’s “Wildman” at basketball games. The “mild-mannered French horn player” in the school band does an “unusual act” when the score is close. Cramer has been known to “squirm on the floor, apparently going through spastic convulsions,” slam dunk pom-poms, and, according to a picture in
the Oracle, dive headfirst into (what appears to be) a block of wood held by another student.3388

The Board of Regents ratifies a proposal bringing a College of Public Health to USF. It is the first such college in the state.3389

Because of a new state law, which requires 80% of a program’s graduates to pass Florida’s Teacher Certification test, three programs in the USF College of Education may lose their state approval. College of Education Dean William Katzenmeyer believes that the results are misleading because only 40 students took the most recent exam in October, and when 350 students took the test over the summer, 92.4% passed. Despite questions regarding the data, Katzenmeyer admits, “The bottom line is we shouldn’t have people flunking the examination.”3390

According to the Office of Institutional Research, 86% of USF students live off campus, they average 10 credit hours and a 2.8 GPA. The ratio of women to men is about equal and the school is 3.5% African American and 4.4% Hispanic. The average age is 25. Most students spend the highest portion of their money on food and beer.3391

The office of Florida Governor Bob Graham sends a memorandum to all the State Universities requesting the names of all “enrolled students who are relatives of high-visibility people such as diplomats, Representatives, Senators, Judges, Major Corporate Executives, etc.” USF will not comply with the request because federal law prohibits the
release of student records and the school does not keep track of the information requested.\textsuperscript{3392}

With six major construction projects either under way or about to begin, the university is in the middle of its greatest period of growth. The USF Cancer Research and Treatment Center and the Special Olympics Facility are being built. Construction on new dorms will begin later this month and work will soon begin on the Shriners hospital, a fine arts rehearsal hall and a new engineering building.\textsuperscript{3393}

USF officials get a pleasant surprise when Southern Landmark Inc. submits their low bid for construction of the new dormitory complex. The administration had planned on a complex to house 480 students, but because the bid was about $500,000 under the $3 million that USF had projected, they now have the funds to bring the total student numbers up to 600. The complex should be finished by late August. The dormitory complex is planned with conclusions from psychological studies in mind. Planners have specifically designed the complex to minimize the effects of stress and overcrowding. In order to accomplish this, the planners have decided that the dorms will be more like an apartment building, with each unit having a private bathroom and cooking area and each dorm room opening directly to the outside of the building rather than a shared hallway.\textsuperscript{3394}

Although not completed, sections of the dormitory complex open in time for the fall semester. These sections house 314 juniors, seniors, and graduate students. When

\textsuperscript{3392} O 1/18/83 p2
\textsuperscript{3393} O 1/20/83 p1
\textsuperscript{3394} O 1/28/83 p1, 2/1/83 p1, 5/9/83 p2
finished, the complex will house 596 students, raising the number of beds on campus from 2,716 to 3,312.\textsuperscript{3395}

Harry Sudakoff, whom the Oracle refers to as “a staunch supporter of New College in Sarasota,” has donated $750,000 towards the construction of a multi-purpose auditorium on the campus.\textsuperscript{3396}

Ground is broken on the Sudakoff Lecture and Conference Center at New College, USF’s Sarasota Campus in June 1983.\textsuperscript{3397}

The men’s room outside the Empty Keg is now back in working order. The bathroom was out of order from Friday night until Tuesday night. According to UC maintenance mechanic Jack McCombs, the age of the building’s plumbing was the major factor in the block up. McCombs does not believe that vandals were the culprits, although he has found everything from sunglasses to a toothbrushes in the plumbing, he did not believe they were put there on purpose because he “can’t conceive of anyone being that stupid.”\textsuperscript{3398}

USF officials hope to change the Child Care Center into an educational research center for child development. They also want the new center to work within the college of education.\textsuperscript{3399}

Bulldozers moving mounds of dirt are temporarily stopped when ground is officially broken on the USF Cancer Research Center (the center had already been under construction). Governor Bob Graham and Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives Lee Moffitt (“one of the most powerful catalysts in the push for

\textsuperscript{3395} O 8/29/83 p1A
\textsuperscript{3396} O 1/20/83 p3
\textsuperscript{3397} O 6/17/83 p1
\textsuperscript{3398} O 1/20/83 p5
\textsuperscript{3399} O 1/24/83 p1
funding") were on hand and held symbolic groundbreaking shovels, along with seven children, ages 3 to 17, who had been USF cancer patients.3400

The USF rifle team opens their inaugural season with a “postal” match against Texas Tech University. According to the rules of a “postal” match, the schools will each shoot on their own campuses (USF competes at the University of Tampa) and then mail the targets to judges at the other school.3401

There has been a rise in the number of pregnancies confirmed at the USF Health Center. According to Dr. Cheryl Mann, a gynecologist at the center, the failure to use birth control has been the deciding factor in most cases. There were more pregnancies reported at the health center in the previous semester than in the entire year prior to the beginning of the semester.3402

The Student Government Senate votes unanimously in opposition to raising Florida’s legal drinking age from 19 to 21. USF Student Body President Dave Hilfman, plus members of his cabinet and the senate, call several state senators to officially protest the proposed rise in the drinking age.3403

Controversy has erupted regarding a potential hike in parking fines from $2 per ticket to $5 per ticket. According to Student Body Vice President Scott Schwartz, the proposal was made simply to solve the situation in the business parking lot and was based on “inaccurate” information. According to Schwartz, the committee considering the raise failed to give sufficient notice to students on the committee. Schwartz also opposes the committee’s inclusion of parking fine rates from other schools, especially two that use a
sliding scale in assessing fines. Vice President of Student Affairs Dan Walbolt agrees to
give Student Body President Dave Hilfman and Vice President Scott Schwartz two weeks
to compile and present an analysis of the proposal to the Parking and Traffic
Committee.  

According to USF Traffic Coordinator Otto Meerbott, USF has “probably the best parking conditions in the land for a university with an enrollment of 20,000 or more.” Meerbott adds that the school has one of the best ratios of students to parking spaces. He believes that the parking is “more than adequate. Students just don’t like to have to walk.” Parking services wrote 27,990 parking tickets in the past year. Parking Patroller Julia Griffin, just one of the five full-time patrollers, writes “about 100 tickets a day on the average.” Griffin believes that the proposed fine increase to $5 will help ease some of the numbers of violators. The Oracle reports that there are only 10,651 spaces for about 20,000 students. Meerbott replies that there are never more 7,600 cars on campus because all registered vehicles are never here at the same time.  

Otto Meerbott rejects two possible alternatives to the raise in parking fines. One of the alternatives would allow more traffic patrollers into Lot 36, a problem lot. Another would only increase the fines in problem lots. The Parking and Traffic Control Committee votes to increase the fines; the increase becomes official over spring break.  

According to a University Police Report, major crime on campus fell in the last year, while minor offenses rose.
This year’s graduation is officially moved from May 1 to May 2 at 11am. The move caused some consternation among students last semester.\textsuperscript{3408}

Plans are underway to link USF to the new cable television system once the city’s connections are completed. According to USF Director of Educational Resources, Bill Mitchell, the school plans to “expand the use of cable television for educational purposes.”\textsuperscript{3409}

According to the Oracle, the Pinellas County Legislative Delegation will most likely favor a resolution that recommends USF allocate $1.4 million for the construction of a multi-purpose facility on the St. Petersburg Campus. The campus receives the funding (contingent upon BOR approval), but Bert Hartley, Vice President for finance and accounting, does not believe that the school will have the space or the funds to build the facility they desire.\textsuperscript{3410}

USF’s 1983 homecoming begins and features a parade, a performance by entertainer George Kirby, a “Celebrity Roast” of university president John Lott Brown, and the President’s Cup basketball game between administration and the Student Government (which the administration won). The game featured a halftime show with administrators performing a synchronized drill with briefcases and the students pretending to graduate during a tennis match, dodging shots all along. According to an Oracle editorial, only 730 people came to the Friday night homecoming festivities. The editorial blames the low turnout on USF’s status as a commuter school and a lack of homecoming tradition at the school.\textsuperscript{3411}

\textsuperscript{3408} O 2/9/83 p1
\textsuperscript{3409} O 2/9/83 p3
\textsuperscript{3410} O 2/10/83 p1, 2/18/83 p1
\textsuperscript{3411} O 2/14/83 p1, 4, 2/16/83 p12
At least $25,000 is set aside this year by the University of South Florida Foundation Inc. for the purpose of expense accounts to be used by President John Lott Brown, his five vice-presidents, the dean of regional campuses and development office officials. The foundation uses state offices and state employees, but is “legally separate from the university and state government,” therefore it is not state regulated or audited. The money could be used to purchase tickets to athletic events such as season tickets to the Tampa Bay Buccaneers football games or Tampa Bay Rowdies soccer matches, or tickets to concerts such as the Florida Gulf Coast Symphony. Local car dealerships donate vehicles to USF officials and coaches (President Brown drives a donated Buick). The money can also be used to purchase pens (two 10-carat gold pens were purchased for $52 last year), and lunches. Officials argue that the expenses are “necessary” and are “sanctioned” by the Foundations Board of Directors. According to President Brown, “This sort of practice is followed in universities throughout the country.”

The Oracle reports that the USF Foundation is officially a private, non-profit corporation, but according to USF Foundation Attorney Bryan Burgess, “the Foundation is nothing but a fiction.” University administrators act as “agents” of the organization and because it is private, but associated with USF, these agents have expense accounts and “can legally conduct university business as private persons, exempt from auditors’ scrutiny and government-in-the-sunshine laws.” Letters to the Oracle either support the Oracle articles or believe that they are examples of useless “muckraking” journalism. An Oracle editor believes that the most important issue is lack of accountability for just a few administrators who control the university, the foundation, and Sun Dome Inc.

3412 O 2/15/83 p1
3413 O 2/16/83 p1, 2/21/83 p7, 2/22/83 p8
USF’s newest club is the Bag of Tricks Circus Club. In the circus club, members perform tricks that might include juggling, wire balancing, and skating. The club performs for parties and children’s charities.\textsuperscript{3414}

USF will host the Mideast sub-regional tournament of the NCAA basketball championships.\textsuperscript{3415}

USF’s Engineering Department holds their 11\textsuperscript{th} annual expo. 20,000 people attend the event.\textsuperscript{3416}

USF hosts a “Mardi-Gras Party” for students. The Office of Student Programming, the Black Student Union, Student Government, and the Pepin Distribution Company organize the event. The Mardi Gras includes live bands, two dance rooms (one with ‘50s music and the other with current music), and a porno movie. Throughout the event, most of the students were either listening to music in the Empty Keg or “on the second floor of the UC watching ‘Bel Ami,’ a porno film starring Harry Reems.” Most students are happy with the events, although one complains that the beer should have been free, not 75 cents a cup.\textsuperscript{3417}

20-year-old chemistry major Jay Seto waited in line for three days to register for semester two. He decided that he would make the university wait for his tuition payment. On February 22 (he would be dropped as a USF student if he didn’t pay by the 25\textsuperscript{th}) Seto paid his $403 tuition fee with $103 in one dollar bills, $60 in pennies, $60 in nickels, and

\textsuperscript{3414} O 2/17/83 p5
\textsuperscript{3415} O 2/15/83 p9
\textsuperscript{3416} O 2/21/83 p1
\textsuperscript{3417} O 2/21/83 p3
$80 in dimes. Seto’s payment is refused until his name and social security number is written on every single roll of change.  

The Sun Dome receives a license to sell beer and wine. The Sun Dome’s Board of Directors approves the policy, but stipulates that alcohol will not be sold at USF basketball games or concerts where the presence of liquor will have “an adverse effect.” Wine is first served at the Robinson’s Men’s Tennis Classic. Beer is first served at a Kenny Rogers concert. According to officials, Sun Dome vendors sold about 4,000 12oz cups of beer at $1 apiece. According to University Police Lt. Jane Krause, “The concert ran very smoothly” and no one was expelled for drunkenness. After serving beer and wine at four events, the Kenny Rogers concert, the tennis tournament, a Marvin Gaye concert and an NBA all-star game, the Sun Dome has turned $7,000 in extra profit. 

The Parent-Oriented Infant Intervention Project, a program to help the parents of premature babies, operates out of the USF Medical Clinic and Tampa General Hospital. It aims to help both mother and child cope with the problems associated with premature birth. 

Graphicstudio II makes art history by producing “Chinese Summerhal.” It is the first color photography to be published by Robert Rauschenberg and could quite possibly be the largest single continuous image ever printed at 100 feet. 

The controversy over Phyllis Hamm’s lawsuit against the university reignites on campus. Administrators accuse Hamm of being a troublemaker, and are incensed over her decision to sue for punitive damages, which officials will have to pay out of their own

3418 O 2/23/83 p1  
3419 O 2/28/83 p1, 4/8/83 p1, 5/16/83 p1, 7/1/83 p1  
pockets. Some people see Hamm as a good employee who was genuinely trying to work against discrimination on campus and was opposed in this endeavor by officials. Phyllis Hamm files a new lawsuit against USF and President John Lott Brown claiming continued harassment and discrimination. Hamm contends that USF Vice President Steve Wenzel promoted less qualified individuals before her and “reclassified job openings to shut her out of higher positions.” Hamm, who had been Equal Employment Opportunities Specialist until 1975, has been working in the employee benefits section of the personnel department. Hamm charges that her 1981 application for promotion was effectively cut off because Wenzel restricted her three different applications to just one job and required her to face a committee comprised of “antagonistic” university officials. Hamm also believes that a position was renamed and held open for a year in order to hire USF grad Cynthia Bollinger, whom Hamm claims is less qualified. Hamm names Brown in the lawsuit because she believes he is “personally responsible for some of the harassment” because he is the “supervisor of the individuals” who are harassing her. Despite this, she names Brown in his official capacity as USF President and not in a personal capacity. Brown, who is celebrating his fifth anniversary at USF the day the suit is brought forth, remarks, “Right on, Phyllis Hamm,” and claims to have empathy for anyone who challenges a large bureaucracy. Hamm has spent about $23,000 in loans from the USF Federal Credit Union to pay her legal fees and a group of faculty and staff members have organized to help her raise money.

The Phyllis Hamm Legal Fund holds a $3-a-plate spaghetti dinner to raise money. The organizers will offer free paper bags to be used as masks for those who fear

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3422 O 3/2/83 p1 and 4, for more information regarding the Hamm affair see Oracle, 2/18/82, 2/24/82, 9/15/82, 11/24/82 and 11/30/82.
3423 O 4/15/83 p2A
retribution from the University’s administration. About 300 people, including many faculty members, attend the spaghetti dinner. Jerry W. Koehler, Dean of Continuing Education, is the only dean in attendance. Hamm tells the crowd that “Practically everyone who filed a complaint (alleging discrimination at USF) had some sort of reprisal against them.” She further states, “Until there is a penalty for discrimination, there will be no end to it. This is one of the reasons I’m fighting this suit.”

As part of USF’s first annual Minority Awareness Month, student body President Dave Hilfman, Vice President Scott Schwartz, and USF President John Lott Brown, all spend the day in a wheelchair. Because of the experience, the participants understand the disabled perspective better and Hilfman now has the “highest respect” for those in a wheelchair. Nate Wall, from the Department of Education’s Regional Office of Civil Rights reports the findings of a departmental team’s review of the USF campus. According to the Oracle, “Handicapped facilities at USF compare very favorable with those at universities throughout the Southeast.”

An Oracle editorial equates a new police practice of stopping, photographing and questioning students on the basis of “phone tip” as an “infringement” on rights that looks “distinctly like racial harassment” because the only students stopped are African-American. In a letter to the Oracle, student Eric Michael Elzey reports that he was stopped by a USF police officer looking for a 6’ tall black man with curly hair. Elzey did not match this description. According to Elzey’s letter, the police officer said that he had

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3424 O 5/11/83 p2, 5/16/83 p2
3425 O 3/3/83 p1, 3/16/83 p3
stopped the student because “he had to check every black person because someone told him all blacks look alike.”

Chester Ferguson, namesake of USF’s College of Business building, dies in Tampa of complications from a heart attack. Ferguson, who donated $600,000 in October for an endowed chair in banking and finance, bequeaths $25,000 to the College of Business Administration for the creation of scholarships.

Doug Conwell’s letter to the Oracle creates a good deal of debate in the letters page. Conwell notices few announcements for Christian activities in the paper, but does see an announcement for a bible study in support of homosexual Christians, which Conwell considers a “sin of excessive hatred and disgust to God.” Conwell is later invited to the study by the organizer (he refuses to attend) and many letters are written back and forth to the Oracle.

The debate over homosexuality and religion begins on the same day as an exchange regarding racism on campus, beginning with a column by Brian Jones. Unknown students have printed racial epithets on images of some African Americans put up for Black Emphasis Month. Student Edward “Jake” Lekan, agrees with much of Jones’s sentiment, but thinks that Jones’s closing statement, that if whites disrespect and ridicule blacks, they “will regret it,” was a threat. The Oracle prints responses to Lekan’s letter in defense of Jones’s column. Lekan is later shown on the cover of the Oracle.

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3426 O 3/3/83 p8, O 3/16/83 p8
3427 O 3/4/83 p1, 3/31/83 p3
3428 O 3/2/83 p13, 3/3/83 p9, 3/16/83 p8, 3/18/83 p8 and 9, an article covering the Bible Study workshop appears in the Oracle, 3/18/83 p2.
along with two other students partaking in a seminar that discussed the racial issues affecting the USF campus and the entire nation.  

Bids officially open for construction firms interested in building a rigging system for sound and lighting which would bring nationally known musical acts to the Sun Dome. The project has about $360,000 in allocated funds. VSL Corporation of Los Gatos, California submits the lowest bid. The company submitted a bid of $700,000 to construct the rigging system for the Sun Dome at USF and the O’Connell Center at the University of Florida. The rigging systems will be the same and cost the same amount of money to build ($350,000 apiece). The rigging systems will be the same because the Sun Dome was designed to be similar to the O’Connell Center. The construction of the rigging system begins in October. The system is being built in California, will be shipped to USF, and then will be installed in the Sun Dome at some point when it will not conflict with basketball practice or other events.

Ground is officially broken on the Fine Arts Complex. Unfortunately rising inflation may hamper the construction and necessitate an altered design.

According to an Oracle article on alcohol abuse, 80% or USF students drink alcohol, 87% drink to relax and have fun, 65% have had a hangover, 67% have driven a car after several drinks, 42% drink to get drunk, 16% have missed class because of a hangover and 15% have gone to class after several drinks.

A conference sponsored by the philosophy department to commemorate the death of Karl Marx causes some security concerns on the university campus. The event is...
called the Marxist Scholars Conference. An article in La Voz Hispana had worried about Communist infiltration at USF and argues that no Cuban anti-communist professors were invited to speak and the professors who were speaking had not demonstrated objectivity when presenting communist ideology. Philosophy department chair Willis Truitt believes that, “If the editorial in La Voz Hispana suggests the conference should not be held, that’s encroachment of freedom of speech.” Truitt further argues that not all the speakers scheduled are Marxists.3433

The Oracle runs an article on a 21-year-old USF junior who pays his tuition with money raised as an exotic dancer.3434

The Student Government has a surprisingly large surplus of $113,500. President Dave Hilfman hopes to “see something tangible for the students” come about as a result of the funds because this kind of excess money is a rarity.3435

The Oracle asks their readers, “Do you know who John Lott Brown is? Have you seen him on campus lately? Well if you haven’t then you are not alone.” The article refers to Brown as, “the Howard Hughes of USF.” In order to demonstrate what they view as USF President John Lott Brown’s inaccessibility the Oracle runs a series of pictures with a student holding up a mask of Brown over his face.3436

Yearly rates for dorm living will increase by $30 a semester.3437

Freshman entering the University in the fall of 1983 will need to demonstrate competence in a foreign language in order to graduate from the school.3438
The University Police hold their first Crime Awareness Fair on the UC mall. Events include lectures, displays, and a “dunk-a-cop” booth. Proceeds from the dunking booth go to the USF Safe Team.3439

A group of local architects donate $103,000 in hopes to create a College of Architecture and Urban Planning.3440

Local law enforcement holds an experiment to see how drinking impairs ones driving ability. Police give students (in a controlled environment) drinks of vodka and orange juice and have them drive a course, submit to Breathalyzer tests, and walk in a straight line. The test found that one’s ability to drive safely falls as one imbibes more and more.3441

USF has become involved in a statewide debate over the Florida Public Interest Research Group (FPIRG). The College Republican National Committee distributes an “anti-PIRG packet” as a means of discrediting the “organized left.” The CNRC provides ways to make sure their campaign “doesn’t look like an attack on the left by the right,” but believes that they should not allow left leaning college groups to have “student’s money to lobby against President Reagan.” On a national level, some conservatives oppose the mandatory fee assessed to benefit PIRGs nationwide. Todd Freary, Vice-President of USF’s College Republicans, opposes the FPIRG’s funding and argues that the FPIRG should not be allowed on USF’s campus because it funds out-of-state liberal groups and its organizers are not college oriented. Edward Rodriguez, organizer of USF’s FPIRG chapter (which will begin operation this fall), disagrees. Rodriguez argues that the fee of $2.50 is optional and can either be refused by the student or refunded at

3439 O 4/7/83 p4
3440 O 4/11/83 p3
3441 O 4/11/83 p5
any time throughout the semester. Furthermore, the groups membership is composed entirely of fee paying students, programs are set by local and state boards and no FPIRG money goes to out of state groups. Rodriguez also produces documentation to support his claims. USF members of FPIRG present approximately 10,000 signatures to President John Lott Brown in hopes to establish a chapter at USF. Brown believes that PIRG’s activities “will have a valuable result in rounding out the students’ educational experience at USF.” Steve Baldwin, the National Projects Director of the College Republican National Committee writes a letter to the Oracle in defense of their policies and points out that it is not a “Republican v. Democrat or right v. left issue,” it is a “student rights v. PIRG battle.”

USF’s Affirmative Action Statement reveals that, while the university exceeded their female hiring goals by five, it fell two short of the African American hiring goals. The school, which had a projected hiring goal of five Hispanic faculty members, did not hire any. The Oracle publishes an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Plan Update, which includes statistics and the school’s plan for the future of Affirmative action on campus.

Two doctors at USF’s Medical Center want to form a local chapter of Physicians for Social Responsibility to campus. The group educates people on the dangers of nuclear war.

John Lott Brown celebrates five years at USF’s President. Under Brown’s leadership the school has grown in size and academic quality.

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3442 O 4/11/83 p1, 4/14/83 p1, 425/83 p10
3443 O 4/12/83 p1, Supplement to the Oracle, 4/19/83
3444 O 4/12/83 p4
3445 O 4/15/83 p1
Plans to move the library’s snack bar from the sixth floor to the first floor are temporarily suspended because of some dispute over placement of the vending machines.  

Student Body Vice-President Scott Schwartz graduates earlier than expected and decides to resign. President Dave Hilfman nominates Joe Gross, assistant director of legal aid, to fill the vacant position.  

The university’s women’s slow-pitch softball team needs extra innings to defeat Florida State by a score of 4-3 in the American Softball Association Tournament. It is the University of South Florida’s first national championship in any sport.  

An Oracle article reveals that the Softball team’s national championship was not a national championship. According to the NCAA there is no national title for slow-pitch softball. NCAA rules state that a sport must be played by 25% of colleges to be sanctioned by the association, slow-pitch softball is only played by 10% of all schools. USF has formed a committee that will look into switching to fast-pitch softball, which has an NCAA sanction.  

A straw poll of ninety USF faculty members rejects the BOR’s proposed salary hike by a vote of 83-7. The members reject the hike because they feel that the BOR’s 2% adjustment for inflation is too low and they want to have a written contract rather than the allow the BOR to be “total discretionary” on the subject of faculty raises.  

Because there are so many prerequisites in the College of Business, the inability to take a certain class in a certain semester may keep a student back for an entire
semester. In order to avoid this students have been camping out overnight in front of the business building with sleeping bags, alarm clocks, and board games to register. These students want to be absolutely sure they are in the front of the add/drop lines and are not kept back an extra semester. Other students arrive on campus at 4 am to wait in the line.3451

USF administration issues an alcoholic beverages policy statement that affirms that the school will not support events that award alcohol as prizes and discourages students, faculty, and staff from partaking in any such events. David Persky, assistant vice-president for student affairs, reiterates that the policy does not prohibit awarding alcohol as a prize, “We discourage it, but we cant’ stop it.”3452

Faculty members in the department of adult and vocational education donate a 100-pound dinner bell to USF’s Chinsegut Hill Educational Conference Center. The bell, about the size of the liberty bell, was purchased from an antique shop in Webster, Florida.3453

A new program begins through the cooperation of USF’s College of Engineering and local businesses. The new center, called CEDAR (the Center for Engineering Development and Research), is indicative of the growing national trend of cooperation between universities and technological industries.3454

The Florida Mental Health Institute creates a training program for parents of children with behavioral problems. The program consists of listening to lecture or

3451 O 5/13/83 p1
3452 O 5/18/83 p3
3453 Intercom, supplement to the Oracle 5/18/83, p2
videotape of specific behavioral techniques, roll-playing exercises, meetings with a parent trainer, and the completion of comprehensive questionnaires.  

USF holds the Florida Special Olympics at the stadium designed for the event.

For 20 years Susan Weston has been concurrently working towards four different Bachelor of Art degrees. At graduation Weston receives degrees in American Studies, History, English, and Mass Communications/English Education. She is the first person in USF history to earn four degrees at the same time.

Sun Dome officials plan to add walls to the baffles of the Dome. The baffles are the long drainage systems that come down from the side of the dome. University officials have found that many people are illegally accessing the roof of the dome and could either damage the structure or hurt themselves.

In an effort to conserve energy, the Physical Plant’s energy management department is installing “infra-red heat sensors” in classrooms. These sensors will turn lights on and off automatically when students either enter or exit a room.

Coach Robin Roberts tells eight players on the USF baseball team that they are being dismissed from the club for disciplinary reasons. Seven of the eight players are at the university on a scholarship. Roberts does not specify the players’ infractions and they are unsure what they are being disciplined for. Roberts maintains that the players could try out for the team next season but the players inform the Oracle that their coach told them they would not be able to make the team. Coach Roberts later offers one of the

3455 USF Magazine, Vol. 25, No. 3 (June 1983), 16-17.
3456 O 6/1/83 p1
3457 O 6/1/83 p4
3458 O 6/6/83 p1
3459 O 6/10/83 p1
seven scholarship players a partial scholarship for the following season. The remaining players vow to fight their dismissals in order to clear their names.  

Coach Roberts reveals the players’ infractions during their scholarship hearings. The players are accused of having unauthorized persons in their rooms on a road trip to Western Kentucky, unexcused tardiness to a practice or a game, failing to meet the 1 a.m. curfew on road trips, absence from campus awards banquets, misconduct on the team bus, and disregard for team rules regarding dress on the field. While two players admit that they had invited two girls to their room for 10-15 minutes, the other players state that all visitors to their rooms were either friends or family. The coach reveals that no single player broke all six rules, but that they all broke one or some of them at some point. Players are accused of everything from bringing beer on the team bus, to arriving for a team picture with facial hair. They respond by stating that they coach regularly bought them beer for consumption on the team bus and one player who was disciplined for not going to an awards ceremony replies that he had an early exam the following day. The players also comment that Roberts never told them of a rule against having guests in their hotel rooms. The players believe that Roberts’ actions are a means of covering up for a poor season in which the team went 19-34, their worst record ever, just one year after posting the program’s best season, winning the Sun-Belt Conference and going to the NCAA Tournament.  

The fourth and final player goes before the baseball scholarship hearings (the other two accused players decline their right to appeal). The player accuses the coach of providing beer for the players and of never telling them of set rules against having guests

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3460 O 5/11/83 p12, 5/18/83 p12
3461 O 6/24/83 p1, 6/27/83 p1, 8/29/83 p22C
in their hotel room. USF athletic director John Wadas believes that at least three of the players in question collaborated on their stories in order to influence the appeal.\textsuperscript{3462}

The four players are awarded partial aid for the coming year. If they wish to play baseball next year, they will have to try out for the team as walk-ons. The students are awarded half the amount of whatever their scholarship was for. The committee believes that the players violated some of the team rules, but “reasonable minds could differ on whether proposed sanction (scholarship removal) were justified by the violations.” The committee also believes that the rules were “not properly or adequately communicated to the players.” The players feel that the decision is not a victory, because they are not completely exonerated, Roberts has steadfastly refused to discuss the issue. These appeals were the first of their kind in USF history.\textsuperscript{3463}

Players and a former assistant coach on the baseball team reveal that coach Robin Roberts would hold a portion of the players’ meal money in order to buy beer for players. All players were allowed to drink the beer even though three of them were underage. The former assistant coach, K.R. Lombardia, tells the paper that Roberts bought the beer in order to stem some of the beer buying by players that had occurred during the 1982 season, in which players were “bringing six pack after six pack on the bus.” Tim Edwards, one of the underage players who has since transferred to another school, remarks that he would have been kicked off of his high school baseball team for drinking beer, but at USF, “It not only was ok to drink, but the beer was supplied for you.”\textsuperscript{3464}

Former USF student, Reverend John Hanly Mortgan, wins the Lenin Peace Prize from the Soviet Union. Morgan, who lives in Toronto, joins a list of winners that

\textsuperscript{3462} O 6/29/83 p1, 14
\textsuperscript{3463} O 7/8/83 p1, 7/11/83 p1
\textsuperscript{3464} O 8.29/83 p1A
includes Fidel Castro, Pablo Picasso, and Leonid Brezhnev. Irving Deer, one of Morgan’s former professors, comments that “it’s a very prestigious prize,” although neither the Oracle nor the school’s information services seemed interested in broadcasting the honor. Morgan is president of the Canadian Peace Conference and according to Deer, “nothing about him suggested he was involved in anything political. He’s just for peace.”

Dr. James D. Ray, Jr., Dean of the College of Natural Sciences, retires on August 31, 1983. Ray’s retirement is a milestone for the university because he was the first faculty member ever hired by the University of South Florida. Ray was hired in 1959 from Mississippi State University as an associate professor botany and became dean in 1974. Upon his hiring, USF President John Allen only had two staff members, a secretary and a librarian.

USF sets academic excellence as its ‘assignment for the 80’s.’ University officials hope to accomplish this by implementing a series of changes in academic policies, requirements and standards at the university. These include: the Gordon Rule, the College Level Academic Skills Test (CLAST), competency in a foreign language, higher entrance requirements, an honors program and a policy of going after high-achievers during recruitment.

USF’s participation in a summer school program geared towards senior citizens, called Elderhostel, goes into its eighth year. A network of colleges, universities,

3465 Tampa Tribune, 6/25/83.
3466 Intercom, supplement to the Oracle, 7/13/83 p1
independent schools and other educational institutions across the country (plus several foreign countries) offer short-term academic programs for people over the age of 60.  

WUSF-FM Radio celebrates its 20th birthday on September 13, 1983.  

USF student, Carleen Scutieri is named Miss Wheelchair Florida. The senior suffers from a form of muscular dystrophy. After she transferred to USF from Miami-Dade Junior College, Scutieri founded the disabled students union (PLUS II). She wants to promote the image of a woman in business, career and family, who just happens “to be disabled,” rather than the common image of a disabled person constantly in need of help.  

Dr. James D. Ray, Jr., the first faculty member hired by the University of South Florida in 1959, retires. Dr. Ray became Dean of Natural Sciences in 1974 and has helped USF expand its offerings in the natural sciences to a wide range of degrees.  

USF publishes its annual preview issue for the academic year 1983-1984. Sections include focuses on lifestyles, sports, and entertainment at and around USF.  

A health department investigation finds traces of dichloroethylene, a chemical believed to cause cancer, in the USF drinking water. The investigation, which took place during 1980-81, does not reveal how the chemical made its way into the water. Testing of one well found 2.2 parts per billion of the chemical, which federal regulations do not allow in drinking water at all.
USF Environmental Specialist Steve Myers reveals the results of new testing that finds no “detectable levels” of dichloroethylene. According to Myers, the water on campus “is completely acceptable for drinking.”  

USF’s hazardous waste storage program, which has been in operation since 1976, is experiencing difficulty in disposing of the waste and therefore accumulating thousands of pounds of hazardous waste, non-hazardous biological waste, chemical waste, and radioactive waste. 

There is a ‘Slappy-Hour-Is-Tradition-Party’ party at the Empty Keg in order to save the weekly Friday afternoon event. For 11 years Slappy Hour has been held so students can see live bands and buy beer at a discounted rate. The Office of Student Programming wishes to change the Slappy Hour to TKO and attract different types of performers to the venue, including comedy acts. 

The University Police debut their new mascot, Brahman Man. The mascot, a University Police officer whose identity is kept secret, will do personal appearances to “discourage criminal activity on campus and increase public awareness.” Brahman man elicits all kinds of responses from students, who believe that the idea is anything from “Dumb with a capital D” to “maybe we need something silly to call people’s attention to crime.” Brahman Man cartoons appear in the Oracle reminding students that “Stealing books from the library is a criminal offense,” and “People who make obscene phone calls deserve a quick blow to the jaw!” The “obscene phone calls” comic elicits a letter of
complaint to the Oracle by students who believe that Brahman Man should be a “crime-preventative measure” not an encouragement of aggressive behavior.\textsuperscript{3477}

The Sun Dome will require $412,000 in renovations because cracks in the dome’s concrete allow water to seep through, which may lead to rusting of the reinforcing steel.\textsuperscript{3478}

Beat Poet and National Book Award winner Allen Ginsberg speaks at USF’s St. Petersburg campus.\textsuperscript{3479}

The university will install an automated teller machine on campus. The ATM will be next to the bookstore in the University Center and will allow students to get money without having to cash a check at the bookstore or the textbook center. This will save time for students waiting in line in the bookstore and help clear out human traffic in these areas.\textsuperscript{3480}

The university will receive 37 new copy machines next month. The school currently keeps 17 extra copiers because of the high rate of break down.\textsuperscript{3481}

Paul Uravich, chief of the University Police, denies an Oracle request to view citizen complaints filed with the force. The Oracle states that the complaints are a part of the public record and should be open for inspection. The UP releases the requested files 12 days later, after deleting all information not covered by the public record law.\textsuperscript{3482}

The Young Americans for Freedom, a conservative group, is considering suing the university. Jonathon Gibson was appointed associate chief justice of the SG judicial
branch, but later was dismissed from his position after questioning concerning “possible involvement in the CIA and his former 10 years of involvement in the military.” The SG says they dismissed Gibson because he did not have the one semester of study necessary for eligibility. Gibson believes that they are “in the letter of the law,” but not “the spirit of the law.” He is trying to convince the YAF not to bring a suit against the university, because the defense money would come from Activities and Services fees, so the students would be the only ones paying for the suit.3483

Two other students raise discrimination complaints against the Student Government. Arlene Jones, an associate justice nominee, objects to inquiries concerning her religious affiliation. Prem Kittusamy, a freshman minority affairs advocate nominee, charges that the SG discriminated against him because of his age (Kittusamy eventually is approved for his position). After hearing this, Jonathon Gibson fully supports legal action by the Young Americans For Freedom. The YAF decides to pursue legal action against the Student Government.3484

Graduate Student Hugh Wallace is arrested by university police, handcuffed and taken to Tampa Central booking. Wallace spent 6 hours in jail and his girlfriend had to pay $250 in bail. Wallace was arrested for having expired temporary tags on his new Volkswagen Rabbit. It is later revealed that police arrested Wallace for leaving his old tags on the car. Wallace clarifies some of his arrest experience in a letter to the Oracle, stating that he kept his old license plate underneath the cardboard temporary plate as a means of “backing or support” because he was driving 1,200 miles to Florida in the new car. At no time was the old plate exposed until the arresting officer tore off the

3483 O 10/13/83 p1
3484 O 10/28/83 p3, 10/28/83mp9, 10/31/83 p1, 11/3/83 p1
temporary one. UP police chief Paul Uravich initiates an investigation of the arrest and finds that the arrest was contrary to UP policy and “appropriate corrective action has been taken.” The report is released to the public, but the two lines indicating the action taken against arresting officers is blacked out. Despite whatever “corrective action” was taken, the police cannot drop the charges. The only options for dropping the charges would be 1. A recommendation to the state attorney by the police or 2. the arresting officer would fail to show up for the court appearance. The second option goes against UP policy and would not officially drop the charges and the first option is almost never invoked with traffic violations because they are so frequent.  

Officer Deborah Swilley, the arresting officer in the Wallace case, and Cpl. Mike Conway, an officer at the scene, both give clearance to release the full report, including the “corrective action” taken against them. Officer Swilley received a verbal reprimand, while Cpl. Conway received a written reprimand. Conway’s was the more serious of the two because he “was the superior officer on the scene.” Wallace’s charges are later dismissed in court.  

The New York Times Selective Guide to Colleges refers to USF as “Coppertone U.” a name that USF has received in the past, the author writes that USF’s “academic program is casual, good grades are easier to come by than good courses, and a main ingredient for success is a bottle of Coppertone.” This is a direct quote of his assessment from the previous year. Gregory O’Brien, Vice President of Academic Affairs defends the school, saying, “The people sitting in New York (who wrote the book) are jealous.”
O’Brien further states, “We’re getting educational performance. The regional jealousy is unnecessary and it’s just trivial slang to use the term Coppertone U.”

Former USF student Michael Moffit publishes “The Complete Air Guitar Handbook.” Moffit’s first book, co-written University of Tampa Grad John McKenna, includes sections on tuning, safety, practice equipment, and positioning. The book has sold 75,000 advance copies in bookstores around the country.

The Sun Dome is in a state of constant litigation. According to the Oracle, the dome is “at the center of legal proceeding that could go on for years, could involve more than 10 law firms and have already cost USF students hundreds of thousands of dollars in legal fees.” At the present juncture, the Sun Dome is involved in three separate legal actions, two with the construction company that built the dome, and one with the architectural firm and the engineer who designed the dome itself.

The Oracle holds a poll asking students if they would support moving to a plus/minus grading system and holding classes on Saturdays. 198 full-time students and 9 faculty members respond to the survey. Eight of the nine faculty members and 80% of the students support the plus/minus system. Six out of the nine faculty members and 68% of students support Saturday classes.

87% of USF students polled believe that the College Level Academic Skills Test (CLAST) administered to all transfer students, students who have 55 credit hours, and students who are getting an associate of arts degree, is a “waste of time.”

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3487 O 10/14/83 p12, For more information on last year’s assessment, read Oracle 8/4/82 p4A.
3488 O 10/18/83 p6
3489 O 10/21/83 p5
3490 O 10/24/83 p1, 11/16/83 p1
3491 O 10/24/83 p1
The Model United Nations plants a tree on the Martin Luther King Plaza. The tree is meant to symbolically represent the hope for peace.\footnote{3492 O 10/25/83 p1}

A USF student, as a result of a longstanding feud with another Iota resident, brings a replica of a gun into the dorm and threatens other residents. Another student attempts to interfere with the UP arrest. Both students are brought to the police department.\footnote{3493 O 10/25/83 p5}

Some students are upset over a forthcoming speech by Henry Kissinger. Some believe that Kissinger’s fee, just under $20,000, is too high. Others object that students may have to pay for the speech twice, once out of A&S Fees, and again at the door with a potential $5 charge. A committee decides that students will not have to pay an entry fee, but the public will pay the $5 charge.\footnote{3494 O 10/26/83 p1, 10/31/83 p1}

A formaldehyde spill in the USF Science center has resulted in changes for storing and maintaining dangerous chemicals at USF.\footnote{3495 O 10/28/83 p1, 11/2/83 p1}

Assistant Professor Janell Klesius apprehends a student who attempts to steal her wallet. Dr. Klesius observed the student leaving her office and asked him why he was there. He replied that he was looking for a particular counselor in the department. Upon returning to her office Klesius searched for her wallet and could not find it. She caught up with the student and convinced him to come back to her office as she called the police.\footnote{3496 O 11/2/83 p5}

1983 USF grad George Murray wins the Wheaties “Search of Champions Contest.” The contest, which had more than 6,400 entrants, would allow the winner to
have their picture on a box of Wheaties Cereal. Murray’s picture will appear on 2 to 3 million boxes throughout the United States. Murray, a wheelchair athlete, won USF’s Outstanding Senior of the Year Award in 1983, was Florida’s Outstanding Wheelchair Athlete of year in 1979, and traveled from Maine to California in his wheelchair in 1981. Murray undertook the 3,500-mile journey along with his friend, Phil Carpenter.\(^{3497}\)

The Physical Plant requests that USF abandon the system of school bells that ring throughout the day. Because of the large number of bells and clocks, the signal generator is unable to generate the necessary power to ring all the bells and keep the clocks running. Because of the power problems, the bells will ring for the last time at 3 o’clock on November 4, 1983.\(^{3498}\)

Former USF President Cecil Mackey returns to campus to accept a “Founder’s Award” from the USF College of Medicine. The College was constructed during Mackey’s tenure. Mackey, who was president during USF’s most difficult period of “growing pains,” believes that the university’s growth is “fantastic.” Mackey was president from 1971-1976. He became president of Texas Tech in 1976 and left there in 1979 to assume the Presidency of Michigan State University.\(^{3499}\)

Doug Martin, a 22-year-old English major, is cut across the right ear and the back of the neck by another student. The incident occurred about five minutes before their 12 o’clock British Literature class in the Arts and Letters building. Martin and the suspect were sitting next to one another, when the suspect jumped up suddenly, shouted at Martin, and cut him. Martin exited the room, followed by the suspect, and went to the Dean’s Office. The suspect returned to class, gathered his books, and left. Graduate

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\(^{3498}\) O 11/4/83 p1  
\(^{3499}\) O 11/7/83 p1
Student Victor Crist, a volunteer fireman on Treasure Island, administered first aid to the injured student. The police say that they have a good idea who the suspect was because of descriptions from other students and class rolls.\textsuperscript{3500}

Police issue a warrant for Joseph E. Ables, the suspect in the knifing case. Martin provided the police with Ables’ name. Martin and Ables have taken two other classes together besides the British Literature class. Martin, who describes his attacker as a “quiet kind of guy,” has no idea why he was attacked. Martin lost four pints of blood and is in serious, though improving, condition.\textsuperscript{3501}

Joe Ables turns himself over to the police. In an interview with the Oracle, Ables’ mother reveals that her son suffers from emotional problems as a result of his time in Vietnam. Ables tells the paper that Martin’s assertion that the two did not know one another was a lie. According to Ables the two students have had a confrontational relationship for more than half a year. Ables states that Martin kicked him in class once (Martin maintains he was just trying to put his feet on a desk and brushed up against Ables). Ables also says that the latest incident is a result of a confrontation over Martin’s trying to force another student from their seat, Ables stuck up for the student (whom Martin claims was a friend and the two were just joking), their arguing escalated and Ables eventually cut Martin with a knife used to sharpen pencils for art class. Ables’ mother argues that Martin has been needling her son for months trying to incite problems between the two. Ables’ arraignment is set for either December 2\textsuperscript{nd} or 9\textsuperscript{th}.\textsuperscript{3502}

Ables pleads ‘not guilty’ to the charges and has his bail set at $50,000.\textsuperscript{3503}
Officials announce that Kiwanie Children’s Clinic, Inc. will build a $1.2 million clinic at USF.\textsuperscript{304}

There is a runoff election for SG President between Joe Gross and Karl Brown. Karl Brown wins the election.\textsuperscript{305}

As USF nears its 10-year reaccredidation, a survey finds that students are most disappointed with parking, library materials, the registration process, and sports. They give a “fair” rating to administration, but give a “very favorable” rating to the faculty, library, physical resources and services.\textsuperscript{306}

The Overtimer’s Club, a group that supports the basketball program, is sponsoring 13 busses to the USF/UF basketball game. For $10 students receive a roundtrip ticket on one of the busses and a ticket to the game. Each bus also has two kegs of beer on board. The cost is $14 for faculty and $24 for member of the Green Jacket Club.\textsuperscript{307}

Student enrollment for the current semester is 27,301, the largest in USF’s 27-year history.\textsuperscript{308}

Dr. Janifer Judisch in the College of Medicine helped establish the Children’s Center for Cancer and Blood Diseases at USF in the late 70s. It has now joined the Hillsborough County Pediatric Society and is lobbying for a children’s hospital in Tampa. Because over 50% of children stricken with cancer are cured, Judisch believes they should have help recovering from more than the physical manifestations of the disease. She believes that “kids just don’t get a fair shake in an adult hospital.”\textsuperscript{309}

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\textsuperscript{305} 11/15/83 p1, 11/17/83 p1
\textsuperscript{306} 11/16/83 p13
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\textsuperscript{308} 11/22/83 p1
\textsuperscript{309} Hub. The Rotary Club of Tampa. Vol. LXVIII, No. 17. 10/21/86.
The Oracle publishes a story on USF custodial worker Jessie Jones, who works in the University Center. According to the story, six of the custodian’s seven sons play football. Cody and James play in the NFL for the L.A. Rams and Detroit Lions, Alton and Ronnie play at the University of Florida, and Tyrone and Andre play at Plant High School in Tampa. Rumors later circulate that Jones lied about his sons. The Oracle reporter who interviewed Jones calls the Detroit Lions and The L.A. Rams for confirmation. Cody Jones no longer plays for the Rams and James Jones does not list his father in his paperwork. Alton and Rodney Jones do play at the University of Florida, along with their brother Vince, but according to Rodney, their father is Ulysses Jones of Bradenton.3510

The Oracle publishes an article on a Tampa-area resident named “Danny” (not his real name). The article receives a lot of attention in the letters page of the Oracle throughout the rest of the semester because Danny makes both gay and straight pornographic movies in his home.3511

USF’s Traffic and Parking Committee votes to keep speed bumps on campus. The committee does consider changing the speed bumps from a row of four “washboard” bumps to one single speed bump. The washboard style speed bumps have been a topic of discussion around campus in the year since their inception.3512

The Student Organization Bank, founded in 1965 to allow student organizations a place to bank on campus, will close because of high costs of operation and availability of other banks.3513

3510 O 11/17/83 p15, 11/23/83 p18
3511 O 1/22/83 p1
3512 O 11/30/83 p1
3513 O 12/1/83 p5
According to a report by the University Police, the number of serious crimes perpetrated on campus by non-students far outnumbers the serious crimes perpetrated by students.\footnote{O 12/2/83 p1}

Because of the costs involved, the Office of Student Programming will begin showing movies twice a month instead of every weekend. The OSP reaches a deal with Ford Motor Co. early in the spring semester. Ford offers six new films to the OSP for campus viewing in exchange for showing a Ford advertisement before the movies and allowing the company to show their cars on campus one day a year.\footnote{O 12/5/83 p1, 2/9/84 p1}

The USF baseball team holds a 100-inning game in order to raise money for more scholarships for the team.\footnote{O 12/6/83 p9}

Library Director Mary Lou Harkness become the first USF employee to celebrate 25 years of service to the university.\footnote{O 12/7/83 p10}

Student government uses its $26,000 reserve funds to buy journals for the library and a computer for themselves.\footnote{O 12/8/83 p1}

Cars strike two USF students, Matthew Paul Jahoda and Marc J. Finlen, in two separate incidents within a 20-minute span. A car hits Finlen near the intersection of 30\textsuperscript{th} and Fletcher. Another strikes Jahoda near the intersection of Fletcher and 56\textsuperscript{th}. Jahoda dies as a result of the accident. Finlen is released from the hospital after two days.\footnote{O 12/8/83 p5, 12/9/83 p4}

A six-foot cardboard statue of Hagar the Horrible, who is the mascot of the Open University, has been stolen from the Student Services building. Cheryl Swaim,
information specialist at the OU, says that if the mascot is returned in good condition they will not pursue the matter further. Swaim worries that the theft of the statue (valued at $500), has become a joke. A ransom letter has been sent to the OU office that demands a “24-hour flea market,” and “a Richard Gere film festival.” If these demands are not met, the kidnappers threaten to expose the statue to “the cruelest of all elements…FRESHMAN ORIENTATION.”

While performing some repairs, workers find asbestos in the following buildings: Chemistry, Fine Arts and Theater Center. It will be removed at considerable cost.

Florida Policy Exchange Center on Aging established.

State Legislature and Department of Education chooses USF as site of a Center for Excellence in Mathematics, Science, Computers and Technology.

The College of Public Health is approved, to be USF’s 11th college.

President Brown writes Governor Bob Graham to ask for more increases in faculty wages and library funding. He freezes all hiring at USF because of budget problems.

Brown celebrates his 5th anniversary at USF. Among his list of accomplishments: permanent sites and facilities for the St. Pete and Ft. Myers campuses; approval of a College of Public Health, to be USF’s 11th college; a close relationship between the FT. Myers campus and Edison CC; USF assuming responsibility for FMHI; construction of the Sun Dome and the College of Business building; construction planned or in progress for a cancer center, a children’s hospital, a Special Olympics Stadium; expansion of the Colleges of Engineering and Fine Arts; recognition for support of basketball; a winning

3520 O 12/9/83 p14
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basketball team; and approval of a privately funded psychiatric hospital. Medicine, business, and engineering program burst at the seams with students.\footnote{USF press release, 4/6/83.}

New College begins constructing a new residence hall in June.\footnote{New College, p. 159.}

The University Police holds a contest to create a mascot to help the UP publicize the fight against crime on campus. Yvonne Rinzivillo (later Nowak) wins the contest with her drawings of “Brahman Man” a traditional superhero in tights that resembles Batman, except with large horns and a nose ring. The winning mascot is announced at the first annual Crime Awareness Fair on campus that features a “Dunk-a-Cop” contest, lectures, and displays. The Oracle concedes that the new mascot does look silly in his green tights, but “When you’re done laughing, consider that the message behind Brahman Man is a serious one.” In 1981 alone, the up investigated 1,147 incidents and the value of stolen items (both private and university) totaled $130,000. In 1982, incidents increased slightly to 1,160, but property stolen jumped to almost $180,000. Half of campus crimes occur near the dorms. The UP reacts with a Crime Watch program in the dorms and among faculty and staff; all-night security patrols around the dorms and Village; rewards for those who stop crimes in progress; three plainclothes officers to serve in a “selective enforcement unit”; and crime awareness day. There have been some dividends: bike thefts in 1981 (240) were more than halved in 1982 (100).\footnote{Undated Oracle.}

Staff assistant Donna Christensen accused St. Pete campus dean John Hinz of sexual harassment. When she refused his alleged advances, she says he denied her
position on the campus, forcing her to work on the Tampa campus and commute long
distances.\textsuperscript{3525}

1984: The USF Children’s Festival goes into its sixth year, providing an opportunity for
many youngsters to express themselves and learn through experimental learning. The
festival also provides USF’s education majors a chance to interact with children and
observe their behaviors and reactions to the experimental learning techniques.\textsuperscript{3526}

A prominent medical team at USF’s College of Medicine develops revolutionary
treatments for chronic diseases. The head of this team is Dr. John Hadden, director of
USF’s immunopharmacology program.\textsuperscript{3527}

The College of Nursing at USF, the Bay-area’s first state-supported nursing
training facility, celebrates its 10\textsuperscript{th} anniversary with the 1983-84 school year. Over the
years, the college has grown both physically and regarding its range of programs.\textsuperscript{3528}

The Florida Nurses Association names USF Professor Imogene King Florida
Nurse of the Year for her contributions to Florida nursing.\textsuperscript{3529}

Professor Robert Garrels, an internationally recognized researcher in
geochemistry and member of the USF Faculty, is named the newly established endowed
chair of Marine Science.\textsuperscript{3530}

The Fort Myers community aids USF’s newest regional campus there through
donations, advice and assistance.\textsuperscript{3531}
A Student Government computer center will open on the first floor of the Arts and Letters building by March. The center will be named after Carleen Scutieri, a mass communications student and SG Senator who died earlier this month. Scutieri, a disabled student, was the founder of PLUS (Physically Limited University Students) and was involved in many USF related activities. The computer center is opened and dedicated in April.\textsuperscript{3532}

The Board of Regents approves $6 million for the USF Cancer Center that is set to open in July 1985.\textsuperscript{3533}

Former USF Student Government President Dave Hilfman admits that he was overspending his allotted budget and that he knew he was doing this all along. Hilfman argues that he was under funded for his financial responsibilities. Because the Hilfman administration spent about $21,000 more than they were allotted, new President Karl Brown is forced to operate the Student Government on $3,000 to $4,000 until the fiscal year ends on June 30. Brown was supposed to operate with $25,000. Hilfman argues that he was “absurdly underfunded” and knew that he would overspend but did not use the money “frivolously.” According to the Oracle, Hilfman also claims that he did not request more funding from the senate “because he did not know he was overspending.” Hilfman “figured the new administration could ask for interim funding.” Brown has requested an audit of the Hilfman administration’s books.\textsuperscript{3534}

SG President Karl Brown fires SG Comptroller Franci Schneier. Brown insists that he fired Schneier, who had held her position for 2 ½ years, because she “she didn’t do her job.” Schneier maintains that it was not her job to inform the SG Senate that

\textsuperscript{3532} O 1/27/84 p1, 4/13/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3533} O 1/27/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3534} O 1/30/84 p1, 2/2/84 p3
former SG President Dave Hilfman was overspending. There are accusations that Brown’s dismissal of Schneier is a result of personal problems between the two but Brown denies these allegations. An Oracle editorial states that Schneier is just a “scapegoat” in the affair. Schneier and Brown write separate letters to the Oracle defending their positions. Brown states that Schneier was never “fired,” he simply refused to re-appoint her, which is perfectly legitimate for an incoming administration. Schneier argues that she did her job well for the 2½ years that she held the position. According to Schneier, her job required her to keep the financial records for the A & S funded organizations, included the Student Government. If an organization was overspending, she was supposed to inform them, if they were “in the red,” she could then freeze their account. Schneier maintains that she regularly informed former SG President Dave Hilfman that he was overspending, but Hilfman always maintained that he would be applying for interim funding, and Schneier had no reason not to believe him.3535

Under the new leadership of Dr. Jack Zusman, the Florida Mental Health Institute makes noticeable changes in both the institute itself and public perception of it. Through a legislative bill, the institute has upgraded faculty positions and begun it better integrate itself with USF. Currently, the facility is serving the state’s needs by conducting a yearlong study of Florida’s mentally disordered sex offenders program.3536

USF becomes the first university in the world to offer a doctorate in applied anthropology. Ten years ago, the university met another milestone, being the first

3535 O 2/16/84 p1, 2/21/84 p6, 2/23/84 p6
department to develop a master’s degree in the same field. Many students who obtain
degrees in this topic go on to work for the state.\footnote{USF Magazine, Vol. 26, No. 2 (March/April 1984), 13.}

IBM selects USF as one of two national Professional Developmental Centers for
training professional development staffs from public schools systems across the USA.
Along with the designation, the company will also award the university with a $500,000
grant and the necessary computer hardware and software to establish the program.\footnote{USF Magazine, Vol. 26, No. 2 (March/April 1984), 19.}

The USF Office of Internal Auditing finds that former SG President Dave
Hilfman did “substantially” overspend his budget in three major areas. The three areas
were Other Personal Services, which pays the salaries of SG employees, travel expenses,
and food purchases. SG statutes proclaim that Hilfman was to spend no more than
$1,500 on travel but he spent $3,198. Hilfman was not supposed to exceed $4,750 for
salaries and he spent $11,334.76. Hilfman was allotted no funds for food expenditures,
but spent $639.05 on food. The audit also found expenditures from unlogged phone calls
that came to $345.83. The committee recommends seven steps to avoid this problem in
the future. Hilfman claims that fixed expenses caused him to overspend, but he was not
aware he was overspending because his budget allocation for the fall semester and
incoming President Karl Brown’s budget allocation for the spring semester because the
two were lumped into one account.\footnote{O 3/14/84 p1}

SG President Karl Brown holds a press conference in which he places most of the
blame for the Hilfman administration’s overspending on former SG Comptroller Franci
Schneier. Brown quotes page four of the official audit, which states that the SG
Comptroller “should have given notification to the (SG Senate) Budget Committee
(preferably in writing) and complied with the provisions of chapter 800, USF Student Government Statutes.” Brown believes that Schneier violated statutes and “did not do her job.” Brown agrees with the seven recommendations outlined by the committee.\footnote{O 3/15/84 p1}

The new SG Comptroller, Carl Lum, says that he is re-organizing his office in an effort to avoid the mistakes of the previous administration.\footnote{O 3/16/84 p1}

The \textit{Oracle} begins publishing weekly reports on USF Branch Campus events and news. The two-page reports appear every Tuesday.\footnote{O 1/31/84 p12}

The \textit{Oracle} publishes a preview issue for homecoming, which sports a ‘Fun in the Sun’ theme. Dean Roper, who is the man in the Bull’s mascot costume, is asked by President John Lott Brown to tone down his act. Some of the specific things that Brown objects to are “pelvic gyrations” while “leading the crowd in a cheer of ‘bullshit,’” “lifting up one leg like an animal urinating,” and “peeking up the dresses of the visiting team’s cheerleaders.” Events also include programs starring Marilyn McCoo, the hostess of ‘Solid Gold,’ and comedian David Brenner.\footnote{O 1/31/84 p1, 5}

USF is investigating the hiring of band director and former Michigan State University professor Stanley DeRusha. Six different women at MSU accused DeRusha of fourteen instances of sexual misconduct. A subsequent inquiry by the school’s fact-finding teams found him guilty of “gross misconduct.” Those responsible for hiring DeRusha believe that they were justified in hiring the director, despite the fact that they were aware of the allegations.\footnote{O 2/1/84 p1}
There are inconsistencies concerning the hiring of DeRusha. Members of the committee which investigated his background and credentials (while under investigation at MSU) differ on their accounts of the committee’s procedures and findings. One member of the committee says that he did not call MSU about the allegations because he was sure other members would. Another member of the committee says that he was unaware of the allegations and the investigation. Another member of the committee states that he personally contacted MSU Clarinet Teacher Elsa Ludwig-Zeddhr, which Zeddhr denies. There is also some suspicion raised because four of DeRusha’s five letters of recommendation were dated on the same day and dictated by phone. A February 2nd article in the Oracle lists one of the allegations that the MSU committee found DeRusha guilty of. The Oracle later publishes the entire report by the MSU investigative committee, which found that DeRusha’s behavior was evidence of “a pattern of serious sexual harassment” and one of the events constituted “gross misconduct and possibly criminal behavior on the part of Professor DeRusha.” The committee recommends “the appropriate University administrators initiate procedures for the dismissal of Professor DeRusha from the faculty of Michigan State University on the grounds of gross misconduct.”

Members of the committee have different answers when asked if they had known of the allegations. Chairman William D. Owen felt that the allegations were “hearsay.” Some committee members decline to comment. Others say they were led to believe that there was a certain amount of vindictiveness amongst some at MSU. Some members of the committee never heard of the allegations. Forty-three music students sign a letter of support for Professor DeRusha, one female student says that, “He (DeRusha) says it’s not

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3545 O 2/2/84 p1, 2/6/84 p4
true and I believe him. He is the best thing to ever happen to our department, and his musicianship far outweighs the problems.” Another student remarks that, “If he can do his job well, who cares about his past life?”

USF President John Lott Brown describes the DeRusha hiring and the findings of the MSU investigation as “most disturbing, to put it mildly.” Vice President for Employee Relations and Legal Affairs Steve Wenzel is investigating the allegations because, although the MSU committee decided that the allegations were true, DeRusha did not challenge the findings or the conclusions. The “main concern” of the investigation is to find out whether or not the allegations are true. This has proven difficult because MSU will not reveal the names of DeRusha’s accusers. Brown states that he has spoken with MSU President, and his predecessor as USF President, Cecil Mackey, and is sure Mackey was not aware of the charges.

Stanley DeRusha intends to sue Michigan State University. According to MSU General Counsel Leland Carr, this may be difficult because DeRusha signed an agreement not to sue the university “for damaging his reputation” as long as they consider the allegations a “dead issue.” DeRusha also claims that the university paid him a “substantial amount of money.” USF Vice President for Employee Relations and Legal Affairs Steve Wenzel believes that the MSU report will shed some light on whether or not MSU let the matter drop in exchange for DeRusha’s resignation.

DeRusha sues MSU for $3 million because MSU officials had agreed not to discuss the matter further. According to a letter produced by the prosecution, DeRusha

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3546 O2/6/84 p1, the Oracle prints the entire letter written in defense of DeRusha and signed by 43 students on 2/7/84 p5.
3547 O 2/8/84 p1
3548 O 2/13/84 p1
accepted an offer of $50,000 for his resignation. Also included was the promise that the allegations would be expunged from his record.\textsuperscript{3549}

The \textit{Oracle} publishes an article revealing that some faculty members believe that the DeRusha case is indicative of USF’s general insincerity regarding concern for sexual harassment. President John Lott Brown denies the charge. Despite this assertion, many groups are unwilling to take a definite stand until more information concerning the hiring process in the DeRusha case is made public.\textsuperscript{3550}

At an assembly of music students and faculty in the Fine Arts Building auditorium, USF Provost Greg O’Brien announces that DeRusha will be removed from teaching and conducting at USF until his contract expires in August 1984. O’Brien states that once DeRusha’s contract expires, it will not be renewed. Until that time, DeRusha will be on the University payroll as a researcher. Many students and faculty are angry over the decision and express their disapproval in the auditorium.\textsuperscript{3551}

A group of approximately 35 band students meets in the Fine Arts building at 4 p.m. (the time that Stanley DeRusha used to teach class), and marches to the administration building carrying signs of support for their former professor while playing their instruments. The march culminates outside the administration building and President John Lott Brown’s office. The \textit{Oracle} also publishes a letter to the editor in support of DeRusha signed by 84 music students. The lawyer representing DeRusha requests an official “statement of reason” for letting the professor go.\textsuperscript{3552}

\textsuperscript{3549} O 2/16/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3550} O 2/28/84 p1, 2/29/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3551} O 3/9/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3552} O 3/13/84 p1 and 5, 4/5/84 p1
Music Department Chairman, Larry Cullison, resigns his post but denies that his resignation has anything to do with the DeRusha controversy.\footnote{3553}

Dr. Eva Hvizdala operates Camp ROCK, a summer camp run for children with cancer. She is a pediatric oncologist at the university’s medical center and her camp includes a pediatric resident from USF, a nurse, eight counselors, and four USF Children’s Center volunteers. The campers participate in traditional camp experiences in a stress-free environment, have the chance to communicate with each other about their special circumstances, and receive medical treatment.\footnote{3554}

The growing campus at USF’s St. Petersburg campus is profiled, as well as the strong partnership between the city and the university. Bayboro campus is the first institution in the county to offer graduate level and extensive undergraduate level courses to potential students. In addition, their student body makes up approximately 2/3 of USF’s total regional enrollment.\footnote{3555}

A 12-member USF Editorial Board launches scholarly publications as part of a state-wide consortium of press editorial boards at each of the nine state universities. Of the eight books thus chosen by USF, USF faculty members authored four. One prominent example was Russell Cooper and Margaret Fisher’s “The Vision of a Contemporary University.”\footnote{3556}

The College of Medicine adds the Division for the Study of Human Values in Medicine. According to its creator, Professor David Smith, programs in ethics are now popular amongst medical schools.\textsuperscript{3557}

USF President John Lott Brown is awarded an honorary doctor of science degree from Worcester Polytechnic Institute, his alma mater.\textsuperscript{3558}

Attorneys for Stanley DeRusha file a grievance which states that a total of ten articles of DeRusha’s hiring agreement were violated in DeRusha’s termination. DeRusha makes many demands of the University administration; including reinstatement to his post, a letter of apology, the contract he was promised by the school, and assurances that the affair will not have an adverse affect on promotion in the future.\textsuperscript{3559}

Attorneys for USF and Stanley DeRusha hold their first grievance procedure meeting and discuss certain aspects of the case in order to ascertain whether or not the school will respond in an affirmative or negative to DeRusha’s allegations of contract violations. DeRusha loses his grievance, essentially because although DeRusha argues that USF promised him tenure, they had not granted him tenure and the school did not violate any rules by failing to renew his contract. DeRusha claims the allegations were a “plot” against him.\textsuperscript{3560}

DeRusha’s second step in the grievance procedure, filing with the BOR, is denied. The BOR feels that his claim to tenure was tenuous. DeRusha’s last hope to win is to seek arbitration within 25 days and see how the arbitration is viewed. The BOR rejects

\textsuperscript{3559} O 5/16/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3560} O 6/6/84 p1, 7/6/84 p1
DeRusha’s claims. In a related story, Jerry Junkin is appointed to replace DeRusha as band director.\textsuperscript{3561}

A group is formed to oppose an upcoming speech by Henry Kissinger on campus. Members of the group are opposed to Kissinger’s policies. The “Protest Kissinger Coalition” hopes to convince students to put the “nix on Kissinger” and his speech at USF. Different sides of the Kissinger issue are discussed in the \textit{Oracle} letters page for weeks. Kissinger unexpectedly cancels his speech for March 13, 1984. The former diplomat instructs his agent not to comment on the reason for the cancellation. Kissinger did give a speech at Eckerd College in St. Petersburg on March 12.\textsuperscript{3562}

University officials are confused and somewhat shocked that Kissinger has reneged on his $20,000 deal to speak at USF. The local press reported that Kissinger cancelled because of the “controversy” and debate that his appearance had elicited at USF. Kissinger tells the St. Petersburg Times that “in the context of my scheduling and other aspects, I felt it was better not to go.” Kissinger added that it was “inevitable” that he would meet criticism, but found some accusations leveled in his direction “not worth discussing.” Some faculty members wonder if Kissinger cancelled the speech after finding out that only 265 seats had been sold for the 10,000 seat Sun Dome. In a statement published by the \textit{Oracle}, the anti-Kissinger coalition rejects “as self-preserving Mr. Kissinger’s contention that he broke the contract because of his displeasure with the ‘level’ of debate.” Kissinger’s $20,000 fee will now revert back to University Lecture Series funds.\textsuperscript{3563}

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\textsuperscript{3562} \textit{O} 2/2/84 p1, 3/8/84 p1, 3/13/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3563} \textit{O} 3/14/84 p1
A USF parking patroller files assault charges against a student. The patroller asked a student to move his car, which was parked in the loading dock of the library. The student refused, saying that his car was running, and therefore not actually ‘parked.’ When the patroller attempted to give the student a ticket, he “began shouting obscenities, grabbed her wrist and pulled her arm into the car.”

There has been an increase in enrollment of African American students at USF. There were 750 black students enrolled at the school in fall 1982 and that number rose to 829 one year later. All of Florida’s state universities are required to submit a report on black enrollment to the state so the BOR can report to the federal Office of Civil Rights.

Charlie Bradley becomes the all-time leading scorer in USF basketball history in the first half of a loss to Virginia Commonwealth University. Former record holder Tony Grier was in the crowd, which gave Bradley a standing ovation as the record was announced.

One year after the groundbreaking, residents of the new Resident Village give the housing area high marks, commenting that it is quieter, more private, and more relaxed an atmosphere than the dorms. The major problems include a lack of parking and the fact that the village has no bike rack.

Many students living in the Resident Village oppose its summer closing. These residents feel that they should not be forced to move into dorms for the summer months,

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3564 O 2/2/84 p1
3565 O 2/3/84 p1
3566 O 2/3/84 p10
3567 O 2/10/84 p1
which they believe are not equivalent to the village and take away some of the amenities that they have grown accustomed to.\footnote{3568}

The prospect of living in the village is so popular that there is need for a lottery to determine who will live there in the next year. Approximately 1,000 students have expressed an interest in living in the village and there are only 200 available spaces.\footnote{3569}

USF President John Lott Brown is ‘Grand Marshall’ of the Gasparilla Day Parade. The day is not an authorized holiday for the University, so although Brown will be there and still get paid by the school, students are expected to attend class.\footnote{3570}

The lawyer for USF Student Joseph Ables, accused in November 1983 of attacking a classmate with a knife, files a writ of habeas corpus because he believes the student’s $50,000 bail was set too high. The Florida Supreme Court denies the petition for Ables’ release from jail before his trial.\footnote{3571}

Joseph Ables accepts a plea arrangement, which assures that no trial will take place in exchange for ten years of probation “spent in community control (house arrest).” Ables will also receive extensive psychological evaluation, treatment, and therapy from the Veterans Administration Hospital. Ables could have been convicted to a jail term of 12 to 30 months, but prosecutors felt that since the suspect had served 4 months already and would not receive psychiatric treatment if put in prison, it would be best to allow him to get psychiatric counseling. A final analysis of the case in the \textit{Oracle} reveals that Ables suffers from delayed stress syndrome, and felt that Doug Martin was persecuting him. When Martin asked Ables to move his seat forward in class one day, Ables saw this as a
last straw in a line of persecution he had endured from Martin. This led Ables to attack
the student. Now Ables will receive treatment for his paranoia and stress.3572

Joseph Ables, who is only 15 credit hours shy of receiving his degree, is applying
to be readmitted to the school for the summer semester. Ables’ probation states that he
must receive psychological treatment and cannot come into contact with the victim of the
assault, Doug Martin. Ables has been receiving treatment and Martin has since graduated
from USF. Ables’ attorney and USF administrators reach an agreement that would allow
him to return to school as long as he follows the guidelines of a three-page, six-item
written statement.3573

Former USF President Cecil Mackey resigns his post as President of Michigan
State University. According to MSU Public Relations Director Terry Denbow, Mackey’s
decision has nothing to do with the DeRusha controversy that has gone from MSU to
USF. Mackey simply felt that he had accomplished what he wished to accomplish at
MSU. The Oracle prints quotes from some who served under Mackey. These quotes
inform readers that Mackey is responsible for USF’s branch campuses, the new library
and bringing about difficult, but ultimately positive change at USF. The Oracle article
also informs readers that Mackey tried to move the MSU student newspaper, the
Michigan State News, from the campus; something he’d also tried to do with the
Oracle.3574

The University Police report a 6% drop in campus crime at USF between 1982
and 1983.3575

3572 O 2/22/84 p1
3573 O 4/13/84 p1, 8/29/84 p1
3574 O 2/15/84 p1
3575 O 2/15/84 p1
The USF College of Engineering will hold their annual Expo. It will be the 12th time the event has been held.\textsuperscript{3576}

Because of the success of last semester’s bus trip to Gainesville, the Athletic Association, the Student Government, the Green Jacket Club, and the Office of Student Programming will sponsor as many of the bus trips as possible for in-state basketball games. Buying a seat on the bus will allow students round-trip bus fare to the game, a ticket to the game, and sandwiches on the bus, which has one keg of beer on board.\textsuperscript{3577}

The library extends its hours. Closing time moves from 11 o’clock p.m. to one o’clock a.m.\textsuperscript{3578}

This year’s “Mardi Gras” celebration is canceled (possibly to be rescheduled for a later date) because of protests from some student groups. The OSP has canceled the event, which would feature five bands and two disc jockeys, because some women’s groups have opposed the inclusion of a pornographic movie called “Bad Girls” into the official program. A pornographic movie at the last Mardi Gras was one of the most successful aspects of the event. Pepin Distributors, who fund the event, have promised to continue funding if the OSP removes the movie from the program, but will withdraw funding if it goes ahead as planned. OSP Executive Coordinator Scott Ackerman claims that they have shown these types of movies on campus for years and they “feel that there is a demand for these types of movies on campus.” Ackerman also states that the group decided to cancel the entire program because they want to recreate Mardi Gras as closely as possible and considered the porno movie and a “hooker room” necessary pieces in forming a “red light district,” like the one in New Orleans. Because they are losing some

\textsuperscript{3576} O 2/17/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3577} O 2/17/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3578} O 2/21/84 p1
of the authenticity, they would rather cancel the program entirely instead of putting it on without the porno movie. The OSP has also scheduled the showing of another X-rated film, “Café Flesh” for April, so the controversy is bound to heat up again.3579

“Café Flesh” is shown with little response on campus. An agreement was reached at a meeting between Vice President for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt, Student Body President Karl Brown, OSP Executive Coordinator Scott Ackerman and the Coordinator of USF’s Everywomen’s Center, Della Lawhon. The Everywomen’s Center is the group that opposed the Mardi Gras porno movie. According to the deal reached, the Everywomen’s Center will view every porno movie before it is shown on campus, if the viewers decide that the movie depicts violence towards women, the OSP will advertise for alternative events that the Everywomen’s Center puts together to raise awareness of this issue.3580

“Bad Girls” is eventually shown on campus. In keeping with the OSP agreement with the Everywoman’s Center, a rape awareness film entitled “Rape Culture” will be shown directly following the film.3581

Unless an additional source of funding is located soon, the USF Child Care Center will be out of money for operation. The SG Senate has denied their request for $6,250 in interim funding.3582

Tuition may rise $34 next year is President John Lott Brown approves the recommendations of a committee put together to investigate how the school may raise

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3579  ŭ 2/24/84 p1
3580  ŭ 4/17/84 p1
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fees. President Brown says that he hopes the increase is “accepted with reasonably good humor by the students.” USF officials raise tuition by 12% for the fall semester.  

USF Professors in the College of Education, Jon Wiles and Joe Bondi, are accused of “fabricating travel vouchers” and accepting money for trips they never took. The two professors travel to area high schools and USF’s branch campuses to instruct education teachers. According to the Oracle, the professors have been under investigation for more than two months and have been informed that they must either resign from USF or face criminal charges. Most people involved in the case refuse to comment. Bondi and Wiles later file a grievance against the university. Neither Bondi, Wiles, nor USF’s Office of Legal Affairs wish to comment on the procedure. The BOR must make a decision on the case. Donna Christensen, Staff Assistant in the School of Continuing Education, insists that Bondi and Wiles, if found guilty, will be “taking the fall for countless faculty and administrators who have abused the travel reimbursement system for many years.” Letters to the Oracle dispute Christensen’s accusations and defend the actions of the majority of USF employees. Because of Christensen’s letter to the Oracle, the USF Office of Employee Relations and Legal Affairs and the Office of Internal Auditing have begun an investigation into the abuse of travel vouchers in the school. Legal Affairs officials interview Christensen under oath, although she refuses to give any names of offenders. Christensen believes that the school is not trying to punish anyone, just fix the system. She also has had many conversations with USF secretaries in her 24 years at the school and promises that if these secretaries were given immunity, then the administration would “really hear some tales.”

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3584 O 3/6/84 p1, 6/25/84 p1 and 5, 7/13/84 p1
The BOR upholds USF’s termination of Bondi and Wiles. Their grievance will go before the BOR for it’s final hearing in late November.3585

President Brown sends St. Pete Mayor Corinne Freeman a long letter outlining some plans for the Bayboro campus: broaden the curriculum; provide central computer services for technology-based programs; a fine arts complex; conference facilities; completion of the Poynter Institute for Media Studies (with its own library, auditorium, and media-capable classrooms); strengthening ties between the College of Medicine and All Children’s Hospital, the Bayfront Center, and Bay Pines VA Hospital; continued support of the Marine Science program (including doubling the faculty), hopeful acquisition (through the city) of 20 acres of additional land in the next 1-3 years, 8 more acres in 3-6 years, and 7 acres in 6-10 years.3586

Dean of the USF St. Petersburg Campus John Hinz will resign his post in the spring and then return to teaching English after a yearlong sabbatical. Hinz later states that he is applying for the job of president at Fort Lewis College in Colorado.3587

Donna Christensen provides sworn testimony to USF General Counsel Bryan Burgess concerning abuses in the travel reimbursement system. Christensen specifically names USF St. Petersburg Dean John Hinz, who recently tendered his resignation. Hinz denies the charges. Hinz claims that the St. Petersburg campus keeps “much more meticulous and careful accounts” since Christensen left. Christensen now works at the Tampa campus. Burgess states his investigation found that “abuse of the reimbursement system is not a problem” on the St. Petersburg campus. Although “mistakes have been made on occasion” Burgess could not identify any “willful abuse” of the system and does

3585 O 7/11/84 p1, 9/20/84 p1
3586 SPT 6/14/84.
3587 O 9/24/84 p1, 9/26/84 p1
not believe that Christensen “has factually substantiated her allegations.” Christensen, when interviewed earlier in the year, could not name any specific person because taking advantage of the reimbursement system became “such a common practice.” Christensen later named Hinz, whom she had worked for in 1979 and 1980. She left the St. Petersburg campus, and in 1983 filed a discrimination charge saying she was denied a position because she had charged Hinz with sexual harassment. Hinz’s sexual discrimination case had been reported in the *Oracle* in the weeks since his resignation.\(^{3588}\)

The rigging system that would allow “big-name rock groups” to play the Sun Dome is not yet completed. Problems surfaced with the hydraulic system of one of the four columns, which did not function properly and needed to be fixed. The system should be finished soon. The first two artists to use the rigging system will be the Beach Boys, in an April 20\(^{th}\) concert and Ozzy Osbourne on May 20\(^{th}\). The rigging system works quite well during the Beach Boys concert and *Tampa Tribune* music critic David Okamoto noticed a “marked improvement in the acoustics.”\(^{3589}\)

In a poll of students in which 197 responded, the *Oracle* asked what kinds of events they would like held at the Sun Dome. They are given numerous choices and the results show that most students want to see rock musicians perform at the dome, followed by indoor ice-skating, comedians, and indoor soccer. Of the 25 possible responses, the worst vote getter was telethons, which only received one vote.\(^{3590}\)

USF President John Lott Brown reveals the possibility that funding for Florida’s state universities is not equal and USF “appears” underfunded. Brown tells an open

\(^{3588}\) O 10/25/84 p1, 6 and 7  
\(^{3589}\) O 3/7/84 p1, 3/29/84 p1, 5/7/84 p3  
\(^{3590}\) O 3/7/84 p1
forum meeting with faculty and staff that, “If we are getting a lower funding than other schools, then I am dissatisfied.”

Jesse Jackson, running for the Democratic Presidential nomination, comes to USF and speaks on campus.

A task force investigating all the performing and visual arts departments of Florida’s state universities finds that USF’s is one of the best in the state.

The BOR approves raising dorm rates at USF from 3 to 4%.

Ground is broken for a new $5 million library on USF’s Sarasota Campus.

The Student Government is taken over in a largely symbolic ousting of SG President Karl Brown. A group called the Alliance for Academic Collegiate Excellence contacted Brown the day prior to the takeover and informed him of their plans. Brown agreed to temporarily resign his position so the AACE would have a forum to make their statement. All members of the group wear “Central American revolutionary costumes” and refuse to give their real names. The leader, who goes by “Daniel Ortega” reiterates that “the full purpose of this demonstration – and this is only a demonstration – is to make a point. We believe that the senate is spending money irresponsibly.” ‘Ortega’ addresses the senate for about 20 minutes, discussing better ways that Henry Kissinger’s $20,000 speech fee could have been spent, including on library books, scholarships, or the salary of a new faculty member. ‘Ortega’ laments that the highest paid faculty member at USF is basketball coach Lee Rose and reiterates that he believes the school should use its money “not to hire good basketball coaches or band directors, but for good

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3592 O 3/12/84 p1
3593 O 3/16/84 p1
3594 O 3/27/84 p1
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professors and to generally promote more academic excellence.” Senators wonder why the students did not go through the proper channels to secure speaking time and ‘Ortega’ responds that the normal channels do not work and senators “need someone to shake them up.”

Two University Police officers are called to the scene toward the end of the demonstration because members of the AACE blocked access to the Senate chamber, a violation of Florida’s Sunshine Law. Deposed President Karl Brown leaves the chamber to discuss the situation with the officers. A letter to the Oracle declares that the AACE takeover of the SG, and their belief in “good” and “ideals” are “an ominous sign that the leaders of tomorrow are ripe for an Adolph Hitler; someone who will tell them of a ‘good,’” whether that ‘good’ is “mandatory fees,” “public education,” or “racial purity.”

Mary Bell, clerk-typist in USF’s College of Medicine, is fired from her job because she refuses to sign Florida’s required loyalty oath, in which the signer declares their loyalty to the state of Florida and the United States. Bell refuses to sign because of religious convictions. She is a Jehovah’s Witness and according to University Chapel Fellowship Director Raymond DeHainaut, Jehovah’s Witnesses offer “their only allegiance” to God. Bell came to USF from the Department of Motor Vehicles, where she was fired for refusing to sign the loyalty oath. She was originally hired in 1982, and had agreed to sign a revised form of the oath. She left the school for some time, then was rehired, but did not have the option of a revised oath.

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The offices of Florida Governor Bob Graham and State Senator Betty Castor, plus the USF Faculty Senate and the USF Career Services Senate have put together a group of representatives to review the loyalty oath after the experiences of Mary Bell are brought to public light. USF President John Lott Brown believes that the firing is a regrettable occurrence and he would not object to further investigation, although Brown does reiterate that the school is obligated to enforce Florida law.\textsuperscript{3598}

The loyalty oath issue rages over the course of the spring and summer. A circuit judge in Deland grants citizenship to two English Jehovah’s Witnesses despite their aversion to the oath. The USF Career Service Senate passes a resolution to recommend the abolition of the loyalty oath. After a seven-month investigation, the Faculty Senate comes out in opposition to the loyalty oath.\textsuperscript{3599}

There is an altercation between a USF basketball player and a student. According to the student, Brett Schechter, he and his girlfriend were walking by four basketball players in front of building 12 in the residential village when one of the players whistled at his girlfriend. Schechter says that he confronted the player and had his and his girlfriend’s life threatened. Schechter and his girlfriend walked away, but the student went to his off-campus apartment to get his gun and give it to his girlfriend to keep in her room for protection. When they returned to his girlfriend’s dorm, her roommate informed them that the basketball player had come to the room and threatened the roommate with a switchblade knife. Both the knife and the gun are confiscated by University Police and neither of the involved parties wishes to press charges. Because neither student wishes to press charges, and both agree that the incident is the result of a

\textsuperscript{3598} O 4/12/84 p1, 4/19/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3599} For some (but not all) of the issues revolving around the loyalty oath see Oracle 6/8/84 p4, 6/11/84 p1 and 4. O 6/22/84 p1. “Faculty Senate,” 11/28/84 p1
misunderstanding, the matter is dropped by the University Police and disciplinary matters are referred to Dave Persky, Assistant to the Vice-President of Student Affairs.\footnote{O 4/2/84 p1, 4/19/84 p6}

Schechter is given a harsher penalty than the basketball player (whose name is never released because of Federal Privacy Laws) because he had a previous “serious” disciplinary action. David Persky, Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs, cannot reveal the disciplinary action taken without written approval from the parties involved.\footnote{O 8/30/84 p1}

The \textit{Oracle} publishes “the Orifice” as a supplement to the April 2, 1984 issue. The Orifice is a humorous take on the university and includes articles entitled “Karl Brown fires himself: Nobody else left to fire in SG office,” and “John Lott Brown says nothing at all: No surprises in speech.”\footnote{Orifice, supplement to the Oracle, 4/2/84}

USF basketball star Charlie Bradley is invited to try out for the United States Olympic Basketball team.\footnote{O 4/2/84 p10}

Two campus alcohol awareness groups sponsor a “drinking and driving demonstration on campus.” The demonstration’s results of “90 minutes of drinking, driving and giggling out loud were very telling.” The demonstration proves that drinking alcohol impairs one’s driving ability.\footnote{O 4/4/84 p1}

Barbara Sherman, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs, admits that a lack of summer courses is a “serious problem” and is a result of underfunding.\footnote{O 4/6/84 p1}
USF St. Petersburg’s Coquina Hall is completed almost a year and a half after ground is broken. Construction was delayed because the original design encroached on airspace in Albert Whitted airport.\footnote{3606}

Evaluators are looking at USF in order to decide if the school’s accreditation will be renewed. According to a preliminary report from the team, USF’s computer engineering and environmental engineering science programs will not be accredited.\footnote{3607}

Eleven of the *Oracle*’s 14 sales representatives sign a petition accusing the paper of using “favoritism and sexual discrimination” in the appointment of Scott Fitzsimons as advertising manager. Because of the complaints, *Oracle* Advertising Coordinator Al Fleming re-opens the hiring process. The *Oracle* eventually hires Fitzsimons for the position, but completed a much more “formal” hiring process.\footnote{3608}

The *Oracle* runs an article on the different types of graffiti written on bathroom stalls and library desks at USF.\footnote{3609}

Beth Belsom is named *Oracle* editor-in-chief for the summer semester. This occurs after a controversy at the paper. W. Blake Gray, *Oracle* feature editor, and Belsom, assistant news editor, were both in the running. Gray won the *Oracle* staff vote by a count of 14-12. Traditionally this is the way that the editors are chosen, but the final decision rests on Vice President for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt, who decided on the basis of personal interviews that Belsom was the most qualified for the position.\footnote{3610}
USF athletics will no longer charge students admission to USF games. Athletics Director John Wadas believes that it is unfair for students to pay twice to get into a game, once at the gate and once in their A&S fees.\[3611\]

The name change from 30th Street to Bruce B. Downs Boulevard has caused problems for some local people, but has not affected a large portion of the University Community.\[3612\]

The Arts and Letters Building is renamed in honor of the first Dean of the College of Arts and Letters, Russell M. Cooper.\[3613\]

USF Graduate and wheelchair athlete George Murray will appear on boxes of Wheaties cereal beginning this June.\[3614\]

USF has lost a legal battle with Austin Westshore, the construction firm that built the Sun Dome. Now the state of Florida must pay $2.4 million to the firm in order to settle the legal problems.\[3615\]

The BOR tells USF President John Lott Brown that they should expect to see a rise in their non-academic fees and minority hiring quotas.\[3616\]

A female USF student accuses physical plant employees of harassing her while jogging. She has refused to sign a waiver of prosecution and could file criminal and civil charges. USF Senior Daniel Selby writes a letter to the Oracle complaining that USF is a “sick” overly intellectual society that allows women to “tantalize the eyes of men” with “half naked bodies” and “bouncing breasts.” This “sick” society limits groundskeepers’
freedom of speech while expressing opinions about a woman’s appearance and arrests
them for their “natural reaction” to “little sexy swimsuits.” Other letters to the editor
defend the female jogger, stating that she was fearful for her safety and “freedom of
speech does not permit a rationalization for harassment.” Another letter wonders if Mr.
Selby would rather “everyone run in long johns.” The workers’ actions may have caused
a suspension of at least one Physical Plant employee.3617

Because the NCAA does not sanction slow-pitch softball, USF’s team will begin
competing in fast-pitch next season. The USF slow-pitch softball team has won the last 2
national championships in the sport.3618

USF holds the Florida Special Olympics over the weekend. It is the sixth time
that the games are held at USF.3619

Phyllis Hamm has returned to court in an action against USF. The former USF
Equal Opportunities Specialist has been involved in litigation with the university on an
off since 1974 (her first suit was a sexual discrimination suit filed against then USF
President Cecil Mackey, vice president for Administration Bert Hartley, and the Board of
Regents). In the 1974 case, Hamm found that her male equivalent, affirmative action
officer Troy Collier, was making $5,000 more per year than she. This case eventually
failed. Hamm has now filed suit against the University of South Florida and President
John Lott Brown. Brown is not named in a personal capacity, but in his official capacity
as the president of the school. Hamm is suing over violations of her civil rights and has
asked for compensatory and punitive damages. Hamm found that she must do more with
fewer resources and more responsibility than many other people in the university. She

3617 O 5/30/84 p1, 6/4/84 p5, 6/6/84 p6, 6/8/84 p4, 6/15/84 p1
3618 O 6/1/84 p9
3619 O 6/4/84 p1
still works at the University as a Personnel Technician. Hamm was moved to this position “laterally” rather than terminated after the first suit. The university maintains that Hamm was transferred because a new regulation stipulated anyone in her position must have a bachelor’s degree, which Hamm did not have. Her replacement did not have a bachelor’s degree either. Hamm also maintains that the pay for her new position was dropped three tiers one day prior to her appointment and that she was asked to work double duty in her old position until a replacement was found.

Hamm’s initial case was dismissed in 1982 by a “semi-retired” judge with, according to Hamm, a “notorious dislike for civil rights cases.” This judge informed Hamm that she “had no civil rights” in her job and dismissed the case “after refusing to listen to certain testimony presented by Hamm’s attorney.” After Hamm lost the suit, the University filed a court motion requesting that Hamm pay the school’s legal fees. Hamm has indicated that this would probably be her final suit if she loses because of the high costs of litigation.3620

William Sizemore, USF’s attorney, offers Phyllis Hamm a settlement. Sizemore tells Hamm that if she accepts a job in Continuing Education with no pay raise, they will drop the issue over Hamm’s paying USF’s legal fees. Hamm refers to this as “blackmail” and refuses the offer. The case goes to court on June 20, 1984 and closing statements are made on June 22. In his closing statements USF Attorney William Sizemore referred to Hamm as a person with a “conspiracy mentality” and a “the world vs. Phyllis Hamm” way of thinking. Hamm’s attorney, Alice Nelson, countered that it was not a case of conspiracy, but a case of denying promotions because of “personal animosity toward

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Hamm’s loses her suit against USF. Judge William Catanga rules that the “evidence, taken as a whole, fails to persuade the court” that USF violated Hamm’s civil rights. Hamm promises that she does not plan to “drop any of this” and will continue fighting. Hamm argues that “there were obvious violations of state rules” and she wants people to know about them. Despite this, Hamm, who just wants to “set the record straight,” will probably not appeal the decision. She feels that it would be difficult to win the case when members of the defense continually lie under oath, “especially Steve Wenzel.”

Steve Wenzel denies lying in court. Phyllis Hamm, who has already paid $20,000 in her own legal fees over the years, must now pay the University’s court costs. Hamm says that the school offered her a $5,000 settlement before the case went to trial.

There has been discussion about the possibility of annexing USF into the city of Tampa. President John Lott Brown is concerned about the prospect of paying utility taxes, but does admit that the school would have access to cable television and other “psychological advantages” in being part of Tampa. The Oracle publishes an editorial that wonders if Tampa’s government needs a better reason to annex the school because “MTV isn’t quite good enough.”

USF receives another request for annexation from the city of Temple Terrace. City manager Picot B. Floyd believes that Temple Terrace is a “smaller, more readily

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3622 O 7/6/84 p1  
3623 O 10/15/84 p1  
3624 O 6/13/84 p1, 6/15/84 p4
responsive community and government” which would benefit USF. USF administrators are considering both proposals.\textsuperscript{3625}

The BOR approves of the USF-Tampa annexation. Florida Governor Bob Graham also approves of annexation.\textsuperscript{3626}

The Sun Dome parking lot is a location of Florida’s new “Amnesty Day.” During Amnesty Day people can bring their hazardous waste (such as pesticides, used motor oil, and paint thinner) to a central location and have it disposed of without harming the environment.\textsuperscript{3627}

USF Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs Troy Collier, Basketball Coach Lee Rose, and student volunteers organize a benefit basketball game to raise money for Melvin and Cheryl Thomas, whose Tampa home was burned on June 15\textsuperscript{th}. Four of the Thomas’s children and a niece and nephew were killed in the blaze. Players in the celebrity match were former NBA great ‘Pistol’ Pete Maravich, San Francisco 49er Fred Solomon, Tampa Bay Buccaneer Jerry Bell and Hillsborough County Sheriff Walter C. Heinrich. New York Yankees owner George Steinbrenner donated $2,500.\textsuperscript{3628}

Over the past month there have been four reported burglaries of computers on USF’s campus. In each instance the computers were behind locked doors with no signs of forced entry. The combined value of all four computers totals $12,000.\textsuperscript{3629}

USF Basketball player Milan Belich dies in a one-car accident in South Carolina.\textsuperscript{3630}

\textsuperscript{3625} O 6/29/84 p1, See Oracle, 9/18/84 p1 for updates on both options.
\textsuperscript{3626} O 10/26/84 p1, 10/29/84 p1, 11/28/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3627} O 6/15/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3628} O 6/27/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3629} O 6/27/84 p4
\textsuperscript{3630} O 6/27/84 p10
The Oracle publishes the annual USF Preview issue. The 4-section issue introduces new students to University administration, USF Athletics, entertainment options on and around campus, lifestyles of the USF area, and the school’s regional campuses.\textsuperscript{3631}

Construction on five new buildings should finish in the fall. The Cancer Research Center, the children’s hospital, an Engineering building, a Dance building and a fine arts rehearsal hall should be done by the end of the semester.\textsuperscript{3632}

The Shriners Children’s Hospital is set to open in early 1985. The Shriners file a lawsuit against the architectural firm that designed hospital because a design flaw has caused the postponement of the hospital’s opening.\textsuperscript{3633}

The USF Traffic Department brings in single, large speed bumps to replace the small, grouped speed bumps that have been the focus of student complaints for some time.\textsuperscript{3634}

Because of Governor Bob Graham’s veto of the Federal Outlay Bill, two of the Five USF buildings in need of asbestos cleanup have not yet been cleaned. The asbestos clean up must be put on hold until additional funding can be secured.\textsuperscript{3635}

Marketing Major Robert Taylor and Finance Major Keith Blank publish “Face It! The Men of USF Calendar.” The 1985 calendar features shots of 13 USF students posing from “fully robed to semi-disrobed” with no “really provocative shots” contained. Mr. June, Brad Romp, is the only model with previous modeling experience. John Conti, the

\textsuperscript{3631} O 8/27/84
\textsuperscript{3632} O 8/27/84 p36a
\textsuperscript{3633} O 10/9/84 p1, 12/3/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3634} O 8/29/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3635} O 8/29/84 p1, 10/18/84 p1
cover model and Mr. March says that he is “kinda embarrassed” by all the attention he has received on campus.\textsuperscript{3636}

Jonny Taxin Beifeld, junior business major, dies in a car accident while visiting his hometown in Pennsylvania.\textsuperscript{3637}

Parking and traffic problems, which one USF official refers to as the “most monumental screw-up by this University” have been blamed on a number of factors. Because of work on the library roof, some parking lots have been closed. President John Lott Brown states that rain has pushed the date for finishing the roofing work from August 22\textsuperscript{nd} to September 1\textsuperscript{st}. If the work is not completed by September 1\textsuperscript{st}, the workers for Moeing Insulations and Coating Co. will have to resurface the roof on weekends. Work expanding the lot by the USF credit union has also contributed to parking difficulties. Some university officials claim that the work is on schedule, others claim that paperwork is to blame for delays, some claim that funding was not available until the end of the fiscal year on June 30\textsuperscript{th}.\textsuperscript{3638}

The University Jazz Ensemble releases its first album “Moleids.” Chuck Owen, director of Jazz Studies, conducts the group of twenty student musicians. The album is the first produced by the USF music department.\textsuperscript{3639}

The College of Public Health opens at the USF Tampa Campus, it is the first in Florida. Legislators for the state determined that Florida was in desperate need of a public health school to research and develop treatments for Florida’s unique health problems.\textsuperscript{3640}

\textsuperscript{3636} USF Magazine, Vol. 26, No. 5, (September 1984), 4-5.
\textsuperscript{3637} O 8/29/84 p18
\textsuperscript{3638} O 8/30/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3639} O 8/31/84 p1
USF Students Jorge Coto and Howard Jones plan to send a container filled with microorganisms to the Kennedy Space Center. From there, the organisms will be launched into space as part of NASA’s “Getaway Special” program, “which allows scientists, educators, and industry to submit experiments that can be easily monitored by astronauts while a shuttle is in orbit.” Their experiment will gauge the effect of space on microorganisms commonly found on earth.\textsuperscript{3641}

“Saturday School” prepares about 60 Pinellas teenagers for engineering careers. It is the creation of Dr. Rudolf Henning, of the engineering department. With a grant from General Electric Foundation, he opened the UES-WE CARE! Center at Pinellas Park High School in 1982 in order to give junior and senior high school students who are minorities and have exhibited high aptitude for math and science a chance to cull their skills before they apply to universities.\textsuperscript{3642}

Workers on the library roof have been trying to help facilitate the transfer of the University Media Center from the College of Education to the sixth floor of the library. The move began on August 16\textsuperscript{th} and Donna Leone, the UMC director, expects the new language lab to be open by September 10\textsuperscript{th}. The move is about two weeks behind schedule.\textsuperscript{3643}

So far, 1984 has seen over $20 million in donations for research and development at USF.\textsuperscript{3644}

\textsuperscript{3643} O 9/5/84 p1
\textsuperscript{3644} O 8/31/84 p5
The *Oracle* receives two top ratings from two different national collegiate press associations. The paper gets highest marks from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association and the Associated Collegiate Press.3645

University Police records indicate that campus crime has risen over the past year. Two particularly odd arrests include a student roaming around the University Chapel Fellowship building while nude and another student setting the front seat of a UP Patrol car on fire by throwing fire-crackers through an open window.3646

Housing and Auxiliary Services Director Ray King offers a groups of Resident Assistants and Resident Instructors preferred seating at Sun Dome concerts. King insists that he can get them the seats by simply calling his “good friend” Mike LaPan, the Sun Dome Business Manager. LaPan denies that there is any plan to give preferred seating to RAs and RIs. When asked about LaPan’s comments, King responds that “there is no arrangement, none, scratch it. Forget it. Zero. Forgotten.”3647

Steve Wenzel, USF attorney and vice president for Employee Relations and Legal Affairs will leave USF after 12 years as both attorney for and student at the school. He will join a private practice law firm.3648

USF’s Ft. Myers campus celebrates its 10th anniversary and its largest enrollment with over 1,000 students.3649

The USF Student Government has provided $40,000 for the USF Child Care center to operate and construct a new center. The College of Education will run the center.3650

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For the first time, USF students interested in getting birth control from Health Services are required to take a contraception class at the center. The class is required for first time birth control users because deciding on a form of birth control can be difficult.\textsuperscript{3651}

The \textit{Oracle} publishes a brief survey of the drinking habits of professors and administrators. The article relates that Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs Troy Collier enjoys drinking Courvoisier cognac, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs Dave Persky enjoys Gin and Tonic, and Student Body President Karl Brown does not drink, but will have an occasional beer or wine at the Empty Keg. The article also states that Vice President for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt is a “beer man all the way.” President John Lott Brown likes coffee, fruit juice, or club soda with a twist of lime.\textsuperscript{3652}

Ticket sales for an upcoming Elton John show at the Sun Dome break a national sales record for similarly sized arenas. The 11,051 tickets available for sale sold out in one hour and forty-seven minutes. The $160,000 in ticket sales for the John concert can be combined with $150,000 in sales for an upcoming Rod Stewart concert. Mike LaPan, Sun Dome Business Manager, is excited about the venue’s success and says that they plan on doing as many shows as possible in the future. According to LaPan, the Dome’s reputation is “growing nationally.”\textsuperscript{3653}

Elton John Tickets are such a hot commodity that they are being sold by scalpers for anywhere from $40 to $100. The original ticket price quoted by the Sun Dome is $14.75. Roosters, a bar on Bearss and Nebraska, has issued an invitation to John to stop

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\textsuperscript{3651} O 9/17/84 p1  
\textsuperscript{3652} O 9/18/84 p10  
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by after his concert. Their invitation will be in his dressing room and they are asking all people at the concert to yell, “Elton, come to Roosters!” after the fourth song. Rooster’s manager Wayne Hamilton will be wearing a duck suit in John’s honor and they will be having an Elton John look-alike contest, which they hope Elton will judge.  

Elton John cancels his show just 55 minutes before it was set to begin. The cause of the cancellation is John’s sore throat and 102-degree fever. The show is re-scheduled for November 18th. Elton John’s make-up concert is a great success.

The Ramones cancel a concert at the USF Special Olympics Stadium. It is the second cancellation by a national act in two weeks. Unlike Elton John’s performance, the Ramones’ concert will not be rescheduled. Because the event was free and open to the public there is no need to reimburse ticket buyers. The band considered moving the show to the Empty Keg but decided against it. One of the Ramones’ opening acts, The Wankers, decides to play the Empty Keg.

Jarman A. Smith, a host at the Argos Cafeteria, believes that he was “forced to quit” his job after refusing to wear the orange and brown striped SAGA uniform that became required dress. Smith insists that he has always dressed “appropriately” for work and does not feel he should have to wear the uniform.

University officials dedicate the USF Dance Center and Performance Rehearsal Facility. A group of Fine Arts students protest the dedication, wishing to draw attention to perceived flaws in the school’s grievance procedure. The experience of Dance Major Glenn Pinfield is one point of contention for protestors. Pinfield was disenrolled from

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3655 O 10/15/84 p1, 11/19/84 p10
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the school almost a year ago and has filed a grievance with USF. After a year of waiting, Pinfield is still unsure about the decision regarding his grievance over age and sex discrimination in the Dance department.  

The USF Department of Marine Sciences PhD program has its first successful graduate. Bruce Barber successfully defends his dissertation on the reproductive physiology of bay scallops.  

The FBI questions History Professor Louis Perez and Reverend Ray DeHainaut, the Director of USF’s University Chapel Fellowship for recent travel to Cuba. The Reagan administration recently restricted travel to the island.  

University President John Lott Brown begins writing a weekly column in the *Oracle* called “Off the Record” by Jack Brown. He welcomes students’ questions and will answer some in print.  

USF’s budget for this year rises from $85 million to $93 million. Most of the extra money will go toward a 5% salary increase.  

Former Traffic Administrator Abbas Khajeh-Noori claims that he was “pressured” to resign his post by officials in the administration, including Division of Public Safety Director Paul Uravich. Khajeh-Noori claims that Traffic Coordinator Otto Meerbott hired someone to follow him on and off campus to document his whereabouts. Khajeh-Noori also claims that Meerbott’s secretary opened his mail. Khajeh-Noori
believes that the administration “cares more for the appearance of servility than for creativity and true productivity.”

This is the second semester in a joint venture between WUSF-FM and the mass communications department. In the past, there had been tension between the two bodies because the radio and TV stations would not allow students to get hands-on experience working at the stations. An agreement was reached to allow mass communications majors to read a 10-minute news segment of stories from the Associated Press.

Enrollment for the fall semester shows that more than 27,400 students are enrolled at USF’s four campuses, up almost a hundred from the previous fall.

USF Student Government declares October 7-13 “Anti-Apartheid Week.”

The Sun Dome is the location of NBA great Charles Barkley’s professional debut with the Philadelphia 76ers. The 76ers play an exhibition match against the Atlanta Hawks.

President John Lott Brown has approved renovations to the University Center and the addition of an auditorium to the building. Construction of the auditorium is set to begin in early 1986.

The Oracle reveals Brahman Man’s secret identity. The disguised UP officer who appeared at local events and on campus to remind students about the seriousness of the law is really Cpl. Robert Quinn. According to the Oracle, because Brahman Man stopped making personal appearances last summer and the paper stopped running the

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3664 O 10/4/84 p1
3665 O 10/4/84 p5
3666 O 10/5/84 p1
3667 O 10/5/84 p10
3668 O 10/8/84 p1
Brahman Man cartoons this summer, rumors were circulating that the masked crusader had died. Quinn reveals that public reactions to the Brahman Man persona were mixed, and his rumored sidekick “Chippy” is just a figment of Oracle writer W. Blake Grey’s imagination. 3669

The USF College Republicans hold a campaign rally for Ronald Reagan and George Bush. The rally leads to spirited debate between supporters of Reagan-Bush and supporters of the Walter Mondale and Geraldine Ferraro. The Empty Keg also holds a debate between a Reagan supporter and a Mondale supporter after televised a debate between the candidates. 3670

Police raid a party at a house on the corner of Fletcher and 27th. The party features 6 bands and 8 kegs. Advertisements in the Oracle told potential revelers that they could drink free for a $5 donation. The police confiscate 3 kegs and arrest 4 people, 3 for selling alcohol without a license and one for drunken disorderly conduct. The party continued after the police left. 3671

As part of a study involving 10 U.S. universities and 2 European schools, USF will begin administering Isoprinosine, a study drug for AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome). 3672

The Student Government Court of Review deems statutes requiring the Election Rules Committee to pre-approve leaflets, signs and other literature unconstitutional. The court cites the first amendment of the U.S. Constitution and the 1976 Supreme Court case

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3670  O 10/19/84 p1, 10/23/84 p1
3671  O 10/22/84 p1
3672  O 10/24/84 p1
Buckley v. Zaleo. Chief Justice Ken Richter deems the decision, “the most important thing this court has done in its history.”

There is a shooting outside the Sun Dome directly following The Living Legends of the Fifties, a concert of 1950s artists. Thomas Lenoir, of Plant City, shoots his wife Sharon and attempts to shoot Howard Chandler, her boyfriend and companion for the concert. The Lenoirs are separated. After shooting his wife in the chest, Thomas Lenoir fires two shots at Chandler, who was fleeing the scene. Thomas Lenoir then turns the gun on himself, discharging the firearm into his head. Both are in critical condition at the University Community Hospital.

Thomas Lenoir dies of his injuries just over a week after the shooting. Sharon Lenoir is released from the hospital in fair condition just days after her husband’s death.

In a close election the United Faculty of Florida maintains its status as bargaining agent for faculty in the state. UFF was pitted against the Florida Academic Congress and a “no agent’ vote. UFF barely won the 51% required to avoid a run-off election and remain the bargaining agent for University Faculty.

Vincent Archibald and Morris Kilpatrick, member of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, file assault charges against three Omega Psi Phi Brothers, Phil Pearson, Leon Gallon and Student Body President Karl Brown. The charges stem from a fight at the Lazy Hollow Apartments at 2:30 a.m. on Saturday. The three Omega members allegedly started a fight with Archibald in the apartment building’s parking lot. According
witnesses, this fight followed several other fights between members of the two fraternities late Friday night at Dooley’s lounge. The Sheriff’s office, the State Attorney, President Karl Brown and members of Omega Psi Phi, all refuse to comment until a later date.

According to an anonymous Kappa member, the Omegas were performing at the Black Panhellenic Greek Extravaganza and some Kappa members directed comments their way while on stage. Karl Brown allegedly told the Kappas that “you can say that shit to the Sigmas (Phi Beta Sigma), but we don’t play that shit.” The anonymous source also said that Brown promised the Omegas would “take care of it.”

Archibald proclaims that there were three separate fights on Friday night. One began when two Omegas attempted to crash a Kappa party at Dooley’s, a second occurred in the hallway at Dooley’s, and a third occurred in the parking lot at Dooley’s. According to Archibald, after the incident at Dooleys, he and some of his fraternity brothers went to his apartment in the Lazy Hollow complex to discuss the money they made at the party and the prospect of pressing charges for the three fights at Dooleys. When Archibald went to his car to retrieve something, he noticed two cars of Omegas pull up, including the Student Government Station Wagon. Archibald claims that he wasn’t scared because he knew some of the brothers in one of the cars. Once the station wagon parked, Karl Brown exited the vehicle and told Archibald “That shit was fucked up at the party.” Archibald claimed that he was then attacked, but he is not sure if Brown was one of his attackers. Brown then demanded that the rest of the Kappa come downstairs. The Oracle writes that Brown did not have possession of the station wagon, which was signed out to President of the Black Student Union Kinnard Leatham.
According to the story, Karl Brown drove to Orlando to trade vehicles with Leatham, the SG Van for the SG Station Wagon.\textsuperscript{3677}

Olu Ibekwe, SG Public Relations Director, writes a letter to the \textit{Oracle} pointing out misrepresentations in the \textit{Oracle}’s story on the Kappa/Omega fight. According to Ibekwe, Karl Brown drove to Orlando to host a workshop for the Florida Black Student Association. Brown did not take the van from Leatham at this time, and documentation shows that Leatham returned the van to Brown at 10:30 Saturday morning, a full eight hours after the fight.\textsuperscript{3678}

For the first time in the school’s history, USF will have a year round homecoming committee.\textsuperscript{3679}

There will be a run-off election between Joanne Barthle and John Napolitano for the office of Student Body President. The Student Government Elections Rules Committee nullifies the results of the election because of possible ballot forging. The polling station in the College of Engineering was the source for all the alleged infractions. The Alpha Tau Tau fraternity was in charge of this polling station. Joe Napolitano, who received almost 43\% of the vote (his closest challenger, Joanne Barthle, received just 17\% of the vote), is a member of Alpha Tau Tau. Napolitano believes that “all of a sudden, because I’m way ahead, all these mistakes are being found.” Napolitano also tells the reporter that it is “clear and evident” that he will win the election, but the Student Government members “are afraid they’d be put out.” After being told that the election was nullified, Napolitano comments that he doesn’t want “to do this shit no more” and Alpha Tau Tau President Mike Natalie comments the entire process “is a
joke.” Natalie wonders why Student Court of Review Chief Justice Ken Richter (a friend of runner-up Joanne Barthle) was present while ballots were collected. Richter responds that he has overseen the election process before in his official capacity and never handled any ballots. Richter also tells the Oracle that he had received a death threat over the phone as a result of the situation. President Karl Brown says that he is “afraid that the fraternity will have to be held responsible.” According to the Oracle, two ballot stubs were signed with the same name, when the paper contacted the student who voted twice, she informed the reporter that she did not vote once, let alone twice. The Oracle reports four similar incidents, plus three ballots with similar handwriting.3680

A member of the Alpha Tau Tau confesses that he is responsible for the fraudulent election returns. The Student Government lost $2,500 nullifying the election. The student can either face punishment from Assistant Vice President For Student Affairs Dave Persky, or request a hearing from the University Disciplinary Board.3681

Student Government Court of Review Chief Justice Ken Richter, Alpha Tau Tau President Mike Natali, and Election Rules Committee Chair Murray Hudson agree on a hearing date of December 3, at 2 o’clock in the University Center. Natali states that the fraternity objects to the charges “on the grounds of ambiguity in the collection of ballot boxes,” because Richter took the ballot boxes “unsealed” from poll workers. Natali also complains that he didn’t get a copy of the petition listing possible charges until November 20th, just one day before their initial meeting. Student Body President Karl

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Brown assures Natali that they didn’t receive the petition because it wasn’t completed until the 20th.  

The Student Court of Review finds the fraternity guilty of election rules violations because, “Alpha Tau Tau is responsible for actions of members…thus they are responsible for the election fraud and forgery and subsequent nullification of the election.” ATT must now return the $100 it received for working at the polls and Student Body President Karl Brown has been asked to initiate legal proceedings to collect the money the SG lost in nullifying the election results. Dan Walbolt is asked to deny ATT the use of facilities funded by A&S money and withdraw University support of the organization for 3 years. The court’s decision was unanimous except for Ken Richter, who abstained from the vote. ATT President Mike Natali promises to file an appeal and reiterates his belief that the issue was outside the court’s jurisdiction.  

The SG Court of Review reverses former Presidential candidate John Napolitano’s disqualification. Napolitano was originally disqualified because one of the poll workers also worked on his campaign. The court ruled the disqualification illegal because the decision was made in a meeting closed to the public without notifying the press or Napolitano prior to the meeting. This violates Florida’s Sunshine Law, which states that all public actions must be open to the public.  

A non-profit Breast Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment Center opens on Davis Island. Once the Medical Center is complete, the Breast Cancer Center will move to the USF campus.
The USF Athletic Department is operating under a $655,335 debt. The debt is a result of slower ticket sales and larger costs than the department expected. The department may also have to add two women’s sports by 1988 in order to keep up with NCAA Division 1 requirements which state that a school must field 8 men’s teams and 8 women’s teams.3686

USF Senior and Women’s Basketball Player Mary Klinewski breaks Jennifer Merritt’s career scoring record of 1,208 points. Klinewski scores her 1,210th point in a loss to the University of Miami.3687

Money Magazine set a pattern when it designated New College one of the top ten best national buys in education.3688

Dean of St. Pete campus said the city “is in default” of providing land for expansion. Albert Whitted airfield and Bayfront Medical Center are both competitors for land. USF administration threatens to pull $1.4 million of construction funds from campus if land is withheld.3689

Sponsored research has grown impressively from $9.6 million in 1982 to $21.5 million in 1984.

USF’s medical school establishes Public Sector Program to bring medical care to Tampa’s indigent.

USF becomes the world’s first university to offer a Ph.D. in applied anthropology.

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USF receives first patent royalty payments on a process developed by a university researcher. The payments are a result of biologist Richard Mansell’s development of a process that makes grapefruit juice sweeter.

College of Public Health established.

Educational Research Center for Child Development established.

Lloyd Pettigrew, the Director of the Center for Organizational Communication Research and Service, conducts a survey of how the community perceives USF. In Pettigrew interviewed 292 residents of Hillsborough County by phone. 58% the campus regularly or occasionally. Of the residents, 47% associated USF with academics, 16% with athletics, 12% with the medical school, and 7% with special events. 48% attended USF or have a relative who has. 66% believe that USF is as good as the other universities in Florida, 21% say it is better, and 13% say it is worse. 78% would encourage a friend or relative to attend USF, while 18% would remain neutral and 4% would discourage attendance.

USF wins unconditional accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Henry Kissinger backed out the day before his scheduled lecture at the Sun Dome for an audience of 10,000 because of a raging debate over his human rights record. A group of protestors scheduled a series of events to criticize Kissinger, including a lecture by Saul Landau, a senior fellow at the Institute For Policy Studies in Washington, D.C. Landau pointed out the brutality of his Central American policies. Kissinger serves on President Reagan’s Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board and as an advisor on Central American affairs, and recommended pumping $8 trillion in aid to Nicaraguan death
squads, or contras. Several faculty members involved in the protests planned a teach-in on the day of the event. Many opposed Kissinger’s lecture fee of $18,500 (some say $20,000), the highest fee paid to a lecturer at USF out of student funds, and organized a boycott. Most speakers receive $50-$5,000. Political Science Professor Harry E. Vanden said Kissinger “has sold himself for the destruction of human lives,” referring to his roles in the U.S. invasion of Cambodia and the bloody coup in Chile during the 1970s. USF officials are surprised by the opposition, as there has been very little protests against Kissinger elsewhere. A breathless Tribune editorial condemns the protestors for being “close-minded” and alleges that they are trying to deny Kissinger’s free speech. A flurry of letters from pro- and anti-Kissinger readers followed. In the end, Kissinger refused to speak because he said there was too much opposition. Supporters blamed the protestors, but many called Kissinger a coward.3690

Conservative students found their own student newspaper, The South Florida Review, to respond to left-leaning writings in the Oracle.3691

Construction begins on New College’s badly-needed library at the beginning of the year.3692

USF Director of Alumni Affairs Joe Tomaino says it is “the thrill of a lifetime” to present retired baseball player Lou Pinella with an award at Yankee Stadium in New York. “To go back as a 42-year-old man and stand on the field where Baba Ruth played made me feel like a kid again,” Tomaino said, who grew up in the area and is a longtime baseball fan. Pinella earned the award by fundraising at USF for a local fireman’s fund

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3692 New College, p. 159.
and speaking at alumni events. He is given a lifetime pass to USF baseball games from Coach Robin Roberts and a plaque naming him a lifetime alumnus.  

USF dedicates the newly constructed Coquina Hall on the St. Petersburg campus. The $2.8 million, 35,540 square foot hall includes a student cafeteria, bookstore, offices, locker rooms, a photo lab, and classrooms. “We welcome the long-awaited completion of the first phase of development of USF’s Bayboro campus,” says Dean John Hinz. “USF at St. Petersburg has become a vital component of the cultural and economic life of the city and county. We look forward to working together with the community and being part of an ever-more exciting and vital St. Petersburg.”

Historian Alan Brinkley delivers a lecture on “John Kennedy, Lyndon Johnson, and the Triumph of Liberalism.”

USF St. Pete hosts its own version of the Summer Olympic Games, dubbed the Lucky 13 Olympic Games, featuring such “outstanding events” as the egg relay and the broom throw. “Serious athletes need not apply. Fun-seekers only.”

1985: USF helps the Hangzhou Institute of Commerce in China to establish a master’s degree of business administration. The institute chose USF after researching American universities and their business schools. The exchange had two parts: first, was a series of ten three-hour lectures and then a three-year commitment by USF to accept nine students from the school into the USF MBA program.

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3693 USF press release, 8/13/84.
3694 CN: Apr. 6, 1984
3695 CN: May 10, 1984
3696 CN: July 3, 1984
USF’s dance department sends nine students to Egypt for a modern dance display. 3698

The City of Tampa annexes USF’s campus and some adjoining property in January, almost doubling the city’s size. 3699

The Florida Student Association decides to agree with the Board of Regents’ recommended fall tuition increase. The tuition increase is 5%, which will be followed by smaller increases in future years. Governor Bob Graham’s proposed increase would increase tuition 25% over a two-year period. Student Government delivers letters written by students opposing Graham’s increase to Tallahassee during Student Lobby Day. 3700

The Student Government Court of Review upholds the decision by the Student Government Election Rules Committee disqualifying John E. Napolitano from the Student Government general election. The disqualification is a result of the discovery of “fraudulent ballots in the election returns.” 3701

The 13th annual Florida Suncoast Writer’s Conference features 40 workshops. Well-known names such as Margaret Truman, David Dortord, and Liz and Jim Trupin are present. 3702

Leslie Bassett, winner of the 1966 Pulitzer Prize in music for his Variations of Orchestra, is the guest artist and lecturer at USF’s Student Composer’s Symposium. 3703

USF’s 1985-1986 budget request to the state legislature is $159,297,746. This is a $15,186,081 increase from the 1984-1985 request. The budget increases go to faculty

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and staff salaries, program improvement, and services for projected enrollment growth.\footnote{3704}

With attendance soaring, USF is more selective about choosing freshman, and admits 1,600, a drop from 2,000 the year before. Enrollment has tripled the projections calculated when USF opened, over 28,000 students with an operating budget of $200 million. About 6,000 students enroll in the College of Business, equal to what was projected for the entire university.

Student Government court justice of the Court of Review Ken Richter resigns. Richter and other Student Government officials including Student Body President JoAnne Barthle are the targets of death threats during the charges of campaign fraud.\footnote{3705}

The Sudakoff Lecture Center opens at USF Sarasota. Former U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig gives a presentation for the opening of the center. A small group of around 30 students gather to silently protest Haig’s lecture because of their opposition to his “militaristic policies.”\footnote{3706}

The USF BaseBulls win four straight games and successfully defend their Charity Cup title for the third straight year.\footnote{3707}

“Medieval pageantry” is planned to replace the usual commencement ceremony. “Colorful banners, medieval musical instruments, and a ceremonial mace wielded by the University marshal will be used to add ‘more flourish’ to the ceremony.” The new format is much shorter than the programs of previous years. One student from each college

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carries a banner across stage representing all of that college’s graduates, and after the ceremony, each college holds an informal reception.\footnote{3708}

USF has its first-ever Gasparilla Day Parade float. The $2000 float is ridden by 15 people and features a large USF seal and a large sunset with ‘Tampa’ written on the back.\footnote{3709}

State Auditor General Ernest Ellison audits USF and admonishes the University for various fiscal practices including a $470,000 dormitory deficit and an $80,000 loan from the Sun Dome to partially cover the athletic department deficit.\footnote{3710}

Civil rights leaders Robert and Helen Saunders donate “extensive and noted records of the Saunders’ civil rights battles during the past 30 years” to Special Collections in the USF Library.\footnote{3711}

Rick Clarl and Joe Pac are no longer allowed to host a booth at the flea market at which Sharp’s Distributing Company sells caffeine pills. This is a result of “an administration decision which included restricting food, weaponry, and diet aids to be sold at the flea market.”\footnote{3712}

40 students attended a meeting with William Scheduler, dean of Undergraduate Studies, to discuss their displeasure and dispute the changes to the commencement ceremony. Scheduler says that the final decision is to be made by President John Lott Brown, and the students leave the meeting with the feeling that no one at the University listens to them.\footnote{3713}
The Student Government Senate funds the Senior Class Committee $10,000 for a major national speaker at the spring commencement despite anger over the changes made to the commencement ceremony.\textsuperscript{3714}

The Homecoming Steering Committee is the first year-round committee and the first committee with members who were nominated and appointed. This year’s Homecoming has the biggest budget thus far: $15,000.\textsuperscript{3715}

Students discover that they are now required to achieve certain minimum scores on the College Level Academic Skills Test (CLAST). Before August 1984 the scores were recorded and used for analytical purposes, but the students did not have to achieve any particular score.\textsuperscript{3716}

The Faculty Senate unanimously passes a student drop policy that only allows undergraduate degree-seeking students a total of four drops in four years, two the first two years and two the next. These drops are allowed the second through ninth weeks of class, but unlimited drops during the first week of classes are allowed. The Student Government Senate then passes a resolution that opposes the drop proposed by the Faculty Senate. The resolution states that the Senate is “vehemently opposed to limiting the number of drops” and states that the proposed policy not be implemented at all. The SG Senate refuses to consider the policy until the administration proves that the implementation of a policy is necessary.\textsuperscript{3717}

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“USF President John Lott Brown announces the establishment of a $1 million endowed chair for research on Alzheimer’s Disease at the Suncoast Gerontology Center.”
The chair will be devoted to biomedical research.\textsuperscript{3718}

300 students vote in a poll to keep USF’s traditional commencement ceremony. The seniors are allowed to walk across the stage and shake President John Lott Brown’s hand instead of including more “pageantry” and having one student from each college walk across the stage. Coretta Scott King, wife of Martin Luther King, Jr. speaks at the commencement ceremony. USF pays her $5,000 plus travel expenses.\textsuperscript{3719}

Loretta B. Anderson fills the Equal Opportunity Affairs director position after the position was vacant for over two years.\textsuperscript{3720}

Betty Friedan, feminist author of \textit{The Feminine Mystique} and founder of the National Organization for Women (NOW), speaks at USF about women’s roles.\textsuperscript{3721}

The USF Brahmans switch from slow-pitch softball to fast-pitch. Coach Hildred Deese “realized that her team would not be recognized for tournament play unless they were in the fast pitch category.”\textsuperscript{3722}

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc., Epsilon Delta Chapter at USF is suspended from holding school activities and fundraisers. Fraternities are required to have at least three members enrolled in school in order to be active, and the Epsilon Delta Chapter has only one enrolled member.\textsuperscript{3723}
Plans for on-campus housing for Greek organizations at USF are nixed because most Greek organizations have off-campus interests.\textsuperscript{3724}

A week-long symposium on Central America and the Caribbean is held at USF to present the pros and cons of U.S. policy in the region. Charles Clements, a Quaker physician and ex Air Force pilot in Vietnam, speaks on the parallels between the civil wars in El Salvador and Vietnam.\textsuperscript{3725}

USF’s anthropology department plans to hold an Archaeological Field School to conduct two archaeological projects this summer. Test excavation of a prehistoric occupation and burial site in South Georgia and an archaeological survey in northwest Florida are planned.\textsuperscript{3726}

Three USF students file complaints with the City of Tampa Office of Community Relations claiming they were denied access into London Victory Club because they are black.\textsuperscript{3727}

USF BasketBulls star Charlie Bradley plays his last basketball game with USF. Bradley set many USF basketball and Sun Belt records including most points (2,285) and career scoring average (19.7).\textsuperscript{3728}

The Hillsborough County Special Olympics are held at the USF soccer field. 800 athletes participate. McDonald’s, Taco Viva, and others provide free food for athletes and volunteers. USF also hosts the 17\textsuperscript{th} annual Florida Special Olympic State Games. More than 2,400 athletes and 1,000 volunteers participate.\textsuperscript{3729}

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More than 30 top USF officials attend a “high-level strategy session at the University’s idyllic retreat near Brooksville” (Chinsegut Hill). The purpose of the retreat is to discuss the University’s course for the next decade and ways to “boost USF into the national limelight through increased private funding and beefed-up academic quality.”  

The USF BasketBulls are selected to the National Invitational Tournament (NIT) for the third time in five years. The Bulls play Wake Forest in the first round of the 32-team tournament in the Sun Dome. The Bulls beat Wake Forest 77-66.

Students can dunk their professors and other administrators at the dunking booth at the flea market. The Pre-Med Society is sponsoring the dunking booth. It will benefit the Hillsborough County Developmental Institute, and the proceeds will go to special Olympic athletes and is designated for new equipment.

As a result of an increase in the amount of property stolen from buildings on campus, the University Police develop new crime prevention strategies to provide better security for “high crime areas” on campus.

A “major fund-raising effort to aid the world’s starving” is launched at USF. Co-founder of the Institute for Food and Development Policy, Joseph Collins, speaks at USF about the causes of hunger and what the global community can do to help.

The Sun Dome’s Board of Directors promotes its business manager, Mike LaPan, to president of Sun Dome Inc.
James Strange, biblical archeologist and dean of USF’s College of Arts and Letters, holds a fund-raising drive to raise money to bring his vision of a biblical village to USF. The biblical village will be authentic. “They’ll be selling vegetables, weaving cloth, making pottery, cutting leather – the things they’d be doing in biblical times,” Strange says. A lecture hall will also be built in the village to hold lectures and show films.3736

USF at Fort Myers celebrates its 10th anniversary.3737

The Florida Board of Regents approves a $20 increase in USF dorm rent. The rate increase goes into effect in the fall.3738

To kick off the start of Women’s Awareness Week at USF, Maya Angelou speaks about writing, her love of literature, and black influence on literature in America. Women’s Awareness week includes workshops, displays, discussion groups, and performances.3739

USF’s Gospel Choir performs with Foreigner at Lakeland Civic Center. The group is invited by Foreigner’s manager to sing the backup vocals for “I Want to Know What Love Is.” The Gospel Choir is paid $600 for their performance.3740

The USF College of Medicine is given a six-year accreditation for its continuing medical education courses. The six-year accreditation is the maximum time period allowed for Continuing Medical Education courses and reflects the quality of these courses.3741

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University Diagnostic Institute occupies first building in USF’s research and
development park. USF’s medical school celebrates the 10th anniversary of their charter
class of 768. The school began in 1981 with a dean and accountant. It now has 377
faculty and 201 physicians. 96 aspiring doctors are admitted every year. The school’s
gerontology center is 5 years old, and a heart transplant program has just begun.3742

USF Provost Greg O’Brien reorganizes administration and creates a new position: the
vice provost for Graduate and Research Studies. The creation of this position will replace
the position for the dean of the graduate school. Current dean of the graduate school Carl
Riggs retires in December since he does not wish to take on the new position.3743

USF has Minority Career Identification Week to allow minority students to get a
“clearer understanding of the duties of administrative departments at USF by allowing
them to work a few hours in departments ‘from the office of the president on down.’”
Reva Reed, the originator of the program, believes that this program is valuable because
there are not enough role models for minority students to provide them with incentive to
learn about the operation of state universities.3744

USF offers off-campus summer classes for students who want to earn upper
division elective credits outside of the classroom. The students perform research on their
own and write essays for credit. The topics of the classes are community interaction,
intercultural interaction, law and society, contemporary health problems, volunteers in
society, and the U.S. role in the world. 3745

3742 Clearwater Sun, 8/25/85.
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The USF Center for Applied Gerontology receives a pair of grants worth $176,000 to develop programs to improve care of the elderly. One of the grants from the U.S. Administration on Aging is worth $106,000 and is used to develop a curriculum in mental health and aging for elderly care providers. The other grant, worth $70,000, is from the Morton Plant Hospital Foundation in Clearwater. This grant is used to develop “successful aging programs.”

Student Government requests suggestions from the student body about how $180,000 in reserve funds should be spent. Suggestions from the Student Government about how the money should be spent include a band shell on Martin Luther King Plaza, more campus lights, and bike racks around dormitories.

USF students ask U.S. Congressmen questions and discuss issues via satellite during a teleconference in which 16 schools participate.

The Off-Campus Housing Office gets a computer system which allows employees in the office to gather lists of appropriate apartments for students based on their requests for number of rooms, price, etc. This system replaces the paper catalogs that were previously used.

The Sun Dome anticipates it will not be able to recover the $2.4 million from its lawsuit against the Sun Dome’s architectural engineers and a subcontractor. As a result, student funds must pay for the six-year-long litigation costs. The state appropriated the $2.4 million for the loss because of suppositions that USF would recover the money from the lawsuit. However, a $2.4 million settlement is no longer expected. Any amount not

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recovered through the settlement will come out of the Capital Improvement Trust fund, which comes from student tuition.\footnote{O 4/22/85}

Members of the Florida Student Association (FSA) travel to Washington to lobby Congress against Reagan’s 1986 federal budget that cuts financial aid to students by $2.2 billion. This cut would affect 1/3 of Florida financial aid recipients.\footnote{O 5/08/85}

USF Student Health Service gynecologist Dr. William Summerlin resigns as a result of “aggressive skepticism on the part of the students, their newspaper, and the local medical community.” Some believe that Summerlin is overzealous in his diagnosis and treatment of viral infections of the cervix.\footnote{O 5/08/85}

USF and the Hospital Corporation of America form a partnership. Hospital Corporation of America is a private, for-profit organization. The result of this union is a $10.5 million psychiatric hospital on campus scheduled to open mid-1986.\footnote{O 5/09/85}

Joanne M. Barthle resigns as Student Government President because she feels she does not have the time to do the job properly. Vice President Derek Dinsmore takes her place.\footnote{O 5/12/85}

Director of USF’s chemical and environmental management services Dean Martin, along with Patricia Dooris, director of the environmental branch of the Southwest Florida Water Management District, experiment with a cypress derivative that inhibits the growth of hydrilla. Hydrilla is a plant that grows below the water’s surface and causes
problems for other underwater life. Martin and Dooris have worked on the hydrilla problem since 1974.\textsuperscript{3755}

Students and state leaders meet in Tallahassee for Student Leaders Day. “You don’t register to vote and when you do register, you don’t vote, and we know that. That’s why we can roll all over you. We can draft you, raise your drinking age or change your social security requirements without blinking,” said Florida Senate President Harry Johnston. In addition to meeting with Johnston, students met with Betty Castor, Bob Graham, and House Speaker James Harold Thompson.\textsuperscript{3756}

In preparation for the change in legal drinking age from 19 to 21, USF’s alcoholic beverages policy is amended. The new policy requires residence hall groups to give the University Police three days’ notice prior to any event so the UP can make arrangements to patrol the area. Also, the University is “strictly enforcing NCAA guidelines forbidding the use of alcohol at intramural and intercollegiate sports.”\textsuperscript{3757}

At a two-day meeting in Tallahassee, the Florida Student Association nominates USF Student Government Vice President Chuck Leverett as a candidate for the next student regent.\textsuperscript{3758}

Legislators announce that tuition will only increase 5\% for the 1985-1986 school year. However, it could increase 20\% the following school year.\textsuperscript{3759}

With a $124,845 grant from the National Institute of Health, USF conducts studies on the effects of THC on immune systems. THC is shown to suppress immune responses. Dr. Herman Friedman, chairman of USF’s department of medical
microbiology and immunology says the effect of marijuana on immunity is important because of the number of people suffering from AIDS, which affects the immune response. Statistics show that 50% of all AIDS patients use some kind of drug.\textsuperscript{3760}

Athletic Director John Wadas resigns. Associate Athletic Director Jeff Davis agrees to become USF’s interim athletic director after initially turning down the position.\textsuperscript{3761}

The Student Government approves the budget committee’s recommendations. The recommendations include: $62,000 for the Child Care Center, a 52% increase over last year; $55,000 for the lecture series, a 20% increase over last year; $35,000 for outdoor physical education facilities and maintenance, $72,000 for recreational sports, and $62,000 for student publications.\textsuperscript{3762}

The USF Board of Review selects Barry Ladis as a new executive coordinator for the Office of Student Programming (OSP). Ladis plans to gear new programs to a larger group of students in order to increase student participation.\textsuperscript{3763}

USF Baseball Manager Robin Roberts resigns due to the program’s inability to attract fans to home games. Eddie Cardieri is named the Bulls’ interim manager for the 1986 season.\textsuperscript{3764}

Dr. Michael Sweeney, 33, works as an assistant professor and cardiac surgeon-in-charge at the USF medical school. Sweeney performs the first heart transplant ever done

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in Tampa. Previously, Sweeny worked at the Texas Heart Institute in Houston and also received training at John Hopkins University.\footnote{6/17/85}

USF’s Student Senate passes a resolution “demanding the University Foundation divest itself of the estimated quarter-million dollars worth of investments in American corporations that operate in the Republic of South Africa.” The Senate hopes that this will be a “first step in pressuring the foundation to divest these holdings.”\footnote{6/20/85}

Dr. Loren J. Bartels, assistant professor of surgery at USF, performs the first cochlear implant surgery in Tampa Bay. The surgery is performed on Dorothy Fuqua who is now able to hear sounds after being deaf for four years. Although she can hear some sounds, it is difficult to distinguish between different sounds and lip reading is still necessary.\footnote{6/26/85}

Eric Weaver, 21-year-old junior majoring in engineering, paints a cement bench in “an array of colors” to liven it up. Instead of receiving praise, Weaver is charged with vandalism and is given the option of repainting the bench white, replacing the bench, or going through a disciplinary hearing. He opts to paint the bench white but feels he was treated unfairly.\footnote{7/01/85}

Alice Aycock’s sculpture, “How to Catch and Manufacture Ghosts,” which was purchased in 1981 to exist permanently on the USF campus is being dismantled due to its state of disrepair. A verbal agreement between Aycock and USF to keep the statue maintained turns out to be insufficient. “When you do something like that you assume that the college will take care of it…you trust in people’s good faith in some cases,”
Aycock says. “It posed a problem for me. It had a negative effect on my work and it affected my career.”

Robert Acampora, a computer-engineering student, is charged in the August 9 sexual battery and murder of USF secretary, Virginia Bulger.

Hangtags replace adhesive parking stickers. Prices increase from $25 to $30.

Brain Tumor Treatment Center opens in June. It is the only one of its kind in the Southeast. Also, Tampa Bay’s first heart transplant is performed in the same month.

In an attempt to reduce the department’s deficit, the USF athletic department cut the money available to the men and women’s basketball programs. The money available to the men’s team was cut $140,000, dropping it to $545,000, and the funds for the women’s team was reduced to $167,333, down $19,250.

Dr. Hussain I. Saba, an associate professor of internal medicine at the medical school, discovers a new disease. The disease, which he named Type IIB Tampa, is a bleeding disease similar to hemophilia.

Student government collects signatures to push for a constitutional amendment to allow a state lottery in Florida. The student government hopes that revenue from the lottery could be used for education.

The University Foundation decides it will not divest its holding of an estimated quarter million dollars in American companies which operate in South Africa. The University’s director of African studies, Festus Ohaegbulam, believes that divestment is...
part of the “surgery” that would heal apartheid. Joseph Busta, vice President for the USF Foundation, does not believe that divestment is the best moral and economic course for the Foundation to take, despite his (and the panel’s) belief that apartheid is “morally indefensible.”

Seven buildings at USF provide the largest single shelter facility in Hillsborough County when Hurricane Elena threatens the Tampa area. 5,000 to 7,000 people took shelter at USF.

USF President John Lott Brown travels to China to establish faculty and student exchange programs along with possibilities of establishing sister-city relations with the Chinese city of Hangzhou.

A faulty chemical, Sarabond, developed by Dow Chemical is used as an adhesive in the mortar between the bricks of the Business Administration building. Sarabond contains a chloride additive that causes the metal supports to rust, and that causes the bricks to expand, crack, and fall out of the building. USF sues Dow Chemical for $6 million.

USF’s crime rate on the Tampa campus increased 19% between 1984 and 1985.

Five students and one medical fellow win prizes in the USF College of Medicine’s Fourth Annual Student Research Symposium.
The Project Thrust Junior Mentor program is formed to increase the retention rate of black students at USF.3782

Plans for a new, larger post office on campus are being explored.3783

The Sarasota Campus library is scheduled to be completed October 1, 1985 with the official dedication ceremony on October 26.3784

USF’s Traffic Department Director disappoints students by announcing that there is no need to build more parking lots, other than the lot at the College of Engineering Building that is in progress.3785

The Gay-Lesbian Coalition of USF holds a seminar explaining and discussing AIDS.3786

Reagan campaigns for tax reform to an audience of senior citizens at the downtown Curtis Hixon Convention Center.3787

“Ash urns” are removed from the walls of public buildings at USF and installed in designated smoking areas because of the Clean Air Act.3788

St. Petersburg High School receives the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching award. Along with the award comes a check for over $44,000.3789

The Peace Corps offers graduate assistantships of up to $8,000 to Returned Peace Corps Volunteers who are full-time, graduate degree seeking students. USF is aiming to re-establish a Peace Corps recruitment office on campus.3790
USF uses $480,000 to schedule more sections of mathematics and foreign language courses. “We are basically trying to get to a student to teacher ratio of 22:1 in the English, math, and foreign language courses,” USF Executive Vice President, Albert Hartley said.

The Florida Public Interest Research Group (FPIRG) holds its first meeting in the University Center. FPIRG is the state’s largest consumer and environmental organization. They are discussing the protection of the Key Islands and Apalachicola Bat from a lease sale to oil and gas industries.

Disbursement of Pell Grants could be delayed because of a federal requirement to have certain grant applicants fill out a questionnaire to determine whether the student is independent or dependent.

The Suncoast Area Teachers Training (SCATT) honors program at USF won a $500 award for attracting talented students as education majors. The American Association of State Colleges bestowed the award to SCATT.

Too little staff and too much paperwork in the Financial Aid Office slows down the process of students receiving their financial aid.

USF’s Student Government approves a request to grant an additional $72,000 to the athletic department for renovation of several recreation facilities on campus. $53,000 will be used to repair Andros pool, which is a health risk because of algae that is forming inside the pool foundation.
Administrative Affairs merges with Employee Relations – Information Resources.  

Jimmy Carter, Abby Hoffman and Jerry Rubin, Randall Robinson, St. Peter DeVries, and Eleanor Smeal are scheduled to speak for USF’s 1985-1986 University Lecture Series.  

Angela Scheduler, a USF medical student, creates a series of exhibits concerning medicine which are being displayed at the Museum of Science and Industry.  

Dean of USF’s College of Public Health, Peter Levin, is appointed to the Hospital Cost Containment Board. This board conducts statewide studies of health provisions and seeks ways to lower medical costs.  

In July, USF and St. Petersburg reach an agreement to establish All Children’s hospital as a teaching and research hospital for USF med students and faculty. A separate pediatrics department is established at All Children’s.  

A man trying to force his way into a Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity party in the University center fires two bullets. No one is shot, and there is no positive identification of the man who fired the gun.  

The remodeled USF St. Petersburg pool opens after being closed for four years.  

Former USF baseball player Matt Mainini plays in the New York Yankees minor leagues.
A group of USF students form a campus chapter of the Overseas Development Network (ODN). ODN educates and advocates action on the problems facing Third World countries.\(^{3805}\)

Efforts made to remedy the mildew problem in library.\(^{3806}\)

High school administrators and guidance counselors complain that they will not be able to prepare students for USF’s and other universities’ tougher admissions requirements because of a lack of resources.\(^{3807}\)

USF hires eight black faculty members in the 1985-1986 school year as opposed to none the previous year.\(^{3808}\)

A benefit dinner honoring Grace Allen, wife of USF’s first president John Allen, is expected to raise $9,000 to be placed in a Women’s Club USF Foundation account. This money is to be used for scholarships.\(^{3809}\)

Randall Robinson, “one of the chief architects of the ongoing civil disobedience campaign against the South African government’s apartheid policies,” speaks in the University Center Ballroom.\(^{3810}\)

The director of USF’s alcohol abuse and rehabilitation center says that the center is trying to expand to include drug abuse prevention.\(^{3811}\)

USF’s Life Science, Administration, Fine Arts, Engineering, Florida Mental Health, Education, Chemistry, and the Medical Center buildings require asbestos problems to be rectified.\(^{3812}\)
The USF Athletic Department signs a contract with Winston Communications, owners of WDAE radio, to cover Bulls’ basketball games. 3813

10,000 people gather for the dedication of the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children at USF. The facility treats children with orthopedic problems for free. 3814

USF President John Lott Brown establishes an advisory committee to formulate policies for USF concerning South Africa and apartheid. 3815

Foster and Kleisen donates one year of billboard space to be “rotated and showcased around the Tampa Bay area” to USF. A contest is held to give students a chance to have their artwork displayed on the billboards. 3816

Private donations are on the rise: from $600,000 in 1978 to $1.4 million in 1985. A long-range plan is developed to increase private funding for the USF Library. These additional funds will be used for endowment, development of resources and services, and physical expansion. 3817

Burger King comes to campus in a 26 foot-long van. 3818

USF’s Diabetes Center is awarded $335,675 grant from Florida’s Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services. 3819

USF student is pulled over by University Police for careless driving and an expired license plate. When the officer points out the expired validation sticker, the student promptly eats it. 3820
USF Education Professor Jon Wiles is accused of sexual harassment by one of his female students. Wiles files “a grievance against the University in response to the University keeping him from teaching his classes” until the investigation is complete.\textsuperscript{3821}

Daniel V. Lim, a USF researcher, develops a test to determine which women are at high risk for transmitting the Group B Streptococcus bacteria to their infants during childbirth. Group B Streptococcus is part of the normal bacteria found in 20 to 30 percent of adult women. This strain of bacteria can cause respiratory problems, blood infections, and can be fatal to infants. Women found to have the bacteria present are given an antibiotic before birth to prevent transmission.\textsuperscript{3822}

Theo Bell, Tampa Bay Buccaneer and recovering alcoholic, speaks during Alcohol Awareness week at USF. Alcohol Awareness week “is to show students that they have a choice about drinking by encouraging the responsibility aspect of it.”\textsuperscript{3823}

A mere 15 students attend the Supercommittee’s open forum designed to give students a voice concerning the increase of student fees. The Supercommittee endorses an 18-cent increase for the current athletic fee of $2.45 per credit hour. It also approves a $2 per semester fee for all students to raise money for renovations of the University center, and it approves a 50-cent per credit hour increase in the current Activities & Services fee of $3.35 per credit hour.\textsuperscript{3824}

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USF hosts the 7th Annual Children’s Festival for 3,000 children. Admission is $2.50, and there are a variety of activities including, arts, crafts, face painting, an obstacle course, jazzercise, and putt-putt golf.\footnote{3825}

USF St. Petersburg graduate research professor Robert Garrels receives the Scientist of the Year Award at the Museum of Science and Industry (MOSI). Garrels is known for figuring out the carbon dioxide cycle. “Due to man’s use of fossil fuels, such as coal and gasoline, the amount of the carbon dioxide in the atmosphere has doubled.” Garrels also put together a chemical model for sea water and wrote *Solutions Minerals and Equilibrium*.\footnote{3826}

USF receives approximately $100,000 in scholarship money as a result of the J. Clifford MacDonald Training Center’s move to the USF campus. The MacDonald Training Center (MTC) is a home, workplace, and school for the mentally and physically handicapped to help people become as independent as possible. MTC moves to USF as a result of USF’s “aggressive medical research development.”\footnote{3827}

Jed and Cindy Smock, a husband and wife team, arrive at USF to preach. They refer to themselves as “Brother Jed” and “Sister Cindy.” The Smocks use their abrasive preaching in an attempt to get through to the crowd. Jed brands “girls as whores and boys as whoremongers, and the entire crowd as morons.” However, most students listen to the Smocks for entertainment value since they come to the campus every year. As one student puts it, “It’s like a cult thing.”\footnote{3828}
A group of students in Tim Ruger’s public speaking class are offered the option of either taking a written final exam or staging a persuasive campaign. Opting for the persuasive campaign, the students decide that their persuasive campaign will be the “Save Dave Initiative” (SDI). SDI is in response to WXFL, Channel 8 moving “Late Night with David Letterman” from its normal 12:30 to 1:30 a.m. slot to a later 1 to 2 a.m. slot. The students think that the new time slot is too late. Students are graded on how much they work and how each group member evaluates other members’ contributions.\(^{3829}\)

Dr. Archie Silver of USF’s department of psychiatry receives an award for outstanding professional achievement in the field of mental health. The Mental Health Association of Hillsborough County presents the award for Silver’s extensive work with children and his development of the “search” test, which detects learning disabilities early in children.\(^{3830}\)

The Southeast Marxist Scholars Conference is held at the UC, where 150 attended. 25 protestors formed a picket line outside, made up mostly of anti-Castro Cubans\(^{3831}\).

A column in the Oracle angers area Catholics. Jacqueline “Spike” Gillespie wrote a column complaining of bigotry and sexism in the church, and depicted a woman ending her confession by blowing off a priest’s kneecaps. Gillespie resigns in the midst of a furor, and many students rush to her defense with letters to the Oracle, one reading, “I realize that conservatism is in the rampage and, oh yes, you pliable, pseudo-patriots, super-bigots probably curse me, but why can’t you leave other people who believe other than yourselves alone? Are you that easily intimidated?” Many complain that the Oracle

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is boring “pap” without an outspoken writer like Gillespie. Another writer states, “‘Spike’ was certainly a ‘horse of a different color,’ but she spoke for all of us, in a generation of mandatory higher education. We’re all rebels of a sort, we’re all imperfect, we’re all misfits, tired, scared, confused, determined and bored. I’m bored sick with people debating four levels above my head, and so I have to be a scholar to decipher what they’re really saying. That’s what we liked about ‘Spike’; she was down to earth. Success or failure, she was real and more times a winner than not.”

Grace Allen is honored with a fund-raising dinner for the scholarship named after her and her late husband, John. Other guests include Congressman Sam Gibbons, USF President John Lott Brown, and Mrs. Chester Ferguson, widow of the former chairman of the BOR. Allen said, “I’m being so overwhelmed by the plans for this dinner I can’t get over it, but I’m delighted because it will add to the scholarship. There are so many students who are deserving and need some assistance to help them accomplish their college career. Anything the university can do to help is a very positive action.” Mary Milani of the USF Women’s Club said, “She happens to be what we call a gracious lady; everything she does with grace and courtesy. In a nutshell, Grace Allen is a lady that it’s such a delight to meet and be with. She is a friend not for the moment, but for all time. She is an extremely bright woman who is motivated by any kind of need that is arising at the time.” Allen said of her relationship with USF, “It’s like a person that has a child. It grows up and gets married, and it’s on its own, but you’re still vitally interested.”

Journalist Niela Eliason provides an example of people who passionately boost the St. Pete campus, while dismissing and criticizing the Tampa campus—or “North

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Campus.” Eliason writes, “I’ve long felt the St. Petersburg campus was THE campus, while the main campus was just an inconvenient location for some classes. … I tell you, this is a mature campus.” She notes the growing library collection, new swimming pool, a victorious basketball team (in the city league), and the new dining center managed by Aunt Hattie’s restaurant. The headline of the article: “St. Petersburg Campus is Real USF.”

In the midst of cries for Bayboro campus expansion, some people in the community think a high-powered businessman might be best for the soon-to-be-vacant Bayboro dean’s job. USF President John Lott Brown disagrees, saying to the Tiger Bay club, “We need somebody, I believe, that understands the academic process.” When questioned about if the campus will once again go after Albert Whitted airport’s land, he says no, “that’s for you folks to decide.”

1986: USF serves as an evacuation shelter during Hurricane Elena. An estimated 7,000 Bay Area residents were forced to leave their homes for fear of the storm and USF, designated by the local Red Cross as a temporary evacuation center, served as their provisional home. Staff, students and faculty members volunteered to provide food and help to the people staying in nine buildings throughout the Tampa campus. “It was a wonderful event in the college,” said dean Wallace Russell. “The faculty, staff and students really pulled together.”

Moffitt Cancer Center schedules its opening for the Spring of 1986. The center will combine elements of both the private and public sectors to act as a not-for-profit

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3834 St. Petersburg Independent, 9/18/85.
3835 SPT 1/24/85.
3836 USF Magazine, Vol. 28, no. 1., 1986, 4-5.
hospital. It will “lead a new fight against cancer as its medical staff tackles the disease on both clinical and scientific levels.”

Dr. Hussain I. Saba, director of hematology at the College of Medicine, discovers a new blood disease. This is the first new disease ever identified by a member of the college. He named the illness after Tampa calling it Type IIB Tampa von Willebrand disease.

The Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children- Tampa Unit opens on the USF campus in October of 1986. The pediatric orthopaedic hospital “includes research and teaching activities as well as inpatient and outpatient care.”

Geochemist and chair of the USF Marine Science Department in St. Petersburg is named Florida Scientist of the year for 1985.

Seven USF athletes and two coaches travel throughout the world competing during their summer. Various players from the basketball, soccer, baseball, and volleyball teams took part in the international experience.

BOR Chancellor Charles Reed spends a workday in the Financial Aid Office at USF as a part of the Governor’s Workday Program. He decided to spend his workday at USF after hearing complaints from students about the bureaucracy inherent in the school’s financial aid program.

USF geologist Marc Defant visits the Nevado del Ruiz, a volcanic mountain in Armero, Columbia. He was invited by members of the WTVT-TV news team in Tampa.
to join them in their trip there to view the wreckage because of his geological expertise.\textsuperscript{3843}

Students at the USF Tampa Campus protest against apartheid. They sang “We Shall Overcome,” joined hands and swayed together. These demonstrations seem to some to be a return to the days of student activism and social interest that was present in the 1960’s and 70’s.\textsuperscript{3844}

John Lott Brown makes his first public comment on University divestiture since the committee he established in October to review USF’s policy towards South Africa recommended “the USF Foundation divest itself of investments in firms doing business in and with the Republic of South Africa.” Brown says, “I think it is now the time for the officers of the Foundation to make a decision on this issue…It is my personal view that it would be prudent to divest, but I also feel that for universities to take a position on something as distinctive is not wise.”\textsuperscript{3845}

Students graduating in or after December 1986 are now required to pass a foreign language competency exam in order to graduate. Students can take the exam up to two times. If the students fail the exam twice, a review course must be taken, and a minimum grade of “C” is required to graduate. Also, despite increased enrollment in foreign language classes in the spring of 1986, no new faculty is hired. “It’s disgraceful when you don’t have enough money to hire more people to teach,” says William H. Scheuerle, Dean of Undergraduate Studies.\textsuperscript{3846}

\textsuperscript{3843} USF Magazine, Vol. 28, No. 3, 1986, 8-10.
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State University Chancellor Charlie Reed works the front desk of the student financial aid offices for one day in order to learn about the specific problems of processing financial aid. “It will give him a chance to talk directly to the students and can do nothing but good,” explains Gwyn Francis, acting director of student financial aid. After Reed’s day at the front desk, he says that USF is understaffed and calls the financial aid process a “paper mill.” When learning how to work the front window, Reed exclaims, “My God, this is a paper work nightmare…For every question there’s a form. We’re getting all tangled up in our underwear.”

Glenn A. Burdick, dean of the College of Engineering resigns in order to spend more time on his family and other projects. After a one year sabbatical, he will return to USF to serve as liaison for community, industrial, and legislative affairs.

Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter speaks at USF on foreign policy to a crowd of roughly 3,000. In his speech, titled “American foreign policy, from Carter to Reagan,” Carter says, “Democrats, Republicans – there’s been no real radical change [in foreign policy].” Concerning Reagan, Carter explains, “There is no easy way to deal with terrorism and Mr. Reagan has shown remarkable restraint in not using military force, which is usually the easy thing to do.”

A Burger King Express opens on the USF campus. The Burger King Express is a 28-foot van parked near the sun dome, which serves everything on the regular Burger King menu, with the exception of onion rings, ham and cheese sandwiches, milk shakes, and fish sandwiches.

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USF St. Petersburg professor Raymond Arsenault is in the process of writing a book about Martin Luther King Jr.’s early years and the March at Montgomery, Alabama. “I was inspired by a mixture of academic interest and personal commitment,” explains Arsenault. “No one, except for King, has dug as deep into the Montgomery event. It is a major historical event. It was the first mass non-violent movement. It was a real turning point and deserves attention.”

USF attempts to bring outstanding faculty members to the University through the Eminent Scholars Program. USF must acquire private donations of $600,000, and then the state provides an additional $400,000 to create a $1 million endowed chair. The $1 million is invested and the returns are used to pay for the faculty member.

USF psychologist Mark Goldman, in conjugation with the Florida Mental Health Institute and the Tamp VA Hospital, investigates methods of treating alcoholics. A $120,000 grant by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism under the federal government funds Goldman’s research.

USF hosts a program to honor Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.’s birthday. The program, “King: Portrait of an American Dreamer,” includes song, dance, and narration of a photo history of King’s work. Also, President of the Black Panhellenic Council, Kewis Sapp, announces that the Council is contributing $500 to USF’s Martin Luther King Scholarship Fund.
USF Medical School co-sponsors Medtech, an international medical convention. Tampa is chosen as the location for the conference because of the amount of cancer research occurring in the Tampa area.3855

Leo Stalnaker, Jr., director of Student Publications and associate professor at USF retires. Stalnaker served 16 years at USF.3856

Construction of the USF Psychiatry Center is underway. Unlike most other campus facilities, the Psychiatry Center is intended to be a profit-making hospital.3857

The Sigma Nu fraternity receives a positive response concerning a proposal to permit an on-campus fraternity house at USF. The land-lease agreement would allow the fraternity to lease the land for 40 years.3858

USF’s Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity sponsors a basketball game between USF Alumni and the Tampa Bay Bandits in order to raise money for the March of Dime. The game is held in USF’s gym. Admission is a $2 donation fee, which goes towards the March of Dimes. 3859

The 14th Annual Suncoast Writer’s Conference is held at the USF St. Petersburg campus. Rose Adkins, USF’s Pat Collins, Christopher Keanue, and Mary Stolz, among others give workshops and readings.3860

Dr. William W. Behrens, Jr., director of USF’s Florida Institute of Oceanography in St. Petersburg dies of a heart attack. He was an adjunct professor at the Department of marine Science from 1976-1978 at USF’s Bayboro campus.3861
The University Center Activities Board (UCAB) sponsors a memorial service in honor of the seven crew members that died in the explosion of the Space Shuttle Challenger. The American flag is flown at half-mast, and a moment of silence is observed. Speakers at the memorial include USF Student Body President David Matthes, Student Government Senator Karen Robinson, and University Chapel Fellowship Chaplain John Britton. The USF ROTC Color Guard also appears at the memorial.\textsuperscript{3862}

Gwen MacDonald resigns her position as the dean of the USF College of Nursing. She is resigning to write, conduct research, and return to teaching. Of MacDonald, USF Provost Greg O’Brien says, “The college would not have had its excellence or national reputation without her.”\textsuperscript{3863}

USF President John Lott Brown announces he will not ask the University Foundation to divest its holdings in American companies operating in South Africa. “The question is whether the University as an institution should divest. If (the University) takes a position where a faculty member may have a different one, this may be taken as a threat to academic freedom,” Brown says. He endorses an alternative policy toward South Africa, which states that endowment resources should be earmarked for scholarships to be made available to black South Africans.\textsuperscript{3864}

Problems with the many faulty smoke detectors in the Village on-campus housing are fixed.\textsuperscript{3865}
Dr. William DeVries, who performed surgery to “install the first artificial heart in a human patient,” lectures at USF as a part of the “Communicating with Patients” program. DeVries is paid $5,000 for the lecture.\footnote{3866}

USF celebrates February as Black Emphasis Month. Various activities take place including lectures, a reggae and jazz festival, and other entertainment events.\footnote{3867}

Back from the ‘60s, the bands Kool & the Gang and The Association play at USF for the Bull Blast Homecoming Celebration.\footnote{3868}

Local community members and a USF committee on athletics meet at the behest of Dan Walbolt to discuss concerns ranging from exorbitant ticket prices to poor event attendance. The intention of the meeting is “to see how well athletics is accepted in the [local] community,” explains Committee Chairman Kathy Edwards. Another participant, alumna Claudia Alchediak, asserts that, “The reason attendance is so bad is the price of the general admission ticket, which is $5.50. But the thing that irritates me the most is the $2 parking fee.” Hance McCain, Director for the USF Athletic Association, agrees with many of the complaints. “We’re offering family tickets at Super Bowl prices.”\footnote{3869}

Drs. Stephen Kovacs and Michael Sweeney, both of the USF medical school, announce that they have designed and are currently experimenting with a new type of artificial heart. Tentatively named MALVAD (Magnetically Actuated Ventricular Assistance Device), the design eliminates the need for tubes protruding from the patient’s chest, while making the heart more efficient and dependable. “It’s non-mechanical,”

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explains Dr. Kovacs. “There is nothing to wear out; no gears or cams or levers.” Dr. Sweeney adds that, “It’s more efficient than any other in use now.”

President Brown announces the establishment of a $1 million endowed chair for the advancement of cardiovascular research in the College of Medicine.

Next fall USF will become the first state university in Florida to offer an “exciting and long awaited” graduate program in urban architecture. Architects from the local community have already pledged approximately $163,000 in scholarship funds. In addition to the program, an Urban Design Center is planned to offer “cooperative training, research, and on the job experience” to students from all state colleges in Florida.

A Student Government Senate meeting is devoted to debate over USF’s divestment from economic involvement in the nation of South Africa. The discussion began when Senator Wayne Arden introduced a resolution calling for the University Foundation to “divest itself from all interests in the Republic of South Africa.” Arden explained to the Senate that, “This is a university of whites, blacks, of all races. Why should we take a stand to support companies doing business in South Africa?” Another Senator, however, disagreed with Arden’s solution, asserting that divestment would only exacerbate already desperate economic and civil conditions. “The issue is a very complex one,” said Senator Keith Belsom. “We need to pressure the companies to do something good in there rather than have them pull out.” The Senate approved the resolution in a vote of 18-10, with 9 senators abstaining.
BSU President Harold Foster receives criticism and faces possible impeachment charges for his handling of the annual Miss Uhuru pageant. “The ceremony was carried out wrong,” asserts pageant contestant Julia McMillian. “It was supposed to be a serious ceremony. It was laughed at and was a disgrace to the black community.” Allegations are also made that Foster was intoxicated at the event. While students report that they smelled alcohol on his breath, he denies such claims. “I didn’t feel drunk,” Foster maintains. “There was cranberry juice in the wine bottle that we drank out of on stage.” He further explains that, “It was something that just happened. It just became a disaster. Everyone was off cue. I have offered a public apology for anything I said or did wrong.”  

The Florida Board of Regents proposes guidelines which stipulate that foundations can only invest in companies in South Africa that adhere to the Sullivan Principles and encourage the Pretorian government to abolish apartheid. Stan Halbert, Vice President of the Black Student Union, vocally supports such measures. “None of our student money should be going to South Africa,” he argues, “especially companies that invest in the South African economy.”

The Student Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism, a provisional student organization at USF, is formed to protest South Africa’s system of apartheid. Coalition members announce tentative plans to build a “shantytown” in USF’s MLK Plaza depicting life for blacks in South Africa. “We had about twenty-five people at our first meeting,” explains participant Wayne Arden, “and lots of faculty and administration [sic]

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say they support us.” The group’s ultimate purpose, according to Arden, is to pressure University officials to divest.3876

The national Collegiate Baseball poll ranks the USF baseball team number seven in the United States.3877

Student Organizations Advisor George Edmunds organizes a volunteer trip to USF’s Shangri-La retreat in order to clean up the neglected property. If the estate does not maintain a more attractive appearance, he believes that the University may attempt to sell it.3878

University officials report that they are continuing in their attempts to establish a Phi Beta Kappa chapter at USF. “It’s the greatest undergraduate honor society organized,” asserts professor Charles Arnade. “This is about our sixth try. You don’t get a chapter just like that.” In previous attempts, South Florida has been rejected due to inadequate library facilities, the absence of a foreign language requirement, low faculty salaries, and high grade inflation among other things. USF’s committee members are “cautiously optimistic” about their chances this year.3879

While waiting for a governmental response to a proposed charitable transfer of a center on the island of Bimini in the Bahamas to USF, Carl Riggs states in a letter to the owner of the property that administrators at USF “are not waiting, not necessarily patiently, but waiting.”3880

The Career Service Senate at USF calls on the University Foundation to divest all economic holdings in companies doing business in the nation of South Africa. “It is

3876 O: Feb. 27, 1986; Mar. 4, 1986
3877 O: Feb. 28, 1986
3878 O: Feb. 28, 1986
3879 O: Mar. 5, 1986
3880 Riggs to Donald J. Keune, 6 March 1986. CRP, File: January 1987-June 1987, SCUSF.
important for us to communicate to the [University] president our support for
divestment,” explains Senator Mike Copeland. “This is an issue that affects career service
people. Our voice is added to those many voices against apartheid. It is important that we
take a stand.” 3881

The Students for America, a conservative student organization at USF, construct
an anti-communist exhibit on MLK Plaza in the form of a Soviet death camp. Although
such death camps have not existed in the Soviet Union since Stalin’s reign, the students
assert some contemporary relevance to such a representation. “The exhibit is an example,
or symbol, of how communist doctrine affects people all over the world,” explains
Students for America President Keith Belsom. “We thought this is [sic] the most eye-
catching way to get our point across.” 3882 Days later, the University Police find the
exhibit in pieces, apparently destroyed sometime during the night. 3883 In a letter to the
Oracle, a group identified only as the Students Against Right-Wing Psychotics claim
responsibility for the destruction of the mock death camp. The University Police are
continuing to investigate. 3884

Four University Police officers are suspended for driving a personal vehicle into a
lake on the University Golf Course while off-duty. In addition to their suspensions
without pay, all four men are required to contribute forty hours of volunteer service to the
University. They will also be required to pay nearly $9,000 in damages. 3885

3881 O: Mar. 12, 1986
3882 O: Mar. 11, 1986
3883 O: Mar. 13, 1986
3884 O: Mar. 14, 1986
3885 O: Mar. 14, 1986
Celebrity trumpeter Doc Severinsen (of “Tonight Show” fame) performs with the USF Wind and Jazz Ensembles at Ruth Eckerd Hall in Clearwater.  

A USF weight-training instructor reports that outdated equipment in the University Athletic Center is threatening the completion of accredited courses for 249 students currently enrolled in weight-training, aerobics, and figure development classes. “We’re using [them] under supervision,” says instructor Tony Jonaitis of the equipment. “But no, I can’t say I feel completely safe using it.” Adds instructor Isaiah Trice, “If it were not for classes, that machine would be gone.”

An Oracle sports writer announces a soap opera unfolding in the USF Athletic Department: “As the Rose Wilts: A story about a basketball coach’s decline in popularity at a university.” The university is South Florida; the coach is men’s basketball coach Lee Rose, who has been the focus of increasing criticism regarding the team’s mediocre performance on the court. “After going through an OK season (14-14), it is no secret that Rose is looking for employment elsewhere,” she writes. “It is also no secret that more than a few people think he has a good idea going.” Rose has expressed some dissatisfaction with recent budget cuts within the Athletic Department, but maintains that he will honor the full terms of his contract with USF.

USF Foundation’s Executive President Joseph Busta denounces divestment as a “meaningless” exercise in pressuring South African leaders to abolish apartheid. “If you divested every endowment stock it would be equivalent to one or two days of trading on the stock exchange.” Furthermore, Busta says that he will not encourage people to boycott many of the companies doing business in South Africa, because they

3886 O: Mar. 25, 1986
3887 O: Mar. 25, 1986
3888 O: Apr. 1, 1986
are acting “positively and constructively, way beyond the Sullivan Principles.” “Risk, not profit, is the primary issue of the Foundation,” he adds. “If one chooses to divest from companies in South Africa, then you could not invest in 30 of the 50 safest companies.”

An hour-long rally is held at MLK Plaza, sponsored by Student Government and the Student Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism, to commemorate the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and to protest the practice of racism and apartheid. “Martin Luther King [Jr.] called for divestment, and this is to support divestment and to draw similarities between apartheid ... in South Africa and racism here [in the United States],” says SG Minority Affairs Advocate Gregory Graham. “Don’t let anyone fool you,” warns BSU member Brian Thomas. “Racism is alive and well. Today’s racists don’t wear white sheets ... Instead, they wear gray flannel suits and actively discriminate in business and banking.”

Special Collections at the USF Library acquires a $500,000 cigar memorabilia collection which includes cigar bands, labels and related design booklets known as lithographic progressives. A complete history if the Tobacco Leaf journal, dating to 1860, has also been donated with the collection. “This is the finest collection of its kind in a university,” says Special Collections librarian Jay B. Dobkin. “We have been collecting and documenting all allied materials relating to the cigar industry for many years, because we feel this collection is vital to understanding and preserving Tampa’s history.”

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3889 O: Apr. 3, 1986
3890 O: Apr. 7, 1986
3891 O: Apr. 10, 1986
University officials announce that the Youth Achievement Program at USF’s Florida Mental Health Institute is scheduled to be phased out due to funding problems. “It has nothing to do with the quality of the program,” explains Program Director Dr. L. Adlai Boyd. “We’re obviously disappointed, but not surprised in the least.”

USF student-vets respond to statewide reductions of Veteran Assistance education benefits. “They’re mad!” says VA advisor Tim Reilly. “Most of the vets I know are just trying to make ends meet, and a lot of them weren’t aware the cuts were going to take place until it actually happened.” David Coats, spokesman for the VA office in St. Petersburg, explains the notification process, eschewing individual mailings as much too costly. “We’ve tried to put out a good bit of publicity, but we rely on the media to get the news out; apparently some people just didn’t hear about it.”

Sixty five percent of students polled nationally believe that the United States should impose economic sanctions against South Africa to protest the republic’s system of racial apartheid.

All-American Bulls baseball catcher Scott Hemond and nationally ranked golfer Laurie Kean are named male and female Athletes of the Year at the Annual USF Athletic Awards Banquet.

The Athletic Department at USF names Paul Griffin the new Athletic Director. Griffin was chosen from eighty applicants for the position. “I am looking forward to the challenges that lie ahead in South Florida athletics,” he says. “Success is on the horizon and success is in our history.” One of Griffin’s initial goals is to work on reducing the
department’s deficit of nearly $150,000. “There is a three-year plan to eradicate the
deficit in place, and we will continue to analyze the situation and get rid of the deficit as
quickly as possible.” He also hopes to improve and promote athletics at the University.
“I’m not afraid to ask anyone for their support.”

USF students join a few hundred others in a march from Florida State University
to the Capitol to protest a proposed fifteen percent increase in tuition at state universities.
“We want to make sure that any tuition increase is fair and representative of what
students can afford at this time,” explains USF Student Body President Dave Matthes.

Senator Betty Castor introduced a bill into the Florida Legislature last year that would
have capped such increases at five percent, but it State Representatives failed to approve
it. “It seems like the march is becoming an annual event because tuition increases are
becoming an annual event,” laments Shari Caprara, Legislative Director for the Florida
Student Association. “We want senators and representatives to know that all students are
against the fifteen percent increase; not just a few SG presidents.”

USF Baseball coach Eddie Cardieri is named Coach of the Year by a committee
of his peers.

The USF Bulls Baseball Team clinches the Sun Belt Conference Championship
with a 6-3 victory over the Jacksonville Dolphins at Red McEwen Field. With the
conference title, the Bulls are guaranteed a position in the upcoming NCAA Regional
Tournament.
USF Parking Services administrator Liz Carl reports that 44,000 parking tickets have been issued on campus since August of last year, amounting to about $160,000 in fines. The funds collected from paid fines are channeled into a USF scholarship fund.

Otto Meerbott, the self-proclaimed “most hated man on campus” announces his retirement from his post as Parking Services Director at USF after twelve years of service. “I came to do a job, and I did it,” Meerbott says. “We’ve got one of the best parking and traffic services departments for a school with more than 20,000 students.”

University administrators consider moving the location of the weekly Flea Market from its current home on Martin Luther King Jr. Plaza. Physical Plant officials cite concerns over the trampled grass and landscaping due to the increased pedestrian traffic generated by the market. Among the proposed options for relocation are Crescent Hill, the Alpha Hall parking lot, and the area in front of Cooper Hall. In a poll conducted by the Oracle, 259 of 297 USF students vote against moving the location of the weekly Flea Market from its home on MLK Plaza. “Students should be more important than grass,” says one student. “Use A&S money to buy artificial grass,” suggests another.

The Interfraternity Council at USF announces its first “dry rush” for the upcoming fall semester in an effort to conform to a national trend eschewing the consumption of alcohol. “The fraternities have realized that it doesn’t take a beer to rush a perspective pledge; it takes integrity,” explains Interfraternity President Howard Grosswirth.
Six pieces of artwork, on loan from the University Gallery, are stolen from the dean’s office in the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences over the weekend.\textsuperscript{3905}

After seven years and $1 million in litigation, University officials consider accepting a settlement with Pinter Contracting Company of $330,000 as reparation for design flaws and structural damages to the USF Sun Dome. This month marks the ten-year anniversary of the signing of the contract between the architect and the University for construction of the facility.\textsuperscript{3906}

Former USF baseball catcher Scott Hemond is selected to the \textit{Sporting News} 1986 College All-America Baseball Team. Hemond has decided to leave USF after his junior year in order to accept a first round draft by the Oakland Athletics professional baseball team.\textsuperscript{3907}

Head USF Basketball Coach Lee Rose announces his resignation after weeks of speculation over his plans at the University. “The years he’s been here, Lee Rose has clearly improved significantly the prominence of our basketball program,” comments President John Lott Brown. “Not until the letter of resignation did I know he was going to take this job.” Rose has accepted a coaching position with the San Antonio Spurs of the NBA. “The greatest players and skills are found in the NBA,” he explains. “And this offers me the opportunity to work at the highest level of competition in our profession.”\textsuperscript{3908}

\textsuperscript{3905} O: July 2, 1986
\textsuperscript{3906} O: July 3, 1986
\textsuperscript{3907} O: July 9, 1986
\textsuperscript{3908} O: July 10, 1986

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University officials announce their intentions to build a university-owned home for USF’s president.\textsuperscript{3909}

Congratulating Kathleen M. Oliver for winning the Career Service Scholarship Award, Carl Riggs finishes the letter by stating that, “in addition to ‘kudos’ memos I have ‘Kudos-squared’ memos. The latter has been written and sent in only one occasion over the past 15 years.” Riggs was “prepared, however, to send one of these to you immediately upon receipt of certain appropriate news.”\textsuperscript{3910}

The Florida State Legislature announces plans to update every library in the state university system by computerizing all of the card catalogs. The new system, called Library User Information Service (LUIS), will eventually eliminate the need for card catalogs entirely, replacing them instead with computer terminals. University officials predict that the new system will be up and running at USF as early as January of next year.\textsuperscript{3911}

Bobby Paschal is selected to replace Lee Rose as head coach of the USF Bulls Men’s Basketball Team. “I coach upbeat basketball,” Paschal explains. “I like to be the aggressor whenever possible ... I don’t think I can change my philosophy at this point, so if the players are used to another style, they’ll have to change.”\textsuperscript{3912}

Janice Davis-Petrik, Program Director for the University Center, announces that the weekly Flea Market will continue to be held on MLK Plaza.\textsuperscript{3913}

Carl Riggs employs alliteration in a letter to Dean and Mrs. Robert G. Cox, (Dean of Business). “Usually I do not have difficulty finding the right words and putting them

\textsuperscript{3909} O: July 10, 1986
\textsuperscript{3910} Riggs to Kathleen M. Oliver, 29 July 1986. CRP, File: June 1986-December 1986, SCUSF.
\textsuperscript{3911} O: Aug. 26, 1986
\textsuperscript{3912} O: Aug. 26, 1986
\textsuperscript{3913} O: Aug. 28, 1986
together in the proper sequence to say what I want to say. Unfortunately, my frequent fine facility for fancy phrasing fails me when I attempt to express adequate thanks to the two of you for the wonderful party the College of Business had for Pat and me.”

Officials from Tampa Children’s Hospital are in negotiations with USF to relocate the hospital on the University campus. “The USF site “is desirable because of the growing children’s medical complex there, such as the Shrine Orthopedic Hospital, Kiwanis Children’s Clinic, MacDonald Training Center and other planned facilities,” says Charles M. Davis, Board of Trustees President. It is predicted that the hospital would be fully functional within two to three years.

Longtime USF Professor John “Knucky” Parker passes away from heart failure at the age of sixty-eight. The Oracle writes the following of the popular English instructor and musician: “A nationally known jazz-blues piano man, Parker recorded more than 100 albums in his career ... In his two decades of teaching, Parker was one of USF’s most popular instructors, the film classes he taught having long lists of students waiting to enroll. He would spice his classes by stroking the ivories of a piano while the oldies, Bogart and Bergman, filled the screen.” In recent years, health problems had kept Parker from teaching full-time at the University.

Florida lawmakers approve a new bill that will provide tuition waivers for in-state graduate assistants at all public universities in the state. The decision, according to GAU

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3914 Riggs to Dean and Mrs. Robert G. Cox, 3 September 1986. CRP, File: June 1986-December 1986, SCUSF.
3915 O: Sept. 5, 1986
3916 O: Sept. 8, 1986
President David Kerr, represents a $2.6 million commitment by the state towards higher education. The waivers are scheduled to go into effect this semester.  

The USF Library staff holds a ribbon-cutting ceremony to formally introduce the new computerized card catalogue system. “The students are reacting positively, says librarian Sonja Garcia. “They love it, and the ones who show some reluctance are much more receptive after they are shown how easy it is to access.” A weeklong fair is being held to instruct library users on the use of the new LUIS system.  

According to a stipulation in the recently revised alcohol policy at USF, possession of an open container of alcohol is now considered illegal on University property and will be enforced as such. “We don’t want the students to think we’re out to punish them,” says Troy Collier, Acting Dean of Students. “We just want to create an atmosphere [of] concern for the responsible use of alcohol.”  

University officials schedule a meeting to determine the fate of USF’s Shangri-La lakefront retreat property on Lake Thonotosassa. “The final decision will be made on October 20,” reports SG President Dave Matthes. “If we’re successful with the proposal, we’ll be able to keep the property and develop it for student use; if not, we’ll lose it forever.” The property was donated to the USF Foundation by Dr. and Mrs. Malcolm Smith in 1970, under the stipulation that it would remain in the University’s possession for at least ten years. “We will look very carefully at all proposals,” explains Joseph Busta, Executive Vice President for the USF Foundation. “We have had a whole host of
inquiries over the summer, and we are anticipating offers for the property. We will make a final decision one way or the other this fall.”

An Oracle poll finds that an overwhelming majority of USF students are in favor of keeping the Shangri-La property on Lake Thonotosassa. Of the 375 students reporting, 372 were in fact in favor of maintaining the retreat. “Gifts of this magnitude are usually given with the understanding that they are to remain in public trust under the directorship of an agency, such as USF, in perpetuity, even though the legal documentation accompanying the real state transfer may not say so specifically,” writes Eve Bailey. “To sell the Shangri-La property seems to be a breach of common trust.” Another respondent complains, “I have very little patience with people who think they can make decisions for people, when the decision isn’t theirs to make.” Others even threaten to discontinue their donations to the Foundation should the property be sold.

USF officials initiate a war against crack cocaine on the University campus. The war, according to Troy Collier, is composed of three basic steps: making the issue as visible as possible to students; detecting and eliminating drug users from the University community; and providing assistance and referrals for students with drug problems.

USF celebrates its thirtieth birthday with modest festivities in Martin Luther King Jr. Plaza. Among the speakers at the event is James D. Ray, USF’s very first faculty member.

The Student Government Office of Minority Affairs and the USF out of Southern Africa Committee (USF-SAC) schedule events in conjunction with the National Day of

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3920 O: Sept. 24, 1986
3921 O: Sept. 29, 1986
3922 O: Sept. 29, 1986
3923 O: Oct. 8, 1986
Protest for South African Divestment and Sanctions. The USF-SAC plans to distribute a four-page leaflet at the rally entitled, “USF and Divestment: What everyone needs to know.” In all, twelve campus organizations at USF have passed resolutions calling on the University Foundation to divest.3924

More than 100 demonstrators gather at USF’s MLK Plaza in support of divestment at the University. “We are sitting across from smiling administrators and being told over and over again that President Brown is a sensitive man who abhors apartheid and his wife is a sensitive woman who favors divestment,” History Professor Nancy Hewitt tells the cheering crowd. “If that is true, make her Chair of the Foundation Board and get this thing over with. Our demands that the USF Foundation divest have been patient, all too polite and, in spite of the powerful nature of our support, impotent in the face of the administration’s refusal to even consider them. Their arguments against divestment have fit the expediency of the moment rather than the reality of the situation.” African American Studies Professor Festus Ohaegbulam adds that, “We order President John Lott Brown and the USF Foundation to express our choice and divest now ... apartheid could be eliminated if the great powers of the world would join together.”3925

A local attorney serving on the USF Foundation board is discovered to also be working as legal counsel for a consortium of landowners who are seeking county approval to begin developing land in Thonotosassa. Interestingly, it is the USF Foundation that will ultimately decide whether or not the Shangri-La lakefront property in Thonotosassa will be sold. “If David [Ward, Jr.] felt there was a conflict, I’m sure he’d

3924 O: Oct. 9, 1986
3925 O: Oct. 13, 1986
voice it,” says Foundation Executive Vice President Joseph Busta. “I would not see it as a conflict.” Ward could not be reached for comment.\footnote{O: Oct. 16, 1986}

The Social Science Honors Society closes its account with the USF Foundation in protest of the Foundation’s investments in companies that continue to do business in the nation of South Africa. “We hope to encourage other student organizations with money in the Foundation to consider pulling their funds out,” says Mark Amen, the Honors Society Treasurer.\footnote{O: Oct. 17, 1986}

University officials declare that a tentative agreement has been reached between Student Government and the USF Foundation to lease the University’s Shangri-La property on the shores of Lake Thonotosassa. The details of the proposal include a five-year lease at $1 million per year and a development plan for future use by the Student Government. “We think the proposal has significant merit, but the financial figures are probably unrealistic,” says Joseph Busta, Executive Vice President of the Foundation. “We will consider the value of the use of the property to students. You can’t quantify that in terms of money ... We have more work to do, but we are in agreement with the proposal if we can work out the financial problems.”\footnote{O: Oct. 21, 1986}

President Brown makes a formal pronouncement against University divestment, arguing that it would not affect the South African government’s policy of apartheid. “If all universities in the country were to do it, there would be some impact,” Brown says. “But there’s no way that I or you or anyone can get all these universities to do it together.”\footnote{O: Oct. 22, 1986}
Ronald Reagan becomes the first U.S. president to speak at USF. Reagan appears at the Sun Dome to campaign on behalf of U.S. Senator Paula Hawkins. The president’s visit is marked by new paint, extra landscaping, and additional telephone access at the Sun Dome.\footnote{O: Oct. 24, 1986}

Student Government orders a halt to the distribution of an anti-divestment flyer on the University campus. SG officials argue that the flyer, entitled “USF and Divestment: What Everyone Needs to Know,” should not be circulated because it does not represent the unanimous view of the entire Student Senate.\footnote{O: Oct. 24, 1986}

Black Student Union representatives write a letter to the USF Oracle formally announcing support of USF divestment from those companies doing business in the nation of South Africa. “The newly evolved BSU ... is ready to use its unity and strength in this moral battle for human rights. We strongly urge other organizations to continue to support and join us in the procurement of DIVESTMENT. This is only the beginning.”\footnote{O: Oct. 28, 1986}

The Student Senate passes a resolution calling for the USF Foundation to divest its holdings in those companies doing business in South Africa. This marks the third formal occasion in which the Senate has called for University divestment. The Senate urges President John Lott Brown to “honor the decision of his special committee and begin to use his influence and power to work towards full and complete divestment.” The resolution is passed in a vote of 24-4, with two abstaining.\footnote{O: Nov. 6, 1986}
The University’s eleven-story water tower, described as “old and creaky,” is getting $65,000 in much-needed repairs. “The repairs are just basic maintenance and renovation,” explains Joe Osterman of the Facilities Planning Office. “Any rust on the beams will be sandblasted and repainted ... as well as cleaning the inside of the tower of the accumulated calcium carbonate sediments deposited from the water.”  

Sign language is offered for the first time as an option for satisfying the University’s newly instituted foreign language requirement.  

The USF men’s soccer team clinches the Sun Belt Conference Championship in a 2-1 victory over Western Kentucky University.  

University officials announce that USF has received nearly $54 million in private support over the last five years, making it the second largest recipient of private contributions made to state universities in Florida. The USF Foundation is the agency responsible for the reception and distribution of such donations.  

USF students opposing apartheid put red dye in the fountains at the Administration Building, explaining that, “The blood of South Africa is flowing in the fountains at the USF Administration Building.” Physical Plant workers quickly drain the fountains and clean up the dye. Dan Walbolt announces that an investigation is underway.  

Members of the USF Foundation announce their plans to draft a document “hinting” at plans to taper off investments in those companies doing business in South Africa. “I believe this represents progress because this is the first time anyone from the

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3934 O: Nov. 7, 1986  
3935 O: Nov. 10, 1986  
3936 O: Nov. 10, 1986  
3937 O: Nov. 17, 1986  
3938 O: Nov. 19, 1986
Foundation has been willing to say we’re moving in the direction of divestment,” says history professor Nancy Hewitt.

Mary Lou Harkness announces her retirement from her post as library director after twenty-eight years of service to the University. In the meantime, she plans to remain on the faculty at USF.

USF men’s soccer coach Dan Holcomb announces his retirement amidst allegations of unfair recruiting practices, attempts to proselytize players to his religious beliefs, and charges of professional incompetence.

In a letter to Debra King, Carl Riggs mentions that the Centers of Excellence changed their official name, “with the knowledge and consent of the Department of Education, we changed the name of our Center to ‘Center for Excellence’ (we didn’t choose to be presumptuous).”

USF’s Tampa campus continues to expand at an impressive rate. The $54 million private, non-profit H. Lee Moffitt Hospital and Cancer Research Institute is among one of the 164 buildings on campus. Many more are planned, including 2 fine arts buildings, a second engineering building ($10 million), a Shriner’s Hospital for Crippled Children ($22 million), a Psychiatric center ($10.5 million), and a McDonald’s training center for the mentally handicapped. Overall, the campus brings an economic impact of $250 million to the area.

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3939 O: Nov. 24, 1986
3940 O: Dec. 2, 1986
3941 O: Dec. 8, 1986
3942 Carl Riggs to Debra King, 22 December 1986. The Papers of Dr. Carl Riggs (CRP), Chronological File – Correspondence from Dr. Riggs (including CEMSCT), June 1986-December 1986, Special Collections, University of South Florida Library, Tampa (SCUSF).
3943 Tt 10/29/86; tt 6/6/85.
In the previous three years, many new buildings have gone up, including a fine arts dance facility, a new theater, a diagnostic institute, a stadium, three dorms, two sets of labs, a blood bank, and two classroom buildings for the Florida Mental Health Institute (FMHI).

Degree programs have expanded as well: from 127 in 1970 to 193 in 1985. Faculty nearly doubled during that time, making USF the 8th largest university in the nation. Among other achievements: the state’s first Gerontology degree program, the first Public Health college in the state, more telecourses than any other university, an a College of Education with the nations 3rd-largest teacher testing and validation center. Honors students grew from 10 in 1983 to 76 in 1986. To lure high-quality students, USDF offers 30% more academic scholarships than the year before.

Donations have made 17 eminent scholar chairs possible, the second best figure for the state. Overall, the medical fields have benefited most from these chairs: 3 in pediatrics, 2 in cardiovascular research, and 1 each in cancer research, nursing, surgical oncology, and memory disorders. USF faculty generate $31.4 million in research.3944

Many people contend that this success story is marred by the fact that all of the expansion in business, engineering, and medical fields has been at the expense of the liberal arts. Due to these weaknesses, Phi Beta Kappa rejected five applications from USF to start a chapter. CAS Faculty consistently complain that their programs waste away while the medical and engineering colleges get progressively larger proportions of funding. One language professor said, “We have been raped. We watch the medical college and engineering grow stronger and we only get weaker.” The humanities department has not hired a faculty member in 14 years, since 1972. Some allege that

3944 Tt 6/29/86.
Brown spends most of his time downtown, trying to raise money for his more glamorous programs.\footnote{Tt 6/29/86.}

President John Lott Brown replies to the allegations by saying that none of the medical buildings are being built with public education outlay capital money—except for Moffitt, which cost a whopping $54 million. On the other hand, USF’s operating budget tells a different story—the medical center’s budget (the colleges of Medicine, Nursing, and Public Health) is larger than those of the Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Fine Arts, Natural Sciences, Social/Behavioral Sciences and New College combined. Brown contends that the State Legislature appropriated the money for the new colleges and programs, and that USF didn’t necessarily ask for them. The legislature often prefers to start new colleges rather than improve old ones, and USF uses its discretionary funds on the liberal arts. Still, there are large bottlenecks forming to sign up for required language classes, and it is a widespread belief among liberal arts faculty that there is an unofficial hiring freeze in their areas. Brown blames the legislature, saying USF has not received the funds needed to maintain old programs. Brown also says that liberal arts faculty are not interested in participating in administration—faculty says their low morale is the result of their programs being starved out.\footnote{Tampa Tribune, 4/28/86.}

*Time Magazine* has named USF International Studies Junior Edward Glauser as one of the 20 recipients for the first College Achievement Award. The winners were chosen from 775 applicants. Glauser receives $3,000 and is mentioned in the magazine.
He organized a drive which collected $500,000 worth of food and supplies for victims of a volcanic eruption in Colombia.\textsuperscript{3947}

USF is the second largest university in the state, but ranks 8\textsuperscript{th} in state funding. Only UCF is lower. FAMU has 3,500 students with $12,000 in funding for each. USF has 15,000 students with only $7,000 each.

Lobbyists obtain state permission to build a children’s hospital in Tampa from the State Dept. of Health and Rehabilitative Services. The Tampa Children’s Medical Center Inc. is slated to be built on USF’s Tampa campus. The state rejected a similar application in May 1985. In order to have the request approved, the proposed hospital reduced beds from 160 to 100, and agreed to accept indigents and Medicaid patients. The hospital must be built in 1 year or risk losing state approval.\textsuperscript{3948}

The BOR is skeptical about the need for a new children’s hospital. Regent William Leonard said, “Every time we come here [USF], we got another hospital going up. At some point, the private sector is going to rise up and bite the hell out of us.” The effort for the hospital is led by Tampa doctors, lawyers, and bankers. Regents are worried about costs to the state and the delicate nature of private institutions on state (university) land.\textsuperscript{3949}

Dr. Robert Good, physician-in-chief at All Children’s Hospital, resigns as advisor to Unites Sciences of America Inc. The company is a controversial producer of dubious nutrition supplements. In a perceived conflict of interest, the company recently granted

\textsuperscript{3947} Tampa Tribune, 4/12/86.
\textsuperscript{3948} TT 8/27/86.
\textsuperscript{3949} SPT 10/24/86.
money to the hospital and named Dr. Good as one of the beneficiaries. USF administrators suggested he resign, but did not force him to.\footnote{SPT 11/18/86.}

St. Pete City Council member David Welch is shocked to read a story in the St. Pete Times that USF will close its pediatric department in All Children’s Hospital in anticipation of the proposed children’s hospital in Tampa. Welch said, “With the kind of money we are spending for the University of South Florida, at least we need to know what’s going on.”\footnote{SPT 12/17/86.}

Construction of a performing arts hall begun on Ft. Myers campus.

The smoke detector system in the Tampa Campus Village housing has been largely out of commission for a year due to a lightning strike. Housing authorities falsely blame it on “student vandalism.”

USF’s Foundation loans $280,000 to private developer Richard Wood and Co., Inc., at prime rates or no interest to build Tampa Technology Park nearby. In return, the company promises large tax-deductible donations. USF becomes involved in a variety of other development schemes, including Tampa Palms, Hunter’s Green, and a corporate park. Normally, the Board of Regents must approve such loans, but the Foundation defies tradition. Biology projects planned at the site of the developments do not occur due to poor developer cooperation. USF faculty regularly sit on the advisory board of these developers. USF also tries to get tax-free bonds to build in the Technology Park.

President Ronald Reagan’s visit disrupts a 20-year fraternity tradition at USF. Kidnap the president day is a colorful event when fraternity brothers dress like gangsters in double-breasted suits and fedoras and carry water guns. They then kidnap the
presidents of sororities at an event in the soccer field and hold them “for ransom.” Since Reagan will land at the soccer field, the Secret Service is not amused, and say so in an 8:30am phone conversation with Robert Cottone, vice-president of Lambda Chi Alpha. Reagan made an appearance at the Sun Dome to boost the campaigns of Senator Paula Hawkins and gubernatorial candidate Bob Martinez. He is scheduled to arrive at 4:30pm, when the fraternities begin setting up for the event. Agents assure the students that Reagan will be gone by the time of their event, but they ask that no water guns be carried.\(^{3952}\)

After the Board of Regents recently approved construction of a for-profit film production center on campus by Calgroup, USF backs out of the deal, saying they had been misled about the company’s value.

Institute on Black Life established.

Ground is broken for the Polk Community College/USF Center in Lakeland.

Master’s degree program in architecture established as a joint program with FAMU and FSU; later it becomes USF’s program alone.

William F. Buckley Jr. speaks at USF to an audience of 700. The conservative thinker advocates legalizing drugs, giving property rights to South African blacks, drug testing for government employees, separation of church and state, and Reagan’s proposed “Star Wars” program, or Satellite Defense Initiative.\(^{3953}\)

In December, the library begins bar-coding 450,000 volumes to make the check out process easier and faster. About 40% of the books have already been bar-coded. The branch campus libraries are simultaneously implementing the system. The present

\(^{3952}\) Miami Herald, 10/24/86.

\(^{3953}\) Tt 10/9/86.
system has been in place since the early 1970s. The libraries have also introduced the Library User Information System (or LUIS) to replace the card catalogs. LUIS enables people to log on to the system from a distance using a personal code.3954

Facing the highest crime peak in USF history, administration implements an informal reward program. Campus crime dropped 23% in the wake of he program.3955

Faculty grumble at President Brown’s travel budget. In the past 16 months, he spent over $14,000 in state funds for travel, while Provost Greg O’Brien spent almost as much. FSU’s president spent $10,000, and UF’s only $6,300. Some colleges have smaller budgets than single administrators. The president’s office spent almost $20,000 between three people, Academic Affairs had a budget of $28,000 for 6 or 7 people, while the college of Arts and Letters had a budget of $21,000 to share between 100 faculty members, and Fine Arts had $38,000 for 68 people.3956

Rumors of a presidential mansion anger some students. An Oracle column reprinted in the St. Pete Times reads, “While the Foundation belly-aches that they don’t have a place to entertain dignitaries, hundreds of undergraduate students are trying to jam into already-packed beginning Spanish, Russian, Latin, etc. classes. You see, the state made a language requirement without providing funds to cover the increased demands for classes. Administrators sitting high and dry in cushy offices want a place to ‘entertain’ while the students at USF have to work just to find a place to learn. Take the dignitaries to Bennigan’s and put them up at the Holiday Inn! USF needs to concentrate more on

3954 TT NW 12/22/86.
3955 Tt 1/2/90.
3956 Tt 5/26/86.
education. This university can erect all the signs that indicate that USF is a big-time school, but it won’t mean diddly if the product doesn’t fit the hype.”

1987: On January 10, 1987, the new University Psychiatry Center is dedicated to the public. The complex cost approximately $10.5 million to build and is the result of a four-year, private/public partnership between USF and the Hospital Corporation of America in addition to private, local donors.

USF Professor Daniel Lim helps NASA to help oversee the medical division of their planned US space station. NASA has given Lim, who has his doctorate in microbiology, a $50,000, six-month contract to investigate and prepare a microbiology kit for the station.

A group of USF researchers, led by Dr. William Murray, uncover clues in Greece to the battle that “ended the love story of Antony and Cleopatra,” the Battle of Actium.

John Lott Brown announces that he would like to step down as president of USF. He has decided to leave no later than summer 1988, ten years after he began the position.

USF’s Center for Economic Education addresses the growing American problem of “economic illiteracy.” Originally, the center was established with the intent of helping

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3957 Spt 9/15/86.
3959 USF Magazine, Vol. 29, No. 2, 1987, 4C-6C.
teachers create programs to teach awareness of free enterprise and consumer economics.  

WUSF TV revises its programming in order to differentiate itself from WEDU. Formerly, both carried the same broadcasts and shows, yet the USF based television station has decided that the move “wil give the station a more distinct position in the Tampa Bay broadcast market.”

The Neptune Program, coordinated by the Florida Institute of Oceanography, which is located at the USF ST. Petersburg campus, and six other community and junior colleges, is a six-day class that gives both high school and community college teachers the chance to acquire insight into the Florida environment. They spend their time in the classroom in the field or on a research vessel.

Enrollment of education majors rises at USF, unlike many other universities across the nation. The students at the college have also scored higher on Educational Testing Service Examinations.

USF offers the first undergraduate degree program in the state for women’s studies.

With USF advocating a new children’s hospital in Tampa (preferably on campus), a group of higher education officials meet with St. Pete leaders to discuss the future of USF’s programs at All Children’s hospital. President Brown has expressed little desire to maintain the pediatrics department in St. Pete once its sister is set up in Tampa. Although SUS official said they would like the affiliation to continue, no promises have been

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made. St. Pete City Council reneges on a promise to provide land until an agreement is reached with All Children’s hospital. The council is upset that USF plans to build a competing children’s hospital on the Tampa campus. Hospital officials said they have had to tolerate jealousy from USF, changing priorities at the Medical College, and university politics. All Children’s affiliation dates back to 1973, two years after it opened. USF’s pediatrics dept. opened at All Children’s in 1985 after some opposition from Tampa physicians. It does not help matters that Brown and USF leaders held a meeting with St. Pete officials without telling the press or public, which is required under the Sunshine Law. Even the Tampa Tribune expresses reservations in an editorial.

USF provides All Children’s with 10 faculty positions, an annual commitment of $587,147. BOR chairman Terrell Sessums advocates the new hospital in Tampa and opposes the continuation of the pediatric department in St. Pete. Those supporting the Tampa hospital (spearheaded by Sessums) and those opposing it predict doom and gloom if their courses do not win out. Sessums predicts that Hillsborough county will have “children coming out of our ears” in the coming years, while Dennis Sexton, president of All Children’s, says that if money is wasted and services duplicated, “Children will be the ones who suffer.” The St. Pete Times tirelessly rails against the plan in editorials, saying the hospital is being planned “simply because some pediatricians don’t want to drive across the bay and because the narrow civic pride of

3967 SPT 1/16/87.
3968 Spt 2/6/87.
3969 SPT 1/18/87.
3970 SPT 2/3/87.
3971 TT 1/28/87.
3972 TT 1/17/87.
3973 SPT 1/25/87.
some people in Tampa demands a children’s hospital there.\(^{3974}\) President Brown openly backs the new Children’s hospital in Tampa, saying there is a “real need.”\(^{3975}\) The City of St. Petersburg lends its own political muscle by blocking a land donation worth $12 million. The city has been buying up land around Bayboro harbor for USF ST. Pete, and has already spent $9.7 million. No action will be taken on the gift until the hospital controversy is resolved. USF President John Lott Brown warned that “we do have other places” if St. Pete will not provide more land for the campus there.\(^{3976}\) Some city council members oppose the hardball tactics, and the St. Pete Times calls the move unjustified.\(^{3977}\)

By late March, USF abandons plans for the new hospital, ending yet another bitter battle between Pinellas and Hillsborough. Delays in placing the hospital on or off-campus proved “catastrophic” to fundraising plans for construction and operation of the facility. The BOR proved slow to approve placing the hospital on SUS property. While Tampa leaders claim the big “losers” in the deal were the area’s “children and families,” St. Pete leaders claim those same people are the “biggest winners.”\(^{3978}\) Later in the year, the hospital is planned to break ground near St. Joseph’s. Dr. Lewis Barness, a renowned pediatrician, is crestfallen at the “loss” of the hospital for USF, which he blames on himself. Barness goes on sabbatical, and his return to USF is uncertain at best.\(^{3979}\)

\(^{3974}\) SPT 1/18/87, see also SPT 2/5/87.
\(^{3975}\) TT 2/6/87.
\(^{3976}\) SPT, 2/6/87.
\(^{3977}\) SPT 2/8/87.
\(^{3978}\) SPT 3/26/87.
\(^{3979}\) TT 10/31/87.
The *St. Pete Times* crows, “We hope any bitterness from the controversy will be dispelled by the realization that a second regional children’s hospital was not feasible or desirable for the Tampa Bay area.\(^{3980}\)

In a surprise move, St. Joseph’s hospital offers to lease USF the land for a new children’s hospital for $1 a year and lend $12-14 million for construction of the $22 million facility. St. Joseph’s has also agreed to give up its 88-bed pediatrics department and share basic services (computers, maintenance, food, and billing). USF will probably have to mend fences with All Children’s hospital to ensure the success of this new venture.\(^{3981}\) Health officials prepare to grant USF an extension to break ground on the new facility.\(^{3982}\) USF creates a $1 million endowed chair in pediatrics at All Children’s Hospital. Dr. Robert Good, chairman of the hospital’s pediatrics department, is considered a favorite for the honorary chair. Although the chair is said to have nothing to do with the debate over a Tampa children’s hospital, it does show a measure of USF’s goodwill.\(^{3983}\)

Rumors swirl that President Brown plans on resigning to work in USF’s Eye Institute. He denies this, saying “I don’t plan to.”\(^{3984}\)

The quality and quantity of USF students continues to increase. At 15,578 full time students, USF has 150 more than FSU. Between 1980 and 1987, the average SAT score climbs by 8% to 1,027. Florida’s average is 893.

USF becomes the first college in the state to offer a Women’s Studies degree.

\(^{3980}\) SPT 3/27/87.
\(^{3981}\) TT 7/17/87.
\(^{3982}\) TT 8/26/87.
\(^{3983}\) TT 9/24/87.
\(^{3984}\) TT 2/6/87.
For some time, a top job-screening panel fails to keep records on their searches. It also holds meetings without notice to the public, all in violation of Florida’s Sunshine Law.

61% of high school graduates attend college outside of the state, mostly to seek excellent academic and vocational programs. According to a survey, athletics and social life are at the bottom of their lists of priority.

USF has one of the worst student retention rates in the State U System. Only half of new students stay or graduate within 5 years. UF’s rate is 2/3rds. Only FAMU has a poorer rate: 38.5%. USF’s student body is significantly older, with an average age of 28, meaning more students drop in and out of school to work, etc.

USF’s salaries are 4th in the state, behind UF, FSU and FAU.

State environment officials warn USF that their handling of hazardous waste is dangerous and inadequate.

The Golden Key National Honors Society opens a chapter at USF.

USF’s economic impact to the Tri-county area is assessed at $191 million in direct funds, but when salaries are assessed as well: $277 million.

The BOR passes over USF for a massively funded film program, favoring FSU and its existing acting school.

USF rejects the National Guard’s request to establish a hospital on campus.

New 100,000-square-foot Engineering building dedicated; the $10-million structure is the beginning of a planned $60-million complex due to be completed by the year 2000. The ribbon-cutting ceremony, however, was a disaster. Pouring rain forced planners to shorten the outdoor ceremony and ruined an elaborate chain-reaction device.
designed to cut the ribbon. Just as dignitaries finished a tour of the building, fire alarms went off. An electrical fire began in one of the elevator’s hydraulic motors. Faculty and students ignored the alarm and went about their classes, forcing UP to evacuate every classroom. Two weeks before, leaks developed in the building’s two computer labs, ruining the ceilings and carpet. Just over two months later, another fire begins in an elevator motor, bringing police and firefighters. The motors are deemed insufficient, and the contractor has agreed to replace them.3985

45% of USF employees donate $103,000 for scholarships. No university in Florida and few in the nation have such a program. Since 1974, the fund has given over 500 scholarships to students based on academic performance.

The economic impact of USF is estimated to be $191 million in the tri-county area (Hillsborough, Pinellas and Pasco). After the spending of USF-related businesses is calculated, the impact increases to $277.4 million.

USF’s 30th anniversary celebration is topped off by a lecture from Thomas P. “Tip” O’Neill, the former Speaker of the House.

James Kirkwood, Pulitzer Prize winner for co-authoring “A Chorus Line”, will speak at USF’s growing Suncoast Writers Conference.

USF Library’s Special Collections acquires a large collection of African-American sheet music. NCNB Bank made the collection’s acquisition possible through a $45,000 gift.3986

SG leaders clash with the Oracle over a budget mishap. SG President Charley Harris submitted the budget to the wrong SG organization and it was not found until one

3985 O 10/1/87.
3986 Tt 11/13/87.
day after the deadline. SG refuses to reconsider the budget because it was late. *Oracle* personnel blame the SG’s hostility for the foul-up. $50,000 of the *Oracle*’s $540,000-$700,000 budget is at stake. *Oracle* officials accuse the SG of censorship by withholding funds. All student publications depend on the funding, including *Omnibus* and *Insight*. Perhaps stemming from these controversies is the fact that USF President Brown has ordered the paper’s advisory board to be resurrected. The board would oversee some of the paper’s decisions as well as addressing complaints. The paper’s staff and the Mass Communications Department are entirely opposed to the decision, and some trace it to *Oracle* editorials satirizing Brown. The board is implemented, but several local journalists refuse to sit on such a board, citing the violation of the paper’s integrity and first amendment rights. Journalists from the *St. Petersburg Times* blast SG and USF’s administration for their ignorance of the first amendment. In late October, SG proposes that the *Oracle* cut ad rates for USF organizations as condition for getting funding from SG. The O currently charges USF orgs 15% less than usual ads, and Williard Brooks, the Director of Student Publications considers the proposal to be blackmail. The discount would be increased to 20% and would then decrease over the next five years. SG funding for publications would also be phased out by 1991. The week before, SG proposed to cut Student Publications’s budget by $10,743. The best way for the paper to recoup its losses is to charge regular rates for USF ads. The O broke even after budget cuts last year, and will have to operate on a steep deficit if the proposals pass. The paper already has a $48,000 debt. In an editorial, the O claims that the paper may cost as much as 50 cents when SG funds stop flowing. Although SG eventually did not increase the ad discount, they tentatively went ahead with plans to phase out funding. The next day, SG
announces a further slash in funds for Student Publications, bringing the total reduction to about $20,000. Even Senate President Scott Corder and SG president Charley Harris oppose the cuts. SG also approved across the board cuts in food allocations for student groups, drawing fire from the BSU. Harris vetoes the budget. SG approves a $10,000 cut, but some think that SG shouldn’t hold the purse strings for the O’s budget, citing a conflict of interest. SG finally passes the budget on November 5, after a 4 month delay. Cuts to Student Publications’s budget forces it to cancel publication of next year’s *Omnibus*, USF’s literary magazine. In November, several minority groups and clubs have threatened to pull out of USF, citing their difficulties with SG funding and insensitivity from USF officials. While student groups lost a good deal of SG funding, the miniscule sailing club received over $10,000.3987

In the middle of the night, someone removes 10 concrete bumpers from the engineering building parking lot and stacked them on a loading dock with orange traffic cones. Another bumper that blocked a staff parking space had an anonymous note attached to Michael Kovac, the Dean of Engineering, reading, “As students, we continually feel cheated and stepped on. We get very little respect for the amount of money that we put into this institution. … It’s time the King and his court come down from their ivory tower and remember that a university is also used for education … give the students some respect or the peasants just might revolt. [T]he staff and faculty work for the student. Ha, it sure doesn’t seem that way today.” Shortly before the incident, 35 of the student parking spaces were changed to staff spaces. Dean Kovac set up a meeting with students and Parking Services Director Jim Moran. 15 students attended and offered

3987 Tt 6/16/87; apt 6/16/87; O 6/17/87; spt 7/28/87; tt, 7/28/87; spt 8/2/87; tt 8/21/87; spt 6/23/87; O 11/20/87.
suggestions. One possible remedy is to move the staff and faculty spaces down the street. 23,000 students share 9,000 spaces on the Tampa Campus. USF sold 2,000 more parking decals than the year before. To make more spaces, officials have been implementing a plan to realign parking lots, or changing angled spaces to straight ones, creating about 20% more spaces. Visitors to the Tampa Campus complain of long lines while waiting for visitor parking decals.3988

After receiving a 17% raise, John Lott Brown vowed he would stay a while longer. But later, after ten years at USF’s President, John Lott Brown announces his intention to resign, citing the tiring schedule and the fact that he had served for his public goal 10 years. Brown’s evaluation by the BOR probably had much to do with his decision. Chancellor Charles Reed has been critical of Brown’s handling of the College of Medicine, which has been having accreditation trouble. The medical school overextended itself financially through partnerships with 9 area hospitals. USF may not be able to honor a $1.5 million agreement with a group of French researchers. Brown claims he did not know about the deal, the same plea of ignorance when confronted with a shady deal with a Canadian company several years ago. Reed is also disturbed by USF Foundation’s loans to private real estate developers. Tampa and St. Pete fight over a children’s hospital, while also shattering good relations with All Children’s Hospital in St. Pete. Faculty members accuse him of distancing himself from all but his closest advisors. Despite all the criticism, BOR members and USF employees hail Brown as a fine president for USF.3989

3988 Tt nw 10/9/87; o 9/30/87.
3989 Spt 2/21/87, tt 2/21/87, spt 2/1/87, tt 1/28/87.
When he was first appointed by the BOR in 1978, Brown presided over a $100 million budget. Today, it is $250 million. 23,000 students attended USF, but now there are 30,000. Reliance on private support and donations has increased. When Brown arrived, $600,000 in gifts arrived annually. Today USF takes in more than $14 million a year. USF became the 2nd largest U in the state, and 32nd in the nation. During the same period, USF accumulated 23 endowed chairs. Sponsored research: $9.9 million then, $23.3 million now. National Merit Scholars: none ten, 70 now. 38 new degree programs were implemented, making a total of 193. One hundred new buildings were erected, making a total of 204. 164 administrators line up to succeed him, among them, Secretary of Transportation Elizabeth Dole and former U.S. President Jimmy Carter.3990

The spending of USF Administrators is questioned after the resignation of President Brown. Among the purchases: $856 for Brown’s new desk and credenza; $50 for Brown’s flight simulator video game; maintenance of the General Council’s paper shredder; $150 for polygraph tests on Parking Services personnel suspected of stealing $70; $716 for an Alumni Ambassador brunch at the Holiday Inn on Fowler; $344 for welcoming fruit baskets for a BOR meeting; $89 for a subscription to the Chronicle of Higher Education, although his office has a current subscription; $571 for a desk and chair for the General Counsel’s office; a $50 pen and pencil set for the Physical Plant; a $317 desk for the development office; $1,061 for vertical blinds; five umbrellas for the president’s office; and so on. Parking Services Director Jim Moran spent $5,600 on office supplies alone.3991

3990 USF news release, 5/13/87, spt 5/14/87.
3991 O 10/6/87.
USF faculty and students question the composition of the search committee charged with replacing president Brown. Of its 30 members, 15 are from USF, and the other half are Tampa’s most powerful businessmen. Only six of the USF representatives are faculty, one is a student (SG president), and the rest are administrators. Many in the liberals arts are discomfited by the fact that a business faculty—James L. Pappas, the Lykes Chair in Banking and Finance—chairs the committee. History faculty Ray Arsenault said, “Oftentimes, even the most talented professors in the business college don’t have the appreciation for the liberal arts that we think they should. Certainly we want a competent administrator and manager as president, but we also want someone with serious, intellectual, scholarly credentials.” USF does not require its new president to hold a doctorate degree.3992

Plagued by long lines during drop/add week in August, the Registrar hopes to make early registration and an early drop/add period to relieve some of the pressure. In August, the Registrar processed 10,000 drop/add requests on every day of the week. They are also considering telephone registration in the near future. The following March, heavy use causes the registrar’s computer to crash. The ensuing panic on the part of students causes a giant line to form to the office, but only 10 records were lost.3993

Although venereal disease is rampant on campus, the administration forbids condom machines. One in three students who visit the student health center have VD.3994

A student named John L. Allen mourns the long-lost student radio station that has been broadcasting classical and jazz music for over 10 years. He related a rumor that Cecil Mackey’s wife heard an ad for an abortion clinic on the old student-run station and

3992 Spt 7/16/87, tt 7/17/87, tt 7/20/87.
3993 O 11/19/87, o 3/24/88.
3994 O 12/3/87.
demanded that it be closed. Mackey supposedly followed orders and USF lost its student-run radio station.\footnote{9/21/87.}

John Lott Brown acts as disc jockey for WUSF, featuring and discussing the music of jazz pianist Thomas “Fats” Waller. Rumors abound that Brown plans on resigning.\footnote{6/9/87.}

USF St. Pete hosts the Fourth Annual Bayboro Windship Regatta, a race featuring university students, faculty, staff, and alumni.\footnote{Mar. 13, 1987}

Library User Information Services (LUIS), a new computer information system that the library will use to replace the card catalog, will now be the primary source for library searches. There will still be a partial card catalog with records of publications by title only. The library will keep the Subject and Author card catalog entries, but will not make new entries into these files. The card catalog will be used “primarily as a back-up to LUIS in case a breakdown in the computer system.” There are 60 LUIS terminals at USF in Tampa, plus another 40 at regional campuses. Student reaction has been mixed.\footnote{1/8/87 p1}

The Hillsborough County practice of selling animals from shelters to USF for medical research is temporarily suspended. County Commissioners decide that the voting public should be allowed to make a decision on whether or not the practice should continue. Proponents of the plan argue that USF researchers would have to import animals for experimentation from outside the state (Hillsborough is the last county that allows for experimentation on pound animals). Opponents argue that it is an inhumane
practice. The Oracle publishes many letters to the editor with conflicting viewpoints until the vote. \textsuperscript{3999}

The Oracle reports that Critkon Inc., a subsidiary of Johnson and Johnson, also does testing on animals at USF laboratories. \textsuperscript{4000}

The USF College of Medicine retains the right to “seizure” of animals from local pounds for experimentation. \textsuperscript{4001}

There has been only one reported “glitch” with the new copiers on campus. This semester heralds the arrival of a new supplier, new machines, and an option to pay with a credit card. Customers can either pay with cash, coins, or purchase a credit card from a dispensing machine in the library. \textsuperscript{4002}

Officials hold a dedication ceremony for the USF Psychiatry Center. The center begins accepting patients almost immediately as two of its eight units open right away. \textsuperscript{4003}

BOR statistics show that USF has the lowest percentage of African-American students of all nine state universities. \textsuperscript{4004}

USF Minority Recruiter Charles Harris resigns his post. Harris claims he is resigning “strictly because of the promotional opportunities” at the University of Florida, where he will begin working in two weeks. \textsuperscript{4005}
The USF Traffic Department is considering building a parking garage on campus. According to the proposed plan, a private company would build and manage a garage in lot 1, just North of the library, charging students a fee to park there.  

Incoming SG President Charley Harris and Vice President LeAndrea Drum promise to establish a good working relationship with the Oracle, the Senate, and the Administration. According to Harris, last year’s administration had many “internal problems” in its relationship with the senate and the Oracle.

There have been numerous complaints concerning USF’s foreign languages policy. Beginning last semester, students graduating with a B.A. needed to pass a test and demonstrate competency in a foreign language. Some students have been having trouble with this new development and others have been having trouble getting into language classes now that competency is required.

Students no longer have to pass a foreign language exam, but must successfully complete one year of foreign language coursework.

Because the USF Foundation is a private organization, the Foundation takes some donated funds and invests in stocks and securities. These investments are the cause of some consternation because the Foundation has over $250,000 invested in companies that perform business in the Republic of South Africa. Some in the University believe that this money is being used to perpetuate the apartheid policy in that nation. Foundation officials maintain that they adhere to the Sullivan Principles, which promote racial
equality and anti-apartheid sentiment in South Africa and make money for USF, therefore their presence is a positive experience for those in Africa and the university.\footnote{O 1/20/87 p1}

A drive, coordinated by Associate Professor of History Nancy Hewitt, is begun to raise scholarship funds for students who oppose the investment policies of the USF Foundation. Although Hewitt believes that “the easiest thing would be to just boycott the Foundation and save money and time,” she also feels that this course of action would force “student and staff to suffer from a lack of scholarships.” The scholarship drive is formed as “an alternative way for those who wanted to give money to scholarships but not to the foundation.”\footnote{O 1/22/87 p1}

In the summer of 1986, USF President John Lott Brown asked 11 American companies which do business in South Africa to sponsor a black African student to attend USF. Brown promises to name each scholarship after its corporate sponsor. All companies reject the offer. Brown is “disappointed with the replies” because he believed that the plan would be a “positive” action.\footnote{O 1/29/87 p1}

The Gerber Products Company, one of the companies with South African ties that the USF Foundation has invested in, “is not a signatory to the Sullivan Principles, in possible violation of state and Foundation policy.”\footnote{O 1/29/87 p1}

USF Foundation Executive Vice-President Joe Busta reports that an investigation into the foundation’s financial records shows that USF no longer holds stock in Gerber.\footnote{O 2/11/87 p1}
Because of faculty and student backlash against investment in South Africa, the USF Foundation with begin “selective divestment” in their holdings with companies doing business in South Africa. According to the new policy, the Foundation’s new investments will be focused on firms with no business ties to South Africa as long as the new investments will be of an “equal statistical risk (to current holdings).”

The Oracle continues to publish letters and cartoons critical of the USF Foundation’s investments in South Africa. Finally in October, the Foundation begins their divestment of holdings in 18 companies operating in South Africa. This means that the Foundation has holdings in just 6 companies with ties to South Africa. An Oracle editorial calls the “selective divestment” just a “smokescreen” for the continuation of a similar policy.

Members of the USF Space Committee unanimously decide to permanently close the Science Center Coffee Shop. The “popular meeting place” will be replaced with additional laboratory space. Although the coffee shop will be closing permanently, Provost Greg O’Brien tells other committee members that they “have to plan for an area for informal interaction between faculty and students.”

Laboratory tests show that USF’s water is safe to drink.

The USF Events Committee will make it more difficult to hold outdoor concerts on the Martin Luther King Jr. Plaza. Drunkenness, many non-students, and larger crowds than expected because of over-advertising by WYNF-95 FM marred the most recent concert, a Blue Oyster Cult show. The University Police complain that the 7,000 fans
(when 3,000 were expected) were very difficult to police. There was about $500 in
damage to equipment and the grounds during the show because the inebriated crowd
became over-boisterous after the two-hour rain delay. Student Government Productions
Program Director, Ray Steinman has stated that they would now look to the Soccer
Stadium or the Sun Dome to hold these events.4019

Accreditation is withdrawn from the Urology Program in the College of
Medicine.4020

University Police officers warn students of the dangers of waiting overnight for
tickets to an upcoming Billy Joel concert at the Sun Dome. Tents, cooking, fire, and
alcohol are prohibited, although blankets, beverages, and coolers are allowed. Police
worry about the safety of those camping out because temperatures are expected to drop
below freezing. Oracle columnist Tony Panaccio writes an editorial about the
experience.4021

The Fifth National Collegiate Driving Championship comes to USF. Full-time
undergraduates are encouraged to go to the championship, register, and partake in a
driving competition. Students will drive a 1987 Dodge Daytona. Prizes include three
scholarships that total $10,000 and the use of one of three Dodge Daytona Shelby Zs for a
year. Dodge sponsors the event to promote safe driving habits.4022

A survey finds that one in five USF women have been sexually harassed at USF.
President John Lott Brown plans to implement the recommendations of the Status of
Women Committee (SOWC). The recommendations include publications of the sexual

4019 O 1/22/87 p6
4020 O 1/23/87 p1
4021 O 1/23/87 p1, 2/2/87 p4
4022 O 1/28/87 p1
harassment policy in the Oracle, training programs for department chairs and equal opportunity specialists, programs to educate women and faculty and decentralized harassment policies and programs at the college and departmental level. SOWC chair Nancy Hewitt states that the harassment policy “would work better if it were better disseminated, better distributed, better understood.”

USF professors fill out a survey of 10 books that all undergraduates should read before they finish school. The top ten are *Crime and Punishment, Don Quixote, Great Expectations, Moby Dick, Shakespeare – Complete Works, The Bible, The Catcher in the Rye, the Prince, The Story of Philosophy*, and *The Third Wave*. In addition to this list, the Oracle publishes the top five most requested authors and a larger list of 51 books that were recommended enough to be considered important to the study.

The Oracle runs an editorial proclaiming that USF President John Lott Brown should relinquish his post. According to the editorial, although Brown’s tenure had seen growth and construction on campus, plus stronger ties with the outside community, the negatives of his tenure are beginning to outweigh the positives. The Editorial points out that USF has “negotiated a multi-million dollar contract between the College of Medicine and researchers from the Pasteur Institute which USF doesn’t have the funds to honor. Brown makes the ridiculous claim that he knew nothing of the deal.” Brown is also accused to using money intended to raise salaries for female and minority faculty to raise salaries of white males, and refusing to separate university funds from apartheid South Africa.

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4023 O 1/28/87 p1
4024 O 1/28/87 p4 and 5. Page five contains all the recommended titles.
4025 O 1/29/87 p4
A United Faculty of Florida bulletin lists President John Lott Brown as the highest paid administrator at USF. President Brown makes $109,681 a year. College Deans received the highest average percentage of pay increases, many of them getting an increase of 7% or better.\footnote{4026}

USF’s annual homecoming celebration features a parade, comedian Richard Belzer, and rock band the Producers. The Homecoming theme will be “Bull Invasion.”\footnote{4027}

The USF Athletic Department begins random drug testing of athletes.\footnote{4028}

First year cinematography major, James Puchirek, begins publishing \textit{Up You Image}, a magazine that presents students with “alternative viewpoints, that are contrary to what mainstream media offers.”\footnote{4029}

The USF police apprehend two male students playing basketball on the Andros courts at 3:05 a.m. One of the students is completely nude and the other is wearing only underwear. According to UP Sgt. Bob Stachle, neither of the students appeared drunk and they told officers they were “just fooling around” and admitted, “it was a foolish thing to do.” Associate Dean of Student Troy Collier will review the case thoroughly because USF has, “no specific policy for playing basketball in the nude.”\footnote{4030}

Expansion of the child-care center has been pushed back because of financial concerns. Director Melonese Strong says that she has been turning people away in record

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\footnote{4028} O 2/9/87 p1
\footnote{4029} O 2/12/87 p1
\footnote{4030} O 2/12/87 p3
numbers and needs the allocated extra space. She had also accepted extra kids because
the expansion was supposed to be completed by the beginning of the semester.4031

Several USF students and staff members were arrested last month for their
participation in a nuclear war protest at Cape Canaveral in January. Those who were
arrested are charged with first degree trespassing and must decide whether or not to plead
innocent and possibly serve a year in jail or plead ‘no contest’ and pay a $100 fine.4032

Former Bull Charlie Bradley’s number is retired during halftime of an USF-FIU
basketball game. Bradley holds 13 USF records including most points in a game and
most career points (42 and 1,667). Bradley partakes in an alumni game before the USF-
FIU game.4033

The National Press Foundation names USF alum Michael Pride the Editor of the
Year. Pride, who is editor of the Concord (NH) Monitor, is being honored for his paper’s
coverage of the Challenger space shuttle disaster. Teacher and astronaut Christa
McAuliffe was a resident of Concord.4034

Rates for summer classes will no longer be reduced.4035

The Student Government Senate resolves to investigate former SAFE-Team
director Rob Leach. The new director, Ken Kann, charges that several items were
missing when he took over the office. The missing items, computer programs, important
files, and a manual, were necessary to run the SAFE-Team.4036

4031 O 2/13/87 p1
4032 O 2/16/87 p1
4033 O 2/13/87 p9
4034 O 2/18/87 p1
4035 O 2/18/87 p1
4036 O 2/20/87 p1
The third place float in USF’s homecoming parade is found dumped in a wooded area next to the Village Square Apartments on 50th and Fletcher. The float was built by two “unofficial” Greek organizations, the fraternity Sigma Phi Epsilon and the Sorority Alpha Delta Phi. ADP member Patricia DiCarlo does not know how the float got there, but is “very concerned” about the situation. SPE member Howard Grossworth did not wish to talk to the Oracle, saying that the group didn’t “need bad press with the Greeks.” In a letter to the Oracle, Larry Krause, a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon, wonders why the Greek system does many “terrific things for USF” but the only articles in the Oracle are negative.4037

USF has been the site of a “pyramid scheme” in which many students lost $100. A group of off-campus residents convinced one student that their scheme was legitimate and he convinced others to join. Their pyramid scheme sported an “airline” theme. One person pays $100 to join, convinces two friends to join, once he convinces two friends to join, he moves from “passenger” to “flight attendant,” once his friends get two friends to join he moves to “co-pilot” and then, finally, to “pilot.” Unfortunately almost no one got the $800 they should have in the end and the originators of the game were pocketing the money using false names. The scheme is a misdemeanor in Florida and University Police are investigating.4038

USF plans to build a medical office complex off 30th street. There are no definite plans for when construction will begin or what the complex will be named, according to

4037 O 2/23/87 p1, 2/25/87 p5
4038 O 2/26/87 p1
Mike Blackstone, General Partner in the group of Clearwater investors who own the land.  

The Tiyospaya Native American Student Organization sponsors Native American Awareness Week.  

A smoldering cigarette in a trash bag sets off a fire in the Administration building. The fire causes $9,000 in damage and completely or partially destroys many files.

USF will no longer compete in men’s and women’s swimming. The money saved from ending the swim teams will go towards the establishment of a women’s cross country team and help provide extra funds for other sports. The women’s swim team won the NCAA Division II Championship just two years ago, but they were moved to Division I following that year and do not have the necessary funds to compete. USF has had a men’s swim team for 22 years and a women’s swim team for 15 years. Of USF’s 76 All-Americans, 57 were swimmers.

The Oracle publishes an editorial criticizing the administration for hiring former soccer coach Dan Holcomb as assistant director of campus recreation. The editorial writer surmises that it was wise for the university to “run” Holcomb out of his position as soccer coach because of “widespread charges of undo influence and incompetence.” Unfortunately, giving Holcomb this new position only allows the former coach to return to his former activities. The Oracle publishes two letters to the editor defending Holcomb and the Campus Recreation department in which he now works.
Apartment Listings and the Roommate Referral Service will soon be completely computerized.\(^{4044}\)

Real estate developers in the University area felt that they would benefit from the annexation of USF to Tampa (which took place in 1985). While trying to encourage the annexation, these developers contributed to Mayor Bob Martinez’s campaign, endowed a chair at USF, offered space for a “supercomputer” on campus and took President John Lott Brown and his wife on a “luncheon cruise.” According to the Oracle, the result of this endeavor is that “USF got their chairs, Martinez became governor, the city netted more money and the taxpayers got higher taxes, as they will now be paying taxes to both the county and the city.”\(^{4045}\)

A meeting is held between the Tiyospaya Native American Student Organization (TNASO), the Student Government, and the University Lecture Series. TNASO believes that one of its members should be reimbursed for paying Indian Activist Russell Means’ travel expenses. Means came to campus as a speaker and was paid $1,150 by the ULS. The ULS also agreed to pay $300 for travel. TNASO needed more money and went to the SG for an extra $480 for his flight and $110 for a hotel room. Means received a total of $1,450. TNASO member Suzan Barrett used her credit card to pay for some travel expenses, expecting to be reimbursed but the SG will not reimburse the $300 expense money given to Means because the speaker received it directly and not through university sources. TNASO Director Sheridan Murphy says that the SG will not pay the student back because Means’ travel expenses were included in the payment.\(^{4046}\)

\(^{4044}\) Oracle 3/9/87 p1
\(^{4045}\) Oracle 3/10/87 p1
Good Samaritans send money to Barrett to help her pay her credit card bill incurred as a result of the situation. USF eventually agrees to pay the expenses.\textsuperscript{4047}

There has been a rash in theft of campus traffic signs in recent weeks. The most popular sign to steal is “Slippery When Wet.” Officials surmise that the popularity of a Bon Jovi album title “Slippery When Wet” is the reason for the popularity of these signs. Bon Jovi recently played a charity softball game in Tampa. The group was enthusiastically received, but had to leave before the end of the ninth inning because of security concerns. Female fans continually jumped the fence and chased after band members.\textsuperscript{4048}

The President’s Staff and the SG Senate approve plans for the construction of a Special Events Center just north of the University Center. The center should be completed by the spring semester in 1989. The 2,000-seat auditorium will be built on USF’s miniature park on Crescent Hill. The Oracle publishes an editorial referring to the planned destruction of the Crescent Hill park as “land rape,” “a slaughter” and “barbaric pillage and plunder” of the “most beautiful spot on campus” and “perhaps the single focus of tradition here at USF – the Hill.” The editor encourages members of the community to write the President and Student Government and oppose the location of the new Special Events Center, which the administration plans on naming after University Center Director, Phyllis Marshall.\textsuperscript{4049}

A group of student opposed to the destruction of Crescent Hill will organize a petition drive to try and save the USF landmark. The group interrupts their drive to speak with administration officials about the plans for the area. If the administration can

\textsuperscript{4047} O 3/13/87 p1, 3/27/87 p1
\textsuperscript{4048} O 3/11/87 p1, 2/20/87 p8
\textsuperscript{4049} O 3/11/87 p1, 5/13/87 p1, 5/14/87 p4
convince the group that Crescent Hill will not be completely destroyed by the new Special Events Center, they will stop the drive. The petitioners also hope to collect enough signatures to make the petition a call for a referendum. According to the SG constitution, if 5% of the student enrollment signs a petition, the referendum must be placed on the ballot.  

The group collects enough signatures to put the future of Crescent Hill on the ballot in the SG elections, provided their petitions pass through verification with the SG Election Rules Committee. University planners warn that choosing a different site for the Special Events Center will necessitate anywhere from an extra $200,000 to $500,000, and another six months of planning.

The Student Government passes a resolution supporting the construction of the Special Events Center on Crescent Hill. Students vote 2 to 1 to preserve Crescent Hill in a referendum vote. There is no certainty as to whether the administration will honor the student referendum by moving the construction project. The group responsible for the referendum feels that they should try and enlist the aid of “officials who may be sympathetic” to their cause, especially representative Mary Figg and Commissioner of Education Betty Castor.

There is some confusion about the naming of the new Special Events Center. The Center was to be named after long-time UC director Phyllis Marshall. When Representative Mary Figg took the proposal to the BOR, they objected to the center being named after someone still employed by the University. Students suggested a “compromise” which would name the UC after Marshall rather than the Special Events

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4050 O 10/15/87 p1, 11/9/87 p1
4051 O 11/17/87 p1, 11/18/87 p1
4052 O 11/30/87 p1, 12/3/87 p1
Center. Since the passed bill calls for the UC to be named after Marshall, this is the building that will be named after her.4053

SG Production, in charge of the ‘Cavern Club,’ which features new music on Wednesdays at the Empty Keg, has decided to cancel the Cavern Club because vandals after a concert destroyed the lobby of the USF. Vandals littered trash around the area and pulled two sinks from the bathroom wall flooding the area.4054

Plans to build a children’s hospital on campus have been abandoned because of the difficulty in getting state approval.4055

Three Safety Technicians in the USF Department of Environmental Health and Safety arrested and charged with “the disappearance and sale of approximately 1,654 pounds of mercury.” The men are released from jail, and are not fired form USF, but are placed on “annual leave” until their trial.4056

USF receives $7 million from the state legislature to clean up asbestos in university buildings. The asbestos removal will start in the spring of 1988.4057

Student Government President Charley Harris plans on building a computer center in the University Center that would allow all students to have computer access. Harris believes that he will have a difficult time convincing the senate to set aside $28,000 in A&S fees to pay for the center, but if that step is taken USF will be one of the first schools in the country with the IBM Personal System/2 Model 30 computer.4058
The Senate passes the resolution to begin the computer center. SG President Charley Harris originally asked for 10 Apple Computers and 10 IBM Computers, but the Senate votes to have the computer lab start with just 10 Apples, because there are IBMs in other computer labs on campus. The Computer Center opens in early December 1987 with the arrival of 17 Apple computers.\footnote{O 6/4/87 p1, 12/2/87 p1}

In order to avoid selling used textbooks to the bookstore for a deflated price, USF student Matt Tronnier will begin a “Book Exchange” program. The program will allow students to drop off their used textbooks for a fifty-cent fee. The student then decides what price they would like to attach to the book. Once the price is set, the Book Exchange adds $1. Once the book is sold, the seller gets their money and the book exchange makes $1.50. A portion of the proceeds will go to AIDS research. If a student’s book does not sell it will be returned. Tronnier believes that he will be able to take “the monotony out of buying books” by giving the exchange a “party” atmosphere. The Book Exchange will take place three times a year, at the beginning of each semester. The Exchange will set up a tent on the University Plaza on 30th and Fletcher and serve pizza and soft drinks.\footnote{O 4/1/87 p1}

The Oracle will begin publishing, “The Oracle Weekender” on Fridays. The Weekender will feature movie listings, concert information, entertainment stories, and personality profiles.\footnote{O 4/1/87 p3}

USF Library Director Mary Lou Harkness will be retiring after 29 years at USF. Harkness is honored with a roast on the Martin Luther King Plaza.\footnote{O 4/9/87 p3}
Two star seniors on the USF baseball team, third baseman Lou Munoz and pitcher Jon Alexander are suspended from the team after being accused of not going to any of their classes during the spring semester. The two men meet NCAA standards of eligibility, but they will remain suspended by the school until they “meet their classroom requirements.”

Student Government Productions must operate under a deficit for much of the first part of the year. This is because the fiscal year runs from July to June, but the Director serves from January to December, so the director from June to December can spend as much money as he or she wants without being forced to put some aside for the incoming director.

Two USF students are arrested and charged with making and selling false drivers’ licenses out of the Alpha dorm.

Robert and Lee Roskamp endow a $1 million chair in psychology.

Writing to Dr. Peter Betzer, Carl Riggs writes, “Pete, I strongly disagree with M. Grant Gross’ letter of March 12, 1987, which states, ‘By this letter you are appointed as an Expert and as a member of the Advisory Panel for Ocean Sciences Research.’ I don’t disagree with your being a member of the Advisory Panel. I do disagree with your being an Expert by virtue of Gross’ letter! I have thought of you as an Expert long before that letter – at least since you brought the Mt. Gay rum back from the Barbados! Seriously, it
is a fine honor to be appointed to an NSF Advisory Panel. I am proud of you and happy for you!"  

Music legend Frank Sinatra plays a concert at the Sun Dome. The concert is a benefit for the USF Center for Swallowing Disorders. Desiree Humphrey, the Oracle reporter who covered the show, quoted her Grandmother (another concert-goer) saying that the performance was “just lovely.”

The Oracle publishes an editorial similar to their editorial of January 29, 1987, asking for John Lott Brown’s resignation. The editor believes that Brown has spent too much time away from the office. According to the editorial, Brown has accomplished the things he wanted to accomplish and brought national attention to certain USF programs, but because “we have become a university which has lost the totality of its purpose” Brown has perpetuated a rift between himself and the faculty and himself and the students. The editorial recommends that Brown hold to his promise to be USF President for 10 years and resign his position this summer. The editor states that Brown “fought for what he believed the University needed,” but the time has come for “another assessment. It’s time for a university president who is visible on-campus, accessible and open.” The editorial further argues that Brown has been a “good” president, but the time has come for change at USF.

John Lott Brown resigns from office the day the Oracle editorial is published. Brown will serve as USF President no later than the summer of 1988. He has maintained for the past few months that he would not serve over ten years as president and kept that promise. The 62-year old is “exploring several options” as to what to do in the future and

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4067 Riggs to Peter R. Betzer, 7 May 1987. CRP, File: January 1987-June 1987, SCUSF.
4068 O 5/11/87 p12
4069 O 5/13/87 p4
some sources say that he might seek a position in the planned USF Eye Institute or in the College of Medicine. Brown, USF’s third permanent president, was appointed in October of 1977 and began his tenure in January 1978. Before coming to USF, Brown was director of the Center for Visual Sciences at the University of Rochester and vice president for academic affairs at Kansas State University. A veteran of WWII (he retired form the Naval reserve in 1969 with the rank of commander), Brown received his Bachelor’s from Worcester Polytechnic Institute, His Master’s from Temple, and his Ph.D. from Columbia. Brown taught in the College of Medicine and the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences while at USF and is the author of about 50 articles and several books.

Brown’s critics have maintained throughout his tenure that he was inaccessible and more interested in cementing university ties with the private sector than with running the campus. Brown points out that universities will become increasingly reliant on private funds in the future and these connections will become more and more important. Brown’s supporters point that many campus buildings, such as the Moffitt Center and the Sun Dome, were built and many programs, including the Medical School and the college of Business, grew in reputation under his tenure.

USF holds its 9th annual Chinsegut Film and Video Conference.

The USF Traffic and Parking Committee passes a fine increase for the fall and will discuss the possibility of raising the cost of auto decals $10. The fine increase must pass the University Space Committee to become valid. An Oracle editorial refers to the new policy as “organized crime” and questions whether it is proper to justify a 150%
increase in fines for parking meters. Especially when meters run for 45 minutes and classes last 48 minutes. The Space Committee approves the rise in cost of fines and decals. The increase brings decal prices to $40. This means that USF has the costliest parking situation of all nine State Universities. The University of Florida charges $36 for a parking decal. All other schools charge considerably less than half USF (the next costliest is Florida State University with $16).\textsuperscript{4072}

In 1982, USF’s water was found to have small levels of chemicals. No one knew then or knows now how the water was contaminated. The Florida Department of Environmental Regulation sends a letter offering assistance to USF in solving this mystery.\textsuperscript{4073}

President John Lott Brown forms the Black Community Advisory Committee to explore why there are so few black students and faculty at USF, and what steps can be taken to encourage more black enrollment in the University.\textsuperscript{4074}

A meeting between Chinese Foreign Minister Ni Yaoli and USF Provost Greg O’Brien strengthens the relationship between the school and the country. There have been many exchanges of USF and Chinese University faculty over the years, and there have been many Chinese students at USF. There has been no full-time USF student exchanged to a Chinese university, something both sides hope to remedy.\textsuperscript{4075}

As early as next year, dorms will feature a new “state-of-the-art telephone system” with “digital signals, advanced data transmission and even call-waiting.”\textsuperscript{4076}

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\textsuperscript{4073} O 5/20/87 p1
\textsuperscript{4074} O 5/21/87 p1
\textsuperscript{4075} O 5/27/87 p1
\textsuperscript{4076} O 5/28/87 p1
The University Center’s $9 million renovation will begin in 1989. After complete, the UC will be next to the planned Special Events Center, and a health center, with a breezeway connecting the three. After renovations, the UC will also feature a hotel on the top floor.\(^4\)

President John Lott Brown will co-host a WUSF radio show honoring one of his musical heroes, Thomas “Fats” Waller.\(^5\)

Several thousand issues of the Oracle are stolen from newsstands around campus for an unknown reason.\(^6\)

Editors of the Oracle accuse the Student Government of censorship. The charge stems from the dispersal of funds. The Student Government did not pass a budget for the Oracle because they claim that the paper filed their budgetary request late and through improper channels. Oracle advisor Willard Books gave the budgetary request to SG President Charley Harris about three days before the deadline. Harris claims that he took the request to the office, but misplaced it until the day after the deadline. The budget should have been turned into the Comptroller’s office. The editors of the Oracle meet with a lawyer to discuss their options.\(^7\)

SG President Charley Harris must decide whether to approve or veto the 1987-88 budget approved by the Student Senate. There have been many appeals from groups who worry that they “cannot exist successfully as valid student organizations with the funding they received.”\(^8\)
Student Budget Committee Chair Donald Krause replies to Oracle reporting and editorializing. In a letter to the editor, Krause writes that the paper turned their budget in late they ignored rules and regulations and in government office “you cannot play favorites.” Former Senator David McKalip warns the paper about the possible problems making this a First Amendment (censorship) issue, rather than petitioning for interim funding and waiting to see if SG President Charley Harris or USF President John Lott Brown veto the budget.\textsuperscript{4082}

SG President Charley Harris vetoes the budget; the Student Senate can overrule the veto with a 2/3 majority. If the 2/3 majority cannot be reached, the budgetary process must begin anew.\textsuperscript{4083}

Harris’s veto passes. The SG President refers to this budgetary process as the worst he’s seen in 3 years in student government. Harris asked every group that came to him with a complaint 3 questions: What they got last year, what they got this year, and what they requested. From these responses, it became clear to Harris that many groups were hurt by inequality in budgetary dispersal.\textsuperscript{4084}

According to the Oracle, lawyers have investigated the actions of the SG in passing the budget and found that several members violated SG and Florida law by not fulfilling the responsibilities of their positions. The two main points revolve around improper minutes being taken of meetings by Budget Committee Chair Don Krause and a lack of written committee reports. The Oracle also reports that the SG has “no proper way…to petition for a late budget hearing.” The senate minutes may violate Florida’s Sunshine Law because they are difficult to decipher, but according to Beth Corder, Chair

\textsuperscript{4082} O 6/18/87 p5
\textsuperscript{4083} O 6/22/87 p1
\textsuperscript{4084} O 6/25/87 p1
of the Senate’s Internal Affairs Committee, an investigation found nothing wrong with
the minutes.\footnote{O 6/24/87 p1, 7/2/87 p1}

Former USF SG President Ken Richter files a suit in which he seeks to invalidate
the entire budget process. Richter maintains that several statutes were violated during the
process and it must be begun anew.\footnote{O 7/9/87 p3}

The Student Court of Review denies Richter’s suit because the suit Richter filed
stated statutes violated, but did not specify how they were violated.\footnote{O 7/13/87 p1}

Richter’s suit does provoke a Court of Review investigation of possible violations
of the separation of powers. According to Richter, Senator Curtis Stabler serves as both
SG Comptroller and a Senate Budget Committee member. The Student Government has
five separate branches: executive, legislature, judiciary, college councils, and regional
campus Student Governments. Members are not allowed to serve in more than one
branch at a time.\footnote{O 7/13/87 p1}

New budgetary writing meetings will begin in mid and late-September. By mid-
October, the budget recommendation is further delayed because the Senate Budget
Committee does not have a majority of members to vote on the issue. The budget has
been reviewed, and must pass the full committee before it can go to the Senate floor. The
delay should last another week.\footnote{O 9/17/87 p1, 10/13/87 p1}

Editors of the Oracle find their budget cut by almost $10,000, bringing their total
cuts to over $20,000. The paper publishes an editorial stating “There’s something rotten
in Student Government. Most thought this stench was cleaned up last summer, but alas,
it was merely smothered in the sweet perfume of good intentions.” The editorial further argues that “disclosure” has revealed the “continuing defecation” of the issue. The editorial describes the Oracle staff’s side of the story.4090

On November 5, the SG Senate finalizes the budget that should have been finalized in June, ending months of debate. President John Lott Brown signs the budget on November 18th.4091

Because of cuts to the Student Publication’s Budget, the student literary magazine Omnibus will not publish anymore. Omnibus editor Desiree Humphrey feels that it is “totally ludicrous” for a school USF’s size to not publish a literary magazine. Student Publications requested a total of $50,378 in the spring, they had $14,848 cut from that total. Student Publications Director Willard G. Books also reduces the Oracle’s circulation for the rest of the year to meet the budget shortfall. Humphrey promises to explore other avenues of funding for the magazine.4092

For the next week, University Police Officers will be pulling over safe drivers on campus and giving them free tickets to the movie ‘Dragnet.’4093

St. Petersburg Campus SG President Joe Alvarez proposes drafting a letter to President John Lott Brown asking that more than $10,000 be returned to the branch campuses and disseminated to the Oracle. Regional campuses have paid yearly fees since 1978 to receive the Oracle. St. Petersburg pays $1,013 a year for 300 daily copies of the paper. Sarasota and Ft. Myers pays $338 a year for 100 copies a day. At a meeting on June 5th between regional Campus Student Governments and Willard Boos, director of

4090 O 10/29/87 p1, 11/2/87 p4
4091 O 11/5/87 p1, 11/19/87 p1
4092 O 11/10/87 p4, 11/12/87 p1
4093 O 6/17/87 p3
Student Publications and Oracle advisor, the issue was brought up. This is the first time that Books has heard of the fees, which should go directly to the Oracle. Some investigation reveals that the money has been placed in the Tampa Student Government unallocated reserve fund. SG representatives claim that “where the money comes from carries no weight” in budgetary allocations, so it does not matter where the branch campus fees went, the Oracle still received the same amount they would have received regardless. St. Petersburg SG President Joe Alvarez writes a letter to President John Lott Brown, stating that the SG at St. Pete would rather the money begin being allocated to Student Publications directly, rather than demanding that money paid since 1978 be returned.  

Various USF student organizations will try and raise $10,000 for a bronze bust of Martin Luther King, Jr. to be placed on the MLK plaza this fall. SG President Charley Harris has given much of the responsibility to the Black Student Union, who initially raised the prospect, but do not have the funds to do it all themselves.

A nine-month, $1.2 million construction project begins on a bridge that will connect the James A. Haley Veterans Hospital and the USF Medical Center by crossing over 30th street. The opening date is moved back a month from January 1988 to February 1988 because of complications with underground utilities.

Plans have been submitted for a new Child Care facility at USF, but the $900,000 project must receive approval from the BOR.
The BOR chooses a committee to begin the search for a new USF President. The six-member committee will choose a president from the top five applicants and then submit the choice to the BOR for approval.4098

In response to those who believe that faculty is not properly represented in the search for a new USF President, Faculty Senate members form a separate search committee.4099

The BOR Search Committee publishes their criteria for a president. Committee members feel that the president should be active and interested in recruiting minority students and faculty, should be adept at administering a multi-campus university, should be able to lead, and should be able to communicate well. The pool of potential candidates is up to 141 applicants or nominations for the position. Nine of the 141 have formally withdrawn their nominations. Two women remain in the race and the Oracle publishes a list of the top prospects for the job. The list includes former interim President William Reece Smith, but not future President Frank Borkowski. Smith later takes himself out of consideration for the position. Anonymous supporters also nominate former U.S. President Jimmy Carter and former U.S. Secretary of Transportation Elizabeth Dole for the position.4100

Student Government President Charley Harris proposes that the presidential candidates hold open forums, allowing students to ask questions and form opinions regarding their choices. Harris, the only student on the search committee, believes that there should be a stronger student voice in the process. Harris forms a committee of

4098 O 7/9/87 p1
4099 O 9/10/87 p1
4100 O 9/14/87 p1, 9/29/87 p1
students to help him decide which candidate to endorse, hoping to give students a voice in the process.\footnote{4101}

Wednesday, September 30\textsuperscript{th} is the deadline to apply for the position of USF President. After the deadline, the search committee has about 200 applications and nominations, which they must whittle down to the 20 best choices. Late nominations for the presidency include ABC newscaster, Ted Koppel, nominated by former BOR Chairman, T. Terrell Sessums, and Florida Commissioner of Education, Betty Castor, nominated by USF Professor Bernard Mackey. October 14 is the deadline for nominees to formally apply for the position.\footnote{4102}

The Search Committee narrows the field of 146 applicants for the USF Presidency down to 42 semi-finalist candidates. The committee also includes a list of 15 top candidates. Of these 15, 6 are already university Presidents.\footnote{4103}

The search is narrowed down to 10 candidates, 3 of these candidates drop out of the race, leaving just seven potential USF Presidents. The Board later advances another candidate, bringing the total to 8. The Oracle publishes a list of all candidates and the number of committee recommendations they received.\footnote{4104}

The final four Presidential Candidates do hold open forums, beginning with Israel Tribble. Only 15 students attend the forum. The second forum is held with Francis Borkowski, provost of the University of South Carolina at Columbia. Borkowski tells the
crowd of 20 that he wants to “sharpen the focus” of USF, which is at “a critical stage of development.”

Beginning this fall, USF will be the only school in Florida offering a bachelors degree in Women’s Studies.

Because of USF is “very accessible to handicapped students,” the United Handicapped Workers donated a $1,500 scholarship to pay the tuition of a handicapped student at the school. USF is just the second school in the country to get a scholarship from the group.

The USF Lakeland Branch Campus opens in the Fall of 1987 and quickly begins the process of setting up a Student Government and a Constitution.

The Oracle Publishes its annual preview issue, printing a section on Lifestyles, Entertainment, and Sports.

USF Provost Greg O’Brien, will leave the school and accept the Chancellorship of the University of New Orleans. O’Brien has been USF’s top academic officer for seven years. The Student Government presents O’Brien with an award for his years of service.

The IBM mainframe at USF, which stores student records and registration information, crashes and is down for an entire day. The situation does not hurt the registration process and no information is lost in the interim.

The BOR approves the creation of a school of Communications at USF.

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Sophomore Theater major Sean Dunham quits his job as a student assistant at the Division of Sponsored Research. Dunham claims he felt pressured by his superiors to dye his white and orange hair to a more conventional color.  

SG President Charley Harris sets up a Task Force to look into complaints lodged by students who have difficulty understanding foreign-born teachers.  

The SG forms a committee to look into helping the College of Business shorten their long lines during the drop/add week.

The Oracle staff holds a celebration marking the paper’s 21st birthday. Former staff members attend the ceremony, including Harry Haigley, the first editor, and Larry Goodman, the first news editor.

Several dorm residents write a letter to Oracle complaining about the price of soda in dorm vending machines. A can of soda now costs 55 cents, five cents more than last year and “ten cents more than anywhere else in the known universe.”

The Tampa Chamber of Commerce holds a showcasing event for the new engineering building. The $10 million building is part of a planned $60 million complex.

There is a “substantial water leak” in the new engineering building that affects both of the computer labs on the first floor.

Problems plague the ribbon cutting ceremony at the new Engineering Building. The department created an “elaborate chain-reaction device” to automatically cut the...
ribbon, but rain ruined the device’s effectiveness, forcing administrators to cut the ribbon by hand. Later, while visitors were finishing up their tour, an electrical fire in of the elevators’ motors forced an evacuation of the building. Dean of Engineering Michael Kovac said, “If you’re going to rain on my parade, you might as well burn up my building.”  

Preliminary plans are submitted for a new School of Communications building.  

USF officials still hope to find a private investor to donate about $1 million for the construction of permanent presidential residence on campus.  

State official approve the construction of a $250,000 permanent building for housing chemical waste.  

A group of students react to the installation of staff parking spaces into a student lot. The students remove about 10 concrete bumpers from staff parking spaces, and pile nine of them into the Engineering building’s loading dock. The tenth bumper is used to block another staff space. The students identify themselves as “peasants” in an anonymous note and are protesting because they “continually feel cheated and stepped on,” and they feel they do not get an amount of respect equal to the money they put into the school. Engineering students are later given a forum to suggest different solutions for the parking problem in a meeting with Jim Moran, Parking Services Director.
October 1, 1987 is the first day that Florida residents can choose USF license plates for their car. 4125

An Oracle investigation finds that some top USF officials spent state money on “top-of-the-line office furniture,” a “Flight Simulator II” video game (for President John Lott Brown), umbrellas, and a $50 pen and pencil set. The school also spent $150 on three polygraph tests for individuals suspected of stealing $70 from the parking services department. The administration also spent $344 on fruit baskets, $1,061 for vertical blinds, and $140 for ‘Happy Birthday USF’ buttons. 4126

There are several planned events to celebrate USF’s 31st birthday. The celebration will focus on the 1960s, featuring bands playing 60s music, a skateboard competition, and a birthday cake cut by John Lott Brown. 4127

Backed up sewer lines force raw sewage into the University Center bike shop and game room. 4128

The USF Alumni Association and First Florida Banks offer a USF Credit Card to alumni, faculty, and students. 4129

The Oracle begins using a $100,000 computer system to help publish the paper. The new system, which is “better than most used at professional newspapers” has already cut their workload and is just the beginning of “reconstructive surgery” for the paper. The new computer system helps with the clarity of the newspaper’s type. Less than a week later the paper introduces its first “completely redesigned issue” after slowly adding new type for headlines and text, new section logos, and a new nameplate. The new
A student group called the Maranatha Christian Fellowship (also referred to as the Maranatha Christian Ministries) has been the topic of debate on campus for a few years. Members call the group a church, but MCF critics refer to the organization as a cult. Recently, USF administrators questioned MCF leaders about their recruitment policies. The latest controversy led to punishment from the Office of Student Organizations. According to the office, MCF broke organizational rules by allowing a speaker to sell “vitamins and health equipment for his own profit.” This violates a USF rule against solicitation at student meetings. The MCF will be prevented from holding events on campus for the remainder of the fall semester. The MCF has been a source of much controversy. In August, members of the groups went to a dance at the University Chapel Fellowship to preach to those exiting the dance (MCF members oppose “the Christianization” of dancing). Students, administrators, and former MCF members have made complaints to administrators and the Oracle. Maranatha President Stephen Faucette, who has been president since the group arrived on campus in 1984, claims that members went to preach outside the dance, but it was not an organized event, they went of their own volition.4131

The Maranatha Christian Fellowship returns to the news when it is revealed that three members, including president Stephen Faucette, are appointed to the University Lecture Series committee. Other committee members claim that the MCF members vote

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as a block to deny liberal speakers a chance to come to campus and encourage conservative speakers. Faucette claims that the members were just exercising their right to participate and that they’d been given only “the other (liberal) point of view for so long.” Many members of the committee, and Vice President for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt, believe that having three members from a single group on the committee could cause a problem. According to Wanda Lewis-Campbell, director of the Lecture Series, she prefers to have diversity on the committee to help ensure diversity in the speakers, but she does not check the group affiliations of members, because that would be like “Big Brother.”

MCF President Stephen Faucette begins writing a column in the Oracle entitled “Conservative Viewpoint.” His first column discusses the teaching of Creation science in schools and elicits many letters to the editor. Faucette only publishes two columns.

Fontana Dorm residents have been interrupted with three early morning bomb threats three days in a row.

USF soccer defends the Mayor’s Cup in a game against the University of Tampa. The game marks the return of USF coach Jay Miller to his former school. Miller coached at UT for 10 years (taking the team to the NCAA Division II National Championship in 1981) before coming to USF this fall. Miller helped turn UT into a Division II powerhouse and now returns for the first time as a coach of the opposition. USF beats the Spartans 3-2 to retain the Cup.
The Senate Budget Committee proposes a cut in the Oracle advertising rates for selected student groups for the paper to receive their A&S fees. According to committee members, the plan is “introduced as an incentive for a planned phase-out of A&S funding for Student Publications.” There is also a proposed cut of $10,743 into the Student Publications budget. According to Director of Student Publications Willard Books, student groups already receive a 15% discount and to request more is “blackmail.”

According to the new plan, the rate would rise to 20% this year, but fall five percentage points a year until 1991, when it would sit at 5% indefinitely. Budget Committee member Cindy Simms believes that since the senate is “subsidizing” Student Publications, they should “get something in return.” The Oracle reporter points out that the money for Student Publications come from A&S fees, which comes from students. An Oracle editorial responds to Simm’s charges directly and warns students that if the plan passes, they will have to pay for the paper in the future, 50 cents is a “conservative estimate” for the possible price of one issue of the Oracle.4136

The plan to fix the advertising rates for the Oracle is defeated, but there is still support for “phasing out” A&S support of Student Publications (and also Veterans’ Affairs) by 1991.4137

USF sophomore and rifle team member Matt Suggs places second in the World Air Rifle Championships in Budapest Hungary. Suggs scored 591 out of a 600. The winner of the event, Kiril Ivanov of the U.S.S.R., beat Suggs by 2/10 of a point. Suggs score was instrumental in the United State’s team title.4138

4136 O 10/26/87 p1, 10/27/87 p4
4137 O 10/28/87 p1
4138 O 10/29/87 p24
USF will add an early drop/add session for the Spring semester in an attempt to alleviate long lines. The new “experimental” session will run from December 1-4.4139

With the national heavy metal scene at its height, the Oracle runs a semi-regular column called “The Metal Cellar,” featuring reviews of heavy metal albums. The best albums are granted a coveted spot on the “cellar wall.”4140

Because of the Student Government’s “racial insensitivity,” several minority groups threaten to pull out of the USF Minority Student Council. The groups oppose “general university policy” and the budget cuts from the recently passed A&S Budget. At a press conference, Patrick Potts, spokesman for the Society for Advancement of Minorities in Engineering and Sciences also criticizes on-campus parking, the financial aid office, and the University Lecture Series.4141

The College of Engineering’s application for an Air Force contract leads to a Department of Labor audit of USF. The Air Force, while considering the contract, looked into the school’s compliance with federal contract regulations and found that the school did not have an Affirmative Action plan for 1986-87, which is against federal law.4142

The USF SG Court of Review votes to disqualify presidential candidate Macello Mattschei because of two of the four rules violation charges brought against his campaign. The runoff planned between Marrschei and Kirk Berendes, is now between Berendes and Jeffrey Styles. Only .04% of USF’s 29,000 students voted. Berendes

4139  O 11/19/87 p1
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4142  O 11/24/87 p1
received 40% of the vote, Mattschei got 34%, and Styles 24%. Jeff Styles wins the run-off by just 40 votes.\textsuperscript{4143}

Officials from the Office of Student Affairs and Health Services discuss the possibility of installing condom vending machines on campus, but eventually decide against taking this step. Gwen Ritter, USF’s health educator, tells the Oracle that condom machines may come to the university in the future, but administrators decided that they would rather teach “responsible behavior concerning the use of condoms” and putting machines on campus hurts this goal. Condoms are sold at the USF pharmacy in the UC, and they can better monitor the quality of the condoms and help instruct students on their use.\textsuperscript{4144}

Three students, one from Hillsborough Community College and two from USF, are involved in a scam to try and steal a chemistry final. A female student who lives in Fontana Hall asked the HCC student and another USF student to sit in on her class and steal the exam. The Graduate Assistant who proctored the exam questioned the two. They attempted to grab a copy and run, but were stopped by other students. UP Police Sgt. Robert Staehle is not sure if the female student who was actually in the class was taking the exam in a later class period or had scheduled a later made-up.\textsuperscript{4145}

\textsuperscript{4143} O 11/25/87 p1, 12/1/87 p1, 12/3/87 p1
\textsuperscript{4144} O 12/3/87 p1
\textsuperscript{4145} O 12/7/87 p1
1988: USF Professor and Geographer Robert Fuson translates the log kept by Columbus. His new book, *The Log of Christopher Columbus*, concerns the explorer’s first voyage. The book has earned national attention and good reviews.\(^{4146}\)

The Board of Regents chooses Francis Thomas Borkowski as USF’s fourth permanent president. On February 15\(^{th}\), he will leave the positions of provost and executive vice president at the University of South Carolina at Columbia to begin at USF.\(^{4147}\)

President Borkowski exchanges places with freshman Susan Keil for a day, taking on her freshman English class and standing in long registration lines.\(^{4148}\)

The USF Library receives the NCNB Black Music Heritage Collection. It is one of the largest compilations of African-American music in the US and is permanently housed in the Special Collections Department of the USF Library.\(^{4149}\)

The USF Art Museum makes its debut during the festivities surrounding President Borkowski’s inauguration. The first show is of the artist James Rosenquist’s work.\(^{4150}\)

Francis T. Borkowski is chosen unanimously by the State Board of Regents to become the next president of USF. “The primary reason enunciated by the regents was related to the experience Borkowski had, relative to the other candidates,” says James Pappas, Dean of the College of Business. “His substantial expertise coupled with his philosophy and vision of what a major university should be made him an ideal candidate for the job.” The fifty-one year old Borkowski will take over John Lott Brown’s position in February. “I’m very pleased and excited about being given the opportunity to work


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with all the fine faculty and the enormous student body that exist at USF,” says Borkowski. “I don’t know of a comprehensive research university in the nation that has grown so rapidly as USF has, I just don’t know if one exists.”

Rock bands Def Leppard and Tesla perform New Years Eve at the USF Sun Dome. Recalls one participant, “The band brought out champagne and toasted the crowd and wished us all a Happy New Year.”

University Police Sergeant Robert Staehle reports that auto burglaries have been increasing on the USF campus. “Though students and staff members are the victims,” Staehle says, “the majority of the offenders come from off-campus.” In addition to using plainclothes policemen to monitor the campus, the UP also makes frequent patrols of the Sun Dome and dormitory parking lots.

Humanities student Robin Pettit organizes efforts to create a student-run radio station at USF. The station, WBUL-FM is to be run entirely by student volunteers and is scheduled to hit the airwaves early this fall. “What we want to try to do,” says Pettit, “is offer students alternative music, music that you won’t be able to find elsewhere.” While WUSF has offered the fledgling station technical assistance, a fund-raiser sponsored by Pepin Distributors is held to raise money for the purchase of a transmitter and antenna.

Crescent Hill is chosen as the site for a proposed Special Events Center on the USF campus. In a University referendum last semester, students voted two-to-one against the location, though administrators have determined it is too late to relocate the facility.

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4151 O: Jan. 7, 1988
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4153 O: Jan. 8, 1988
4154 O: Jan. 12, 1988
“If we went back to square one, it would throw us back a full year,” says Vice President for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt. “Once one of those dominoes fall, a whole lot of things have got to change.” Opponents of the construction project cite the tradition associated with the Hill and its legacy as a meeting place for USF students. “We thought the hill had a tradition, a beauty, and a lot of aesthetic quality worth preserving,” says student David Kaplan. “Other valid alternatives were not pursued.” Construction on the Center is scheduled to begin in early May. “Our only option now is to pursue sympathetic elected officials,” Kaplan concludes. “It’s not by any means too late.”

The Oracle reports a “rash of costly maintenance problems” at the newly constructed Engineering Building, where numerous malfunctions and two fires have occurred in only four months time. In fact, during the ribbon-cutting ceremony on the building’s dedication day last September, the main elevator motor burned out, causing smoke to permeate the structure’s interior. That same month, heavy rains caused leakage in the computer laboratories, resulting in significant damages to the $10 million building.

Mark Keil, USF’s top tennis player, forfeits his scholarship and turns professional, signing a $300,000 contract with an “unidentified Japanese businessman.” In addition to regular competitions, Keil’s contract includes a $30,000 yearly travel stipend, and endorsement contracts with Asics clothing and Yonex racquets. “What sealed the deal,” the Oracle reports, “was a clause providing two years of college tuition money payable at the end of the contract.” Understandably enthusiastic, Keil remains...

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4155 O: Jan. 13, 1988
4156 O: Jan. 14, 1988
realistic about his chances in professional sports. “If I’m not up in the top 150 players by
the end of the contract, I can always go back to school and get a real life.”

As Dr. Ronald Kaufman arrives at USF to direct the sprawling medical center,
many voice concerns that it has grown too fast and haphazardly. Kaufman has excellent
credentials, having administered over George Washington University’s hospital when
President Reagan was shot in 1981. All new construction in the medical center is on
hold, including a long-awaited Musculo-skeletal Research Institute. Ties to a proposed
Tampa Children’s hospital are also being questioned, despite a long and bitter fight to get
such a hospital on campus in 1986-87. Kaufman says, “I think there is no clear picture of
what the medical center is and what the health sciences center is.” Kaufman is putting
together a strategic plan with consultants and other doctors. Without a plan, the BOR
will not approve any new construction. BOR chairman Joan Ruffier said the Eye Institute
makes no economic sense, yet it has already been approved to the tune of $10 million and
an annual budget of $7 million that will have to be raised through donations.

Representatives of USF’s resident Muslim population speak out against the
violence and unrest in Israel’s occupied territories. “We are not against Judaism,” insists
Nahla Al Arian, a Palestinian student. “We are against the political institution which
represses the civilians in the West Bank and Gaza.”

Joseph Busta, Executive Vice President of the USF Foundation, announces that
the “time is right” to build a house for the University’s president. Busta asserts that the
provision of housing for the president facilitates the development of tradition at a
university, while providing a forum where the president can host visiting dignitaries,

4157 O: Jan. 14, 1988
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4159 O: Jan. 19, 1988
community leaders, and members of the USF community. “Ideally the Foundation would like to build the house on campus,” Busta says, but the funds are still not available.

“We’re hoping that someone will realize our need and donate a house in the vicinity of USF.” The home is expected to cost between $1 and $1.2 million to build, furnish, and landscape.\(^{4160}\)

The USF Sun Dome hosts a concert by Sting.\(^{4161}\)

USF’s Traffic and Parking Committee discuss options to alleviate some of the parking problems on the University campus. Among the suggestions are fifteen-minute parking zones, the minimization of reserved spaces, and the conversion of a number of unused handicapped spots for regular use.\(^{4162}\)

USF hosts a “Brown Day” in appreciation of outgoing President John Lott Brown’s ten-year tenure at the University.\(^{4163}\)

Dedication ceremonies are held at USF’s newest branch campus in Lakeland. The Curtis Peterson Academic Center is the first of eight buildings planned for the campus nestled in an orange grove. Central to residents of Lakeland, Bartow, and Winter Haven, USF shares the $8.5 million facility with Polk Community College.\(^{4164}\)

The new Student Government sponsored computer lab opens to USF students in the University Center. “The reception has been fantastic,” comments Senate President Bill Norton. “All the students have to do is flash their ID cards and go to work on the computers.”\(^{4165}\)
University Policemen attend a special training session with the purpose of educating officers and discussing concerns about the realities of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS). “AIDS is very real for us. We’re out there,” says Sergeant Robert Staehle of the UP. Campus officers are required to carry special precautionary equipment with them that would prevent infection while on duty. “Having to deal with persons who have a virus should be of no greater risk than other areas of [their] job.”

Groundbreaking ceremonies are held for the USF Eye Institute, heralding an anticipated fourteen months of construction to complete the project. The Foundation for Eye Research, Inc. is funding the $12 million project.

Florida Governor Bob Martinez speaks at USF about the details of his $35 million education proposal. His new program, Children At Risk Embraced (CARE) is designed primarily to aid disadvantaged students through provisions for pre-schools, the recruitment of school volunteers, the introduction of Saturday courses, dropout prevention programs, and increased funding for schools based upon merit and achievement. The goal of the program, Martinez explains, “Is to reach out for those that have not yet been caught by the safety net of education.” His proposal also calls for additional funding to state universities.

Students kick-off Black History Month at USF with a luncheon at the University Center. This year’s theme is “Unity today for a stronger tomorrow,” and events will include prominent black speakers such as Alvin Pouissant, Dr. Samuel Proctor, and Rev. Beverly Cushman of the University Chapel Fellowship. “Black Emphasis Month is an
opportunity for all students to share our culture, and learn about our traditions and
heritage,” says Pamela Lockett, Vice President of the Black Student Union.  

A female student is attacked and robbed outside of Fontana Hall while inside a
University Police officer is delivering a lecture on sexual assault. “I was in the middle of
giving the presentation when someone ran in the room informing me of the assault,” says
UP Sergeant Bob Staehle.  

The USF Foundation allocates funds from a $267,956 endowment towards the
“recruitment and retention of meritorious black students.” University officials hope the
effort will help to rebuke allegations that USF is “sluggish in minority enrollment.”
According to the Oracle report, South Florida ranks lowest in the state in black
enrollment.  

Ex-Harlem Globetrotter Troy Collier is appointed Associate Dean of Student
Affairs at USF. SG President Charlie Harris applauds the decision, noting that, “[Collier]
listens to students way before he speaks.” “He has a rare combination of skills and talent
that result in some very effective dealings with students,” confirms Charles Hewitt,
Associate Vice President of Student Affairs. Collier has been with USF since 1971,
when he was hired to work for minority recruitment through the Student Affairs
department and the Equal Opportunity Office.  

The College of Public Health spearheads the fight against AIDS by offering a
course that focuses exclusively on the virus. “There is a lot of misinformation out there
and the potential for getting [the disease] is out there too,” says Gwen Ritter, a health educator at USF.\footnote{O: Feb. 11, 1988}

The Oracle warns that beginning in April, “An armada of construction equipment will begin a full-scale occupation of the University Center area that will last through 1991.” Upcoming projects include renovation of the UC and Student Services buildings, and the construction of a Special Events Center on Crescent Hill, a Student Health Center east of the UC, and a new building for the campus radio station, WUSF.\footnote{O: Feb. 11, 1988}

The Campus Recreation Department offers a backpacking seminar for interested students, faculty, and staff of USF. The seminar includes a weeklong packing and camping trip to Table Rock Wilderness Area near Boone, North Carolina.\footnote{O: Feb. 11, 1988}

An overload in USF’s mainframe computer system sparks a fire at the Student Services Building. Though damages were limited to the computer center, toxic fumes from the burning batteries caused the building to be closed for the day.\footnote{O: Feb. 15, 1988}

USF St. Pete hosts a symposium in honor of its sister city in the Soviet Union. Entitled “Soviet Union: Cultural Treasury of the Ages,” the event features a number of Soviet films, lectures, and presentations.\footnote{O: Feb. 15, 1988}

The St. Petersburg campus of USF is chosen as one of the four finalists for the relocation of the U.S. Geological Survey’s Atlantic Marine Geography Branch. “I think we have a very good chance,” says USF Provost Jim Anker. “I think they found what they were looking for.” A final decision is expected within a week.\footnote{O: Feb. 16, 1988}
Jimmy Buffet performs at the USF Sun Dome in celebration of the University’s Homecoming Week.¹⁴⁷⁹

A hand-written letter signed by the “Ticket Theft Patrol” announces the intentions of an anonymous group to search campus parking lots, seizing and destroying parking tickets found on student vehicles. The intention, the Patrol explains, is to rebel against the parking policies and decal fees by creating “paperwork problems” for the USF Department of Parking Services. The letter also encourages students to destroy any parking tickets that they receive while on campus. “This will show we are fed up. We want more parking for what we pay.” Jim Moran, Director of Parking Services, warns that, “Any driver who does not pay a parking ticket on time will still be pursued by the traffic department to pay any fines due, even if they claim they never saw the citation.” Troy Collier, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, threatens “severe discipline” and possible suspension for any students caught stealing tickets.¹⁴⁸⁰

Amnesty International holds its regional conference at USF, expecting a crowd of around 200 participants. “It’s going to be an exciting and fun event – a good chance to learn about Amnesty International,” says coordinator Adair New. The Tampa chapter of AI was formed seven years ago, and group representatives hope to get students more involved. “We work hard for the release of prisoners of conscience,” explains member Rob Brinkman. “People in jail for the exercise of belief, not for any violent or criminal actions. We also work for the humane treatment of all prisoners in all countries.”¹⁴⁸¹
Heavy metal bands Whitesnake and Great White perform at the USF Sun Dome.\textsuperscript{4182}

Addressing students at the UC Ballroom, newly appointed USF President Francis Borkowski reaffirms his goal to remain at the University until the year 2001. “I’m not being coy when I say that,” Borkowski tells the students. “That’s the year I turn sixty-five and I plan to retire.” He also expresses changes he hopes to see at the University over the next ten years, including the strengthening of USF’s academic standing and national recognition, with a personal goal of being “more accessible” to students.\textsuperscript{4183}

University officials declare the Business Administration building safe despite shattered glass, separated walls, and falling bricks - all within a week’s time. Janice Davis-Petrik, a university staff member, explains, “A panel that should have been in place on the inside of the building … was not and therefore, a brick … came through my ceiling panel.” She adds that another crash occurred when “pieces of cement, rock, and ceiling tile piled on top of the computer” below the hole in the ceiling. In the process of reconstruction on the building’s east wing, the Enterprise Building Corporation has been ordered to stop working until a company analyst can provide an assessment of the conditions. In the meantime, Associate Dean Thomas Ness assures students and staff that, “There is no imminent danger.”\textsuperscript{4184}

Two USF students exchange wedding vows on Crescent Hill. The bride and groom are graduate students in chemistry and physics, respectively. The Oracle reports that, “Their two ushers wore ceremonial lab coats,” and guests showered the happy couple with crushed ice following the event. Asked why they chose the site, the

\textsuperscript{4182} O: Feb. 23, 1988  
\textsuperscript{4183} O: Feb. 23, 1988  
\textsuperscript{4184} O: Mar. 1, 1988
newlyweds replied, “It’s the prettiest place on campus and we hear half of the hill might be torn down soon.”

Students participate in a “Save the Lake” rally at USF to protest the possible sale of Shangri-La, a property on Lake Thonotosassa. In addition to the Ski Club’s nineteen-foot boat, other catamarans, sailboats, and windsurfers were gathered on the lawn of MLK Plaza in “an attempt to convey [the lake’s] importance … and to encourage more students to use the lake.” Protestors also released 200 black balloons into the sky “to symbolize black cloud over the horizon.” The twenty-nine acre parcel of land was donated to USF in 1970 under the condition that it would not be sold for fifteen years.

The USF Foundation sells its twenty-nine acre Shangri-La lakefront property in Thonotosassa. The land was donated to the University by Tampa resident Louise Smith in 1970 on the condition that it would not be sold for ten years, and it has since been used free of charge by USF students, faculty, and staff members.

Newly appointed president Borkowski moves into Tampa and begins a “war on intellectual apathy” among students and faculty at USF. “I firmly believe in putting pressure on students,” says Borkowski. “Academic rigor is important and classroom expectations should be heightened.”

170 Mass Communications students sign a petition to protest the proposed removal of a broadcast journalism course from the curriculum. The petition, the Oracle reports, “Stressed the importance of learning the technical skills needed in a broadcasting

4185 O: Mar. 2, 1988 (see photo)
4186 O: Mar. 3, 1988 (see photo)
4187 O: Sept. 22, 1988
4188 O: Mar. 3, 1988
career.” The course is under scrutiny by department faculty members because of a lack of the necessary equipment to maintain it.4189

The “problem-riddled” Student Activity and Service budget falls nearly $115,000 short of the amount allotted by USF’s Student Government.4190

Michael O’Sullivan of the Life Enhancement Seminar Series announces a new seminar entitled “Overcoming Shyness” to be held at USF. “Shyness prevents us from doing things we are quite capable of accomplishing,” O’Sullivan explains. “We teach them how to relax and how to change their beliefs about themselves.”4191

The U.S. Geological Survey formally announces plans to relocate a team of research scientists to USF’s St. Petersburg campus. University administrators call it a “prestigious addition” to the marine sciences facilities at USF.4192

Sarah Howell, a “pioneering founder of USF’s Sarasota campus,” passes away at Morton Plant Hospital in Clearwater. “She put her whole heart and soul into bringing USF programs to Sarasota,” says R.V. Barylski, director of USF Sarasota. “She was USF at Sarasota.”4193

The Florida Mental Health Institute at USF holds a nationally televised videoconference on university campus race relations. “One-third of our country’s population will be minorities by the year 2000,” says Shirley Davis, coordinator of the EOA Office at USF. “We need to prepare our students for it now. We need to do more

4189 O: Mar. 10, 1988
4190 O: Mar. 10, 1988
4191 O: Mar. 11, 1988
4192 O: Mar. 22, 1988
4193 O: Mar. 22, 1988
than increase minority recruitment. We need to create a good atmosphere for minorities to come and stay."

A 1987 survey taken of USF students finds that ninety-five percent use alcohol and had been since the age of fifteen to seventeen. Ninety percent of those who used it did so on a regular basis. “This tells me that they’re experimenting out there,” explains Kevin Richards, Director of the Campus Alcohol and Drug Resource Center. “We’re here to tell them they have a choice.”

A dormitory resident files charges against a custodial worker for his alleged theft of “pocket change and bubble gum” from her room. When Willie Mitchell arrived to change a light bulb, Andrea Smith hid her boyfriend in the closet because he was in violation of the dormitory’s visitation policy. When Smith left for class, her boyfriend, still in the closet, observed Mitchell stealing the aforementioned items. “That guy must be crazy or something,” says Mitchell in response to the charges against him. “[Wright’s] just blowing this whole thing out of proportion.” Housing Director Raymond King says that action will be taken if the custodian is found guilty.

The University Peace Alliance holds a demonstration at USF to protest U.S. intervention in Latin American affairs. “Individuals have different opinions,” says member Michelle Seaman. “We try to respect that and that’s what democracy is all about.” Explains another participant, “Peace Alliance is for peaceful solutions everywhere, and the reason we’re opposed to what’s going on here is because it is not a peaceful solution.”

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4196 O: Mar. 24, 1988
4197 O: Mar. 24, 1988
University Police investigate the disappearance of thirty programmed diskettes from the Florida Mental Health Institute, valued at over $1,000.\footnote{O: Mar. 25, 1988}

A computer program is introduced at USF that allows students and advisors to instantly review academic records, thus streamlining the advising experience. The new technology comes as the result of a $461,000 allocation from the Florida Legislature.\footnote{O: Mar. 25, 1988}

Student Senate President Bill Norton proposes that the Cavern Club at USF be denied funding from the SG Productions’ limited budget. “We have to cut our budget somewhere this year so it makes sense to eliminate a destructive event like Cavern Club,” explains Norton. The Cavern Club, located in the UC’s Empty Keg, regularly hosts musical acts. “People who use SGP are not necessarily students,” says Senate Budget Chairman Mark Boyle. “If you can call those things at Cavern Club people.” Defenders of the club say they are being unfairly targeted by the Student Government. “Every time something gets damaged in the UC the Cavern Club gets blamed,” asserts Kimmarie Dicce. “We were blamed for destroying UC property even on nights that there was no cavern club.”\footnote{O: Mar. 29, 1988}

Novelist Tom Wolfe lectures to a crowd of nearly 500 people at USF’s Cooper Hall. \footnote{O: Mar. 31, 1988}

The USF Bicycle Club hosts an Easter Criterium bike race on a course around the Sun Dome. The five hundred enthusiasts are joined by international stars from as far away as Britain and New Zealand. “It was really a very exciting day,” says club member
and USF professor Richard Gilbert. “A lot of color and a lot of people.”

Dr. Stewart Wilkinson, a professor of Mechanical Engineering at USF, establishes a cricket team on campus. Nearly a month after organizing the team, Wilkinson reports that a total of twenty-eight players have signed-up to play. Encouraging others to participate, he relates it to more traditionally American sports: “If a person has played baseball, then he can also play cricket. The object is the same – to hit the ball.”

The Department of Ophthalmology at USF is selected as the national headquarters of a study for “the treatment of optic neuritis, an eye disease that can lead to blindness.” The study, in cooperation with Tampa General Hospital, is made possible by a $4 million grant from the National Institutes of Health. It is estimated that as many as thirty out of every 100,000 people are affected by the disease.

The University Peace Alliance and Student Government Productions at USF sponsor a “Smash Apathy Week” at the University in an attempt to “heighten student awareness in worldwide topics.” The week begins with a human right forum hosted by Amnesty International, and also includes presentations on apartheid in South Africa, women’s awareness, toxic awareness, and an appearance by Jello Biafra, the politically outspoken ex-singer for the punk band the Dead Kennedys.

University Police report that most campus crimes are the result of individual drug habits, despite the Reagan administration’s nationwide “crackdown on drugs.”

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4202 O: Apr. 4, 1988
4203 O: Apr. 8, 1988
4204 O: Apr. 11, 1988
4205 O: Apr. 11, 1988
According to UP Lieutenant Robert Staehle, “Two of the more serious crimes recently have both been done by criminals who say they are supporting a crack habit.”

Freshman Susan Keil wins the opportunity to switch places for a day with USF President Francis Borkowski. While Keil attended to administrative duties, Borkowski’s day consisted of sitting through a freshman English class, lunch in the student cafeteria, and standing in line for registration. By the day’s end, “student” Borkowski has been cited for “co-habitation and violation of visitation hours at Gamma Hall,” an all-girls dormitory. Though she enjoyed it, Keil is relieved when the day is over. “I’m an active person, but I’m surprised how he does it,” she tells reporters; and to Borkowski: “You can have your headache back now.”

The United Muslim Students of USF sponsor a dialogue between Rabbi Laser Rivkin and Imam Muhammad Al-Asi attended by 100 spectators in the Business auditorium. The Oracle reports that the discussion was a constructive one, and was well received by students.

The University Police auction off more than 250 bicycles impounded over the course of the last year. In addition to the bikes, two mopeds are being sold, as well as other recovered items such as jewelry, umbrellas, and calculators.

President Borkowski assures campus organizations and university officials that it is “unlikely” he will reinvest USF funds in companies doing business in South Africa. His announcement comes a year after the USF Foundation divested its holdings in U.S. companies operating there. “We want a public statement from President Borkowski and
the Foundation stating whether they will remain divested,” says Rob Brinkman of the University Peace Alliance, an organization that opposes apartheid in South Africa.\footnote{O: Apr. 19, 1988}

The University Health Center Pharmacy closes amid “rumors and accusations of racism, drug-dealing, mismanagement of funds, and personal vendettas.”\footnote{O: Apr. 20, 1988}

Equipment is procured at USF to allow for student registration by telephone, to be implemented in January 1989.\footnote{O: Apr. 20, 1988}

While crime rates dropped considerably last year at USF, an annual report by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement reveals that the University had “one of the highest levels of aggravated assault on campus police officers” in the entire state university system. “It’s because we’re located adjacent to one of the highest crime rates in Hillsborough County,” explains UP Lieutenant Robert Staehle. “People have got to realize it’s not the students that are doing this. The majority of felony arrests involve people who have nothing to do with this university.”\footnote{O: May 11, 1988}

USF becomes the first university in the state to offer a course on AIDS. “The reason we are offering the course is because [the disease] touches so many facets of American society,” explains Professor Nancy Brandenburg. “It’s a pressing problem and it’s important that we get accurate information about it.”\footnote{O: May 11, 1988}

USF graduate assistants travel to Tallahassee to participate in a GAU protest against a Board of Regents proposal to eliminate tuition waivers from their contracts. Board members argue that they are not trying to do away with the wavers altogether, but instead intend to remove them only from the formal contracts “for tax reasons.” After a
day of debate between GAU representatives and the BOR, no agreements are reached and
the discussion is turned over to state legislatures for recommendations.\textsuperscript{4215}

University officials are forced to spend nearly $150,000 correcting an indoor
pollution problem at the College of Public Health building. People using the building
complained of strange, persistent odors and throat and eye irritations, symptoms that led
to at least one resignation and a number of illnesses. The National Institute of
Occupational Safety and Health reports that poor circulation and low-level pollutants are
probably to blame for the building’s air quality.\textsuperscript{4216}

Travis Northcutt, Dean Emeritus of Social and Behavioral Sciences at USF, runs
for Hernando County Commissioner, district one.\textsuperscript{4217}

WBUL, the student run radio station at USF, launches operations on Jones
Intercable. The station still needs about $5,000 in order to begin broadcasting on an FM
frequency. Though Student Government provided $12,000 for the station, most of the
money was spent on equipment and supplies, and still more is needed to obtain proper
licensing as well as an antenna and transmitter. “We’re working as fast as we can,” says
Station Manager Robin Pettit, “but we need donations.”\textsuperscript{4218}

A protest against an airport expansion on the eastern edge of USF’s Sarasota
campus results in the arrest of forty-two students. About 100 students are involved in the
protest, expressing concern over the potential noise and pollution caused by the
expansion.\textsuperscript{4219}

\textsuperscript{4215} O: May 17, 1988
\textsuperscript{4216} O: May 18, 1988
\textsuperscript{4217} O: May 24, 1988
\textsuperscript{4218} O: May 25, 1988
\textsuperscript{4219} O: May 25, 1988
$192,000 in grants is added to USF’s efforts to increase minority enrollment and participation in various science programs at the University. According to Carl Riggs, Vice President for Student Affairs, the fellowships are designated for “academic areas in which minorities are greatly underrepresented.”

The Freedom From Smoking Clinic at USF holds its first class to “help anyone who wishes to kick the smoking habit.”

USF is awarded a $183,000 contract to provide AIDS education for health care employees. “The funded project is designed to help physicians, dentists, nurses, and other health care providers gain the up-to-date information they need to care for AIDS patients in their own practices,” says Dr. Michael Knox.

USF employs the help of Gehrung Associates, a public relations firm, in an attempt to generate national media attention and a more favorable public image. “If we’ve been highlighted as having excellent programs, students will have a better opportunity in job interviews because of good coverage,” says Professor Peter Betzer. “We don’t have 150 years behind us like Harvard. We’ve grown so rapidly we need it more than anyone else. It might be nice for people to know we have some things going on at USF.”

Student Government votes 16 to 6 to impeach SG President Jeffrey Styles, accusing him of violating Florida’s public records law, failing to advertise committee

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4220 O: May 26, 1988
4221 O: May 26, 1988
4222 O: June 1, 1988
4223 O: June 2, 1988
positions, and violating proviso language. “To a degree it’s a racial thing,” Styles retorts. “It comes with the territory … some [of the senators] are bigots.”

USF receives two $1,000 J. Edgar Hoover scholarships from the Society of Former Agents of the FBI. The scholarships are to be used in the departments of Criminology and Political Science.

A bomb threat forces evacuation of the Cooper Hall building.

The Episcopal University Center celebrates twenty-five years at USF. To commemorate the anniversary of the first worship facility constructed on campus grounds, a history of the Center is being published to “document the achievements of the past years. “In the face of this massive university and faceless bureaucracy … we all need to get plugged into groups or communities that are small enough where we are known face-to-face,” says the Reverend Bob Cane. “This is one of the main roles that the campus ministry centers provide.”

The USF Art Gallery will finally become a museum after completion of a new facility. “This is the best thing this campus has going for it,” says Director Margaret Miller. “One cannot be educated liberally without an exposure to the arts.” The $1.1 million structure measures 13,000 square feet and is expected to be completed by January 1989.

Former Vietnamese political prisoner Dr. Phan Quang Dan speaks at a USF conference hosted by Amnesty International.
A student at USF’s St. Petersburg campus contends that he was fired from his job at the University because of his efforts to show an X-rated film there. The week after the film’s viewing, Joe Feuer, graduate assistant in Liberal Arts, had his hours cut back from eighteen to only six. The following day, he was dismissed from his position in the department. “Since [they] have not given what I feel to be adequate or rational reasons for this action, I can only conclude that it is a case of harassment,” says Feuer. Department officials, however, maintain that, “The reason his services were no longer needed in this office … had nothing to do with [the film].”

USF’s Suncoast Gerontology Center reveals plans for an Alzheimer’s Disease Resource Center set to begin operations on July 1.

WBUL student radio returns to the airwaves after a five-day broadcast suspension for the use of “foul language” by one of the station’s disk jockeys.

After further deliberations, the Student Government Court of Review dismisses the impeachment charges against SG President Jeffrey Styles.

Heavy rains from an afternoon thunderstorm tear open and deflate the roof of the Sun Dome over the weekend. Repairs are expected to be completed by Wednesday, and will cost an estimated $70,000 to $100,000. “I don’t think the [ceiling] system failed,” says Director Mike LaPan. “But I don’t think the pressure was set as high as it should’ve been.”
The USF Sun Dome hosts the National Tae Kwon Do Junior Olympics, hosting boys and girls from all over the country and featuring guest appearances by Chuck Norris and Ernie Reyes, Jr.\footnote{O: July 12, 1988}

USF’s Committee on AIDS calls for the installation of condom-dispensing vending machines on campus after a survey they conducted reveals a “lack of general availability of and private access to condoms.” Explains Michael Know, co-chairman of the Committee, “There are sexually active students on campus that don’t have access to condoms. We want to encourage the use of condom machines which will be available all hours of the day.” Administrators are in agreement with the proposed plans, and are expected to orchestrate the placement of the machines on University grounds.\footnote{O: Aug. 30, 1988}

USF purchases ten condom-dispensing vending machines at $400 each, making it the first university in the state of Florida to do so. “I feel we needed to have them in the dorms,” says Housing Director John Martone. “It was a little surprising for new students, but no big deal. The campus has taken a positive approach.”\footnote{O: Sept. 12, 1988}

Sixty students “camp out” overnight at the College of Business Administration building in order to ensure their registration for crowded fall classes. An anonymous call was placed by one of the students to President Borkowski at 12:30 am, demanding an explanation for “why the system is so screwed up that people have to wait from the night before to register.” Borkowski, says the caller, “Seemed to have been informed that students were camped out at the business school, but was more upset [about] being disturbed at that hour.” President Borkowski is apologetic and reminds students that next
semester many of these problems will be eliminated because of the introduction of telephone registration.\footnote{4238}

Governor Bob Martinez visits USF to tour the campus’s high-tech research facilities. “We’re here to reinforce my commitment to high technology,” explains Martinez. “We need a university system to promote research. I came to look at the advancements USF has engaged in.”\footnote{4239}

Terri Johnson becomes the 30,000\textsuperscript{th} student enrolled at USF. Because the camera equipment was not working properly at the time that Johnson actually registered, the scene had to be reenacted a day later. Johnson received a free T-shirt to commemorate the occasion.\footnote{4240}

Geraldine Ferraro, the first female nominee for vice-president, speaks to a full house in USF’s Cooper Hall auditorium. In her thirty-minute talk, Ferraro defended her family’s name, while criticizing Senator Dan Quayle and Lieutenant Colonel Oliver North. She suggested that money should be taken out of politics, and ethics should be put back into them. “When the government is up for sale to the highest bidder we all lose,” she said to the audience. “After spending some time in politics, it’s great that the only bull around is a USF Brahman.”\footnote{4241}

Tommy Tonelli, former USF basketball player and graduate assistant, is appointed to a part-time coaching position on the Brahmans team.\footnote{4242}

A series of major storms causes $5,000 worth of damage on campus, uprooting trees, damaging roofs, and ruining carpets.\footnote{4243}

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4239 O: Sept. 2, 1988  
4240 O: Sept. 8, 1988  
4241 O: Sept. 9, 1988  
4242 O: Sept. 9, 1988}
Elton John (a.k.a. ‘Captain Fantastic’) performs at the USF Sun Dome.4244

Parking Services Director James Moran reports the installation of twenty signs around campus to provide directions for visitors to the USF campus. The purchase and installation of the new signs cost a total of $93,420, half of which was paid from the sale of parking decals and tickets, with the remainder covered by the Facilities Planning’s renovation budget.4245

University Food Services hosts a forum to give students the opportunity to air their compliments and complaints about the quality of cuisine at USF. “It’s not that great,” says a freshman student. “The cheese doesn’t taste real and the tomato sauce is too watery.” Another student is more optimistic: “It’s better than last year, but it could still be better.” Overall, most responses are positive. “We get a lot of good, constructive feedback, but we get a fair amount of silly comments too,” says a staff dietician in regards to the comment cards. “I think in general food services everywhere have resigned to student requests and demand the variety of foods have increased greatly.”4246

A $7 million renovation is scheduled next fall for the USF Student Services Center.4247

Vivian Jeanette Heyward, a secretary in the chemistry department, is arrested by the University Police for allegedly approaching a student and offering to sell them a final exam for $30. The student bought the exam and shared it with two other students in the department. It was not until they scored “far superior” to other students that department
faculty members became suspicious and began investigating. Ms. Heyward faces the possibility of up to five years in jail and a $5,000 fine. 

Former USF student Mark Keil breaks his foot just two hours after signing a $30,000 contract to play professional tennis. His injury requires a series of surgeries and takes him off the tournament circuit for an undetermined length of time. “To be a pro, I’ll have to channel my negative attitude positively,” Keil remarks. “I was [ranked] number 260. I’ll have to start all over I guess.” While recovering, Keil is returning to his studies at USF. “I don’t think I was ever really a student here. I was all tennis, now it’s going to be different. I’m going to be a student and just hang out with the guys.”

Bomb threats force evacuation of Fontana Hall’s 500 residents five times over the course of one week. “The thing is, someone doesn’t realize how much they’re disrupting our lives,” says manager Sandi Powers.

Joseph G. Bentley, USF faculty member since 1961, passes away at Moffitt Cancer Center at the age of fifty-six. Bentley was a professor of English, served as Dean of Graduate Studies, and was a recipient of USF’s Distinguished University Teaching Award.

Ground is broken on a new $3.8 million special events center on Crescent Hill. Also included in the project are a renovation of the University Center, and the construction of a new campus health center.

Residents of USF’s Village Housing Complex circulate a petition to protest plans for a $150,000 commercial renovation venture in the field adjacent to the dormitories.
Currently used informally as a driving range, the field’s renovations would include lighting, replanting turf, fencing, a pro shop, parking lot, and sprinkler system. “In my opinion, it’s going to present a lot of problems,” says Village Council President Bob Windheuser. “We come here to go to school. It’s going to hinder study for people on that side [of the Village].”\(^\text{4253}\)

In conjunction with the Department of Motor Vehicles, state universities begin offering collegiate license plates at the cost of $30. The majority of money generated from the sales ($25) is reinvested back into student academic scholarships at the institution from which the tag is purchased.\(^\text{4254}\)

A joint effort between the Environmental Health and Safety Department and the USF Geology Department is underway to check for the presence of radon in campus buildings. The testing comes after warnings are issued by the Environmental Protection Agency that the colorless gas may be seeping up from the Earth’s surface. Florida is particularly susceptible to radon contamination because of its phosphate-rich soils.\(^\text{4255}\)

A three-day inauguration ceremony begins for USF President Francis Borkowski, who has actually held office since last February. Borkowski beat out 146 other candidates for the position of the University’s fourth [permanent] president. “[He] had a sense of potential for USF to become a great institution,” comments College of Business Dean James Pappas. In addition to “shaking a lot of hands and eating a lot of cake” this week, Borkowski is expected to discuss his “2001 Plan” for the future of the University.\(^\text{4256}\)

\(^{4253}\) O: Oct. 3, 1988
\(^{4254}\) O: Oct. 5, 1988
\(^{4255}\) O: Oct. 7, 1988
\(^{4256}\) O: Oct. 12, 1988; see also Oct. 17, 1988
Hugh Culverhouse, owner of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, presents USF with a $4.6 gift – the biggest in the University’s history. “We hope this will help provide the education so dearly needed by our young people to compete in our modern society,” explains Culverhouse.\(^{4257}\)

One week after passing a Student Government resolution to begin all meetings with the Pledge of Allegiance, student senators pledge to a two-inch sandwich flag after failing to procure a full-sized American flag. “The Senate should invest in a flag,” says Senator Mark Boyle. “I really think the students would understand.”\(^{4258}\)

Former Interim President William Reece Smith writes in a letter to the Oracle: “My term at USF marks one of the happiest and most satisfying periods of my life. I care greatly for the institution and am delighted to note the progress it has enjoyed in recent years. My congratulations to those who have worked so hard for the improvement it enjoys.”\(^{4259}\)

The Oracle reports “half-eaten sandwiches, disappearing soap bars, and gnawed electrical wires” as evidence of an apparent rat infestation inside USF’s Natural Sciences Building. “When they started replacing the ceiling, they found all these rat nests,” explains College Dean Leon Mandell. “The construction disturbed them and they began moving.” While few have sighted the creatures, many students notice the presence of “litter droppings” throughout the lab. “At the peak point we were catching eight to ten a day,” reports Maintenance Superintendent Earl McCullough. “But the catching process is continuous and they seem to be diminishing.”\(^{4260}\)

\(^{4257}\) O: Oct. 13, 1988  
\(^{4258}\) O: Oct. 13, 1988  
\(^{4259}\) O: Oct. 13, 1988  
\(^{4260}\) O: Oct. 20, 1988
President Borkowski is scheduled to travel to Japan in order to “meet with government, business, and education leaders to set up affiliations with Japanese universities, and try to start faculty and student exchange programs between Japan and Florida.”

USF student parents circulate petitions and hold rallies to protest the proposed construction of a new day-care center on campus. According to the Oracle’s report, parents are concerned over “the new center’s hours, price, [and] the number of children it will serve.” Ideas for the proposed center are still under development, and no definite decisions have yet been made.

WUSF radio and television stations are forced off the air after a main water pipe bursts and floods the basement of the Student Services building with three feet of water. “We suffered a major catastrophe,” says Assistant Dean Kenneth Stanton. “Our ability to produce programs and our equipment has been damaged.” Stanton estimates the damage to be in the ballpark of $500,000.

Many students hear WBUL student radio for the first time after broadcasts are expanded to various locations around the campus including the Empty Keg, the UC, and the Andros Center. “We’re hoping for a lot more listener response now,” says WBUL Music Director Jodi Rivera.

Cindy Gettinger, A USF Sarasota student, wins four gold medals in swimming events at the Paralympic Games in Seoul, South Korea.
Construction crews begin removing oak trees from USF’s Crescent Hill in anticipation of the $3.3 million Special Events Center to be built on the site. “I felt like crying,” says UC Director Phyllis Marshall. “Until it really hits you, you’re not aware of it. I knew the students would be disturbed.”

An agreement is signed for an “artistic exchange” between USF’s Graphic Studio and Soviet artists working in Moscow and Tbilisi. “It’s a very exciting endeavor,” says USF President Francis Borkowski. “It opens the door for our students to travel to the Soviet Union and for some of their artists to come and work here. It can only help to foster understanding and communication between our two countries. I don’t think this would have been possible three or four years ago.”

WBUL Program Director Robin Pettit complains that after the Empty Keg was wired to receive and broadcast transmissions from the student-run radio station, they instead chose to listen to a more popular commercial station. “I think they should definitely be playing it,” says Associate Dean of Students Troy Collier. “The whole idea of having the station is so students can hear it.” Pettit adds that, “The students are paying for WBUL in there and it should be on. The employees might not like it but they’re not the ones paying for it. The music we’re playing is not some weird, foreign music. It’s not any different than what 95-WYNF plays, except you haven’t heard of some of these groups.”

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4266 O: Nov. 3, 1988
4267 O: Nov. 9, 1988
4268 O: Nov. 10, 1988

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USF’s Travis Northcutt loses the race for a Hernando County Commission seat by 522 votes. “We’re pleased we did so well,” says Northcutt. “We ran a clean … issues-oriented campaign.”

Moody Blues performs at the Sun Dome.

A business student at USF is allegedly kidnapped by an abductor resembling Elvis Presley. After forcing her to drive him to an airport in Alabama, she was able to escape. “I cried the entire way and he sang the entire way,” says freshman Wendy Durgan, who was unharmed in the ordeal.

Laurene Zaporozhetz becomes USF’s third permanent Library Director. Meanwhile, USF’s Special Collection’s librarian Joseph Dobkin announces his retirement after fourteen years in the department.

The University holds its second annual “USF Day,” designed to “increase minority enrollment and to inform high school students of the opportunities at USF.” 226 students from 14 Hillsborough County schools are expected to attend the event.

The USF Health Center reveals that while AIDS awareness is increasing among students, they lack sufficient knowledge about other sexually transmitted diseases. “AIDS has allowed us to talk about sex as we never have before,” says Health Educator Gwen Ritter. “It’s most important not to moralize them. Our main concern is to be non-judgmental and just take care of them.”
USF Housing Director Raymond King announces that campus residence halls are scheduled to begin receiving telephones and cable television service. With the introduction of bunk beds into the dormitories, student lofts are being phased out over the next five years. “The fundamental reason to get rid of [the lofts] is the damage they have done to the rooms,” King says.4275

Construction of USF’s new Educational Research Center for Child Development is set to begin in January of 1989.4276

Students bid a lunchtime farewell parade for USF President John Lott Brown by dressing in brown suits, donning brown bag hats and displaying brown banners with messages of farewell. Brown’s immediate staff carried only a brown bath towel with no message. A cart sells brown bag lunches, brownies, and coffee and soda are free. People named Brown (or who used to be) judge the parade. Brown will take a teaching and research position at USF.4277

Francis T. Borkowski becomes USF’s fourth president and vows to make it one of the nation’s top 25 schools in the next 10 years. The changing of the guard happens symbolically during the homecoming parade. Former president Brown rides in a car with his wife, while Borkowski rides in a separate car. The theme of the parade, “Take a Walk on the Wild Side,” with many jungle-themed floats. The parties are especially festive, with 1,000 students and 400 alumni attending. The parade ends with a cookout at the business school. B took the time to sing “Happy birthday” to the university with USF’s

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4275 O: Dec. 5, 1988
4276 O: Dec. 8, 1988
4277 Spt 1/28/88.
Gospel Choir. He is anything if not good-natured: he takes pies in the face during the Engineering faculty/staff scholarship campaign.4278

In addition to a black-tie party (at the Sun Dome), champagne breakfast (at the Hyatt Regency downtown) and orchestra performance, Borkowski rings in his inauguration by inviting the nation’s top thinkers (in business, educations, and government) to engage university and community leaders in a two-day dialogue on today’s pressing problems—locally, statewide, and nationally. During the symposium entitled, “Visions for the Future: Creating New Institutional Relationships,” discussions take place on health care, transportation, and urban housing. B postponed his inauguration for 6 months to use the event as a PR opportunity for USF. “I thought maybe we could use the inauguration as a vehicle, a platform … I wanted to put academic substance into it, deal with the issues Florida is facing, and enhance the university’s reputation by bringing in people who are nationally noted and can help us in the future.” The symposium—USF’s largest to date—was spawned by a chance encounter between B and George Kozmetski in Washington. K is director of IC2, a think tank at the U of Texas at Austin. K was attracted to USF by its urban location and B’s thoughts on the subject. IC2 pays for most of the speakers’ fees. Costs of other events are covered by donated goods and services, and tickets to the ball, which are sold for $50. State Commissioner of Education Betty Castor, SUS Chancellor Charles Reed, Congressman Sam Gibbons and BOR Chairman Joan Ruffier attended. Among the speakers were astronaut John Young, Ruffier, Harris Corporation Executive VP Jon

4278 Tt 2/14/88, spt 10/13/88, o 2/25/88.
Cornell, U of S. Carolina James B/ Holderman, VP of Southeast Bank J. Antonio
Villamil, and Castor. Turnout to the symposium was poor.\textsuperscript{4279}

Borkowski encourages research by faculty and an emphasis on the liberal arts. He
is so determined to court the legislature that he does not visit the library until a month
into his tenure. “I’ve come away both very pleased and exhilarated by the warm
expressions of support [for USF], but a little overwhelmed by the facts that prevail
relevant to the future. I am surprised by the extent of the issues that need to be addressed
relative to growth.” The SUS is struggling to operate with its budget of $1.1 billion.
SUS asked for an increase of $175 million for next year. Instead, the legislature asked
SUS to submit a budget decreased by 3%. SUS responded by saying that it would cut
enrollment by 3% instead of cutting its operating budget—a move that could have
negative repercussions for the legislature when enrollment is growing so fast. A $300
million shortfall in the state sales tax has the legislature thinking conservatively, haggling
over a service tax, and then settling on a 1-cent increase in the sales tax. Borkowski
hopes that a new distribution formula for SUS funds passes, as it would recognize USF’s
unique position of having 5 campuses. It is presently treated as a one-campus university.
B claims that USF is the most complex member of the SUS. It is the only multi-campus
(covering 15 counties), comprehensive, urban research university in the state.\textsuperscript{4280}

B faces a set of troubles including the lowest black enrollment in the state, a
fragmented liberal arts program, a confused medical school, and a chronic shortage of
funds.\textsuperscript{4281}

\textsuperscript{4279} Tt 10/17/88; spt 10/9/88, tt 10/15/88, spt 10/15/88.
\textsuperscript{4280} Spt 3/28/88; tt 2/16/88; tt 4/16/88.
\textsuperscript{4281} Spt 3/6/89.
USF President Francis Borkowski disavows the description “branch campuses,” but prefers “multi-campus university.” The designation does not keep resentment from simmering at Ft. Myers, whose students and faculty feel second class. To be fair to USF, however, legislation created branch campuses for the university, not USF. The university serves 15 counties with a higher population than 24 states. Borkowski even hints to prospective donors that he would like a helicopter to make it easier to visit the branches. The Tampa Campus serves 23,484 students. Nineteen miles away, St. Pete serves 2,579. Fifty-four miles from Tampa, Sarasota served 1,735. The budding Lakeland campus, 33 miles away, served 46. Ft. Myers, 124 miles away, served 974.

USF Foundation purchases a condominium at the Bayshore Diplomat ($200,000) Condos as interim housing for B until USF can build a house for USF presidents. USF’s Foundation begins looking for funds to build a $1 million presidential house. Students think it would be a massive waste of money. USF Foundation demands that the house must be built on campus, and chooses a site near the main entrance.4282

Two large projects are approved: a $7 million addition to the Student Services building that will add two stories to two of its wings, and $10.3 million on MC renovations, a student health center (to be moved out of the MC), and an adjacent Special Events Center. Students are angered by the SEC proposal, as it will be built on Crescent Hill, a favorite hangout for recreation and relaxation. They gather 1,522 signatures for a petition to stop the construction, but the plans go ahead anyway. USF officials argue that only part of the hill will be occupied, leaving plenty of room for student activities. (almost 15 years later, Crescent Hill is desolate, rarely used for anything except Movies

on the Lawn. Even the fountain is dry much of the time, with no one around to appreciate it.)

Borkowski also revived the dream to erect a monumental concrete Picasso sculpture on campus, but pursues a height of 62 feet instead of over 100. B planned on a site between the Lifsey House and the Alumni Center. “We wanted to make the whole area a park-like entrance to the campus,” B said later, “The feeling was this would be the springboard to bring additional sculptures to campus.” Picasso’s son Claude wrote a letter that disapproved of the project. A recession and decreased state budgets made the climate more hostile for fundraising for such projects.

Gene Leedy, designer of Lifsey House, said of the Picasso, “Nowhere in the world would there have been such a Picasso sculpture. It is so disappointing that it never came to be. It would have been the most powerful thing on campus. It would have given USF a big name.” With Carl Nesjar in his 70s and the only one allowed to construct the sculpture, it seems unlikely that it could be built even if USF had the money. Nonetheless, Nesjar was flown in and toured the campus with Leedy. “It would have been the first piece for a sculpture park,” B said. “We would have continued finding important pieces, commissioned pieces, and then strategically places them around the campus. We wanted challenging, exciting pieces, and the Picasso was one of them.” The state chose another architect for the alumni center leaving Leedy and Picasso out of upcoming plans. Leedy claimed that B had raised $500,000 of the $600,000-plus needed for the sculpture. Leedy said, “Without Borkowski [who left USF in 1993], it died. Nobody else was interested. It would take a lot of guts for a university president to put a Picasso on campus because

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it’s so controversial. No one is sure what happened to the money raised for the sculpture in the 1970s, but B said, “I feel quite confident that they [donations] were embraced and taken into the university endowment.”

St. Pete campus becomes an additional home for the US Geological Survey concerned with studying coastal erosion. The move brings more prestige to the campus’s Marine Science program. With the help of St. Pete bankers, politicians and USF academics, a new USGS facility is lured to the St. Pete campus. There are only three other facilities in the nation. Peter Betzer, the chairman of USF’s Marine Science program, remembered, “There were three biggies and a twerp. They all laughed. Everyone in the country laughed. But when they heard what we were offering, they couldn’t match that.”

A water main break floods the Student Services building. Delays by the insurance firm incurs $750,000 in equipment damage to the TV and radio stations. In the next month, Tropical Storm Keith floods the basement again, and WUSF goes temporarily off the air.

The Sun Dome grosses in the top 20 of similar-sized stadiums in the US, #12.

Housing officials designate an Honors dorm.

Fire Code violations cost USF $2.3 million.

The proposal to name the UC after Phyllis Marshall is controversial and runs into opposition that it would be named after a present member of the faculty.

Presidential candidate Jesse Jackson visits Tampa on a campaign swing.

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4285 SPT 10/5/94.
Joy and Hugh Culverhouse present USF with a gift valued at $4.6 million (after state matching funds), then the largest single gift in the University's history. The donation marks the beginning of a massive fund-raising campaign.

A USF partnership with real estate developers is harshly criticized by journalists, employees, and the public. University administrators participate in “University North Conference,” a corporate board that oversees 20,000 acres north of Fowler Avenue all the way to the apex of interstates 75 and 275. By allying with profit-seeking and self-interested developers, USF is seen as inhibiting debate on such vital issues as growth management. Kenneth Good, the Chairman of the Tampa Palms Development Corporation, said (apparently without irony), “The public sector trusts the university more than they might to some of us scumbags.” Maxine Hatcher, a member of Hillsborough County’s planning Commission, said, “The university is not a chamber of commerce booster club.” In the absence of state funds, corporate partnerships make sense. A Tribune editorial said, “USF is most visible as booster, even an embracer, of development and industry. The institution is not nearly as visible when growth-management problems are discussed. Because of the area’s super-charged growth, USF is ideally situated to earn a national reputation for finding solutions to growth problems. Yet USF is rarely mentioned at meetings of … government panels. Officials seek the advice of pricey consultants, not experts at USF which, like all state universities, has a public service mission. Most of the blame must go to USF. USF seems more interested in developing a rapport with the business community than in tackling vital community problems.”

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4287  Tt 10/11/88; tt 9/23/88.
USF puts Shangri-La, its retreat on Lake Thonotosassa, up for sale after SG did not provide funding for its lease. The site houses an eight-room house built from local cypress, a caretaker’s cabin, a brick bomb shelter, and a concrete blockhouse. In the years leading up to the sale, USF planners tried to get approval for demolition of the cabin to make room for a presidential house. Students revolted, and the plan was shelved. USF student clubs frequently use the 15 acre site, especially those involved in skiing and sailing. USF Foundation leases the site to SG, who is experiencing budget woes. Students organize a “Save the Lake” campaign, spearheaded by the ski and sailing clubs. They gather 1500 signatures for a petition. Joseph Busta, executive VP of the Foundation, says that USF could make considerable money off the interest accrued by money stemming from Shangri-La’s sale. Students want to save the lakeside location for future generations of students. Apparently, former SG president David Matthes previously signed an agreement committing SG to leasing the property for 10 years for $250,000, but he did not inform anyone. With no money left in the budget, SG cannot make the payment. The retreat had been under disrepair for several years.\footnote{O 2/10/88; 2/16/88.}

USF received the largest state grant in history, $25 million for a microelectronics research project. The money comes from a grant from Defense Advances Research Projects Agency (DARPA) and is funneled through the University North Conference, an alliance of real estate developers, of which USF is a member. Six public universities and other out of state colleges will participate in the project, which will be housed in USF’s College of Engineering. USF’s Center for Microelectronics Design and Test (CMDAT) will receive $5.3 million of the funds to design and test computer chips.
Led by Dr. Ray Williams, five USF archaeology students conduct a dig in the northeast corner of the Tampa Campus. They find the tip of an arrow or spear head, a flat tool used for scraping, and numerous flakes of stone chipped from a larger piece—an ancient scrap yard of sorts. The relics date from 4,000 to 1,000 BC. The students perform the digs for class credit.\textsuperscript{4289}

Phi Beta Kappa denies USF membership for the fifth time. USF will not send in another application immediately. PBK did not even consider the last two applications. Out of 80 schools that applied this year, only three were awarded units. Once again, the absence of strong liberal arts is an issue, as well as the weak library and the large number of transfer students.\textsuperscript{4290}

Enrollment in the Honors Program tops 195.

A BOR proposal would make UF the premiere (or “flagship”) university in the state. After only 6 weeks on the job, USF president Borkowski blasts the idea. The BOR wants to narrow the focus of Florida’s 9 public universities. State budget woes contribute to the decision. Some suggest that USF should focus on graduate research programs to work with private industry in the area. USF has 30,000, while UF has 8,000 more. USF advocates point out that Florida needs a university to serve students in urban areas who work their way through school. The BOR eventually scrapped the idea.\textsuperscript{4291}

USF’s Gold Council organizes its first “trading places” day, when students can buy tickets for the chance to switch places with USF’s President Borkowski for a day. This year freshman Susan Keil wins. While Keil dined over white linen with members of USF’s Administration in the Faculty Staff Lounge, B ate pasta salad, cottage cheese, and

\textsuperscript{4289} SPT 6/4/88.
\textsuperscript{4290} Tt 12/2/88.
\textsuperscript{4291} Tt 3/29/88.
a grilled cheese sandwich for lunch in a dorm cafeteria. B attends an English class (he arrived late and promised he would be on time in the future) in casual dress and took notes for Keil on “Oedipus Rex,” by Sophocles. At the end of the day, Keil handed B his briefcase and said, “you can have your headache back now.” He gave her his notes from English class, and they promised to meet again to play tennis.4292

Borkowski travels to Tokyo with Dr. Mark Orr for a 10-day meeting with Japanese industrial and educational leaders on behalf of USF’s Florida Japan Institute to secure funds for exchange programs. Upon returning, B travels to Canada to speak at the Canadian-American Conference on the First-Year Experience. Borkowski started the nation’s first course specifically for freshmen at U of S. Carolina, and has added a similar course at USF.4293

WBUL FM is planned to start broadcasting music for students this year. It doesn’t.4294

The Lakeland campus opens with one building and a parking lot.4295

SG cuts future funding for the Cavern Club events, the venue in the UC that hosts various musical shows. SG Senators characterize the Cavern Club concertgoers as “destructive.” Mark Boyle, SG Senate budget chairman says that many of the people who attend the shows are not students, “If you can call those things at the Cavern Club people.” Some students say that the SG just doesn’t like the crowd the shows attract. Students begin a drive to save the Cavern Club. It is one of the most popular student programs on campus, regularly drawing a capacity crowd of 300. After organizers

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4292 Tt 4/14/88, spt 4/14/88.
4293 Tt 11/5/88.
4294 O 1/12/88.
4295 O 1/25/88.
threaten to simply change the name of the club to dodge SG’s proposal, SG votes it
down, and the club survives for the moment.4296

USF’s Center for Microelectronics Design and Test ranked as the finest in the
state.4297

The Foundation begins actively raising money for a presidential mansion, arguing
that it will bring tradition and maturity to USF.4298

The 16th Annual Suncoast Writers’ Conference is held on the Bayboro campus.
Among the guests are novelist/screenwriter Christopher Keen, Ellen Daltow, the fiction
editor of Omni magazine, James Hall author of Under Cover of Daylight, and Anita
Diamant, head of a New York City agency.4299

The soon-to-be new President of USF, Dr. Fracis Borkowski visits the Bayboro
campus in order to meet with students, faculty and staff.4300

USF-St. Petersburg sponsors an educational forum on the Soviet Union that
coincides with the Centennial of the City of St. Petersburg. “Soviet Union: Cultural
Treasury of the Ages” is a nine day program that features lectures, films, food and
exhibits showcasing Soviet heritage.4301

USF-St. Petersburg Activities Office hosts a mini Olympic Family Fest. Track
and field games for all ages will be held.4302

4297 O 3/31/88.
4298 Spt 1/14/88, tt 1/13/88.
4299 CN: January 12, 1988, p. 2.
4301 CN: February 9, 1988, p. 6.
4302 CN: September 6, 1988, p. 4.
Student Government at the St. Petersburg campus hosts festivities honoring the Inauguration of USF President Francis T. Borkowski and USF Founders Day. Free barbecue, live music, and door prizes will be provided.\textsuperscript{4303}

The Florida Institute of Oceanography at USF-St. Pete welcomes a new Director. Dr. John C. Ogden is an educator and scientist who spent 17 years in the Caribbean establishing international contacts and developing an international network of marine labs.\textsuperscript{4304}

The Florida Institute of Oceanography at the Bayboro campus announces the signing of a licensed agreement with The Nature Conservancy to operate, on behalf of the State, the Marine Science and Conservation Center on Long Key. According to Dr. Charles B. Reed, Chancellor of the state university system, this transfer ensures that research efforts will expand significantly.\textsuperscript{4305}

An exhibition paying tribute to the black community in St. Petersburg is held in the Poynter Library. The St. Petersburg Historical Society has put together “One Hundred Years Later: The Black Community In St. Petersburg 1888-1988,” which uses newspaper articles, historic photographs and public documents to trace the history of race relations in the city.\textsuperscript{4306}

A modernist symposium investigating the influence of T. S. Eliot is held at the Poynter Institute for Media Studies on the Bayboro campus and the Salvador Dali Museum. The Conference is titled “T.S. Eliot and Modernism: A Centennial

\textsuperscript{4303} CN: October 11, 1988, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{4304} CN: October 11, 1988, p. 4.
\textsuperscript{4305} CN: October 11, 1988, pp. 8-9.
\textsuperscript{4306} CN: October 11, 1988, p. 10.
Celebration.” The keynote speaker is Grover Smith, internationally recognized Eliot scholar and English professor at Duke University.4307

The Oracle opens a bureau on the St. Petersburg campus.4308

1989: The University Center is gutted and refurbished after its facilities become outdated. In addition, a Special Events center is being built adjacent to the revitalized UC along with a sky bridge attaching the two.4309

The ‘College for a Day’ Program at the USF Fort Myers campus gives minority children the chance to visit a college campus, hopefully inspiring them to eventually attend a university.4310

The new Florida-Japan Institute is designated to USF and St. Petersburg Junior College by the state legislature, which assigned state universities and junior colleges with foreign countries as part of the Florida International Linkage Institutes. One of the most important programs to come out of this international connection will be student exchanges between USF and a Japanese university.4311

Residents and administrators complain that expansion of the St. Pete campus lags behind expectations.4312

4307 CN: October 11, 1988, p. 11.
4312 Spt 1/29/89.
USF’s enrollment reaches new heights at 31,638. By comparison, FSU has 28,277 and UF has 34,022. Enrollment by campus: Tampa 25,314, St. Pete 2,700, Sarasota 1,720, Ft. Myers 1,117, and Lakeland 662. USF employs 4,400 on its five campuses.  

Charles S. Olcott, who received his Masters in business administration from USF in 1973 and is the former CEO of Burger King, receives USF’s first President’s Award for Outstanding Alumni Achievement from President Borkowski.

While enrollment increases, students actually living in the dorms has decreased in recent years, from 3,166 in 1985 to 3,008 in 1989. Only the Tampa Campus has dorms. Cheap and abundant apartment in the area have lured students away from the cramped and aging dorms, and USF Housing officials consider hiring a marketing firm to increase residents. With the exception of the Village, none of the dorms allow pets, alcohol or guests of the opposite sex after 2am. Apartments are so plentiful that 12-14% of them are vacant. The dorms maintain a rather low price: $600 a semester. Until recently, no smoke detectors existed in the dorms, a fire code violation that had recently been rectified.

President Borkowski decries the lack of facilities on campus. USF has been swamped by a 23% increase in enrollment in the last 10 years. Especially stifling is the lack of labs for medical and nursing students. In one case, a professor was lured away from Harvard only to find that USF could not provide him with an office. Many professors cannot complete vital research because of the lack of labs.

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4313 TT 4/5/89
4314 Tampa Tribune-Times, 11/20/88 p9-B
Faculty and libraries are equally strained. The Southern Association of Colleges and School gives their report on accreditation, evaluating USF’s various colleges. In the College of Business, instructors get high marks for teaching, but they lack research and secretaries. The College of Education gets praise for it quality. Student morale is high, but it does not work with the faculty of other USF colleges enough. Engineering gets high points as well, especially for getting its formerly “flunking” computer science program accredited. The troubles were due largely to high enrollment and few faculty—in 1984 66 tenure track professors taught 3,600 students. Thirty more professors have been hired since then. Facilities are also short. After winning $7 million from a defense department grant, Dean Kovac has nowhere to but the personnel unless trailers are brought in. The College of Arts and Sciences was praised for its many productions and exhibits, but does not have a high enough profile. The College of Public health earned praise for its quickly-recruited by high-quality faculty. It needs more counseling for its students, who usually work for the state. The College of Medicine suffers from little research in anesthesiology and a lack of variety of pediatric patients in urology. The pathology department just won back accreditation after being put on probation. Library professional remain under the national average and the collections are thin. The library hopes to counter these problems through fund raising and student volunteers.  

The legislature announces deep budget cuts. USF is forced to cut salaries, special programs, and spending in medicine, Moffitt, and the library. While legislators approve salary increases for faculty at FIU, FAU and UCF, USF’s lags behind other state universities. USF’s averages $48,000, while FSU’s is $55,000.

4315 SPT 4/17/89.
Construction overrun costs force USF to scrap plans for a new Student Health Center, instead setting up trailers and portables.

109 buildings have been constructed in the last 10 years, including a $9 million College of Public Health Building and an $8 million Communications Science building (CIS).

The cost of the continuing asbestos cleanup goes from $35,000 to $215,000.

Diploma awarded to Tracy Tyson, 100,000th graduate.

USF Art Museum opens.

Sponsored Research funding passes $55 million.

Bone Marrow Transplant Program opens at Moffitt Cancer Center.

USF’s GraphicStudio participates in an artistic partnership between Florida and the tottering Soviet Union. Artists from USF travel to Moscow and Tblisi to hold workshops.

Ernest P. Boger Jr., USF’s first black graduate (’65), becomes director of the hospitality management program at Bethune Cookman College. He had served as infantry and administrator in Vietnam, earned his MA in Business Administration at N. Texas U. He served as an instructor and administrative coordinator at several universities.

The *Tampa Tribune* publishes an article comparing USF to the University of California at San Diego (UCSD). Both were founded in the mid 1950s in quickly growing coastal areas. A recent *US News and World Report* survey among 4,000 college administrators called UCSD one of the top six up and coming national universities.

While president Borkowski talks about USF being among the nation’s top 25 universities,
it is nowhere close to the top, even of the up-and-comers. Education expert and USF advisor George Keller says “The problems of USF are unusual because south Florida is one of the nation’s fastest growing areas. They’re going to have to sit down around a table and make some bold and daring moves.” Founder Roger Revelle built UCSD around high-profile scientific PhD programs and built from the top down, at first around the prestigious Scripps Institution of Oceanographics. The award-winning faculty there drew top-notch students. John Allen founded USF with a mere $5 million, choosing cheap, simple, and rather unattractive designs for the first buildings. Allen starting with undergraduate programs with a faculty intent on teaching, not research. A quick comparison between USF and UCSD: research funding $56 / $188 million, overall budget $349 / $686 million, economic impact $290 / $600 million, faculty 1,231 / 828, Nobel laureates 0/5, National Academy of Sciences members 1 / 46, endowed chairs 18 / 29, enrollment 30,003 / 17,227, state funding per student $5,250 / $11,580, and average freshman GPAs are 3.0 / 3.71. The lack of prestige is partly explained by state funding, in which Florida ranks much lower than California, a dismal 48th in the nation. UCSD’s total research budget of $188 million is more than half of Florida’s entire SUS. President Borkowski plan to invest most heavily in programs that are already successful, like public health, art, teacher education, and dance. The arts programs would require the least money for the best improvements.4316

USF lags behind in donations. U of Miami ($62.8 million) and UF ($58.7) outperform USF’s $18.8 million, but FSU collected only $12.4 million. However, in government and industry contracts, USF is second in the state ($55.8 million), placing only behind UF ($161 million).

4316 Tampa Tribune, 11/13/89; 7/21/89.
USF leaders are optimistic that funds from Florida’s new lottery will bring unprecedented funds. In the long term, any boost of education from lottery funds is illusory.

B’s performance receives mixed reviews. Branch campuses praise him for his attentiveness. He assembled task forces on race relations and the liberal arts programs, but their reports are very slow in arriving. Some allege that most of his time goes into PR and window dressing, not substantive change.4317

Borkowski changes the locks on SG offices and disbands the student senate. There had been complaints over the manner that student officials distributed SG activity funds. Other Florida SG’s have come under fire for corruption and bad audits.4318

The Associated Collegiate Press Hall of Fame inducted the Oracle, despite crippling financial woes at the paper. The paper qualified when it earned 10 consecutive All-American ratings. It had earned 19 in between 1967 and 1988. Furthermore, The Society of Professional Journalists announces that the Oracle won first prize in Region 3, a district that stretches from Florida to Tennessee. It had not won the competition since 1976. The award makes the paper eligible for a national award. SG’s decision to cut funding exacerbated the paper’s deficit and abolished other student publications. To make matters worse, the paper aroused the indignation of some students by printing an ad for a bar with a photo depicting a lynching of a hooded man. Students accused the paper of having racist leanings and protested to USF president Borkowski. The SG Senate demanded that Student Affairs force five of the paper’s to resign. In 1988, five staff

4318 Spt 2/14/93.
members were required to resign after they admitted to drinking while driving on a business trip.\textsuperscript{4319}

Research increased by 49\% over the previous year, totaling $55.6 million.

USF president Borkowski trades places with elementary education major Kelly Fitzsimmons in a “trading places” day. 250 students bought raffle tickets for $1 for the chance. Fitzsimmons gave B a USF t-shirt, sunglasses, a notebook and some condoms. B gave F his leatherbound briefcase, with an overflowing appointment book, a bottle of aspirin, and some Pepto Bismol. The $1,200 raised will be put toward student scholarships. University State Bank President J.L. Richards donated $1,000 of the total.

Borkowski ambled along campus in a sweatshirt and boat shoes. He skipped one of his classes to shop in the flea market.\textsuperscript{4320}

Borkowski is honored by the National Institute of Polish Culture in Clearwater by being named Polonian of the year.\textsuperscript{4321}

Kay Borkowski, Frank’s wife, is featured on flute with the TB Chamber Orchestra at the Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center. She is the flute soloist on Bach and Telemann pieces.

Former USF President John Lott Brown is named president of the Florida Association of Colleges and Universities. He teaches at USF and conducts research for a driving simulator for handicapped drivers. Macmillan Publishing Co. commissions him to edit a four-volume encyclopedia of vision. The schedule as USF President was too rigorous to maintain for he and his wife. She takes up scuba diving.\textsuperscript{4322}

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\textsuperscript{4320} Spt 4/7/89; tt 4/13/89.
\textsuperscript{4321} Tt 2/11/89.
\textsuperscript{4322} Tt 1/11/89.
USF Foundation holds a contest for the design of the planned $1 million presidential mansion, and the winning design is by Gene Leedy. The house is projected to cover 9,315 square feet, and will be named after Tampa attorney Julian Lifesey, who contributed $600,000. He dies recently, but his widow Mary Ann served on the jury to select the design. She said that after building three houses and beach condos, Julian “loved to see something come out of the ground. I told him one evening that I heard they were indeed going to be serious about a president’s home, and he thought we could really have fun doing it. He was excited about giving money to a foundation for something tangible, something that our grandchildren could see. I probably would’ve been more open to a contemporary building, but I was voting for Julian and he liked things very traditional. It was a blend of Julian and I.” Architect Leedy said, “The $3,000 prize wouldn’t even begin to cover my expenses, but I was emotionally involved in the project because my daughter, Helen Knight, went to USF.”

USF-St. Petersburg hosts an International Symposium regarding Indonesia entitled “Indonesia: Unity in Diversity.” It runs from February 15-23.

The Crow’s Nest returns to the St. Petersburg campus after a two-year hiatus.

USF-St. Petersburg hosts a lecture on the Salem Witch Trials. Professor Priscilla Brewer presents a free lecture entitled “Salem Possessed: The Witch Hysteria of 1692.” The lecture is presented in conjunction with Dr. Danny Jorgensen’s class, “Magic, Witchcraft, and Paganism in America.”

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4323 Tt 8/8/89, tt 11/18/89.
4324 CN: January 17, 1989, p. 5.
USF – Sarasota Alumnus Gregory Dubois is selected as a National Rhodes Scholar, and will join thirty-two other students from the U.S. studying at Oxford University in England next fall. “I was stunned, elated, and very happy,” says Dubois. “It’s allowed me to do exactly what I want.”

President Borkowski agrees to extend the contract for the Florida Public Interest Research Group on campus after more than 13,000 signatures are collected in support of the organization. The group has been under investigation for its funding and budgetary practices.

Tom Gilbert, a former Oracle staff writer, is named managing editor of Variety, a national entertainment industry magazine. “It was the Oracle job that pointed me in this direction, and I have stayed on the same course since I left,” Gilbert explains. “The Oracle was the genesis of it all.”

USF honors Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day for the first time ever with a celebration including “gospel music, art, tributes, and a candlelight vigil.” Explains Juel Smith, acting director of USF’s Institute on Black Life, “Our University has an obligation to pause and show respect and gratitude to Dr. King for the monumental contributions he made in the advancement of human relations and opportunities for all Americans.”

USF appoints a Values Task Force to consider and evaluate the following: a mandatory ethics course at the University; developing an ethics television program; and hiring an ethics ombudsman. The Force is the result of a BOT mandate that requires all

4327 O: Jan. 9, 1989
4328 O: Jan. 10, 1989
4329 O: Jan. 11, 1989
4330 O: Jan. 13, 1989
state universities “to identify those moral values we wish our academic community to reflect.”

Thirteen doctors on the staff of USF’s Department of Orthopedic Surgery resign in protest of plans for an outpatient clinic and the dismissal of department chairman Phillip G. Spiegel. “The present goals and plans for the development of the Medical Center are inconsonant with the department’s commitment to state-of-the-art patient care,” the doctors explain in a university memorandum.

The USF Space Committee approves plans for the development of a golf driving range on the north side of campus. The plan is opposed by residents of the nearby Village housing who expressed concerns about parking availability and the construction of a twenty five to forty foot fence around the field.

The USF Art Museum officially opens to patrons, bringing hopes of an “art revolution” to the university campus. “I think that a museum is just as important as a library,” says museum director Margaret Miller. “There isn’t a great university anywhere in the world that doesn’t have one.”

The sale of USF’s Shangri-La property falls through, resurrecting hope among students that the twenty nine acre tract of land might be kept in the University’s possession. The buyer, administrators explain, simply decided not to go through with the purchase of the property due to undisclosed reasons. “This is something that meant a lot

4331 O: Jan. 13, 1989
4332 O: Jan. 19, 1989
4333 O: Jan. 20, 1989
4334 O: Jan. 20, 1989
to the students and we could look into trying to get it back,” suggests Student Government President Darbi James.

Pending approval by the Florida Cabinet, USF may become the site of the state’s only Mobile Army Surgical Hospital (MASH), according to USF’s Executive Vice President Albert Hartley. The provisions of the arrangement stipulate that 4.6 acres of campus property would be leased to the Florida National Guard for the facility’s construction. “We wanted to locate in Tampa because of the expertise of the medical community and the recruitment potential of doctors and nurses,” explains Col. Richard Powers. The hospital will function primarily as a training center for medical personnel who are enlisted in the National Guard. In lieu of regular payments on the lease, the National Guard will instead be required to build new facilities for the ROTC on the USF campus.

USF’s “free hour” is to be abolished next fall due in part to the increasing “pressure of student enrollment,” says Richard Taylor, speaker of the Faculty Senate. The free hour is “an allotted number of hours in each school week when no classes are scheduled” to allow for faculty and student meetings on campus.

The *Gryphon*, USF’s poetry journal, will cease publication following its final issue this spring. Founder and Editor Hans Juergensen explains that the decision comes largely as a result of funding and staff shortages at the magazine. “I hope somebody will pick it up – take it over,” Juergensen says. “I haven’t the money anymore.”

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4335 O: Jan. 27, 1989
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was edited and published by Juergensen and his wife since its inception in 1974. “Fifteen years in the life of a little magazine is a long time.”

Terry D. Rainer, former director of receiving at the USF Health Services Center and last year’s recipient of the outstanding job award, is arrested for allegedly stealing $785 worth of power tools and a 1941 24-karat gold Liberty half-dollar. “He was able to commit the thefts because of the position he had in central receiving,” explains Robert Staehle of the University Police.

USF’s Water Ski Club hosts a benefit party at Shangri-La in hopes of drumming up support for the lakefront property. “The proceeds [from] the party will go towards own campaign to save Shangri-La,” explains Water Ski Club President Scott Towsley. “Our whole campaign is that we’re going to compromise. All of us decided if we can keep eight or nine acres, that would be good.”

The Student Government at USF’s St. Petersburg campus fights to save two historic buildings which the University has slated for demolition. The Potter and Black houses, built in the early twentieth century, are both on the National Register of Historic Places, but USF officials feel they are inconsistent with the University’s master plan. “They don’t lend themselves to the type of structures we would put on the land,” explains Richard Fender, USF Vice President for Administrative Affairs. “We’ve not singled out these houses. We looked at it and found it would be too expensive for restoration.” The fate of the houses, the Oracle reports, “Is now in the hands of St. Petersburg’s Student

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4338 O: Jan. 31, 1989
4339 O: Feb. 2, 1989
Despite reports of declining enrollments at national universities, officials at USF say that applications are up nearly ten percent over last year and are expected to continue climbing. “If the trend holds true, we’ll get nearly 8,000 applications for the fall 1989 semester,” predicts Director of Admissions Vicki Ahrens. “We have room to enroll all the students who meet our requirements.”

Over 100 activists demonstrate against vivisection at the USF Medical Center in protest of the Center’s experimentation practices and policies. “We know there are dogs and cats being used for experiments at the Medical Center, but we don’t know what for because it’s top secret,” says Marc Baldwin of Florida Voices for Animals. “The animals are used for surgical instruction and teaching,” Sandy Manetta, manager of the animal lab, says in her defense. “We’re inspected regularly by the USDA and by the American Association of Accredited Lab Animal Carepersons. We have to make sure that the facilities are clean and the animals are taken care of or we would be closed down.”

A USF Orientation Task Force survey finds that over the past two years, sixty percent of 120 incoming transfer students rated their FOCUS orientation sessions from fair to poor. “Because of new demands, FOCUS became more process oriented,” explains Sylvia King, assistant chairperson of the task force. “Students wanted more guidance in academics than we could incorporate into the present program.” Another member of the force comments, “There was a tremendous increase in demands for advising and scheduling that could not be met in the time frame we were confined to.” The study

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4341 O: Feb. 9, 1989
4342 O: Feb. 10, 1989
4343 O: Feb. 10, 13, 1989
concludes that the problems are largely the result of an overburdened staff with limited time in which to work.  

The United Faculty of Florida says “no” to Florida Governor Bob Martinez’s proposal to test all state university employees for drugs. “An employer should only be concerned if the employee is doing his job,” argues USF chapter president John Cook who calls the action an “invasion of privacy.” UFF president Jim Wilson expresses concern over potential abuses of the drug-testing policy. “If you don’t dress ... or act like everyone else then drug testing for reasonable suspicion could be used to harass people. There is also no way to ensure that tests won’t be tampered with.”

USF students ask the Oracle to discontinue its publication of advertisements for the local Todd “X” Theatre. “It’s degrading to all students,” argues Dana Latino, one of the students fighting for the removal of the controversial material. “It’s not a public newspaper ... we as students should have a voice in our school newspaper. It kind of represents our school, what our newspaper is. I feel I have the right to state what I feel.” Janice Snook, coordinator for the Women’s Study program at USF, agrees. “It’s very offensive to female staff and faculty; there’s all kinds of [other] businesses that the Oracle can get.” Gayle Madden, manager of the Theatre, defends her right to advertise in the school paper. “For seventeen years the Oracle has been advertising for us,” she says. “They came to us for advertisement back then and ever since it’s been a good relationship.”

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4344 O: Feb. 16, 1989
4345 O: Feb. 17, 1989
4346 O: Feb. 21, 1989
Machines dispensing condoms are installed in dormitory laundry rooms on the USF campus.\footnote{0: Feb. 21, 1989}

Attallah Shabazz, daughter of radical black activist Malcolm X, speaks at USF twenty-four years and one day after her father’s death. “Our purpose is to encourage people to know that no matter how bleak life may seem to be at times, it is never too late to step more securely into whatever one’s tomorrows may be,” says Shabazz.\footnote{0: Feb. 22, 1989}

Over 400 signatures are collected from USF students and alumni in support of efforts to keep the University’s Shangri-La property on Lake Thonotosassa. The signatures were delivered to USF President Francis Borkowski, who agreed to sign the petition himself and send it on to Joseph Busta, Executive Vice President of the USF Foundation.\footnote{0: Feb. 22, 1989}

The Oracle staff members again find themselves in hot water after students complain about a WBUL advertisement picturing the lynching of a black man. “I was just very upset about the ad,” says student Vanessa Young. “It was just a disgrace, a picture of a black man being lynched really has no place in an ad. I think the Oracle owes us an apology, WBUL owes us an apology, and President Borkowski should have something to say about the ad.” The intent of the ad, according to Oracle advertising editor Donna Moore, “was not to make a racial slur, it was to promote a band [called The Dead Don’t Dance]. It won’t happen again.”\footnote{0: Feb. 23, 1989}

Angry USF students march across the campus chanting, “Wake up USF” and “Keep the dream alive” in protest of a racially offensive advertisement for WBUL.
recently published in the Oracle newspaper (see O: Feb. 23, 1989). SG black affairs advocate Phyllis Thompson issues a list of demands which include a public apology from the Oracle and WBUL (both of which were published in the editorial section of yesterday’s paper).4351

Joseph Busta, Vice President of the USF Foundation, asserts that although attempts have been made to work with students in regards to the Shangri-La property, the Foundation’s board concluded that it just was not feasible. “The Foundation’s intentions are to sell the property,” Busta explains. “It’s not an open question about re-looking at the property (sic) ... If people are interested in the lake [property], they ought to talk to me to know exactly what is possible to do and not possible to do, so that they’re not frustrated or [don’t] feel misled.”4352

Two female students escape injury when they crash their 1965 Mustang into the north wall of the Delta residence hall. According to the UP report, the car received $1,800 damage while the dormitory wall was “only scraped” when the vehicle lost its brakes and hit the building.4353

The Student Government Senate asks the entire Oracle editorial staff to resign from their posts, charging them with “inaccurate reporting and coverage.” The resolution was written by SG representatives because of the number of complaints received from students. “The students feel the Oracle is lacking,” explains senator Paul Kern. “We represent students.” Senator David Ozner agrees, saying that, “We have a responsibility

4351 O: Feb. 24, 1989
4352 O: Feb. 27, 1989
4353 O: Feb. 27, 1989
to be on record and let them know we are dissatisfied.” Thirteen senators voted for the resolution and nine voted against it, with ten senators abstaining.\footnote{O: Mar. 2, 1989}

Officials at USF in St. Petersburg announce a $111 million community wide fundraising drive called “Campaign USF” to generate support for research and expansion at the University campus. “Without the support of the community, we would not be as successful as we are today,” says Lowell Davis, Dean of the St. Petersburg campus.\footnote{O: Mar. 9, 1989}

In response to a request by Oracle editor David Whitehead, the Student Government Budget Writing Committee votes to cut Student Publications entirely out of the 1989-90 Activities and Services budget. The official recommendation of the committee states that, “Due to the editor-in-chief publishing that he doesn’t believe the Oracle should receive A&S Fees, we shouldn’t fund the Oracle.” Whitehead pointed out that because of funding, USF students felt that they should have more input concerning the newspaper’s content. In refusing funding, he is trying to eliminate accountability to the student body. “If [the Oracle] wants its first amendment rights, then it’s going to have to generate the funds to pay for them,” retorts Mark Boyle, chairman of the Budget Writing Committee.\footnote{O: Mar. 13, 1989}

USF will begin testing its touchtone telephone registration system on March 27 in order to “provide convenience and flexibility for the student,” according to Linda E. Erickson, Assistant Vice President of Admissions and Records.\footnote{O: Mar. 14, 1989}

USF’s chemistry department receives a $24,000 grant from the National Science Foundation to resurrect a summer undergraduate research program. “The purpose of this
grant is to enable us to give research experience to undergraduates,” says Professor Jack E. Fernandez. “We want to encourage students to pursue a career in science.”

Despite a lawsuit filed against them by USF officials, the Sarasota-Bradenton Airport Authority announces its intention to go ahead with plans to build a parking lot near the University’s Sarasota campus.

Hugh Culverhouse, owner of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, announces his gift of a $1.3 million endowment to USF Sarasota’s College of Education. The donation is the single largest gift ever given to the campus. “I wanted to stand up and shout hurrah and thank you so very much for this gift,” says Robert V. Barylski, Dean of the Sarasota campus. Explaining how the endowment will be used, Barylski says that, “Year after year there will be special workshops, conferences, and fellowships for all the teaching staff and administrative staff in our country who will come together and do things that they have always dreamed about doing but somehow never seem to be able to finance or learn about.”

USF’s Everywomen’s Center celebrates its fifteenth anniversary with a party at the University Lecture Hall.

A nationwide report announces USF’s Medical School to be ranked in the top fifty percent of schools nationally, and number one in the state. “This result speaks well for the quality of our students over the past few years, and for the quality and vitality of our faculty,” says Dr. Wilton Bunch, Dean of the College of Medicine.
Carl Riggs announces that USF is the only public university in the state to receive a $55,570 grant to attract more minority student enrollment. “It is a tremendous opportunity for young people to go on to graduate school,” comments Melvin Anderson, Associate Dean of the College of Engineering. “It might make a difference in many cases for students who may not go to graduate school.”

In a letter to Rita Bruce, Carl Riggs writes, “I noticed in the latest issue of the College of Public Health Newsletter that you have been named the 1988 recipient of the Porter Award for Outstanding Contributions to Health Education. I have reflected on this for some time and the only reasons that I can think of for your receiving this award are (1) the evaluating committee was discerning and objective, (2) the evaluating committee used great judgement, (3) your contributions to Public Health Education have been outstanding, (4) you did play a vital role in the establishment of the USF College of Public Health, (5) you are a great person! Other than those, I do not understand why you received the Award.”

In culmination of Women’s Awareness Week at USF, Colorado Representative Pat Schroeder delivers a speech entitled “Women in Leadership” to students and visitors at the College of Business auditorium.

The Board of Regents backs USF’s request for $3.1 million in funding in part to build a Wellness Center on campus. The remainder of the money would be used on additional construction projects, such as the current University Center renovation. The funds are pending final approval from the State Legislature.

\[\text{References:}\]
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\[\text{O: Apr. 6, 1989}\]
\[\text{O: Apr. 7, 1989}\]
\[\text{O: Apr. 12, 1989}\]
Twenty-one year old education major Kelly Fitzsimmons switches roles with USF President Francis Borkowski as part of the University’s annual Trading Places Day. While Fitzsimmons arrived professionally dressed carrying a briefcase loaded with reading glasses, Pepto-Bismol, aspirin, and a notepad, “Student” Borkowski came to work clad in deck shoes, casual pants, and a USF sweatshirt; the contents of his backpack included: sunglasses, sunscreen, a sharpened pencil, a child’s book, and a box of condoms. Though Fitzsimmons kept busy answering phone calls and attending meetings, Borkowski arrived late to his first class with an excused note from Dan Walbolt, Vice President for Student Affairs.4367

An annual report on salaries compiled by the United Faculty of Florida finds that faculty salaries at USF are much lower than at other state universities. The reason, according to Bert Hartley, Executive Vice President of USF, is that the Legislature does not appropriate sufficient funds to increase salaries at USF. One UFF representative asserts that such evidence “speaks to the University’s value system,” while another espoused the need for a strong affirmative action program at USF. “There is a history of women and minorities not having access to administrative positions. We [the UFF] are being very watchful of the administration.”4368

Susan Taylor, editor of Essence, the first magazine published exclusively for black women, speaks at USF about spirituality and the black family.4369

Florida Voices for Animals organizes a demonstration at the USF Medical Center to protest the use of animals in experiments at the facility. “Every year we have a week that we commemorate the animals that have been killed in research,” explains Elena

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4367 O: Apr. 13, 1989
4368 O: Apr. 19, 1989
4369 O: Apr. 20, 1989
Flanagan, Vice President of FVA. “We believe that alternatives should be used, and there
are many different alternatives available.”

USF mathematics professor Manoug Manougian and his students have intentions
of transforming the campus “into a beautiful forest” by planting pine trees to provide
shade, beautify the campus, produce oxygen, and purify the air. “We want to beautify the
USF campus,” Manougian explains, “but it is also a scientific venture and statement to all
the tree cutting that’s been happening on campus lately ... These are the first trees of
many. We’ll do this every semester until this campus is transformed into a beautiful
forest, and if we’re not going to have it in South America, we’ll have it in Tampa.”

USF and the Musculoskeletal Institute Inc. make an agreement, which allows
thirteen orthopedic surgeons from the institute to train orthopedic residents at USF’s
College of Medicine. The deal is intended to help the university through the hard path of
rebuilding its Orthopedic Department within the college after the majority of the faculty
left.

The Mass Communications department at USF is put on probation by the
Accrediting Committee on Education for Mass Communications because of its alleged
noncompliance with standards for budget, equipment, and facilities. “We want to see a
greater proportion of USF’s resources put toward mass communications over the next
year before the department will get its full accreditation,” explains Committee
chairwoman Terry Hynes.
The USF Center for AIDS Education for Health Care Providers is created and housed at the Florida Mental Health Institute complex on campus. The purpose of the new center is to “give health care professionals, such as physicians, dentists, nurses, and mental health counselors, up-to-date information used in caring for AIDS patients in their own practices.”

Psychology professor Mark Goldman and Dale Hicks, director of the University’s Counseling Center, hope to establish a Center for Alcohol and Substance Abuse Research and Prevention at USF. “It is anticipated,” Goldman explains, “that future efforts of the Center will focus on combining a variety of research, outreach, educational, prevention, and intervention programs, including linkages with the community.” Dan Walbolt, Vice President for Student Affairs at USF, says their success is contingent upon their request for $53,000 in funding for the Center. “[It would] really just depend on the money, because Goldman and Hicks just can’t stop what they’re doing and undertake this kind of thing.”

Students form the USF Tampa 4 Defense Committee in response to a perceived abuse of the democratic rights of the local black community. “It’s time for students to look at this issue,” explains junior history major Steve Korn. “People need to wake up to the larger picture of what’s going on in the black community in this area and in the country.”

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4374 O: May 10, 1989
4375 O: May 17, 1989
4376 O: May 17, 1989
The Night Owl, “a charming little snack bar resembling a small town corner delicatessen,” offers students an environment for relaxing and socializing since the temporary closure of the University Center for renovation.  

Recent reports indicate an increase of forty-two percent in African American enrollment at USF. Samuel Wright, coordinator of minority student admissions, says the increase “makes us feel we are getting the job done.”

WUSF moves into a new, two-story, $2 million building on the Tampa campus from it’s previous home in the basement of Student Services. The nationally ranked public radio station is now broadcasting from a 100,000-watt transmitter at the new facility. “As soon as things are reorganized and back in working order, it will be as wonderful as we told everyone it would be,” says Station Director John Young.


Chinese students at USF express outrage and sorrow over the shootings of students in Tiananmen Square over the weekend. “They were just kids who didn’t hurt anyone, but they were killed,” said group secretary Xiaoyan Liu. Reverend Carl Synan of the University Chapel Fellowship agrees to hold a memorial to “express solidarity with the students in China.”

The “Change in Circumstances” form developed at USF’s Office of Financial Aid results in more than $800,000 in additional aid awarded to USF students this past

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4377 O: May 17, 1989
4378 O: May 24, 1989
4379 O: May 31, 1989
4380 O: May 31, 1989
4381 O: June 7, 1989
academic term. In recognition of the form’s success, the department has been invited to Washington D.C. to make a presentation at a national financial aid conference.4382

The World Wrestling Federation holds a pair of title matches at the USF Sun Dome. Among the featured participants are “Million Dollar Man” Ted DiBiase, the Bushwackers, “Ravishing” Rick Rude, Bobby “The Brain” Heenan, and former WWF champion Ultimate Warrior.4383

The Florida state legislature announces a new admissions bill that requires applicants to state universities to have taken at least two years of a foreign language in high school. “Since Florida high schools are starting to stress foreign languages, this law would only affect out-of-state students,” explains William Scheuerle, Dean of Undergraduate Studies at USF. Governor Martinez has thirty days to either sign the bill into law or veto it.4384

Norris Brown, an African American student at USF, is denied application for graduation nearly two weeks after he participates in formal graduation ceremonies at the University. I have a complexion problem,” Brown explains. “My skin is black. For that reason I’ve been getting very bad treatment from the Computer Science and Engineering department.” He has filed a formal complain with the DOE alleging that USF discriminated against him on the basis of race. “I believe there is justice in this world,” he comments.4385
An unidentified man exposed himself to USF students on three separate occasions last week, according to UP spokesman Robert A. Staehle. The University Police have located a suspect, but no arrests have yet been made.  

Two USF professors receive a grant of $50,000 in order to develop their video series intended to improve physical education for disabled children. The instructional video series, entitled the “I’m Special Network” is designed to help teachers create successful programs for the disabled, according to Professor Louis Bowers. “People don’t realize the importance of physical education for handicapped students. This activity may be the thing to give them self confidence.”

The USF Sun Dome is struck by lightning during a late-night thunderstorm. “We got hit twice,” says nightwatchman Darryl Menzies. “There was lightning all over the place that night.” In addition to the loss of power quickly restored by an emergency generator, the heavy rains finally broke in and collapsed the roof of the auditorium. Once inside, the water did significant damage to the basketball floor, an electronic message board, and a number of seats. “We think the damage will cost around $70,000 to $100,000,” estimates Sun Dome Director Mike LaPan. Since the storm, a temporary patch was installed on the roof of the facility, and the basketball floor is currently being refinished.

The Media Production Center at USF complains that it has lost nearly $2,000 worth of equipment due to inadequate storage space. “I’ve got stuff stacked literally

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4386 O: June 22, 1989
4387 O: June 22, 1989
4388 O: June 28, 1989
eighteen feet high,” says MPC Director Mike VansEvers. In additional to theft, VansEvers is losing equipment as a result of the summer heat and humidity.4389

A USF electrical engineering student is struck by lightning while riding his bicycle near Fontana Hall during a thunderstorm. “Apparently the strike was severe because the sidewalk was chipped at the point of contact,” reports University policeman Robert Staehle. The student is currently recovering in the University Community Hospital.4390

Despite a county ordinance guaranteeing USF’s medical research program twenty-one dogs and cats a week from area pounds, University officials report that they have only been receiving seven animals per week. The shortage has created some concern among professors who rely on those animals in order to teach physiology and surgery classes at the College of Medicine. “We really don’t know whether it’s a deliberate withhold of animals or if it’s just administrative disorganization,” says Michael Hoad, spokesman for the College of Medicine. “We are working with the pound and with the county administrators to try and work out the administrative problems to see exactly what the problem is.”4391

President Borkowski announces the merging of three separate colleges into the College of Arts and Sciences. Effective by fall of 1990, the merger includes the Colleges of Arts and Letters, Social and Behavioral Sciences, and Natural Sciences. University officials believe the move will facilitate national recognition for the college. “The liberal arts and sciences are receiving such close attention because these studies are at the core of higher education,” says Art Bochner, Chairman of the Department of Communication.

4389 O: June 28, 1989
4390 O: June 29, 1989
4391 O: June 29, 1989
“You cannot have a great university without faculty and strong research in the liberal arts and sciences.”

Florida Governor Bob Martinez visits the USF campus to speak out against alcohol abuse on college campuses. Martinez is met by a group of demonstrators protesting his proposed restrictions on abortion. “We let the Governor know that students as well as the community are dissatisfied with his stand on abortion,” says Carolyn Waldron, President of the northeast Tampa NOW. “If he doesn’t straighten out, then we’ll vote him out.”

The University re-unites the Colleges of Arts and Letters, Social and Behavioral Sciences, and Natural Sciences into the College of Arts and Sciences. This college was originally dismembered in 1972 and many feel that it should be reunited so that USF has a strong, centralized liberal arts program so that it is distinguished from trade schools.

University classes offered at MacDill Air Force Base are cut dramatically after professors express a reluctance or inability to participate in the political science program. According to program coordinator and USF professor Harvey Nelson, only one course will be offered at the base this semester.

USF’s Bayboro campus purchases more than 3,000 rare books, some over 400 years old, devoted entirely to ichthyology, the study of fish. The collection formerly belonged to John C. Briggs, former chairman of the marine science department at USF.
“The collection is in a very appropriate place at the St. Petersburg campus because of the marine science department being here,” says Kathy Arsenault, USF librarian.  

USF Credit Union President Tom Buckman announces that soon all USF students, not just seniors and graduate students, will be able to join the credit union. “We hope to get that change into effect before we move into the UC,” Buckman explains. “We are looking forward to including more students.”  

The USF Lecture Series begins the academic year this week with the following: a debate on capitalism versus socialism (“Which is the moral system?”); a lecture on the risks of biotechnology; and a discussion on abortion.  

President Borkowski announces the establishment of the USF Planning Commission, an organization that, “Will help the president determine directions, priorities, and missions for USF as it enters the next century.” The commission consists of eight faculty members, three deans, and five administrators.  

After being placed on probation by the national accreditation committee, the mass communications department at USF receives additional funding in order to improve its program and equipment. “The accrediting problem was a blessing because it called the University’s attention to the department,” says Karen Brown, mass communications professor.  

USF graduate student Margery Wakefield speaks out against the Church of Scientology. “I believe it is a cult,” she explains. “It’s a dangerous organization that really messes with your mind.” Wakefield is currently pursuing her Ph.D. in counseling,
and was a member of the Church for twelve years. In 1982, she filed suit against them for an alleged deprivation of psychiatric care. After settling out of court for $220,000, Wakefield was prohibited from speaking out against the organization. Despite the threat of arrest, Wakefield refuses to remain silent. “If I get a call from some parent who says their kid is involved with Scientology, I’m not going to be quiet.”

Gus Hall, President of the U.S. Communist Party, debates Stuart Daw, CEO of Nationwide Gourmet, in a forum sponsored by the University Lecture Series entitled, “Capitalism vs. Socialism: Which is the Moral System?”

The Ethics Task Force at USF recommends an ethics course as part of the University’s liberal arts core curriculum. “I think it is very important that every student have an ethics course before they graduate,” explains Dorothy Beach, chairperson of the Task Force committee.

USF’s Gospel Choir seeks to spread the gospel throughout the local community this year, as well as making appearances at each of the University’s branch campuses. “The purpose of this choir is to further the interest of people on campus, as well as the community, both spiritually and musically,” explains Wil Adams, President of the Gospel Choir. “Unity, patience, and dedication are the key elements of the choir members,” says junior Bridgett Jefferson. “I love to sing and singing in the choir puts my mind at ease, and I cope with the pressures of my studies.” Another participant asserts that, “The choir has helped me to grow spiritually, and has helped me realize that through God all things are possible. It has given me a strong spiritual outlet.”

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4401 O: Sept. 14, 1989
4402 O: Sept. 14, 1989
4403 O: Sept. 18, 1989
4404 O: Sept. 18, 1989
The University Traffic and Parking Committee considers plans to build multi-level parking garages on campus to accommodate increasing student and staff populations. In order to finance the proposed facilities, parking decal fees would have to be progressively increased in the following years. The committee is also considering the installation of a tram system, “similar to those used in theme parks,” in order to transport students from remote parking lots onto the main campus.

The State Board of Regents proposes a fifteen percent rate increase during its annual budget meeting. Undergraduate students are currently paying $25.42 per credit hour.

The department of mass communications is given the opportunity to become a designated school at USF after years of operating within the College of Arts and Letters. “We are seen as a step-sister or odd man out because we do not fit into the College of Arts and Letters,” says department chairwoman Donna Dickerson. “The upgrade to school status could allow the department its own identity.”

Members of the USF Radio Club and the Caribbean Cultural Exchange provide assistance to hurricane victims in the Caribbean by forwarding messages between students and their families. “We want to let people know that if they want to get word to their families, we’ll try to get it through,” explains Radio Club Vice President Dominick Trascitti.

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4405 O: Sept. 19, 1989
4406 O: Sept. 20, 1989
4407 O: Sept. 21, 1989
4408 O: Sept. 22, 1989
The USF chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers wins first place at the ASCE Florida Section Annual Conference.  


Dr. Leonard Kirklen, a clinical psychologist from Purdue University, offers a series of relationship workshops at USF entitled, “In Search of Mr./Ms. Right.”  

Five juvenile patients are arrested by the University Police after they attempt to escape from the Northside Center at the Florida Mental Health Institute complex. According to the UP report, the patients barricaded themselves inside a dormitory-style room, armed with pieces of pipe and metal. All five are charged with felony criminal mischief, resisting arrest, and disorderly conduct. Two of the juveniles, one male and one female, are also charged with indecent exposure.  

USF announces the opening of a Bone Marrow Transplant Unit at the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center. “The establishment of this program at USF adds an important resource to the area,” comments President Francis Borkowski.  

The newly formed USF ice hockey team is defeated by the Sarasota Sharks in the first game ever played by a Florida college team. “We were psyched up before the game,” says left wing Tony Piccirillo. “We played real well for a team that has only been
together for four weeks.” The game was arranged in order to prepare the Bulls for the upcoming season, which begins the weekend of October 20 at Georgia State.4414

Three under-aged female USF students are arrested in the Sun Dome parking lot and charged with possession of alcohol during a Stevie Nick’s concert. One other concertgoer was arrested for disorderly conduct and resisting arrest after he struck a security guard in the chest. Despite the number of arrests, University Police Lt. Robert Johnson insists that the record still belongs to a Hank Williams Jr. concert at the Sun Dome two years ago.4415

University officials celebrate the success of USF’s Personal Excellence Program, designed to help incoming African American students to adjust to and cope with university life. “They need additional support to cope with college life and with being black on a predominantly white campus,” explains program director John B. Holmes. “It gives them a head start when they have to compete with regular admit students.”4416

The USF theatre department receives national accreditation after nearly a year of inspections. “We are now on par with other theatre schools,” announces department chairman Jim Hancock. “Now, when we recruit students, they will know that they are going to get quality training.” Christian Gottshall, a sophomore theatre major, expresses great enthusiasm for the program. “To me it puts us with the big guys. Everyone is excited about being accredited by NAST. Everyone is so pumped up about this semester.”4417

4414 O: Oct. 2, 1989
4415 O: Oct. 3, 1989
4416 O: Oct. 3, 1989
4417 O: Oct. 5, 1989
A research agreement between USF’s engineering department and Indesca Inc., a Venezuelan materials company, establishes the University as a primary source of polymer research technology. One provision of the contract is a $34,000 grant from the company, which will be used to study polymers at USF. “The grant means that one of the major industrial organizations in South America will be looking at USF for top-level research and technology,” explains Michael Kovac, Dean of the College of Engineering.4418

USF students complain of frequent malfunctions at photocopy machines on campus. “I went to six places trying to find a working copier on campus” complains one student who did not wish to be identified. “It got to be real aggravating.” The campus Danka representative explains that the problems are the result of too few repairmen working to maintain the machines.4419

USF’s $10.5 million renovation of the University Center falls nearly $900,000 short in funding, according to a student affairs official. USF is submitting a request for Capital Improvement Trust funding to cover the additional costs. The project is expected to be completed by March 1990.4420

WUSF Radio’s new $2.3 million broadcasting building is formally dedicated and opened for business. In addition to increased space, the 20,000-foot facility contains a performance studio and the potential for increased production. “We have space to do things we’ve never been able to do before, such as live performances of music groups,” explains General Manager James B. Heck.4421

4418 O: Oct. 5, 1989
4419 O: Oct. 6, 1989
4420 O: Oct. 6, 1989
4421 O: Oct. 9, 1989
USF celebrates its thirty-third birthday this week with festivities including a Founder’s Day breakfast, President Borkowski’s presentation of a giant birthday cake at the flea market, and a fly-by from MacDill Air Force Base.4422

USF is offering graduate students scholarships to attend a national conference entitled, “Gender In Academe: The Future of Our Past.” Forty-six papers are to be presented at the conference, addressing such topics as women in education, curriculum, and gender, race, and class interactions.4423

Eighty percent of the 151 students polled at the USF flea market do not believe that Florida Governor Bob Martinez is doing a “good job.” When asked whether they would vote for him in the next election, ninety-one percent responded, “no.”4424

President Borkowski allocates $10 million of Capital Investment Trust funds to recreational facilities and the construction of an alumni house at USF.4425

USF’s Florida Mental Health Institute announces the receipt of a $3.5 million grant for children’s mental health research. The funds, from the National Institute of Mental Health and the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research, come as recognition of valuable work and national leadership demonstrated by FMHI. “These grants are rare; the fact that we got it is a tribute to the uniqueness of FMHI,” says the Center’s Director Robert Friedman.4426

The USF hockey team earns its first ever victory against the Winter Park Blazers with a score of 5-2. The game was the final of the preseason, and launches the team into regular competition. “It’s a great feeling going into the season with a victory like this,”
says club president John Reisinger. “We should have scored more goals but the players are coming along real well.”

USF tennis player Jose Campos attains “the single most significant victory in the history of USF men’s tennis” by defeating the number one ranked collegiate player in the nation. Campos, ranked twenty-first in the nation, will advance to the second round of the Volvo All-American Tournament after defeating Mike Brown of Arkansas. “The match turned out to be easier than I thought it would be,” says Campos. “When I started out I knew that it would be a good match. I felt like I had done enough work in the past to put myself in a position to win, and that gave me a lot of confidence.”

The Student Government Senate expressed opposition to President Borkowski’s plan to allocate $1 million of funding for the construction of an alumni house on campus. The senators voted 22 – 2 against the project and issued a resolution which reads: “The use of Capital Improvement fee monies for the purpose of building an alumni house is not consistent with, does not serve the original intent of, nor is it within the spirit of the original establishment of ... the fee.”

The USF Hockey Team wins its first ever regular season game with an 11-4 victory against Georgia State.

Sponsored research funds at USF total more than $55 million for the past year, a nearly fifty percent rise over the previous year.

Angel Cuadra, a political prisoner in Cuba for nearly fifteen years, speaks at USF about the situation facing writers in the socialist nation. “The jails are filled with
obliterated heroes,” he tells the audience. “Writers receive economic protection [in Cuba], but they don’t have the freedom to write what they want.”

A week after refusing to submit to the University administration’s budget demands, the student constitution is suspended and senate leaders are fired by USF President Francis Borkowski. Borkowski cites “red tape and inefficiency in the senate” as explanation for the actions. “Our student senate is in disarray,” explains Dan Walbolt, Vice President for Student Affairs. “The existing rules and regulations, which have brought us to this point, no longer serve the best interests of the students of the University.” The next day the locks at the SG senate offices are changed.

ESPN commentator Chris Berman delivers the keynote address at USF’s annual Tip-Off Banquet to launch the new basketball season. “The Sun Belt Conference was the first college league that we covered at ESPN,” Berman explains. “So I have to thank you for keeping me off the streets and giving me a job.” Proceeds from the event benefit the USF men’s basketball team.

The National Designated Driver Program begins operations at USF. The program is designed to offer an alternative mode of transportation to students out drinking by driving a van along a regular route and providing rides home at no cost. Funding comes from donations, and local bars are asked to pay a $250 sponsorship fee to participate.

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4432 O: Oct. 26, 1989
4433 O: Nov. 2, 1989
4434 O: Nov. 3, 1989
4435 O: Nov. 8, 1989
4436 O: Nov. 16, 1989
A design is selected and construction is slated to begin on a $1.2 million president’s residence at USF. The house will be named after Mary Ann Lifsey and her late husband Julian, who donated $600,000 to the University for the project.\footnote{O: Nov. 17, 1989}

The University admissions office reports a seventeen percent increase in black enrollment at USF since last year.\footnote{O: Nov. 21, 1989}

Reverend Granville Reed III, pastor of St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church in Tampa, creates a Black Campus Ministry to “fulfill the needs of black students at USF.” Until they find facilities on campus, the Ministry will provide interested students with transportation to the AME Church in downtown Tampa.\footnote{O: Nov. 22, 1989}

William Foege, head of the circulation department at the USF library, reports receiving several complaints every day from students unable to locate catalogued books. “We have several thousand people coming through the doors every day,” he explains. “If a large number of students can’t find what they want, there’s definitely a problem.” The library’s personnel problem has left dozens of book-loaded carts awaiting proper shelving. “The problem as I know it is the lack of student assistants,” says Sonja Garcia, associate university librarian. “We don’t have a budget to support the number of students it takes.”\footnote{O: Dec. 1, 1989}

Smoking is banned at the USF library in order to bring the facility into compliance with the Florida Indoor Clean Air Act. The law, passed by the Florida Legislature in 1985, “Prohibits smoking in public places except in designated smoking
areas ... A smoking area may not contain common facilities which are expected to be used by the public.”

1990: USF Magazine profiles the St. Petersburg Campus of USF on its 25th anniversary. USF Researcher Stephen G. Kovacs is awarded a US patent for his artificial blood vessel. Because of its unique material’s smoothness, nothing passing through the vessel will adhere to it, even blood.

USF’s Planetarium closes when director Joseph Carr retires. The university is in talks with the Museum of Science and Industry across the street about transforming the planetarium into a part of the new museum.

Because of the University Lecture Series’ wide variety of internationally recognized speakers, the International Platform Association has chosen to honor it with the Drew Pearson Award for excellence in programming. Some of the most notable speakers over the past year have been Kitty Dukakis, Carl Sagan, Jimmy Carter, Maki Mandela, Tom Wolfe, and Margaret Mead.

Because campus dormitories are filled to capacity, Jeanne McCusker, Director of USF’s Off Campus Housing program, expects to process between 200 and 300 students seeking housing alternatives this semester. Last semester, the OCH referred nearly 500

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4441 O: Dec. 8, 1989
4444 USF Magazine, Vol. 32, No. 7 (Winter 1990), 33-34.

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students to off campus residences within five miles of the campus. The average cost of a one-bedroom apartment rental in the University vicinity is around $350 per month.\footnote{O: Jan. 9, 1990}

Henry C. Reinhard Jr. replaces Dr. Joseph L. Marcarelli as CEO and President of the USF Eye Institute. Since it’s opening last July, the Institute has been losing money due to low patient volumes and collection difficulties. Officials project that at current rates, the center is losing $4.8 million a year.\footnote{O: Jan. 10, 1990}

The USF Bulls baseball team opens the new season as the favorites to win the Western Division of the Sun Belt Conference. Coach Eddie Cardieri remains cautiously optimistic about their prospects. “Sure, on paper we look good, but that doesn’t count. We have to play the games so we’ll just have to wait and see how it goes. This year I have a lot of goals for this team, but it’s a long season and lots of things can happen.”\footnote{O: Jan. 11, 1990}

USF celebrates the birthday of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with commemorative festivities including gospel music, an art exhibition, a candlelight vigil, and a reenactment of King’s “I Have a Dream” speech. “So much of the history and the progress of black people is inextricably tied to the life and work of Dr. King,” says Bob Allen, Director of Public Affairs at South Florida. The celebration’s main message is “the need to stop discrimination and carry on the cause for which King had fought.”\footnote{O: Jan. 12, 1990; Jan. 17, 1990}

Courtesy of the U.S. Census Bureau, USF students have the opportunity to participate in the 1990 census, the largest effort in American history to record the nation’s population statistics. Robert Aangeenbrug of the Geography Department at USF announces that 500 people will be hired to travel door-to-door asking questions and
collecting forms. The department will be holding exams to find qualified students for the project.

Additional Spanish, German, and French classes are being offered in order to accommodate USF students trying to fulfill the state’s foreign language requirements.

“The [$17,000 emergency] fund has definitely made a dent in the tremendous backlog of students,” says Division of Languages Director Roger Cole. “However, there [are] still an enormous number of students waiting to enroll ... Unfortunately, the language department cannot accommodate everyone.”

USF officials announce that the newly renovated University Center will be reopened on February 5. Official opening celebrations are scheduled for early March, when all construction is expected to be complete.

University employees circulate a petition protesting the proposed parking fee increases at USF. The revisions, they assert, are discriminatory against those staff members with lower salaries who cannot afford to pay higher rates. “We just get a small salary increase and then we have to turn around and pay it out for the parking,” laments C.J. Mitchell, a record clerk in the personnel department. “They could have asked the employees for solutions,” suggests another worker.

The USF Parking and Transportation Committee is confronted by angry faculty, staff, and students at their recent meeting to discuss a controversial fee increase. The Committee’s original proposal called for a five-tier graduated fee system for the University campus, ranging in price from $120 nearest the main buildings to $50 in

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4450 O: Jan. 17, 1990
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remote lots. At the meeting, a revised plan is submitted which calls for a three-tiered
system that offers permits from $120 to $20. The revision still meets virulent opposition.
“If there’s an immediate increase in parking fees, I want to see an immediate increase in
services,” says SG President Brian Tannebaum. “I think this whole idea of pro-rating fees
is utterly ridiculous.” The proposed fees are a 200 percent increase from the current rates
of $40.4454

USF St. Petersburg celebrates its twenty-fifth anniversary with the dedication of
its newest building, the Bayboro Activity Center.4455

Writers from across the country gather at USF’s Bayboro Campus in St.
Petersburg to participate in the 18th Annual Florida Suncoast Writers’ Conference. “The
most valuable aspect of the conference is seeing how many people are writing and how
serious and dedicated they are,” says one participant. “You get with others who feel the
same as you do and you go home committed,” adds another.4456

USF biophysicist Michael Kovac finishes work on an artificial heart designed and
manufactured on the University campus. “I can truthfully say this is the world’s smallest
in size, lightest in weight, and one of the most efficient in its use of power,” Kovac
explains.4457

Student Government President Brian Tannebaum hosts a forum at USF to discuss
the proposed construction of additional parking lots on the campus grounds. Scott Woss,
an engineering major, suggests the use of synthetic paving materials to cut down on costs
to the University. Additionally, the new technology would prevent the need for regular

4455 O: Jan. 29, 1990
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4457 O: Jan. 31, 1990
repaving required of conventional asphalt surfaces. A formal proposal will be presented at the next meeting of the Parking Committee on February 14.\textsuperscript{4458}

The USF Medical Center is sued for allegedly conducting experiments on pregnant women without informing them of the risks involved. The research, conducted at Tampa General Hospital by two USF professors, was intended to reduce the chances of respiratory problems in premature infants. According to the lawsuit, the experimental procedures could potentially trigger spontaneous miscarriages in one out of every 100 cases. “The University believes that those allegations are untrue,” says Michael Hoad, public affairs spokesman for the medical center. “We stand by the research that was done.”\textsuperscript{4459}

The USF Space Committee approves a proposal to allocate academic and professional space on campus for use by local not-for-profit organizations. Discussions also included the congestion and overcrowding on the first floor of the Administration building, where employees have threatened to seek employment elsewhere if conditions are not improved.\textsuperscript{4460}

The USF library reports that it will reach its maximum capacity in 1991, prompting the formation of a committee to begin planning for the future of the facility. “When it was built twenty years ago, it was built to be full in 1991 and we are there,” explains library director Laurene Zaporozhetz.\textsuperscript{4461}

The new $750,000 child care center at USF, scheduled for opening on May 7, will charge $42 per week of services, nearly double the previous fees. “We are trying to keep

\textsuperscript{4458} O: Feb. 1, 1990
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the cost as low as possible,” explains Edwin Steiner of the Educational Research Center for Childhood Development (ERCCD). “But the ERCCD is independent of USF funds, and we need the fees to support the program.”

Senior sociology major Bill Abresch writes a short letter to the editor of the Oracle succinctly explaining his impressions of the student population at USF: “Editor: I believe there are a lot of weirdos on this campus.”

Maki Mandela, a daughter of South African leader Nelson Mandela, speaks about the treatment of blacks in South Africa to an audience at USF. “We are not angry that the whites who rule the country are rich, our anger stems from the fact that the laws that have been enforced in South Africa have been designed to keep the blacks inferior,” Mandela explains. “The educational level of black students is just high enough to understand the commands of whites.”

In coordination with events celebrating Black Emphasis Month at USF, an open forum is held for students to suggest ways to improve race relations at the University. “This is a chance for students to voice their concern[s] about what they think needs to be done,” explains Wanda Lewis-Campbell, associate dean of students.

The Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity at USF is placed under investigation by Student Affairs for hazing after pledges are observed “in various states of undress” at Riverfront Park by University Police officers. “One guy had his pants off, and three others had their pants undone,” explains UP lieutenant Robert Staehle. Strips of torn sheets were tied around the pledges’ necks, and a basket containing raw eggs and Tabasco sauce was

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4462 O: Feb. 6, 1990
4463 O: Feb. 6, 1990
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sitting nearby. “Assuming culpability, and depending on the circumstances ... a reprimand to a suspension may be in order,” says Dan Walbolt, Vice President of Student Affairs.4466

The College of Education at USF meets its maximum capacity of students with the faculty and resources currently available. In just five years, enrollment has increased from under 600 to over 1,100 students, reports dean William Katzenmeyer. “We can’t accept all the people who want to [enroll].”4467

The criminology department becomes the first to broadcast a class to USF’s regional campuses. According to professor James Halsted, such practices may become commonplace at USF in future years. “I look at it as an experiment, but if it works, I see it as the future,” he explains. “Professors have to learn how to present themselves,” says Marvin Johnson. “They have to be better devised in their techniques to be interesting to students.”4468

“Just Pink and Turquoise,” a sculpture of neon tubing and wrought iron installed at the addition to the SVC building, is the subject of numerous complaints from people at USF. “It’s a waste of money,” asserts secretary Diane Meyer. Junior Eric Jackson says that, “It’s original to whoever made it, but it’s not my taste.” The sculpture, created by artist Lynda Benglis, came at a cost of $15,000 to USF. “Art should excite and lead to discussion,” explains dean Bill Scheduler. “It should engage people in conversation and this piece certainly has.”4469

4466 O: Feb. 7, 1990
4467 O: Feb. 9, 1990
4468 O: Feb. 12, 1990
4469 O: Feb. 15, 1990
USF Museum Director Margaret Miller announces that the University will take advantage of a state law requiring public art in state buildings to transform the campus from a “dry wasteland ... to a scenic, artistic place to congregate.” USF art and architecture students have been charged with helping to design pieces for the campus revitalization. “There should be some kind of focus or mission to the collecting of art,” Miller explains. “I think the collection should represent the character of university life.”

USF’s Lakeland campus begins holding daytime classes for the first time. With 767 students currently registered for classes, enrollment at the campus has more than tripled since its opening in January 1988.

An anonymous caller threatens repercussions for an appearance of Miss America Debbye Turner on the USF campus. Because Ms. Turner is African American, officials believe that the threat is racially motivated. “We were alerted, but we provide dignitary protection on a routine basis anyway,” explains UP lieutenant Robert Staehle. “We monitored the crowd and there wasn’t any trouble.” An investigation is currently underway.

USF’s Community College Relations Office reports that thirty-four minority students at South Florida received $36,800 in grants from the Minority Transfer Achievement Awards last semester.

James Peterson, advisor and columnist for Playboy magazine, delivers the first lecture in the new Special Events Center at USF. Peterson asserts that the key to having a

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4470 O: Feb. 16, 1990
4471 O: Feb. 20, 1990
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4473 O: Feb. 23, 1990
successful sex life in contemporary times is maintaining an open and responsible dialogue about it. “Sex is perfectly natural, but almost never naturally perfect,” he tells the audience. “The only way to fight fear is with information.”

The USF chapter of the Florida Public Interest Research Group establishes an on-campus recycling program “to make it easier for campus groups and individuals to be more environmentally responsible.”

The Activities Office at USF’s Bayboro campus begins offering a seven-week basic sailing course to university students. “We cover everything from heavy weather to rules of the road to tacking upwind,” explains instructor Cliff Bare, “but safety’s our primary thing.”

Pending final approval by President Borkowski, the parking decal fees at USF will increase from $40 to $50 this fall. Despite the increase, “We’re still going to be very short of having enough money to deal with a lot of the [traffic and parking] problems,” explains committee member Rickard Fender.

An Oracle headline declares: “Students vie for lampshade crown” to announce the arrival of the Certs College Comedy Competition on the USF campus as part of its nationwide search to find the “funniest college student in America.” All entries will be accepted into the contest, and the event is open to student observers who do not wish to participate. “The winner will find out what it is really like to be a comedian,” explains contest director Ray Steinman.
USF men’s basketball coach Bobby Paschal is voted Sun Belt Conference Coach of the Year. “The award is very meaningful to me because it’s voted on by the other coaches in the league,” explains Coach Paschal. “And I believe that the Sun Belt has as good a group of coaches as any conference in the country.”

Tony LaRussa, manager of the Oakland A’s, winners of the 1989 World Series, comes home to Tampa in order to be honored by his Alma Mater at a USF College of Business Administration Outstanding Alumni Luncheon.

USF confers honorary degrees to five humanitarians: Armand Hamer, Kennedy A. Simonds, Licia Albanese, Marjory Stoneman Douglas and Jose Yglesias.

A design is chosen for the new USF presidential mansion: the Lifsey House. Gene Leedy, the Winter Haven Architect who created the design, describes it as a “classic contemporary house with an antebellum character.”

USF faculty, staff, and students complain about the condition of the elevators in the Cooper Hall building, voicing criticisms about the “lurching” and “strange noises” that characterize the equipment’s operation. Additionally, patrons complain about a malfunctioning “blind eye” in the elevator that requires passengers to manually force open the doors upon exiting. Physical plant engineer Robert Kraemer explains that most of the problems are “not unusual” considering the elevators are nearly fifteen years old.

The University Center celebrates its grand reopening after more than a year of renovations. The new facility offers an expanded Empty Keg in the basement, a game

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4479 O: Feb. 28, 1990
4480 USF Magazine, Vol. 32, No. 1 (Spring 1990), 4-5.
4483 O: Mar. 2, 1990
room, a video arcade, a credit union, restaurants, meeting places and offices for student organizations, and increased access for handicapped students.\textsuperscript{4484}

The USF men’s basketball team wins its first-ever NCAA playoff berth after defeating North Carolina Charlotte in the Sun Belt Conference Tournament. “I sort of believe in destiny in these games and South Florida is a team of destiny,” comments Charlotte head coach Jeff Mullins. USF coach Bobby Paschal celebrates the victory, reflecting that, “Coming into the game, we knew what this game meant to us and we knew that it would be an unbelievably tough, hard-fought game. There were never any easy moments.”\textsuperscript{4485}

Historian Arthur Schlesinger, Jr. tells an audience at USF that the United States has been “living beyond its means for many years.” The purpose of his lecture is to promote liberal arts at state universities as a means of combating absolutism in contemporary politics and society. “Liberal arts will be the means by which we attain and produce that kind of perspective within which science and technology can operate.” The danger posed by absolutes, he explains, is their general intolerance for dissent or diversity.\textsuperscript{4486}

James Davis Ray, Jr., the very first faculty member hired at USF in 1959, passes away at the age of seventy-one. Ray served as professor and chairman of the Biological Sciences from 1962-71 and as curator of the Herbarium from 1959-62.\textsuperscript{4487}

Poet, teacher, and civil rights activist Nikki Giovanni speaks at USF in celebration of Women’s Awareness Week.\textsuperscript{4488}
The USF men’s basketball team competes in the NCAA tournament for the first
time in history. The Bulls, with the most improved record in the NCAA, are matched
against the Arizona Wildcats who were ranked number one in the country last year.4489

YES (Youth for Environmental Stability), a new environmental group of some
200 USF students and faculty members, organizes programs to correct specific
environmental problems in the local community. “We want to get away from the idea that
the environment is one person’s problem,” explains founder Joe Kurmaskie. “We are a
grass roots environmental action group.”4490

The “Shoe Soiler” strikes again. After five recorded incidents last semester,
another female student studying at the USF library complains she was victimized by a
man who “masturbated into her unattended shoe.” University police officers are
continuing to investigate.4491

Parking Services employees complain of harassment and high turnover rates since
the appointment of James Moran as director of the department. A number of previous
employees who were allegedly forced to resign their positions complain of “inhuman
treatment,” bullying, and pay cuts. “I don’t think James [Moran] is aware of the
problem,” says former patroller Darlene Chapman. “He tells lower supervisors to handle
problems the way they want. It is his fault only in that he allows it to happen.”4492

Beginning in the summer term, telephone registration will be available for the
first time to all USF students. The new technology has been gradually implemented over
past semesters, and has largely functioned smoothly and without error. “I was a little
leery of trying it because I expected there to be some major foul-up, but I had no problems at all,” explains senior Paul Valenti. Another student, confused by the new system, called in to report that she did not think she had registered successfully. When administrators checked her records they found that she had indeed registered for her classes – eleven times.**4493**

Fifty parking spaces and a half-dozen trees are eliminated in order to make space for the construction of the multi-million dollar Communication and Information Sciences building on the USF campus.**4494**

Students protest a Student Government allocation of $50,000 in A&S funds for the purchase of new SG office furniture. “I think the current administration should prove itself before it spends some of our money that will benefit only them,” comments junior Travis Allred. Graduate student Timothy Shaver complains that, “I don’t think my money should go for their luxury. Fifty thousand dollars sounds like a lot of money for furniture; if they really want nice furniture they should buy it themselves.” SG senator Mark Phillips defends the proposal, explaining that, “If you can buy furniture all at once in bulk, you can buy it for a better price than one at a time.”**4495**

Members of the USF men’s basketball team are named in at least four University Police reports since October of last year, with charges ranging from verbal harassment to sexual assault. The most recent incident involves Marvin Taylor, starting guard for the Bulls squad, who was charged with battery and faces an upcoming arraignment. Dan

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4494 O: Apr. 4, 1990  
4495 O: Apr. 13, 1990*
Walbolt, Vice President for Student Affairs, assuages concerns by maintaining that, “Basketball players are not treated differently than any other students.”

The arraignment of Marvin Taylor for battery charges is postponed so that he can play in the NCAA championship tournament, according to state officials. In the meantime, “Basketball players are not treated differently than any other students.” Coach Bobby Paschal defends his player, explaining that he will not suspend Taylor based on unproven allegations. “Sometimes people forget [players] are not just objects running around out there with numbers on their backs. They’re people that deserve to get treated the same as other people. That’s very important to me.”

Negotiations continue over a proposed tram service that would transport students from remote parking areas to central locations on the ever-expanding USF campus. “We need to eliminate the rush to the Sun Dome lot and the library,” explains SG President Brian Tannebaum. “It’s not lack of parking, it’s convenience. Their is plenty of parking in the lots behind engineering, but students in Cooper Hall and the business building don’t want to walk.” While many think the proposal is financially unattainable at present time, many acknowledge that it may be feasible in the future.

USF’s mass communications department receives unanimous approval for full accreditation by the Accrediting Council of Education in Journalism and Mass Communications.

The Liaison Committee on Medical Education threatens to put the medical program at USF on probation, citing ten problems at the school serious enough to warrant

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4496 O: Apr. 18, 1990
4497 O: Apr. 19, 1990
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censure. While USF plans to appeal the decision, a committee review team is scheduled to revisit the University in 1999.\textsuperscript{4500}

A Board of Regents study concludes that despite rising costs, tuition rates at Florida public universities are significantly lower than the national average.\textsuperscript{4501}

USF Director of the Office of Public Relations Bob Allen dies at the age of fifty-four. “The University of South Florida will sorely miss Bob Allen,” says acting director Dan Casseday. “He lifted the public relations efforts of the University to a higher standard and can be credited with helping increase the recruitment of black students to USF. I will personally miss him very much.”\textsuperscript{4502}

The FOCUS orientation program for incoming students at USF undergoes revision, with a renewed emphasis on academics over registration. “The students will get more information on academics at USF,” reports Dean of Undergraduate Studies William Scheduler. “Also, we will be working on academic/career advising. Now the emphasis is on student life.” What the revised program most needs now is a director to oversee its operations and development. “We’re looking for someone who can walk on water. We want someone who can organize a program committee, communicate with the dean of financial aid and all other levels at the university. Someone to deal with parents and students and a lot of frustration.”\textsuperscript{4503}

The USF baseball team sweeps their opponents in the Sun Belt Tournament and advance to the NCAA Atlantic Regionals.\textsuperscript{4504}

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\textsuperscript{4503} O: May 17, 1990
\textsuperscript{4504} O: May 22, 1990
Student government leaders decide to withhold all funds previously allocated to the campus Child Care Center until an investigation is conducted concerning some “unexplainable activity” at the center. Concerns were first raised when passersby witnessed several children playing at the center after the date that it was scheduled to be closed. When student government officials Paul Kern and Brian Tannebaum went to investigate, they found a woman and children inside the center. “As soon as I walked up to the door someone locked it on me,” says Tannebaum. “After persistent knocking, the woman finally unlocked the door, but she seemed very defensive and refused to answer any questions.” The investigation has been turned over to Dan Walbolt, Vice President for Student Affairs.4505

Religious Professor James Strange shares his journal entries with USF Magazine after six seasons of excavations at the site of the ancient city of Sepphoris, Israel. National Geographic also photographs his work there.4506

USF recruits Jacob Neusner, a renowned religious studies professor and judaic studies scholar.4507

USF confers honorary doctorates to Ray Charles, Rosemary Barkett and A. L. Ellis. Charles remarked: “I’ve been a very fortunate man; I’ve received a lot of different awards, but I have to say that this truly touched me the most.”4508

NCNB hosts USF’s the USF President’s Symposium II Economic Realities: Politics and the Pocketbook. Former secretaries of the treasury John Connally and Donald T. Regan, Public Broadcasting’s Alfred Kahn, and Jane Bryant Quinn a leading
commentator on personal finance were in attendance, in addition to students, faculty and community members.\textsuperscript{4509} 

USF’s 1989-90 basketball team wins its first-ever NCA Bid.\textsuperscript{4510} 

Student Government officials protest after USF administrators deny their attempted purchase of a $13,000 high capacity copy machine. “I’m really sorry to say that this has become the biggest issue I have dealt with as the president of student government at this University,” President Brian Tannebaum told representatives at a recent senate meeting. “It is the most embarrassing thing, I think, for the administration and the students to be going through. But it has become a situation of greed and a lot of politics.”\textsuperscript{4511} 

Vice President of Student Affairs Dan Walbolt announces that the USF Sun Dome will undergo a $12.2 million expansion to add new recreational facilities, enclosed main entrances, and an athletic operations center. The improvements are scheduled for completion by May 1994.\textsuperscript{4512} 

The H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center lays off nineteen employees and eliminates thirty-five vacant positions in an effort to cut the Center’s budget by $3.5 million. “We’re not in a crisis situation at all,” explains Assistant Public Relations Director Anne Goff. “But there is a need to push back and reshape the direction of the center for the next year.”\textsuperscript{4513}

\textsuperscript{4509} USF Magazine, Vol. 32, No. 3 (Summer 1990), 37. 
\textsuperscript{4510} USF Magazine, Vol. 32, No. 3 (Summer 1990), 42-43. 
\textsuperscript{4511} O: June 5, 1990 
\textsuperscript{4512} O: June 19, 1990 
\textsuperscript{4513} O: June 21, 1990
Recent measles epidemics lead to higher vaccination standards among incoming students at USF.4514

The USF Eye Institute is rescued from financial peril by matching $7 million grants from Barnett Bank and the state of Florida.4515

University officials announce that after years of negotiations the Greek housing project is finally underway at USF. The land selected for the construction of housing facilities is located behind the baseball field along 50th Street. “I think that the groups are becoming frustrated because it has taken so long,” comments Dan Walbolt, Vice President for Student Affairs. “But still, the light at [the end of] this exceptionally long tunnel burns brighter.”4516

The National Guard plans to build a Mobile Army Surgical Hospital (MASH) on the north end of campus near the USF Credit Union to be used as a weekend training facility and the new home for the University’s ROTC program.4517

Campaign USF kicks off the last leg of its three-year fund-raising race. The drive is already ahead of all projections, having raised $94 million already. The final goal of the campaign is to raise $111 million for the university.4518

Ownership of the Eye Institute is transferred from a private foundation to the University of South Florida. “Our faculty members will do everything possible to minimize the effect on patient care,” says Executive Vice President Albert Hartley.4519
Shangri-La resort, the lakefront property in Thonotosassa previously owned and maintained by the University of South Florida, is destroyed by fire. The resort functioned in the past as a retreat and recreational facility for USF students, faculty, and staff. Since being put up for sale by USF, the property has been severely vandalized. An investigation into the cause of the fire is underway.\footnote{O: Sept. 10, 1990}

Negotiations continue over the proposed development of a campus shuttle to alleviate traffic congestion in and around the University of South Florida. The shuttle would run at ten-minute intervals during peak hours from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The new transportation will be a combined effort of USF, Hartline Buses and the University Square Mall. “By the year 1995-96, no later than that, if the campus continues to grow, they will have to look seriously at an internal circulator,” predicts engineering researcher Mark Pietrzyk.\footnote{O: Sept. 10, 1990}

The USF chapter of the Golden Key Honor Society receives an award for the most improved chapter at the Society’s national conference in Scottsdale, Arizona. “Next year we plan to go beyond the receptions,” says student representative Candice Green. “We want to do more for the community.”\footnote{O: Sept. 11, 1990}

Students lobby to generate support for a football program at USF. SG members first announce a proposal to introduce a campaign for the program at the University. Members of the Pi Sigma Epsilon fraternity design a t-shirt displaying a caricature of a USF football player. “There is a lot of apathy towards football at this campus,” says SG President Brian Tannebaum. “A lot of students don’t want a team and I respect that, but I
believe a lot of students do want one.” The program, designated “Touchdown 2000,” intends to eventually bring a $100 million Division I football team to USF.  

University officials approve the purchase of a $22,500 telephone system that will improve student access to the financial aid department. Currently, the department has only four phone lines to serve 13,000 financial aid students at USF. 

The Parking Services department receives complaints that the vinyl hangtags they issue for parking are curling up and melting when exposed to the summertime sun and heat. The tags were made from a material that can withstand temperatures up to 110 degrees, not nearly enough to account for the heat within automobiles parked in the sun all day long. “We would never have ordered that,” explains Parking Services Director Jim Moran. “Our specifications called for them to be heat resistant. We’ve been trying to narrow it down to a specific batch. We certainly did not envision this problem.” Officials ensure patrons that the faulty tags will be replaced.

As a result of state budget resolutions passed by the governor’s office, an estimated $6.2 million will be cut from the General Education Budget at the University of South Florida. USF professors complain of the spending freeze, identifying difficulties in obtaining everything from travel funds to office equipment. “To even get a daisy wheel for my typewriter is nearly impossible,” says anthropology professor Gilbert Kuschner. President Borkowski addresses the shortages, noting that, “We collectively ... are going to be hurting ... I believe completely in this university and am committed to meeting our problems and critics head on.”

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4523 O: Sept. 13, 1990
4524 O: Sept. 17, 1990
4525 O: Sept. 17, 1990
4526 O: Sept. 18, 1990
A survey conducted by the Center for Organizational Communication reveals the following about USF: 96 percent of the students surveyed are satisfied with their college experience; 90 percent of the general public and representatives of the media believe that USF has a “good media image.”

Former professional tennis star Arthur Ashe lends his expertise to students during a tennis clinic at USF.

USF observes the National Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Recognition Week with the dedication of a new POW-MIA flag raised atop the administration building. “They’ve given so much for us, it’s time we gave something back,” explains President Borkowski.

Recent renovations at USF’s Riverfront Park require that students now pay minimal fees for many of those services previously offered free of charge. “We’re charging for special kinds of equipment that costs us money – money to buy equipment,” explains Andy Honker, Director of Campus Recreation. “It costs us money to maintain equipment. Student activity fees did not increase to even compensate for the jump in minimum wage, much less to accommodate a new facility.” Among the fees, students will have to pay $2 per hour for canoe rentals. Student Government President Brian Tannebaum protests the charges. “They better take that thought and forget about it right now. I will not allow them to do that under any circumstances.”

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4527 O: Sept. 19, 1990
4528 O: Sept. 19, 1990
4529 O: Sept. 21, 1990
The Society of Professional Journalists names the USF Oracle the best daily college newspaper in the nation.\footnote{O: Sept. 25, 1990}

Nearly eight months after being charged with battery by the state attorney’s office, USF basketball player Marvin Taylor has still not been tried for his alleged assault of USF student Charlotte Hudson. Taylor is scheduled to begin the pre-trial proceedings in mid-October of this year. “I guess we’ll find out what happens then,” explains Henry Lavendera of the state attorney’s office. “Things are still developing.”\footnote{O: Sept. 27, 1990}

University Center director Phyllis Marshall, “the most committed person to the students at this university,” is appointed honorary senator of the USF Student Government. “It is really a joy to work with students,” Marshall comments. “They keep me motivated, moving and enjoying life.”\footnote{O: Sept. 27, 1990}

Billy Idol performs at the USF Sun Dome.\footnote{O: Sept. 28, 1990}

USF Recycling Services announces that it will no longer accept plastic at its recycling stations not because there is not enough participation, but because there is too much! Because so many people have taken advantage of the service, the university can no longer afford to pay for pick up and transportation of the materials. “It turns out that the station is a lot more popular than anticipated,” explains Mark Phillips. “We’re kind of at the edge of our resources.”\footnote{O: Oct. 1, 1990}

University officials announce that the new Center for Economic Education building at USF should be completed by the end of the year. The facility will be used for
staff development in economics, and will include office space, a library, and a teacher work area.

More than sixty USF students and local residents gather to protest the U.S. presence in Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf. “I don’t think anybody here offers any kind of a solution to the problems, but one thing we all agree on is that we’ve had enough killing, we’ve had enough deaths and we don’t want any more,” explains one participant. The protest was organized by a group known as the Collective which “attempts to explore any alternatives that ... create communities based on cooperation, diversity, and ecology.”

The USF library invests in innovative computer software, known as CD-ROMs, that will help manage and expedite research processes at the facility. “This is a great mechanism in state-of-the-art technology,” celebrates Sonya Garcia, Director of Development. “It provides a more comprehensive search for current information in a fraction of the time it takes to research the same topics in the print periodicals.” Jim Gray, Automation Coordinator, also espouses the merits of such an investment, noting that, “CD-ROMs provide a better way for patrons to search more than one subject at the same time.”

Governor Bob Martinez cancels classes at USF as a tropical storm drenches Hillsborough County and leaves thousands of Floridians without electricity. “When you’re dealing with a storm of that magnitude, you don’t take chances,” explains Jon Peck, Press Secretary for Governor Martinez. “Prudence demands that you take action expecting the worst. If he’s going to make an error, he’s going to make it in the sake of

4536 O: Oct. 3, 1990
4537 O: Oct. 10, 1990
4538 O: Oct. 11, 1990
public safety.” Meanwhile, students celebrate an unexpected day off from classes. “I was sleeping, waiting to get up,” says one dorm resident. “Girls started screaming and yelling down the hall about the classes being canceled.”

The University Club at South Florida, an exclusive dining room on the fourth floor of the University Center, will soon begin offering services to the faculty and staff of USF. “There is no place for the professors and staff to get together and discuss issues of the university,” explains professor Ken Wieand. The UC has leased the space to the University administration for three years at a rate of $50,000 per year.

Students and faculty protest the removal of controversial photographs from a display case in the Fine Arts Building. The seven photos of nude female figures were removed by Art Department Chairman Bruce Marsh in response to a number of complaints he had received. “The photographs are being removed because they’re in a public place and not a classroom, not a gallery, not a museum space,” Marsh explains. “And many people have expressed the feeling that they are demeaning to women, seen to support violence toward women, and are deeply offensive in other ways.” In his defense, Mark Wemple, the photographer responsible for the images, replies that, “None of my photos have anything to do with demeaning women. [They] just have to look beyond what the initial reaction is to the photos.”

USF’s Student Government allocates $1,500 of A&S funds to Safe Team for the acquisition of a new computer that the director asserts is not necessary. “It doesn’t affect

4539 O: Oct. 12, 1990
4540 O: Oct. 23, 1990
4541 O: Oct. 25, 1990
the regular functions of SAFE Team,” says director Eric Pozen, “but now we can have
better communication with Student Government and can access their programs.”

A USF student is arrested and charged with producing and selling fraudulent
divers licenses in his campus dormitory room.

USF is one of two universities in the nation awarded a $1.6 million grant to train
graduate students in the field of biomedicine. “There’s a shortage of young people going
into biomedical research,” says professor Herman Friedman, who asserts that such
research is necessary if doctors hope to find a cure for the HIV virus.

Touchdown 2000, an organization determined to bring football to USF, sells t-shirts to generate scholarship funds for the program. While the campaign predicts that
USF will have a football team by 2000, SG President Brian Tannebaum insists that it will
be much sooner. “No school in Florida is more prone to getting football and more hot for
football than USF. I would say five years is a realistic estimate. I always knew that during
my term I would want to attract awareness to the idea of starting a football team. I think
the students and community would support a football program at USF more than anyone
can imagine.”

MC Hammer performs before a near-capacity crowd at the USF Sun Dome.

The National Science Foundation ranks USF eightieth among the top one hundred
research institutions in the nation. The one limiting factor, according to George
Newkome, Vice President for Research, is space. “There just isn’t enough of it.” Herman
Friedman, chairman and professor of microbiology and immunology, agrees. “We are

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4543 O: Oct. 31, 1990
4544 O: Nov. 7, 1990
4545 O: Nov. 8, 1990
4546 O: Nov. 9, 1990
really in bad shape for space. We can’t even ask for more money because we don’t have the space to do the work.” As a result of the growing reputation of USF research, “We’re attracting better people,” Newkome asserts. “Prestige is one of these things that attracts prestige. The further up the ladder you go, the more you’re asked to do things.” Despite such growth and potential, the emphasis remains on the students. “The bottom line is ... teaching ... It’s an educational process.”

Despite receiving $14 million in grants, the USF Eye Institute closes after being unable to maintain the monthly maintenance costs of nearly $18,000. “There was a lack of appreciation of the costs and income-producing potential of the department,” explains Dr. James Hartfield, Associate Vice President and Interim Dean for Clinical Affairs at USF. “There’s not a lot of blame to place. You cannot fault the idea of having a first-class facility for our patients. But in the future, this will certainly encourage all of us to investigate thoroughly each of the avenues involved in a project like this.” A study is currently being conducted by the Board of Regents to determine the future of the facility.

Melvin James, a minority adviser in the College of Arts and Sciences, is chosen to join a national delegation of therapy consultants visiting the Soviet Union, Hungary, and Czechoslovakia. “I feel it’s a great honor to be chosen,” he remarks. “I’ll be looking forward to learning quite a bit about other countries, to enrich myself both professionally and culturally.”

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4547 O: Nov. 13, 1990
4548 O: Nov. 13, 1990
4549 O: Nov. 14, 1990
The FPIRG hosts a Global Dinner in the University Center in recognition of Hunger and Homeless Week and to demonstrate the “inequalities of world food distribution.”

President Borkowski travels to the nation’s capital to file a complaint with the federal government regarding the delay in the accreditation of the USF Medical School by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education. “We are asking that, in essence, the whole procedure is thrown out and we can start all over again,” Borkowski explains. “By any objective measure, it is simply implausible that the medical school should be threatened with probation. One can only assume that the process is flawed.”

Nearly a year after battery charges were first filed against him, USF basketball player Marvin Taylor is placed in an intervention program that will allow him to avoid going to trial. Additionally, he has been ordered to “stay out of trouble” for six months, undergo a psychological evaluation, perform twenty five hours of community service, and pay $75 to the victim’s assistance fund. Asked if he will continue to play for the Bulls basketball team, Coach Bobby Paschal enthusiastically replies, “Sure he will!”

The Hillsborough County assistant state attorney also reports that Taylor has been mentioned and linked to several other UP reports and ongoing investigations.

Reports released by the state attorney’s office reveal that in addition to charges of physical assault, allegations made against USF basketball player Marvin Taylor also include sexual battery on another female student. The woman alleges that after dating Taylor for two months, she was forced to perform oral sex and intercourse with him.
other woman, as previous reports revealed, was reportedly kicked in the stomach by the student athlete. Dan Walbolt, Vice President for Student Affairs at USF, said in a memo to Taylor that he had clearly violated USF’s rules and regulations for student conduct and behavior. He wrote: “The offense with which you are charged is a most serious one, and you should exercise extreme caution in your dealings with others to insure that no further violations of the university’s rules and regulations occur.” Despite the gravity of such charges, Walbolt found that there were “extenuating and mitigating circumstances” that made it “unnecessary to impose severe sanctions” on Taylor. Discipline procedures as articulated by Walbolt were to include permanent academic probation and suspension from the remaining games in the 1989-90 basketball season. Two weeks later, the female student withdrew her complaint and asked that all charges against Taylor be dropped; as a result, Taylor was able to continue playing on the team.4554

Still more female students come forward alleging sexual misconduct against Marvin Taylor. One complained to the UP on February 26, 1990 that Taylor had been harassing her since late August 1989 in hopes of getting her to go out with him. At one point, she had to lock herself inside her apartment in order to escape inappropriate and threatening advances from Taylor and a teammate of his. The incident caused the student’s parents to withdraw her from USF. Another woman reports that Taylor allegedly confronted and assaulted her first outside of her Village apartment and then a second time at the USF Homecoming Bull Roast. The complaint was eventually withdrawn and no action was taken against the players involved. Basketball Coach Bobby Paschal defends his decision to continue playing Taylor on the team. “I’m not a detective and I’m not an attorney and I’m not a judge ... There was no detective work

4554 O: Nov. 28, 1990
done on my part ... I don’t believe we should suspend these people until [they’re] proven innocent or guilty ... Never would I make the decision based on what the quality of the athlete is. That’s not the bottom line with me as a coach."4555

Incidents of graffiti escalate as students protest USF’s policy towards criminal assault and sexual battery in the recently publicized allegations against Marvin Taylor. Slogans such as “USF Lets Rape Happen” and “USF – Get A Life” have appeared in bathrooms, on walls, and on sidewalks across the campus.4556

The sociology department will be forced to hold a 7:00 am course this spring semester due to limited lecture hall space on the main Tampa campus of USF.4557

David Huston becomes the first recipient of a bone marrow transplant at the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center.4558

The state of Florida ranks last in spending per college student: $4,025. The national median is $6,200.

Forty full faculty and 3,300 students attend St. Pete campus. The campus comes into frequent conflict with Tampa over academic flexibility and hiring practices. Faculty there suffer from low morale. After bringing a rush of hope and energy to the campus, dynamic interim (and then acting) dean Dr. Karen Spear resigns after one year at her post. Under her tenure, the campus created numerous innovative programs and ideas, only to be bound in red tape from Tampa. USF launches a search for the fifth dean since

4555 O: Nov. 28, 1990
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4558 O: Dec. 3, 1990
1985. Immediately after Spear’s resignation, the campus explores a “re-arrangement” of its relationship to Tampa, perhaps “independence.”

The Sarasota campus serves 1,200 area residents, offering 20 BA majors and 9 MA degrees.

In the wake of deep budget cuts, USF almost completely freezes enrollment. Student numbers are 32,360 on all campuses, only 1,838 less than UF. USF branch campuses serve 6,200 students. The $10 million in budget cuts causes the cutting of 21 staff, 2 faculty, 169 job lines, and 460 classes.

Ground is broken for the construction of a $9.5 million Communications (CIS) building.

The H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center tries to become independent of USF. Borkowski successfully resists the move.

Funded by student tuition and overseen by the College of Education, a new child care center opens on campus at a cost of $900,000.

$9.2 in construction is approved, including two auxiliary gyms, one in the gym and another in the Sundome.

Annual economic impact of USF on Tampa Bay area is more than $330 million.

David Anchin Center for the Advancement of Teaching is established.

Buildings on all campuses total 283.

USF Bulls win the Sunbelt Conference Championship. They go on to compete in the NCAA tournament.

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4559 Spt 4/9/90; spt 3/18/90.
4560 Sarasota Campus Commencement Convocation, 1989.
4561 Tt 2/8/92.
4562 Spt 6/12/90.
USF planning and budgets are openly criticized on and off campus. Faculty and staff salaries are low. One example is that of Keith Parker, an associate professor of history for 24 years. His salary is $27,000 annually. Rufus Cherry, a tenured professor who USF hired in 1961, makes $29,645. Many point out that USF has set too many goals with far too few resources. Some complain that the branches are a detriment citing the fact that USF spent $43,000 on faculty transportation in Ft. Myers alone. The library is poor. Branch campuses duplicate basic services with scarce funds. The legislature remains unsympathetic when allotting funds. Florida remains last in the ranking of per-student spending in higher education. Too many funds that should be used for undergrads are spent on trendy high-tech programs. The liberal arts suffer while high-tech programs expand. Borkowski hires high-profile professors, merges three of USF’s previously-fragmented liberal arts colleges (arts and letters, social sciences, and natural sciences), and declares 1989-90 “The Year of Liberal Arts,” but many decry it all as empty gestures. Many accuse Borkowski of changing the direction of USF from a teaching U to a research U.\textsuperscript{4563}

President Borkowski says, “We can’t be all things to all people. I think it’s too many things for the resources we have.” He may be more might than he knows: many students cannot register for the classes they need to graduate, and lines are long. A telephone registration system for upperclassmen shortens lines, but prerequisite classes remain scarce. Classrooms are overcrowded. Professors suffer under heavy workloads, without being able to perform research needed for tenure. The library is inadequate for their needs, with 1.2 million volumes—UF has 2.7 million. The Association of Research Libraries performed a study that recommends the acquisition of 1.6 million books and

\textsuperscript{4563} Tt 5/7/90.
24,000 journals at the cost of $58 million. In 1989, USF’s library spent $3 million on acquisitions. Some departments, like Psychology, business and education, are praised, while others, like Communications, are deemed unworthy of accreditation. Accreditors placed Communications on probation, and administration rushes to its defense.4564

Out of 7,489 students who applied for USF in the last year, the university admitted 5,148 (69%), of whom 2,336 (45%) enrolled. UF (53% and 42%) and FSU (54% and 39%) have more stringent entrance requirements.

USF students pursue different degrees than they did twenty years before: 29% in liberal arts (down from 60%), 20% are in business (up from 12%), and 9% in engineering (up from 3%).4565

Engineering research grants increase from $1 million to $15 million over the last five years.

10% of the student body lives on campus (3,420), making 90% commuters. Students who do live on campus must travel for recreation, to Ybor City or the Pinellas beaches. Half of USF’s students are part-time, 75% have jobs, and the average age is 28. The student body: 21,300 undergrads, 5,017 grad students, and 5,321 non-degree seeking. Tuition: $1,190 in-state, for two semesters. Estimated annual cost: $6,780-$9,000. More than half (16,170) of the students come from Hillsborough or Pinellas counties. 89% (28,034) are from Florida. 1,268 full time faculty work at USF. The annual budget is $368 million, of which 3/5ths comes from the state and 9% comes from tuition and fees.

4564 Spt 5/6/90.
4565 Spt 5/6/90.
USF has 15,744 parking spaces, including 13,800 in Tampa. An estimated 60,000 vehicles visit the Tampa campus every day.\textsuperscript{4566}

The conflict between the \textit{Oracle} and SG begins to simmer down. Instead of funding the paper in the traditional manner, SG has paid for about $19,000 in ads. SG complained that the paper simply discarded their press releases. In order to publicize SG activities and fund the paper, SG bought the ads.\textsuperscript{4567}

Facing increasing crime, USF official implement a formal crime prevention program, called Bulls Eye Crime Watch. USF employees with two-way radios are encouraged to report crime through $25 reward and letters of commendation.\textsuperscript{4568}

USF’s Small Business Development Center turn 10 years old. The Center has counseled over 28,600 individual clients and held more than 1,200 seminars. About 500 clients come to the Center every month seeking advice.

In May, groundbreaking takes place for the Gus Stavros Center for the Advancement of Free Enterprise and Economic Education. The new Student Health Center is dedicated.

Borkowski travels to Spain twice this year, sealing exchange agreements with two prestigious universities there, Universidad Santiago de Compostela (in Galicia) and Instituto Ortega y Gasset (in Madrid). Many of Tampa’s most prominent families are from Spain.\textsuperscript{4569}

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\textsuperscript{4567} Spt 4/5/90.
\textsuperscript{4568} Tt 1/2/90.
\textsuperscript{4569} Tt 8/8/90.
USF wins 6 of 10 league championships in the Sun Belt Commissioners Cup, the best overall showing of any program in the league. The men’s basketball team wins a shot at the NCAA Tournament for the first time in USF’s history.

The Student Lecture Series won the Drew Pearson Award for outstanding lecture series of any college or university in the nation.

The Society of Professional Journalists names the *Oracle* as the finest all-around student daily newspaper in the nation.

President B trades places with an economics major for a day. USF’s Gold Council organized the third annual “Trading Places” day to bring B closer to the student body. Students enter a raffle to see who will be USF’s president for a day. This year, the event raised $400 at $1 a ticket. This year’s winner, Stephen Malik, dined with his VPs while B attended a marketing class and ate in the snack bar.\(^{4570}\)

Rumors abound that Borkowski will resign to return to the U of S. Carolina, where he was previously provost. His former boss, university president James Halderman, resigned amid allegations of lavish spending habits, including $800 hotel rooms, $69,000 statues for offices, and $7,100 for limousines (see also 1993-94).\(^{4571}\)

Borkowski comes under fire for his frequent trips overseas, paid for by USF Foundation. Since his inauguration in 1988, B has traveled to the USSR, Canada, Japan, and twice to Spain. His trips have produced fruits, however. One example is USF Graphicstudio’s exchange program with Soviet artists, along with a future showing of art at the prestigious Pushkin Museum in Moscow. Other exchange programs are in the works between USF and universities in Japan and Spain. While some faculty members

\(^{4570}\) Tt 4/12/90; spt 4/14/90.
\(^{4571}\) Tt 5/31/90.

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applaud his efforts, others are critical. Faculty have little to no travel funds, while the Foundation pumps money into B’s high-profile globetrotting. Many think the money would be better spent on research or scholarships. Others point out that his trips are an investment that may bring great benefits later on.4572

Former USF President John Lott Brown, already a professor in the College of Engineering, is appointed director of the human factors division of the Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR). He will perform research on human factors in driving.4573

1991: A controversial exhibit opens at the University Center art gallery after a committee of students, faculty, and administrators approve the explicit material for display. The exhibit, created by USF fine arts student Derek Washington, address the topic of violence against women and features a video screen broadcasting a pornographic film. “My work is emotionally disturbing,” Washington explains, “and when people look at it, they can expect to be emotionally disturbed ... I got what I intended to get done. It’s a feminist production and it’s a feminist video.” A sign warning of the exhibit’s content is placed at the entrance to the gallery, and access is limited to visitors over the age of eighteen.4574

Graduate students in the College of Engineering receive a notice from professors Ting and Shirley Chu requiring that they work 46 hours each week for the department, despite a university policy limiting them to a maximum of 20 hours. The Chus have been

4572 Spt 9/11/90.
4573 SPT 2/3/90.
4574 O: Jan. 7-8, 1991
awarded a $1.5 million grant from the federal government to conduct their research, and are relying upon graduate students to develop thin film solar cells under their guidance. Upon questioning, Shirley Chu warned the Oracle that, “The work hours [are] not to be published because they are entirely the business of students, herself, and her husband.” One student, Charles Cerny, works nearly fifty hours each week for the Chus. “Any graduate student adviser expects you to work very hard and [they] consider what you do there as the most important thing ... you do at the university,” he explains. “To achieve our goals, we need to put in that amount of time,” says another. “No one is hired to go to graduate school, you volunteer. Things are going to be more or less decided from the top down. You have to adjust to those changes.” The graduate students are compensated for their work according to their hours and levels of experience.4575

Student Government President Brian Tannebaum objects to recent budget cut decisions made by university administrators. “The students at the University of South Florida deserve betters,” he complains. “The faculty were represented, the administration was represented, but were the students represented? Absolutely not.” Tannebaum believes such actions illustrate an apparent disregard for the interests and opinions of undergraduate students by university officials. “We need to return to valuing the undergraduate education. Yes, the academic core is the largest part of the university, but it is also the most important part.”4576

President Borkowski reports that the combined campuses of USF could lose more than $12 million and 400 positions next year due to state budget cuts. “I know many of

4575 O: Jan. 9, 1991
4576 O: Jan. 11, 1991
you are hurting,” he told hundreds of faculty, staff, and students. “But I trust it will not last, because education is one of the keys to the much-needed economic turnaround.”

More than three hundred demonstrators gather at the USF entrance on Fowler Avenue to collectively protest President Bush’s plan for U.S. military action against Saddam Hussein in the Middle East.

In anticipation of a U.S. war against Iraq, University Police officials begin collecting information on the approximately eighty foreign students at USF hailing from countries in the Middle East. “They are trying to keep apprised of the situation,” explains Ann Morton, adviser for international students. “So far, nobody has indicated that [threats against Arab students] have taken place.” UP Lieutenant Robert Staehle adds that, “Whenever there is any identifiable group that could potentially be at risk ... we like to get a handle about how many people there are. We have to be prepared for anything, for any situation.” In the meantime, University Police officers are increasing their visibility and availability around the campus.

Approximately 250 USF faculty, students, and local residents gather at the Elm Street flea market to express opposition to President’s Bush invasion of Iraq. “There can only be a Middle Eastern solution to a Middle Eastern problem,” asserts USF history professor Nancy Hewitt. “The U.N., which was formed to find peaceful solutions, has instead been persuaded by the U.S. to advocate force. I think it will heighten terrorism ... [and] anti-American feelings in an area of the world on which we are dependent.” Scott Carter, a graduate student in political science, comments that, “Peace is the absence of institutional violence, not just the absence of fighting. We need to question the policies
that put people over there in the first place.” Philosophy major Ron Rotella argues that the U.S. is in the Middle East for all the wrong reasons. “We are over there for our own economic reasons and imperialistic concerns. The government is actively sending people to war and we have to actively stand up against it.” The protest was organized by the Florida Coalition for Peace and Justice.\textsuperscript{4580}

Frank Sinatra performs at the USF Sun Dome.\textsuperscript{4581}

The faculty task force at USF recommends the implementation of a new plus/minus grading system for university courses. The final approval is left to Provost Gerry Meisels, who first wants opinions and recommendations from the student body. “There’s [sic] a lot of students interested in this because it is one of the only issues that in a few years will hit every single student,” says SG President Brian Tannebaum. “I don’t think a lot of students are really aware of how much this could affect their grades.”\textsuperscript{4582}

Students vote 1,158 to 758 against the new plus/minus grading system proposed by university officials. “I voted against [it] because there are too many negative things about it,” explains outgoing SG President Brian Tannebaum. “It’s like the old adage ‘If it ain’t broken, don’t fix it.’”\textsuperscript{4583}

Representatives from USF’s Department of Energy Conservation place “Do it right! Turn off the light!” stickers over light switch panels all over campus to remind students and faculty of the university’s efforts to conserve electricity. “The stickers are considered to be a very inexpensive way to remind people to save energy by turning off

\textsuperscript{4580} O: Jan. 17, 1991
\textsuperscript{4581} O: Jan. 29, 1991
\textsuperscript{4582} O: Jan. 30, 1991
\textsuperscript{4583} O: Feb. 1, 1991
the lights when they leave a room,” explains Jim Mills, energy managing supervisor of the DEC. “[The savings] could multiply into hundreds of thousands of dollars.”

The Parking Services Department at USF announces both good and bad news. The good news is that parking rates will not go up as they were scheduled to this coming fall semester. “We’re trying to maintain and make improvements in the most cost-effective way possible,” explains UP Chief Paul Uravich. The bad news is that a popular lot will be closed for nearly two years because of the construction of the new Biosciences Building near Chemistry and Physics. This will result in the temporary loss of approximately 350 spaces. In the meantime, it is possible that new lots will be built elsewhere.

USF Athletic Director Paul Griffin and Coach Bobby Paschal dismiss Marvin Taylor from the men’s basketball team as a result of the numerous criminal charges leveled against him. On 4 February, another female student spoke out against Taylor, alleging that he physically threatened her when she refused to buy him a beer in celebration of a winning game. As a result of these developments, Taylor is notified that his full scholarship at USF including room, board, tuition, and books, has been cancelled. Paschal and Griffin both maintain that the most recent incident was the last in a long series of charges and complaints against the student-athlete. Charles Hewitt, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, is handling an ongoing disciplinary review of Taylor’s behavior. Though unable to be reached for comment, it is believed that Taylor is returning to his

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hometown of Yazoo City, Mississippi in order to complete his degree in physical education.\textsuperscript{4586}

In a special reception at the USF Special Events Center, alumni from four fraternities and sororities presented the University with checks totaling $20,000 for the proposed Greek Park housing project. Construction is scheduled to begin on the corner of Fowler Avenue and 50\textsuperscript{th} Street as soon as the remaining paperwork is finalized.\textsuperscript{4587}

From his home in Yazoo City, Mississippi, former student and basketball star Marvin Taylor confirms his expulsion from USF. Two attorneys representing Taylor claim that he was given two hours to vacate the campus and was threatened with arrest should he return. “As far as I know, I was kicked out of school,” says Taylor. “I didn’t know anything about being arrested, but it doesn’t matter because I’m not planning on coming back anyway.” Taylor was just eight credit hours away from completing his degree and graduating. He hopes eventually to finish school, and is looking into playing professional basketball overseas.\textsuperscript{4588}

The State Board of Regents announces plans to renovate the USF Eye Institute, which closed last year due to financial difficulties. Projected costs for the renovation range from $3 million to $14 million.\textsuperscript{4589}

A daylong forum is held in the University Center ballroom to discuss the U.S. war against Iraq in the Middle East. Among the speakers are professors John Belohlavek and
Nancy Hewitt of the USF department of history, as well as professor Sami Al-Arian who spoke on behalf of Palestinian interests.  

Two Tampa attorneys file a class action lawsuit against USF, claiming that they want the truth to be told about Marvin Taylor’s expulsion from the University. “We want Marvin Taylor’s side of the story to be told,” says attorney Andrew O’Conner. They insist that, “Marvin Taylor is the victim here,” alleging that he was hurt by the bad publicity generated by all the media attention. The $2.5 million suit demands Taylor’s readmittance to USF as a student-athlete. Bryan Burgess of USF’s legal office remarks that the University has not yet been served with the document, and doubts the legitimacy of such an effort. “They wrote the lawsuit without the benefit of reading the records,” he explains. “It’s surprising and unfortunate that they filed suit without having all the information.” The suit also alleges prejudice and discrimination on the part of the University Police officers in their treatment of Taylor and his teammates. Taylor could not be reached for confirmation or comment.  

University and city officials gather at USF to dedicate the new Gus A. Stavros Center for Free Enterprise and Economic Education. The facility will offer teachers access to information and materials for instructing students about the U.S. economic structure. “Economic education lights the fire in young people to go out and do great things,” says the Center’s namesake Gus Stavros.
USF Professor of Religious Studies Nathan Katz invites a delegation of Jewish rabbis and scholars to meet with the Dalai Lama of Tibet in India. The purpose of the meeting was to promote understanding between Buddhists and Jews.  

Renowned botanists and specialists in fern research Rolla and Alice Tryon retire from Harvard University after 33 years there and decide to continue their work at USF.  

Rapper Vanilla Ice performs in front of a crowd “mostly of screaming teenage girls” at the USF Sun Dome.  

Sophomore pitcher Jill Klein throws a no-hitter for USF’s fast-pitch softball team against Florida State University.  

The University Police hold a free seminar about sexual assault in conjunction with the Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity. The intent of the event is to “dispel common misconceptions about rape and inform women about how to avoid being trapped in a date rape situation.” In his address, Lieutenant Robert Staehle reports that there is a one-in-eight chance for every woman at USF to be raped. “The highest risk group in our society [is] women going to college ... The first inkling of your gut sense telling you something’s wrong – get out!”  

USF Student Government Senator Jeff Fishman is charged with ethics violations after allegedly attempting to influence Oracle news coverage through his control over the allocation of student activities funds. “No one can come into this newsroom off the street and tell my staff what to publish and what not to publish,” asserts Oracle editor Wes
Platt. “Fishman put the *Oracle* in a very difficult position,” explains managing editor Billy Lee Newland. “He may have little understanding of the actual ramifications of his actions. But this is simply a question of ethical behavior.” Fishman was removed from the Senate Budget Committee after the allegations surfaced against him.\(^{4598}\)

The faculty senate at USF forms a subcommittee on student discipline as a result of circumstances surrounding the recent expulsion of Marvin Taylor for numerous acts of sexual assault and battery. The subcommittee intends to investigate university policies and UP records regarding instances of violence on the USF campus.\(^{4599}\)

The *Oracle* is named best student-run daily newspaper in the Southeast by the Society of Professional Journalists. This is the third year in a row that the *Oracle* has been awarded the distinction.\(^{4600}\)

Raymond King, Associate Vice President of Housing and Auxiliary Services at USF, reports that housing costs may increase as much as 6.1 percent next fall in response to the 1990 consumer price index compiled by the U.S. Department of Labor. In addition to higher rates, students face ten extra days of residency in university dormitories next year. “When the buildings are all open, somebody is going to have to pay the electric bill, so we have an unfortunate double whammy,” King explains. “We are not making money right now; we are not ahead. I am sure that in this stage of the game, we are in the red.”\(^{4601}\)

Melissa Perry, project director of the Florida Women’s AIDS Resource Movement, speaks at USF as part of Women’s Awareness Week. In her lecture to USF

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students, Perry espouses the importance of self-confidence in fighting the virus’s transmission. “Another word for safer sex is self-esteem,” she asserts, adding that birth control protection does not prevent infection. According to Perry, the first reported case of a woman infected with HIV was in January of 1983. By the end of 1984, documented cases increased 700 percent.4602

SAFE Team program director Eric Pozen asserts that the service has become increasingly popular among students seeking a safe escort across campus at night. Pozen reports that, in fact, the number of escorts provided within a month was over 3,000 cases, double that of statistics during the same month last year. “SAFE Team shows great concern to prevent crime on campus and that is not just talk,” Pozen says. “[It] is one of the best things that students of the university can do for the university. It is run by students for students.”4603

SG Senator Jeff Fishman resigns amidst allegations of ethics violations. Fishman announces his intentions to file charges against Budget Committee Chairman Shawn Sledge for what he considered to be slanderous comments in a previous Oracle report (see March 7, 1991).4604

The USF Bulls baseball team extends its school record winning streak to seventeen games after defeating Michigan State 9-8 at Red McEwen Field.4605

USF opens a new Center for Alcohol and Substance Abuse Research and Prevention with the intent of creating “an environment which does not tolerate illegal drug use or alcohol abuse, and which encourages responsible decision making.” A recent

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survey conducted by the Center found that 86 percent of students at USF partake in the consumption of alcohol, and 38 percent had driven while intoxicated. “The Center is here to change the atmosphere of USF from one that accepts drunkenness to an atmosphere of responsible use of alcohol,” explains program coordinator Anne Strozier. “We are not a treatment center. We deal in prevention, but if someone who has a problem comes to us for help, we can find the assistance they need.”

The USF baseball team debuts in the nation’s top 25 with a ranking of no.17 by Baseball America and no.19 by ESPN. The team wins their record eighteenth game in a row by defeating Toledo 12-5 at Red McEwen Field.

New York Times correspondent Thomas Friedman delivers a lecture at USF entitled, “Israelis and Palestinians After the War.”

The USF baseball team wins its record nineteenth consecutive game by defeating Toledo 16-13 at Red McEwen Field.

The USF Orifice, an April Fool’s Day edition of the Oracle, reports that thousands of students were killed or injured when a “wayward Scud missile” launched from Iraq crashed into the Sun Dome. “It’s really a shame seeing something like this happen,” comments Tampa Mayor Sandy Freedman. “But at least that missile didn’t land on my block.” The issue also reports that USF President Frank Borkowski is going to Hollywood to join rapper M.C. Hammer’s entourage of performers. “I’m really, really honored to get this honor,” Borkowski says to onlookers at the airport. “I’ve been
honored before, but not as honored as this, I can tell you that much. This is great. This is just really, really great.”

According to a recent survey conducted by the University Support Personnel Services senate, nearly half of all the staff employees at USF are not happy with their pay or treatment by the administration. “Employees have nowhere to go for help for things that could be helped,” laments Marlene McKeown, a senior fiscal administrator who has worked at USF for seven years. “There is essentially no leadership in the union now. People are intimidated by what management is doing because there’s no one to go to.” One employee remarks that because of low salaries and poor management, the staff has become “the university’s stepchildren.”

The USF Bulls baseball team’s record breaking winning streak ends at twenty games after being defeated by Western Kentucky University. “It’s probably good the streak ended, in the sense that it’s not the focus of us winning,” comments designated hitter Mark Hubbard, adding that, “It still would have been nice to see the streak go on a little further.”

Rollin Richmond, head of the College of Arts and Sciences at USF, faces criticism from students concerned about the declining African American Studies department. A flyer was distributed around campus asking, “What is going on with the African American Studies Department?” and a message was spray painted on the walls of Cooper Hall reading, “Richmond is a racist.” Asked to comment, Richmond feels the criticism is unfair. “It’s ironic that I’ve spent the past few days in seminars on racial awareness and now I’ve been called a racist. I don’t think of myself as a racist. I try very

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hard not to be. It concerns me that people are angry enough to publicly deface our university’s buildings.” The College Strategic Planning Committee will meet this week to discuss the future of the African American Studies program at USF. “There is a lot of paranoia in the smaller departments because of the budget cuts,” comments Donna Dickerson, Chair of the Mass Communications Department. “It’s true changes must be made. ‘Changes’ do not mean ‘cut out’, however.”

The University Textbook Center donates $25,000 to USF in order to maintain a reasonable variety of summer courses despite severe statewide budget cuts. “Because of the budget problems, we thought we could help out with the summer program,” explains bookstore administrator Jeffery Mack. “We did not specify how the monies were to be used. That will be up to Academic Affairs.”

Mitch Fields, Assistant Director of the Physical Plant, announces that the ten year-old concrete benches around campus are being replaced by new, plastic covered benches. “[The concrete benches] weigh from 600 to 700 pounds and quite a few have tipped over,” Fields explains. “We just didn’t like the possibility of someone getting hurt.” This announcement comes after the parents of a twelve year-old boy have filed charges against the university for injuries he allegedly received from sitting on one of the concrete benches. “I like the old benches,” comments graduate student Marilu Copely. “I feel as though I am sitting on a waffle maker, and I have to sit on benches a lot.”

With the resignation of program director Festus Ohaegbulam, the African American Studies department is reduced to only one faculty member: Kofi F. Glover. Ohaegbulam complained that the College of Arts and Sciences had done very little to
maintain the program at USF. “The provost normally authorizes the search for another faculty member,” he explained. “They said that during April of last year and nothing ever happened. The provost is not supposed to implement the search, just authorize it. The deans run the colleges; that’s where we’ve had the problems.” “In my mind there is no question that we want this program,” responds Rollin Richmond, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. “As soon as we have a group of faculty, a department will form around them. We are headed in the right direction.”

The African American Leadership Forum at USF delivers a proposal for an African cultural center to Vice President of Student Affairs Dan Walbolt. The center, organized by students and faculty from various organizations around the campus, would strive to maintain the university’s commitment to cultural diversity. Walbolt himself admits that he believes the idea to be a good one. “I myself have undergone a metamorphosis of my opinion of a free-standing cultural center,” he says. “When I first got here, I was opposed to it ... now I am strongly for it.” An open forum is being planned to further discuss and evaluate the proposal.

Greek organizations at USF celebrate Color Day, a chance for members of campus fraternities and sororities to unify and network with one another and the local community. “Color Day gives us a chance to socialize in the middle of the week,” explains one participant. “We get a chance to show the community who we are and what we are about.”

Political science professor Renu Khator delivers a lecture to members of the International Studies Organization. In her presentation on the status of women in “third

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world” countries, Khator stressed the significant role women play in Indian culture despite a perceived intellectual and physical inferiority. “Everyday rituals institutionalize in the minds of the citizens that women are inferior. And they are superior because of their emotional and spiritual strengths.” Women in India, according to Khator, are held accountable for the wellbeing of the family, and function as the glue that keeps the family together. “Any fall or tragedy that occurs within the family is placed on the shoulders of the woman.” This gendered hierarchy that so characterizes Indian society, Khator asserts, can be traced to the practice of Confucianism, which “clearly states that a son is the subordinate to his father and a wife is the subordinate of her husband.”

The USF chapter of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity is suspended after violating national rules against the purchase and consumption of alcohol at chapter events. “[The Greeks’] policy is E-squared: education and enforcement,” explains Charles Goodman, Greek advisor at USF. “A group of fraternities have a certain set of rules to be followed. The enforcement arm is in full swing now.”

Members of USF’s Black Student Union protest at the Administration Building, calling for a revival of the African American studies program in the College of Arts and Sciences. Asks BSU member Monique Beau, “Does it take a mass walkout of the university by the Afro-Americans to get our point across?” Charles Hewitt, Associate Vice President of Student Affairs, responds to the demands of the BSU. “I will pursue an investigation and reflect the concerns so expressed to hopefully come to some agreement regarding these concerns with the appropriate university officials responsible for the Afro-American studies program.” Mike Pratt, BSU Treasurer, threatens that the time for

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negotiations is past. “If an institution fails to meet the needs of all its members, then it fails as an institution and must therefore be transformed or overthrown accordingly. USF is such an institution.” The BSU is threatening “drastic measures” against the administration if their demands are not met.\footnote{4621}

Former Governor LeRoy Collins, Sr. dies from cancer at the age of 82.\footnote{4622}

More than 200 activists demonstrate outside the USF College of Medicine against the school’s use of animals in biomedical research.\footnote{4623}

The University Police in conjunction with Student Government and SAFE Team has announced plans to install emergency blue-light telephones at various locations throughout the Tampa campus. “An emergency phone system is long overdue on this campus,” explains UP Lieutenant Robert Staehle. “We have people on this campus at late hours, traveling long distances from the library or University Center to the dorms. There is a lot of traffic going through here at night. The telephones are just an extra measure of safety.” The project is being funded by A&S money, and is expected to cost approximately $85,000. There will also be a monthly maintenance charge of $30 for each phone installed, amounting to nearly $6,500 each year.\footnote{4624}

A former employee of WUSF-FM radio files a complaint with the USF Equal Opportunity Affairs Office alleging that she, a white woman, was not hired on a permanent basis because she is married to a black man. “I never knew she had a black

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husband,” explains station director Betty Young. “Even if she has a black husband, it
didn’t make any difference.”

Navita James, associate professor of communications, is selected interim director
of the African American studies program at USF. “It was a surprise,” James says of her
appointment. “It wasn’t something I was looking to do, though it is very gratifying. It’s a
great opportunity to strengthen the program.”

The University spends $46,000 on the acquisition of sixty-five semi-automatic
weapons for the University Police department on all campuses. The purchase is made in
compliance with a Police Benevolence Association mandate which requires that all
university police departments must arm their officers with such weapons no later than

Thomas P. Dilkes, associate professor of history at USF, loses his battle to cancer
at the H. Lee Moffitt Center on Wednesday, May 15. According to department chair
Robert P. Ingalls, Dilkes was a “popular teacher for whom students and faculty had
enormous respect and affection.”

University Police officers complain of the diminishing condition of their five
patrol cars, which spend a combined total of nearly forty hours per week in the
maintenance shop. “When they leave here, they’re safe to drive, but what may go wrong
three hours later is another story,” comments Frank A. Stead, auto superintendent at the
Physical Plant. “I can sympathize with the officers that drive the vehicles, and it is
embarrassing, especially when you have to drive downtown,” says UP Lieutenant Robert

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Johnson. “But I’ve also got some lousy drivers in patrol, and I can assure you that when we find out who did what as far as the vehicular damage is concerned, disciplinary action is taken, but that all depends on the honesty of the officers.” A new Ford Taurus has been ordered and is scheduled to join the fleet within the next couple of months.  

President George H. W. Bush appoints USF professor Karen Moffitt to the President’s Committee on Mental Retardation. “The committee,” Moffitt explains, “develops new policy and advises the president and the Congress on legislation and matters relating to people with mental retardation.”

USF’s Safe Ride acquires a new Ford Econoline van to pick up inebriated students at local bars and clubs and safely transport them home. The vehicle is purchased with A&S funds at a total cost of $16,191. “We’re not trying to promote students to go out and get drunk,” explains agency director Kris Swanson. “We just want to offer them a safer alternative to drinking and driving.”

The New York Yankees professional baseball organization draft USF pitcher and right fielder Mark Hubbard. “They’ve been to quite a few of our games,” says Coach Eddie Cardieri of the pro scouts. “It seemed like every time they were there Mark did something good, like hit a home run or something.” Says Hubbard of the news, “It’s been my favorite team since I was three or four. It’s everybody’s boyhood dream to be drafted by their favorite team.”

The USF history department drafts a proposal to bring a doctorate program to the university. “It is traditional in the sense that it will train people to do historical research,”

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explains department chair Robert P. Ingalls. “It is unusual in that, through courses in a mentoring program, it will gradually prepare students to take over and teach courses.” The proposal is only in the earliest planning stages, and will likely take some time to further develop. “The quickest turnaround in introducing a Ph.D. program is at least two years,” says Ingalls. “That’s if you happen to hit the cycle of openings to propose the programs. Right now, there aren’t any openings.”

USF submits a plan to the State Board of Regents cutting the university budget by approximately $6.3 million. The cuts include the elimination of 137 staff positions; thirty-three current employees will lose their jobs as a result.

The science center at USF faces a renewed rat infestation, according to university maintenance personnel who have recently discovered chewed electrical wiring in the building’s basement. “If they eat through this stuff, it’ll bring the whole building down,” warns electrician Keith Moore. “It would take a lot of man hours to figure out what is going on.” Plans for extermination efforts in the building are underway.

A U.S. district judge dismisses the $2.5 million lawsuit filed on behalf of former basketball player Marvin Taylor against the University of South Florida.

The cost of living in USF residence halls is scheduled to go up 10.5 percent this fall semester. The average cost of on-campus housing will now be approximately $175 a year for students.

The Parking Services department at USF begins offering shuttle service to students and staff from remote parking lots to more centralized locations on campus.

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Named *Bull Runner*, the service will provide two buses traveling a prearranged route around campus from 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. “This service is for when the school is real busy due to registration and it’s hard to find parking,” explains Lynn Isaak, a technician for the parking services department. “This is a pilot program; if it works this time then we will try to continue it in the years to come.” Says Parking Services director Jim Moran, “We are doing this as a service for the students. This should be a good way to transport students around the campus without them having to worry about parking.”

USF commemorates its 35th anniversary. Former USF professor and charter faculty member Don Harkness passes away at the age of 69. Harkness was selected Professor of the Year by the graduating class of 1982 and received the honorary title of Professor Emeritus upon his retirement in 1989.

The USF chapter of the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity is suspended as a result of reports made to the organization’s national office. In a letter of explanation, Sig Ep national officers write that, “This action was taken due to documented abusive behavior toward women, administrators, pledges and others; abusive brotherhood development; poor academic performance; and poor financial management.” Local chapter President Gary Cullis denies the validity of such accusations, asserting that, “I think what happened was, the time it was taking to meet [their] expectations was too much for some higher members of the [Sig Ep] administration.”
President Borkowski testifies before the United States House of Representatives Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education on behalf of the reauthorization of the Urban Community Service Title XI of the Higher Education Act, which authorizes federal funding for urban universities.\footnote{USF Magazine, Vol. 33, No. 7 (Fall 1991), 26-27.}

After completing a $111 million capital campaign initiated at the beginning of his tenure, President Borkowski approves the formation of a committee to study the feasibility of bringing a football program to the University of South Florida. “I feel very good about [the football program] now,” Borkowski explains. “The campaign is concluded ... This may be the time, due to NCAA reform measures and the Knight Commission recommendations. There is a window of opportunity to build a competitive, high-quality football team.” \textit{Oracle} Sports Editor John C. Cotey writes the following: “The answer to college football is a month away ... The answer will go through numerous questions: Do we need football? Is the cost worth it? Can private funds be raised? Will football make that big a difference to USF’s campus and stature? Is football what we need to become one of the top ten institutions in the country? Can the apathetic USF student body support football? With the answers to these questions will come the answer to the big question: Will we have football or not?”.\footnote{O: Sept. 3, 1991}

University Center Director Phyllis P. Marshall explains the delays in the construction of Greek housing facilities on campus. “What’s holding us up [are] the impact fees for water and sewage.” Marshall called it a “tremendous disappointment” when the city of Tampa refused to comply with the University’s wishes to waive the installation fees for the water and sewer systems. Now, as Vice President of Student
Affairs Dan Walbolt explains, the costs have increased dramatically and have delayed project plans. According to Walbolt, laying pipe for water access could cost as much as $80,000. “I don’t even think that amount could serve all sixteen projects,” he doubts. “It depends on the way the fees progress. It also depends on the individual design of each house as well.” Further delays have been caused by complications in the formal approval of a leasing program for the facilities. “I don’t expect to see any construction for at least five years,” says Delta Gamma President Laurie Watson. Adds a more hopeful Dan Walbolt, “I’ve quit estimating after six years, but the light is clearly at the end of the tunnel.”

USF allocates $7.4 million for the construction of additions to the current gym facility and for an auxiliary gym to be built adjacent to the Sun Dome.

Florida Senator Bob Graham spends a day on the USF campus teaching to students in a State and Local Government class. Michele McMahon, a junior mass communications major, left with a favorable impression of the Senator and enjoyed the experience a great deal. “I enjoyed it. He was very interesting because he talked about other things besides state and local governments. I liked his style. He looked at us and he included each student even though the auditorium was full.”

Lesley Miller, USF’s first black student government president (1977), announces his candidacy for Tampa’s District 5 City Council seat. The main issues for the district, according to Miller, are economic assistance for minorities and the creation of affordable housing. “We have small, black businesses closing every day,” Miller explains. “We have people who want to open businesses but can’t because the banks won’t lend them money.

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... It shouldn’t be that way in the 1990s, but we still have [racial discrimination], there’s no doubt about it.” Miller has run unsuccessfully on two other occasions, and says that, “The third time’s the charm. I’m going to make it work this time.”

President Borkowski speaks of budget woes during his annual address to USF faculty, staff, and administrators. “I’m here to cry ‘uncle,’” he tells the crowd of nearly 350 people. “The pain is severe and must stop. Florida can’t tolerate a repeat of this year’s budget shortfall.” Dan Walbolt, Vice President of Student Affairs, was impressed by Borkowski’s speech, noting that, “It was obvious about the enormous amount of thought and time that he put into [it]. Those in attendance deeply appreciated what he had to say.” Borkowski declared the upcoming year to be, “The Year in Discovery: Faith, Intellect, and the Future.”

Congressman Sam Gibbons speaks to an audience of thirty in the Grace Allen Room at the USF Library about his recent trip to the Soviet Union. “They don’t have money but they have guidance,” says Gibbons of the U.S. assistance programs. “I will not sponsor a bill to send money. Right now, all they will do is waste it because they don’t even know what they want.” Furthermore, he asserts, “We are witnessing the breakup of the last great empire.”

USF junior Patricio Arnold is named the nation’s top singles tennis player by the Intercollegiate Tennis Coaches Association. The Bulls national collegiate ranking is No. 22, the first time in the University’s history to be ranked in the nation’s top 25.
WUSF is ranked best radio station in Tampa Bay by the readers of *Tampa Bay Life* magazine.  

President Borkowski voices opposition to Florida Governor Lawton Chiles’ decision to cut another 5.3 percent from the state budget. “I think he’s wrong in continuing budget cuts,” Borkowski asserts. “He is using the wrong thinking ... We have bright, capable people here. We should get [faculty] from all around who understand the process and let them devise a plan. The governor wants a lean, efficient government. He wants to restore confidence, but when the need is there and the funding isn’t, there will be a severe backlash and the public will become less confident.” The Governor’s cutbacks translate into a loss of nearly $8 million from USF’s budget.

The USF College of Fine Arts receives a half a million dollars in new pianos and digital equipment as a result of matched gifts from USF’s Division of Sponsored Research and the Kawai America Corporation. “It’s about time,” says USF student David Torquine. “The ones we have now are very old ... most of them do not work properly.”

Cooper Hall undergoes an estimated $65,000 worth of repairs and renovations after officials declare the structure to be unstable. “[The walls] are not going to fall down by themselves right now, but over a period of years, it could be conceivable,” explains project manager Bill Neyland. Construction is expected to be completed by the end of the year.
Emergency phones are installed at various locations around the USF campus to provide immediate communications with the University Police. “It’s a direct emergency contact line, much like 911, to the UP,” explains Eric Pozen, Director of SAFE Team. “If someone is in a remote area on campus and there is an emergency, they can just push a button and be in contact with the police.” The system, according to UP Lieutenant Robert Staehle, should be up and running by Monday, September 30.4655

President Borkowski proclaims the success of his first major fundraising drive, Campaign USF, where the University raised $116,688,846. “The success of Campaign USF is attributable primarily to the extremely high level of support received from alumni, friends, foundations, and corporations in our service area and throughout the state and nation,” Borkowski explains. “The communities we serve have indicated quite conclusively, through their support of the campaign, the high level of importance they place on the teaching, the research, and public service programs offered by USF. For this we are both honored and grateful.”4656

University officials deny a request made by the USF Gay/Lesbian Coalition to fly its Rainbow Flag on National Coming Out Day. “We should not create a public forum at our flagpoles,” explains Vice President of Student Affairs Dan Walbolt. “Once you let one group raise its flag, you must let anyone raise one. I am not just opposed to the GLC flag, I am opposed to any group wanting to raise its flag in front of the Administration Building.” Rick Fifer, Chair of the GLC’s special events committee, believes that hoisting the flag would help raise awareness and public consciousness about gay rights within the university community. “We are not easily distinguishable from others,” he

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asserts. “Most of us don’t fit the stereotype that gay men are hairdressers and lesbian women are gym teachers. We want the hatred, misunderstanding, and prejudice against us to stop. We wanted one day to be noticed by flying our symbolic flag.” Despite the difference of opinion, Fifer willingly concedes to the University’s policy. “We will accept the University’s decision not to fly our flag because it is well founded ... We feel we have been given a legitimate rationale for being denied our request. We are willing to leave it at that.”

The Florida Mental Health Institute at USF receives a $432,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education to conduct research on elementary age students with severe emotional and behavioral problems.

USF alumnus Les Miller wins the Tampa City Council runoff election for District 5 with twenty-one percent of the votes. Miller, currently forty years old, graduated from USF with a degree in political science, and was the University’s first black SG president in 1977.

Seventy-two year old USF professor and poet Hans Juergensen gives a poetry reading to students, staff, and faculty in Cooper Hall. Juergensen, planning to retire soon, has spent thirty-one years working at the University of South Florida. “The happiest days of my life were spent in the classroom with my pupils. The last thirty-one years of my life, teaching at USF, have been absolutely wonderful. Although I am very demanding of my students, I feel that they appreciate me.”

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4660 O: Oct. 9, 1991
USF senior Craig Bertuglia begins a hunger strike to protest Florida Governor Lawton Chiles’ budget cuts in public education. “It isn’t confrontational,” Bertuglia explains. “It isn’t in someone’s face saying ‘Look at me and my cause,’ but rather it shows the people in power that I’m willing to suffer for what I believe in.” He urges government officials to take voluntary pay-cuts rather than forcing already underpaid teachers to do so.⁴⁶⁶¹

President Borkowski announces possible plans to phase out the Library Information Sciences graduate program at USF because of recurring statewide budget cuts. John McCrossan, Chairman of the LIS department, expresses surprise at the decision in light of the program’s increasing size and popularity. “It is ironic that they want to phase us out the year we receive our biggest admittance,” he says. “We need to submit a new plan to the University if we are to stay a program.”⁴⁶⁶²

USF administrators hold a meeting with the Black Student Union in order to address a recent act of vandalism that left racist anti-black graffiti scrawled across the walls of the Special Events Center. “Though this is an unfortunate lesson for the students, this is an opportunity for them to learn that they must vigilantly work against the prejudices that, unfortunately, exist in our society,” says Wanda Lewis-Campbell, Associate Dean of Student Affairs. “Now is the time for an aggressive, yet calm response. The University needs to create an atmosphere that prevents these intolerances from reoccurring.” President Borkowski offers a $1,000 reward for information leading to the individuals responsible for the act.⁴⁶⁶³

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⁴⁶⁶¹ O: Oct. 11, 1991
⁴⁶⁶² O: Oct. 16, 1991
⁴⁶⁶³ O: Oct. 18, 1991
As part of the USF Founder’s day celebrations, a ceremony takes place in front of the Administration Building in which South Palm Drive is renamed after the late Florida Governor LeRoy Collins, who recently passed away at the age of eighty-two. Collins was instrumental in bringing the idea of a state university in Tampa to fruition, and was a tireless supporter of public education. The Oracle writes the following of the dedication: “USF will honor LeRoy Collins, truly a man of firm convictions. His name will forever mark the entrance of the institution his vision helped to create.” Collins’ political papers will be housed in Special Collections at the USF library.4664

USF representatives leave Tampa bound for the state capitol in order to present a mile-long petition to state legislators. The petition is part of the Save Our Schools campaign to protest the poor funding of public education in recent years. “The symbolism says a lot,” says Florida Education Commissioner Betty Castor, who came to the USF campus to sign the petition. “We shouldn’t have to take these [budget] cuts. Just keep up the momentum ... My heart goes out to this college. I know it’s struggling.”4665

Nearly 100 black students are recognized by USF’s Division of Undergraduate Studies at the Annual Black Scholar Awards Ceremony for their outstanding academic performances.4666

The USF medical technologies program is threatened with termination as a result of the latest $9.76 million cut from the University’s budget. Also under scrutiny are the Library and Information Sciences and Engineering Technologies programs.4667

4664 O: Oct. 18, 1991
4665 O: Oct. 21, 1991
4666 O: Oct. 21, 1991
University officials announce that a new course on forensic anthropology will be offered to students for the first time in the upcoming spring semester. “It is a highly technical field, but my course will be extremely basic and presume no knowledge of criminology, biological anthropology, or forensic sciences,” explains course professor Curtis Wienker. “This course should attract a wide range of students, from pre-med to criminology majors.” Although the maximum enrollment for the class will be approximately thirty students, it will also be broadcast to other students at the USF campus in Lakeland. Professor Wienker has been on the staff at USF for nineteen years.4668

Volunteers at USF unfurled the mile-long Save Our Schools petition on the University campus, stretching it from the front of the Administration Building to Fowler Avenue and back again. After its display, the petition is moved to the campus library archives, where it will be permanently housed.4669

The Electrical Engineering Department at USF is chosen to participate in a $536 million Pentagon-sponsored research project to develop new technologies in the field of microwave circuitry.4670

USF English professor John W. Holman is one of ten promising American writers to receive the annual Whiting Award, a prestigious $30,000 literary prize.4671

The USF men’s team defeats North Carolina Charlotte in an overtime penalty kick battle to win the Metro Conference Soccer Championship. “It was an exciting game,” comments Coach Jay Miller. “It was exciting from end to end. Our boys, a few
times, bent but they never would break. When we needed big plays they stepped forward and did it.”

The USF Physical Plant implements a new recycling program to include aluminum, glass, and paper products. “The program is still new and we hope to see recycling all over campus soon,” says Mitch Fields, Assistant Director and Recycling Program Coordinator at the Physical Plant. Three-gallon bins are being distributed in offices around the campus to collect materials, which are then transferred from sixty-four gallon bins outside the buildings to ninety-six gallon bins for collection.

Members of the BACCHUS (Boost Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students) organization on campus kick-off their Great Safe Holiday Break campaign with hopes of issuing 10,000 pledge cards to students promising to serve as designated drivers over the holiday vacation. “University students have an incredible drinking problem,” explains BACCHUS President Ingrid Focht. “We would like students to see that there are organizations that are concerned about this problem and are trying to solve it.”

Students hold a rally outside of the USF library to protest the reduction in library hours. The next day, Student Government Senators urge students to sign a petition requesting the extension of operating hours at the campus library.

The University institutes a $50 late fee, effective next semester, for all tuition payments received after the posted deadline.

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4672 O: Nov. 12, 1991
4673 O: Nov. 18, 1991
4674 O: Nov. 26, 1991
4676 O: Dec. 3, 1991
4677 O: Dec. 9, 1991
The presidential advisory committee on the student discipline system at USF, formed in March 1991, releases its final report on the incidents surrounding former Bulls basketball player Marvin Taylor. In the report, the point is emphasized that all cases of student discipline should be handled according to the student handbook and not given “special attention” by the Office of Student Affairs. The text reads as follows: “The committee strongly recommends that the Student Disciplinary Process be followed in all cases in the future, and we believe it is possible that the University may have avoided embarrassment and bad press surrounding its handling of the Marvin Taylor cases if it had done so in the first sexual battery case.” Vice President for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt also receives some backhanded criticism for his handling of the incidents. Says senior counsel and committee member Debra King, “Ultimately, Vice President Walbolt directed that all information pertaining to the charge be sealed and that Marvin Taylor suffer no sanction on the grounds that the victim recanted. However ... the victim did not recant or say the incident did not occur; the victim withdrew her complaint because she did not want sanctions imposed against Marvin Taylor.” Walbolt explains that the committee’s suggestions are currently being implemented by the Office of Student Affairs.

The USF club opens on the top floor of the MC, a place for faculty and staff to gather and dine in a quiet setting. The student union, which also occupies the MC, is upset that students may only be admitted with a staff or faculty member.

First phase of construction for University Tech Center completed in the university’s R&D park.

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4678 O: Dec. 10, 1991
4679 Tt 12/8/91.
Campaign USF reaches its goal by raising $111 million. It’s the largest fundraising campaign in the history of the State University System.

Colleges of Arts and Letters, Natural Sciences and Social and Behavioral Sciences are merged into a new College of Arts and Sciences.

In the prior 3 ½ years, USF raised $116 million in donations, setting a new fund raising record for a public university less than 100 years old. The number of donors exceeded 250,000, but by far, the largest were Hugh Culverhouse ($4.6 million) and TECO ($1.6 million).

USF has 30 endowed chairs (worth $42 million) and 150 endowed scholarships ($11.7 million).

Of USF’s 32,000 students, half are full-time and half are part-time. Combined, UF and FSU have 11,500 part-time students, proof of USF’s service to working, commuting students. Critics point out USF’s weaknesses: no legislative clout, a weak library, fractured branch campuses, no football team, and a large proportion of commuters. The university is taking pains to change that image. A committee recommends more dorms, extracurricular activities, better walkways, a bookstore, a food court, renovated classrooms, more shade trees, distinctive structures (like sculptures), reward faculty time with students outside the classroom, and more events, festivals and community projects.4680

USF’s medical school scores a coup—it lures Michael Mullan and John Hardy, English medical researchers specializing in Alzheimer’s disease. The partners discovered

4680 Spt, 7/24/91; tt 7/24/91
a defective chromosome that may trigger the disease. The British press bemoans America’s “brain drain” on their country.\

The Tampa Library lags behind its counterparts in other universities. With 1.2 million volumes, it is far behind UF (2.9 million) and FSU (1.8 million). The library barely fits into the Association of Research Library’s low bracket by 2,000 volumes. Although the budget rose from the 1988-89 budget of $2.9 million to $5 million over the next two years due to lottery money, the lottery funds are now dwindling. With only 6 journal subscriptions per faculty member and 58 books per student, USF ranks very poorly.

The USF-Soviet Union exchange program begins. USF students traveled to Moscow to intensively study the Russian language for 4 months under Dr. Alexander Barchenov. USF has 17 exchange programs with foreign countries. The BRIT program also begins, bringing British theater experts to USF to perform and work with faculty and students in the theater program.

USF begins its executive MBA program for physicians—called Execudoc. One of the first of its kind in the nation, the program received national attention from the Wall Street Journal.

The College of Medicine has grown from graduating 24 in 1971 to 96 in 1990. Sponsored research in the college jumped from $846,000 to more than $17 million, and the budget has grown from $1.8 million to more than $136.3 million.

46% of USF’s student athletes maintain a GPA of 3.0 or better.

\[^{4681}\] tt 9/26/95.
\[^{4682}\] Spt 6/2/91.
USF’s College of Education is the only one in the state that receives more applications than it can accept.

USF ranks 54th in public research institutions in the nation.

President Borkowski blames intensifying budget cuts on a wide variety of sources, saying that “the demise of the Soviet Union, the resurgence of democratic nationalism in Eastern Europe, the victory in the Persian Gulf, the disparity of wealth in our country, the increase of the numbers of homeless in our major cities, the economic crisis confronting this state and, yes the budget cuts inflicted upon USF, are all inextricably intertwined. These conditions and events are, I believe, the outcomes and reflections of major changes in personal and societal values that warrant serious consideration.” The cuts of state funds over 1990 and 1991 equal the combined annual budgets for USF’s four campuses. Florida ranks 44th in the nation for spending on universities, not counting the last round of cuts. It is also the 16th wealthiest state per capita, while it leads the nation in infant mortality, lack of child care, suicide, and incarceration. In 1989-90, state appropriations totaled $7,156 per student. In 1991-92, it fell to $5,018 after adjustments for inflation, with another 5% holdback expected. Florida House Speaker T.K. Wetherell purposely singled out schools so that taxpayers would “feel the pain” of low tax returns, saying, “You’ve got to get pressure on the education system … it’s not nice to use the kids, but that’s the political reality.”

The budget crunch has reached critical proportions. The College of Education is without chairs or directors in four departments, and has had to eliminate or delay 11 vacant faculty positions. Despite initiating new PhD and MBA programs since 1987, the College of Business Administration has the same number of faculty as it did then.
Summer classes were cut by 114. Some programs in Public Health and Nursing were eliminated on branch campuses altogether. The College of Medicine receives less state funding than it did 5 years before. FMHI closed the Residential Aging Unit and laid off 14 employees. Required classes are scarce. Borkowski publicly cries “Uncle,” saying, “Florida cannot tolerate a repeat of this year’s budget shortfall. Tax is not a four-letter word. Nowhere is it written that government’s purpose is to deliver the lowest possible tax burden to its citizens—especially if it is hoodwinking the people in the process. We simply cannot afford to continue slashing university budgets and admitting thousands of new university students every year.” Borkowski offers some insight into how deep the $26.1 million decreases are. Some suggestions on how to accommodate the cuts: close the entire St. Pete campus, lay off 112 faculty or 290 staff, or turn away 2,100 students from continuing their education at USF.

Finally, Borkowski quotes Harvard’s President Derek Bok, “An eerie indifference hangs over the land … instead of a popular outcry to end urban violence, the poverty, the homelessness, the hunger of children, the loudest clamor we hear from the public today is ‘no new taxes.’” Borkowski continued, “Unscrupulous raiders and traders in business and political circles are sometimes portrayed or perceived as celebrities, folk heroes whose principal failing was ‘getting caught.’ Our society by and large does not seem to be bothered much by obscene extremes in wealth and poverty, health and sickness [and] hope and despair, that mock ethical, moral and spiritual values. [T]he danger to democracy comes less from totalitarian or collectivist movements abroad than from the erosion of values from within. I look forward to joining you in rethinking and revisiting these issues in what I know will be a stimulating and rewarding new academic year.
[W]e may even have convinced those who hold leadership positions in this state that our efforts are important in the development of the future leaders of this state and of this nation.

Although Borkowski’s tenure has been marked by many successes, he jokingly refers to the last 3 years as “the shortest 10 years of my life.” Chronic problems in the Health Sciences Center have been his most constant worry. The center lost its orthopedics department, ophthalmology center, and eye institute, its medical school dean resigned, patients filed a string of lawsuits against it, and the entire College of Medicine was almost placed on academic probation. Some blame Borkowski for not being vigilant enough, and some wonder if his job is at stake. Borkowski saved the College of Medicine from probation by lobbying connections in Washington. To his credit, B has fostered black enrollment and employment, 4.6% of USF students are black (the statewide rate was 3.6% three years ago) and USF employs 53 black faculty members, up from 37 three years ago. B appoints David Stamps, a black sociology professor and the future provost, as his advisor.

After announcing 1992 as “The Year of Discovery: Faith, Intellect, and the Future,” B requests that instructors try to work discussions of ethics, race and gender into as many courses as possible. During his faculty address, B points out prevalent corruption plaguing Wall Street, Capitol Hill, and the Olympic Committee. The corruption trickles down into USF’s student body. Two students were caught handing in criminology papers from a previous student, theft from the library is rampant, and spray painted racial epithets were found on buildings around campus. In 19990-91, 120

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4683 President’s Annual Report to Faculty and Staff, 1991; p 2/15/91.
4684 Tt 2/15/91.
students faces disciplinary action against them. Some complain that concentration on ethical issues gives USF’s education a liberal bent.⁴⁶⁸⁵

A delegation from Kaluga, Russia, visits the Bayboro campus as part of a fact-finding trip to learn more about the American way of life. The visit is a part of the “Friendship Cities” program initiated by the mayor of Clearwater to open up dialogue between citizens of the world. According to Harry Schaleman, Jr., a Geography professor at USF-St. Petersburg, “They are here to promote person-to-person goodwill and to encourage business relationships.”⁴⁶⁸⁶

Former Student Body President at the Bayboro campus, Frank Reinhart, Jr., sponsors a three hundred dollar scholarship award to St. Petersburg campus Student Government members beginning in the fall of 1992.⁴⁶⁸⁷

Noted author, folklorist and champion of civil rights, Stetson Kennedy offers a free lecture to students at USF-St. Petersburg. An exhibit depicting the “Palmetto Country” of Florida in the early 20th century will accompany the lecture and Kennedy will participate in book signing after the program has concluded. Kennedy’s books include The Klan Unmasked, Jim Crow Guide to the South, Southern Exposure, and Palmetto country. The USF St. Petersburg Lecture Series, the Florida Humanities Council and the Florida Historical Society are sponsoring the lecture.⁴⁶⁸⁸

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1992: “Renowned conductor Robert Shaw and USF professor Robert Summer combine their desires to record Mahler’s ‘Symphony of 1000’ for international distribution.”

The Armwood Collection, which documents one of the prominent African-American families in Hillsborough County over the past century, is donated to the USF Library.

USF dedicates a new building for the College of Public Health. For the last seven years, the college has been operating from within the Florida Mental Health Institute.

PepsiCo Foundation donates a $1 million gift to New College. It is the largest corporate gift ever given to the New College Foundation.

Budget cuts in the College of Arts and Letters lead to a class load that is 25% of normal, and “half of what it was last year.” Another cut will also “almost totally eliminate summer classes.” As a response to the statewide budget cuts, Student Government officials launch a letter-writing campaign to prevent further cuts. SG officials hope that students will write “positive” letters to the Florida Legislature. They believe that no progress will be made if the letters are “accusatory or negative.” The College of Engineering has also received budget cuts, but has been able to continue their work because of “defense contracts from a couple of years ago.” Fine Arts is also hit hard by the budget cuts. There is a light at the end of the tunnel, as the legislature cuts less from the budget than school administrators expected.

4693 O 1/8/92 p1, 1/9/92 p1, 1/10/92 p1
Because of the budget crisis, the College of Business Administration must cut
some if its teaching staff. The library loses approximately $1 million in funding.4694

The Faculty Senate proposes that, in an effort to alleviate the staff cuts for the
summer semester, administrators with teaching experience should go back into the
classroom.4695

Budget cuts have kept the College of Medicine from filling important faculty
spaces.4696

Approximately 80 USF students, including SG President Keevin Williams,
partake in a 3,000-person protest in Tallahassee to voice displeasure over the budget cuts
to education.4697

On the first day of National Library Week, the Oracle reports that budget cuts
may force the library to cut their subscriptions to scholarly journals by 25%, and the cuts
will inhibit their ability to get new books.4698

A new policy for basketball games will affect the way students buy tickets.
Students will now only be allowed to buy tickets with a valid student ID on the day of the
game, between noon and 4 pm, which is usually about 1 hour before tip-off. Most
students prefer the old policy regarding ticket sales. Jeff Hellier, a USF alum, says of the
new policy, “I hate it. It’s inconvenient.” Student Tom Totten disagrees, saying that the
new policy gives students a “better opportunity to get tickets.”4699
When the new fire alarm system in Cooper Hall burns one of its computer chips, the alarm begins going off repeatedly throughout the afternoon. 4700

The Oracle publishes a fan poll for USF students to vote on whether or not they support a USF football team and whether they would approve some of the necessary funds coming from student fees. The poll finds that, of 283 responses, 266 are in favor of a football team. Although 94% approved of a football team, only 88% of responses approved the fee increase. Football Committee Chair Leon Mandell writes a memo in which he states, “The introduction of football at the University of South Florida is feasible.” Mandell warns that this is just a draft of a memo to the committee and does not reflect the findings of the committee. He has sent it to committee members to find out their interpretations of the prospects. 4701

The SG Senate Student Affairs Committee holds a similar poll in the Oracle a few months later. 4702

The President’s Committee Studying the Feasibility of Football at USF (CSFF) reworks the memorandum of chair Leon Mandell, and will vote either ‘yes’ or ‘no’ next week on whether or not football is possible at USF. The committee has agreed “in principle” to giving a positive answer on whether or not a football team is feasible at USF, but must approve the final draft. The final decision will be made in December. 4703

The student government will hold a rally in support of a football team at USF. Administrators have informed organizers that alcohol will not be allowed at the rally.

Former Buccaneer All Pro Lee Roy Selmon and current Buccaneer tight end Ron Hall

4700 O 1/14/92 p1
4701 O 1/14/92 p17, 1/30/92 p15, 1/31/92 p1
4702 O 10/13/92 p12
4703 O 2/6/92 p1 and 13, the Oracle publishes a comprehensive article detailing the 115-page football plan, O 8/17/92 p12C.
will appear at the rally. The rally is viewed as a tremendous success. The Athletic Council will vote on December 12th whether or not to recommend that President Borkowski study the feasibility of a USF Football program. The prospect of a USF Football program has been endorsed by the USF Football Feasibility Committee, the Alumni Association, and the Student Government.\footnote{O 11/3/92 p1, 11/4/92 p5 and 20, 11/5/92 p1, 11/10/92 p1}

The USF Faculty Senate opposes the establishment of a football program because of “financial instability and shrinking resources” and concern over the “potential impact of football on the environment and culture of the USF campus.”\footnote{O 11/20/92 p1}

The council votes to approve (the vote is 15-2) moving forward and studying the financial feasibility of establishing a football team. In order to move to the next phase, the school must raise a $5 million endowment and get approval for an increase in the student athletic fees. Richard Lane exclaims joyously after the vote, “they want us to go and get the money? Five million? Sure! No problem.” Lane counts himself as “an optimistic person” and believes that “the money will be there.” USF President Francis Borkowski warns that even if the money is available, it does not guarantee a future football program at USF. The financial feasibility study must be finished by 1 December 1993. There was some opposition to the plan, but many on the panel shared Lane’s optimism. Lane exclaims that he already knows what colors he’d like to see on the uniforms. Hopefully they will be like “the uniform that Notre Dame wore in the Sugar Bowl last year…gold Pants, dark green jersey, gold helmets – South Florida Bulls. It’ll be awesome.”\footnote{O 12/3/92 p1, 12/4/92 p1}
There is still significant opposition to the establishment of a football team, especially from faculty members, who cite the current budget crisis as the reason for their worry. On the student front, an Oracle article argues that while “in general, students are in favor of a football team,” there are many that are opposed or simply “don’t care either way.”

There is an argument between a student crossing the street between the Andros and Argos complexes, and a driver stopped at the crosswalk. After the argument, the driver intentionally hits the student, injuring his left foot and leg. The Oracle publishes a description of the driver and the car, hoping to help police apprehend the driver.

The USF Women’s basketball team sets an attendance record, with 837 in the seats, in a loss to the University of Florida. Oracle columnist John Cotey wonders if they miscounted, believing that the correct number was probably closer to 650 (well below the old mark of 750) and wonders why the organizers did not use turnstiles rather than using “counting fingers.”

Dan Walbolt, Vice President of Student Affairs, no longer supervises USF athletics. Officials claim that the change is not related to the Marvin Taylor case, even though Walbolt leaves the post just days before the BOR is scheduled to release its report on the Taylor case, which Walbolt handled. USF President Francis Borkowski claims that USF is making the change because most schools have an athletic director that reports directly to the president, not to a vice-president.
The Oracle publishes a two part series analyzing the Marvin Taylor disciplinary procedure, which has been ongoing since November of 1989. The Oracle reports that Taylor was accused of “physically or verbally harassing four USF coeds” and accused by one of sexual battery, on 31 October 1989. The alleged victim that she was “sexually assaulted without violence” on 29 October 1989. According to the police report, the victim went to Dr. Marcia Hausman at the counseling center on 2 November 1989, Dr. Hausman advised her to not press charges, but instead report the incident to Student Affairs, which the student did on the same day. Once this occurred, the case was out of the hands of the University Police and into the hands of Student Affairs. The victim decided to not press charges at that time. Walbolt became involved in the case when informed by Athletic Director Paul Griffin that Taylor had been suspended. Walbolt explained in a letter that he was taking an interest in the case because Associate Vice President for Student Affairs Troy Collier did not handle disciplinary matters “in a timely manner.” Walbolt explained that students are not suspended unless it is proven that they pose an “imminent threat to the health and safety of another student,” which Taylor did not (even though he had been accused by three different women of verbal and physically harassment, one of which withdrew from the university).

Walbolt then contacted Bill Anton, director of the counseling center, because he wanted to know more about acquaintance rape (the alleged victim had known Taylor). Through the center’s evaluation of Taylor, Walbolt found that the basketball player was being truthful and was not violent. On 20 November 1989, the victim and a friend went to Walbolt’s office and proclaimed, according to Walbolt and Collier, that she was feeling “harassed by Taylor and other students, and wanted the entire matter dropped.”
According to Walbolt, the victim’s friend could not understand why Walbolt had suspended Taylor from the basketball team. The Oracle writer wonders about “troubling questions” revolving around the counseling center’s part in the incident and Dan Walbolt’s lack of knowledge concerning the many charges made against Taylor. The Oracle published the original accusation on 18 April 1990. An Oracle reporter also filed a request with the state attorney’s office for documents pertaining to the case. While examining the documents “it became apparent that there was a pattern of behavior attributed to Taylor that had gone unattended.” The athletic department, the Counseling Center for Human Development, the office of Student Affairs and the University Police “were all aware of the various charges” against Taylor. These charges raised the aforementioned “troubling questions” concerning Vice President for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt.4711

The Oracle reports that the alleged victim informed reporters that she does not believe it was Dr. Hausman who suggested she go to Student Affairs and not the UP. Hausman is not able to reply directly on the case, but says that she would not give a student such advice. The Oracle also questions whether it is wise for Dr. William Anton to serve on the Presidential committee on the issue while serving in the counseling center.4712

The BOR releases their report on the Taylor case at USF. They find that USF requires “major, structural, procedural and personnel” change. Dan Walbolt believes that the findings do not contain “undue criticism” of his office and does not believe that his job is in jeopardy. The BOR also finds that victim advocates should be provided for

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4712  O 1/23/92 p1
students and criminal records of students should be verified and reported. They also feel that USF should make more effort to discuss “the significance of date rape or acquaintance rape, alcohol and drug abuse, and safe sex” among students. The USF police should have a written understanding with the Hillsborough County State Attorney’s office concerning cases that should be referred to the state attorney. USF should “develop a culture of openness” with the public and the media. Finally, the BOR recommends that Student Affairs, the UP, and the General Counsel, should develop policies for the release of UP records. The final recommendation is made because the Florida Educational Record Protection Act includes criminal records, allowing records of the many complaints against Taylor come out in a slow process.4713

An Oracle article reveals that Associate Vice President for Student Affairs Charles Hewitt gave Marvin Taylor $60 for lodging from the personal funds of Vice President for Student Affairs Dan Walbolt. Taylor was ordered to leave campus by 11 February 1991, but requested that he be allowed to stay for another day because of his scheduled flight on the 12th. Because Taylor was told to leave by the 11th, Walbolt gave the student money for a nights lodging. Hewitt delivered the money, and the University Police escorted Taylor to a local hotel. Hewitt states that Walbolt used personal funds because of the time involved in getting school funds. Because Taylor had been dismissed from the basketball team, the gift does not violate NCAA rules. According to those involved, the loan was given for two reasons; to ensure Taylor had somewhere to go, and to ensure that he would not return to campus.4714

4713 O 1/27/92 p1, 1/29/92 p1, the Oracle also publishes a timeline of the Taylor case on 1/29/92 p1.
4714 O 1/28/92 p1
Dan Walbolt resigns as Vice President of Student Affairs. Walbolt, who had planned to retire in May 1993, writes in a letter to USF President Francis Borkowski, that, “Because of recent (news) reports, there has been an erosion of confidence in my ability to discharge the responsibilities of my office…it is appropriate for me to step aside.” Walbolt had been at USF for 22 years. Walbolt resigned because of the negative publicity surrounding the Taylor case. He touched upon his concern for the safety of the students and “a university environment that protects young women from sexual harassment.” Former SG President Brian Tannebaum feels that “it’s a shame that this one incident overshadows all the good he’s done.” Current SG President Keevin Williams believes that Walbolt’s replacement will be hired from outside the university since “most everyone’s hands in the department were muddied by the entire Taylor affair.” Walbolt hopes that his resignation will “start a healing process.” Barbara Sherman, former dean and executive officer of the Ft. Myers campus, comes out of retirement to serve as interim Vice-President for Student Affairs.

President Francis Borkowski announces changes that will be implemented in response to the BOR’s report on the Taylor case. Borkowski reports that the school will establish an office for women’s issues, which will be run by a Special Assistant to the President for Women’s Issues. Borkowski also announces a victim’s advocacy plan, which will include a full-time advocacy coordinator and two part-time advocates. Borkowski tells those at the press conference that he “deeply” regrets the circumstances of the Taylor case, and he takes “full responsibility for the university’s actions and lack of action.” Borkowski will appear before the BOR to discuss the case and the changes that will come about because of it. Borkowski meets with the BOR and again expresses
his “regret and embarrassment” over the case, he also again accepted full responsibility. The BOR accepts Borkowski’s revisions to school policy, but moves his annual BOR evaluation from the fall of 1992, to March of 1992.\footnote{4716}

Borkowski announces changes to his action plan recommended by the BOR. According to the President, the BOR recommends that the Victims Advocate Office not report to the Special Assistant to the President for Women’s Issues because campus victims may not be exclusively female. The changes also include a comprehensive review of the organizational structure of the administration and the campus.\footnote{4717}

President Borkowski names Jeanette Abin Marcus interim Women’s Advocate Coordinator. The president names Anne Fisher as the Special Assistant to the President on Women’s Issues. Fisher has been acting director of student affairs at USF/New College in Sarasota for two years and was nominated for the position by USF Sarasota Dean David Schenck.\footnote{4718}

The BOR Women’s Caucus calls for the resignation of USF President Francis Borkowski. According to the chair of the meeting, Elaine Gordan, Borkowski was “very cavalier” about the Taylor incident. Representative Mary Figg (who represents USF’s district) is upset that, in the Taylor case, “the victim was not protected – the perpetrator was.” Education Commissioner Betty Castor is supportive of Borkowski and believes that the President’s solutions could help ensure that the situation will not occur again.\footnote{4719}
The NCAA believes that Marvin Taylor may have gotten “legal representation at a reduced cost or no cost” and requests that USF do an investigation into the possibility.4720

As part of the celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s birthday, students unveil a bust of the slain civil rights leader on the Martin Luther King Plaza.4721

Because of confusion over responsibility for the recycling bins by the intramural fields, the bins have not been emptied and have been overflowing for a month. The Physical Plant is responsible for most bins on campus, but claims that Student Government and Student Affairs are responsible for the intramural bins because they are co-sponsors of the student volunteer recycling project.4722

The Student Government Computer Services is in dire need of space to meet student needs. According to Marley Jakel, the computer lab manager, there is often a two-hour wait to use the lab and last year over 24,000 students utilized their services. Approximately 200 students use the computer lab every day.4723

There is a merger between Tampa General Hospital and the USF College of Medicine, establishing residency for interns and training for faculty at Tampa General.4724

Police and wildlife officials seize an illegal piranha from a student residing in the Beta Dormitory.4725
The BOR overturns President Francis Borkowski’s attempt to add sexual orientation to USF’s Equal Opportunity Policy. Borkowski issues a memo which “unofficially prohibited” the harassment of homosexuals. Borkowski states in the memo that “any act of harassment toward members of any group, including the gay or lesbian community, is totally unacceptable at this university.”

There is a particularly dangerous explosion in the Science Center, caused by an experiment in room 306. The explosion releases toxic gases.

The construction of a house for the President, which has been in discussion since 1985, will begin this summer. The Lifsey House (named in honor of $600,000 donors Julian and Mary Ann Lifsey) will feature four bedrooms, a conference room, an office, a family room, a staff lounge, and a guest suite. The house will be about 10,815 square feet. USF begins accepting bids for the $1.1 million project, which will be built on Alumni Road across from the CIS Building.

Five injuries at a recent concert reignite the debate over ‘slam-dancing’ at concerts on the USF campus.

The Tampa campus loses power from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm. Classes are either cancelled, or moved into hallways lit with emergency generators. The Bull’s Night Out Bonfire begins as planned. One student was trapped in a library elevator during the entire blackout. Library staff members are not sure how they missed the student during the evacuation process. Burned cables on campus caused the power outage.

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4726 O 2/4/92 p1, 10/7/92 p1
4727 O 2/5/92 p1
4728 O 2/10/92 p3, 10/26/92 p1
4729 O 2/11/92 p1, 2/12/92 p2. The “slam dancing” debate was also an issue at USF in 1984.
4730 O 2/13/92 p1, 2/14/92 p2 and 3
The Alumni Association announces plans to build the Sam and Martha Gibbons Alumni Center.\textsuperscript{4731}

USF’s former African American SG Presidents Les Miller (also a former City Council Commissioner), Karl Brown (now an attorney in Miami), and Jeff Styles (A law Student in Washington D.C.), will join current SG President Keevin Williams at the Third Annual African American Symposium.\textsuperscript{4732}

USF student Lionel Ratnayake is arrested and charged with grand theft. The campus has been plagued with theft for the past few months. When an officer saw a laser printer under the stairs in Cooper Hall, he waited for someone to return for the stolen item. When the suspect came to gather the item, the officer confronted him. The suspect charged the officer and escaped, but dropped his book bag, allowing police to get an address. The police found $50,000 worth of stolen items at the suspect’s apartment.\textsuperscript{4733}

President Francis Borkowski asks that the Homecoming Committee to “reconsider plans to distribute condoms with the USF logo on the package during Homecoming events. According to the Oracle, the administration has decided that distributing the condoms would be “inappropriate.” Buddy Morris, Homecoming Committee Chair, says that the distribution plans fall into National Condoms Week.\textsuperscript{4734}

Comedian Paul Rodriguez will be performing as part of USF’s homecoming festivities.\textsuperscript{4735}

The Oracle publishes a special Homecoming section. This year, Homecoming celebrates a “Carnival USF: Back to the Beach” theme.\textsuperscript{4736}
Members of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity win the spirit award at halftime of the homecoming basketball game. During the second half of the game, the first row in the Pi Kappa Alpha section is ejected from the Sun Dome for “constantly insulting” the visiting team, and for “throwing plastic megaphones” at the visiting team’s bench and UP officers escorting people out. The entire fraternity eventually leaves in solidarity with their exiled brothers, and later claims that it was people in another section throwing the items.\textsuperscript{4737}

There has been an ongoing debate over the presence of the Florida Public Interest Research Group (FPIRG) on campus. The Oracle claims that the FPIRG has withheld information from administrators and legislators, the FPIRG claims that the Oracle gives a “slanted” interpretation of the news.\textsuperscript{4738}

The Lakeland campus hopes to encourage voter turnout in SG elections by holding the elections in the evening, catering to their large population of students taking evening classes.\textsuperscript{4739}

Following a heated senate debate, which defeated a bill to provide interim funding for the Anthropology Club, two senators resign their positions. One of the senators, Susanna Perez (College of Arts and Sciences) says that she resigned because she “joined student government in order to make a difference – not to nit-pick over bureaucratic technicalities.”\textsuperscript{4740}

There has been an ongoing debate on campus throughout the semester regarding an upcoming speech by controversial African American Activist and chairman of the

\textsuperscript{4736} Oracle, Homecoming Special Section, 2/10/92
\textsuperscript{4737} O 2/17/92 p1
\textsuperscript{4738} O 2/10/92 p1, 2/14/92 p1, 2/17/92 p1, 2/19/92 p1, 2/20/92 p1. FPIRG stays in the news throughout the year.
\textsuperscript{4739} O 2/7/92 p1
\textsuperscript{4740} O 2/21/92 p1
African-American studies program at New York’s City College, Leonard Jeffries. Some groups plan counter-forums to preach opposing views. Many people write letters to the editor supporting or opposing the speech. In the speech, Jeffries contends that, despite reports to the contrary, he is “not anti-white, anti-gay,” or “anti-Semitic.”

USF’s Sarasota Campus acquires the Powel Crosley, Jr. Estate Land called “Seagate.” The 28.5 acres is a logical extension of the Ringling Complex and the campus.

Piers Anthony decides to donate 81 pieces of his writing ranging from daily logs and correspondence to story drafts to the USF Library, Special Collections Department.

The debate over racism on campus and in society is reignited when anti-Jewish cartoons and swastikas are discovered on the 13th floor of Fontana Hall. Spray-painted swastikas were also found in a Fontana stair well two weeks prior to the most recent incident. Employees at the library later find stickers bearing the phrase “white power” and swastikas, as well as other racial slurs, around the library over the course of a few weeks.

An SG Office computer worth $2,000, and a student Senator’s wallet containing $200 are stolen from Senate President Brian McClard’s office during a senate meeting.

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4741 For information just before and after the Jeffries speech, read Oracle 2/25/92, 2/26/92, and 2/27/92. Quotes from O 2/26/92 p1.
4743 USF Magazine, Vol. 34, No. 2 (Spring 1992), 22.
4744 O 3/4/92 p1, 5/26/92 p1
4745 O 2/27/92 p1
Students file a grievance directed towards USF Professor John Betz, who has been at the school for 29 years. Dr. Betz, who teaches biology, has taken a leave of absence for the rest of 1992, because of student allegations that he walked out of his Sex and Reproduction class without administering the student’s exams and keeps a list of “dirty words” on hand. Betz claims that he left the class because the students “refused to settle down” and that the list is a “list of silly terms” that he uses to “show how silly we occasionally get when speaking about this subject.” Betz is happy with the leave of absence, calling it an “early Christmas present” which will give him “full pension and allow him to leave a year early.”

Because the new bookstore will not receive any state funding, management of the planned facility must acquire a loan for it. Because of this there is much debate concerning where the bookstore will be built to maximize profitability.

President Borkowski approves the recommendation by Vice President of Student Affairs and Building Committee Chair Barbara Sherman to build the new bookstore on the east side of the University Center. This location will return the bookstore to a central location on campus.

President Francis Borkowski will trade places with USF student Kerry Heheman. Heheman won the fifth annual ‘Trading Places’ contest. The day of the switch, Borkowski will hold a press conference at noon, exchange “survival kits” with Heheman. He will then have lunch at the UC dining room, tour the flea market, and pick up his class schedule. He is scheduled for Calculus III that day. After the press conference, Heheman will have lunch with administration officials at the USF club, attend several

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4746 O 3/10/92 p1
4747 O 3/9/92 p1, 3/11/92 p1
4748 O 6/11/92 p1
meetings, including one with SG President Keevin Williams, and then have some time in
the President’s office before meeting Borkowski to exchange notes at the end of the
day.  

As a result of a weeks-long debate, the Student Senate impeaches four SG
Supreme Court Justices. The issue revolves around the definition of a ‘student.’
According to the Senate, a student must be registered and have paid for classes, according
to the justices, a student is anyone on the admissions list. The Senate accused the court
of having non-students on the court. The impeachment trial became “heated” and,
according to Senator Matt Ramirez, “We were like a lynch mob…I didn’t want it to turn
out like this.”

The Society of Professional Journalists gives the Oracle a “Mark of Excellence”
award for the southeast region of the United States and names the paper’s Ed Gonzales as
the best editorial cartoonist.

Calling the SG elections “the greatest April Fool’s Day prank in recent history,”
the Oracle reports that widespread cheating in the election led to cancellation of the
results by the Election Rules Committee. There were four polling stations around the
College of Arts and Sciences in order to accommodate the large number of students.
Apparently many students went around to each of the four stations and voted up to four
times. There were other problems with the election. According to Elvia Garcia, head of
the Cooper Hall voting station, “the ballots and lists arrived late and our voting booths
contained the wrong senate nominees.” Votes cast before corrections were made must be
thrown out. According to Garcia, since there were no signs posted to tell students they

4749 O 3/24/92 p1
4750 O 3/26/92 p1
4751 O 4/1/92 p5
were on the second floor, by noon they had only collected four votes. Quienta Hunte, in the chemistry voting booth, experienced similar problems. According to eyewitnesses, the polling station at the School of medicine was “abandoned at noon,” there was no one working the poll at the College of Nursing, and there was no voting booth for the worker at the College of Public Health. There was a broken seal on the voting box for the College of Architecture, forcing its closure at 11 o’clock. At 6:30 P.M. on Election Day, a poll worker called the Oracle, wondering where to take her collected votes. She had tried to get in touch with an SG Representative, but was unsuccessful.\textsuperscript{4752}

The Oracle confirms that only five names appear as double voters. One of those listed was an Oracle reporter trying to confirm rumors that double voting had taken place. Another person on the list expressed shock and maintained that he had only voted once. The other three people on the list had ties to the campaign of Presidential Candidate David Schmidt. Jason Kerben, Schmidt’s campaign manager, voted twice to test the system and see if double voting was possible. According to Schmidt, they did this to establish grounds for a potential lawsuit. The other two double-voters were members of Beta Theta Pi, a fraternity of which Schmidt is also a member. Two members of the fraternity later admit to the Oracle that they did vote twice, and worked for the Schmidt Presidential Campaign. Schmidt maintains that he had no prior knowledge of his brothers’ actions. One of the double-voters, Ron Cox, maintains that he and Mark Weaver voted twice “independently of their relationship with the Schmidt campaign.” They voted twice “spontaneously” and “out of ignorance.” Cox says that he is “not into the political thing” and doesn’t “understand why this has been blown out of proportion.”

\textsuperscript{4752} O 4/2/92 p1
Schmidt agrees that the incident has been blown out of proportion and feels that the fact that two members of his fraternity voted twice is “circumstantial.”

The rescheduled election takes place the following week. There is a run-off between the top 2 candidates, Lesia Miller with 39% of the vote (653 total) and Lana Chiariello with 31% of the vote (511 total). Miller was considered a dark-horse candidate throughout the election process, but a late surge allowed her to pass Chiariello, who had been considered a “shoe-in” for the post as a respected student and incumbent vice-President. The election was mired in charges of mudslinging and misconduct charges, so Miller’s ability to remain the only candidate who had not been charged with anything, is considered one of the most important factors in her victory. The Oracle announces Lesia Miller’s victory in the run-off election. Miller wins 64% of the 1,996 votes cast. The Oracle reports extensively on Miller’s come from behind victory.

Florida Education Commissioner and former USF staff member, Betty Castor, is the keynote speaker at the opening of the new CIS building.

The USF College Democrats plan on protesting the inclusion of conservative columnist William F. Buckley, Jr. as the commencement speaker at this year’s graduation.

Stephen Kovacs, “an acclaimed inventor of innovative medical devices” resigns from USF after it is revealed that his Master’s Degree is a fake. Kovacs’ 24-year-old master’s diploma from the University of Alabama is really a doctored bachelor’s diploma. Kovacs’ maintains that he has documentation that university officials have
known about his educational background for at least the past four years. According to Bill Bulger, Director of Public Affairs for the Health Sciences Center, the school will probably keep Kovacs’ on as a consultant because “USF needs his expertise” concerning his recently designed heart pump. Bulger further argues that “it wasn’t the degree that was of importance to USF – it was the knowledge.”

USF confers honorary degrees upon conservative commentator William F. Buckley and *Life Magazine* photographer Alfred Eisenstaedt.

USF settles a four-year-old case with Dr. Phillip Spiegel. The two sides agreed to terms of a $993,000 settlement. USF admits to spying on Spielgel for three days in 1989 after he had applied to reinstatement as chairman of the department of orthopedics in the USF Health Sciences Center. Spiegel had claimed that he was removed in October 1988 because he disapproved of a $42 million growth plan. He claims that the school infringed his right to free speech. As a result of Spiegel’s termination, 13 members of the orthopedic faculty resigned their positions.

The University Campus Activities Board hopes to move the Elm Street Flea Market to the MLK Plaza. They feel that this step may end the “decentralization” of the USF campus. There is no consensus among Flea Market vendors as to whether or not this is a good idea.

New phone systems will be installed in the dorms in August. The new systems will feature call waiting, call forwarding, automatic callback, and three-way calling.
USF Student Jon Dennis wins the NCAA championship in the 5000-meter run. Dennis, a native of England, had been ranked as high as fourth in the world in junior’s competition. After running for Southern Illinois University in 1989, financial troubles forced Dennis to return to his home in Surrey, England. He was “burned out” by running and did not compete for two years. Dennis then moved to Tampa to train in the warm climate and applied for reinstatement to the NCAA before joining the USF program. Dennis attempts to make the English Olympic team and was in second place in the steeplechase when a calf injury forced him to exit the race. He hopes to make the Olympic team in 1996.4762

Recent USF graduate and basketball star Radenko Dobras returns to campus from his native Yugoslavia. He had hoped to play for his country in the upcoming Olympics, but civil unrest forced his return to the United States. Dobras will now prepare for the NBA Draft. Dobras, the second leading scorer in school history, is more concerned about friends and family back home than missing the Olympics.4763

Student Government holds an event where students can come and sign a door. The door will then be presented to legislators as a reminder to “Keep the doors of education open.”4764

An impasse in state government over the budget has forced the university to prepare for the worst and prepare for more cuts in funding. The Oracle runs an editorial stating that if the budget is not passed soon, this could be the last issue of the paper “for an indefinite period of time.” The legislators pass a budget a few days later. Students are

4762 O 6/9/92 p14, 7/7/92 p14
4763 O 6/11/92 p14
4764 O 6/9/92 p16, 6/11/92 p1, 6/18/92 p1
upset that the new budget includes a 15% tuition increase for in-state students and a 25% tuition increase for out-of-state and graduate students.\textsuperscript{4765}

The Oracle publishes a special edition for new students, a special “Welcome Back” issue, and a hurricane preparedness issue.\textsuperscript{4766}

Former professor Alade Tokuta has been ordered by the UP to never set foot on USF grounds again after being accused of threatening an administrator. Tokuta was meeting with the administrator after filing an equal employment opportunity grievance with the school.\textsuperscript{4767}

USF researchers “set a new world standard for thin film solar cell efficiency” shattering the previous record. Later in July, the university dedicated the first “solar-powered, electric vehicle charging station and test facility in the United States.”\textsuperscript{4768}

The Library acquires the papers of Chief Justice Paul W. Danahy, Jr. who has served as a judge since 1975 and as Chief Justice of the Second District Court of Appeal in Florida since 1986.\textsuperscript{4769}

The advisory council at USF Fort Myers establishes an “Endowment for Excellence” fund for the campus in order to provide resources for program faculty and staff development. 22 contributors have committed over $404,000.\textsuperscript{4770}

The devastation of hurricane Andrew in south Florida leads to approval of a mutual aid agreement in city of Coral Gables. The agreement, which gives USF police officers jurisdictional powers at the University of Miami, allows six UP officers head to

\textsuperscript{4765} O 6/30/92 p1, 7/2/92 p1
\textsuperscript{4766} O 8/17/92, 8/24/92, 8/25/92
\textsuperscript{4767} O 8/26/92 p1
\textsuperscript{4768} USF Magazine, Vol. 34, No. 4 (Fall 1992), 3-5.
\textsuperscript{4769} USF Magazine, Vol. 34, No. 4 (Fall 1992), 18.
\textsuperscript{4770} USF Magazine, Vol. 34, No. 4 (Fall 1992), 18.
Miami to assist officers at UM for a week. Different groups at USF also gather goods to help the ravaged area. The police officers later describe their experiences to the press.4771

Plans for Greek housing at USF must be altered because engineers have found that the planned site is “unstable.” Greek housing will now move from 50th Street and Fowler Ave. to Sycamore Drive.4772

For the third straight year, *Money* Magazine names USF New College the best public education buy in the country. The school ranks second behind the private Rice University in Houston.4773

The Sports Lounge, a dining services lounge in the Andros dorm, closes because of a lack of business. Students hope that the lounge will reopen as a pizza place, providing an alternative to dorm food.4774

The University of Tampa soccer team defeats USF 3-0 to capture the Mayor’s Cup in the annual game between the two teams.4775

Daphne Miles, former member of the SG Agency Review Board files a grievance claiming that her firing was racially motivated. Miles also questions SG President Lesia Miller’s hiring of a member of Chi Omega, the sorority to which Miller belongs. Miller denies Miles’ charges that she has been dismissing and hiring people based on race. Miles sends a letter to USF President Francis Borkowski, listing “four examples of efforts by SG since May 21 to keep African-Americans out of SG.” She cites four African-American students who had served in the SG who were rejected for reinstatement or let go. Miller claims that she was not responsible for letting three of the four go, and that

4771 O 9/1/92 p1 and 2, 9/15/92 p1
4772 O 9/4/92 p1
4773 O 9/4/92 p4
4774 O 9/8/92 p1
4775 O 9/14/92 12
previous SG President Keevin Williams had appointed three members of his fraternity while in office. Ralph Moore, a member of the Black Student Union and an SG employee, believes that Miller should meet with the BSU and directly answer charges rather than try and deflect blame.  

Lesia Miller and SG Vice President Tony Scalese publish a full-page letter in the Oracle maintaining their commitment to an “open door hiring policy.” Miller attends a BSU meeting, intending to hear their grievances. According to the Oracle, “she became a target as BSU members and others in attendance ripped her hiring record and demanded that she keep her campaign promise” of an open door policy. Many BSU members felt that Miller’s responses were inadequate because she didn’t lay out specific steps. Former SG President Keevin Williams, a member of the BSU, points out that faculty members had approached Miller in June about possible racial insensitivity in her hiring practices. Miller has no African-Americans or women in her cabinet. The meeting is full of allegations that Miller is unprepared and inaccessible, plus pleas for more open communication.  

Camille Gibson, who is black, was asked two weeks ago to resign her post as Chief Justice of the SG Supreme Court because of a no confidence vote from fellow justices. Gibson decides to leave the court altogether because of “uneasiness with current justices and their agenda.”

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4776 9/18/92 p1, 9/22/92 p1, 9/23/92 p1  
4777 9/24/92 p6, 9/25/92 p1. For more specifics on the meeting, see John Cotey’s column in the Oracle, 9/28/92 p4.  
4778 9/28/92 p1
USF President Francis Borkowski meets with the BSU to discuss the difficult racial climate on campus in recent months.\footnote{4779}

A member of the Themis Honor Society, portraying Homey the Clown from the TV show ‘In Living Color,’ is accosted by black students while performing on campus during a showcase of student groups. The student, who is white, dressed as the clown and wore black face. Some of his props, his wig, and nose were all taken and stomped on. Other students stopped the clown and addressed him angrily. The student in the costume apologizes and maintains that he did not mean to offend anyone.\footnote{4780}

MTV News Correspondent Tabitha Soren speaks on the MLK plaza about the importance of young people voting in the upcoming election. Congressman Sam Gibbons, the founder of USF, was filming a campaign commercial on campus and the College Democrats asked that Congressman Gibbons be allowed to speak before the event. Because of time constraints and poor scheduling, Gibbons is unable to address the crowd.\footnote{4781}

Plans are revealed to renovate and expand the Sun Dome. The project should cost $7.4 million and should begin on February 9, 1993. The project is scheduled to conclude in 1994.\footnote{4782}

USF is the number one campus in Florida in total number of voters registered. In the Presidential election, the polling station at the University Center doubles the total number of voters who cast ballots in 1988.\footnote{4783}
According to Physical Plant maintenance worker Neil Nyman, “Every day there is a problem” with the Cooper Hall elevators. The building will have new elevators installed to replace the ones that have been there since it was built in 1971.\textsuperscript{4784}

The Oracle publishes a special report on 20 years of women’s athletics at USF.\textsuperscript{4785}

After an internal audit into the finances of Student Government Productions, T.J Helman is suspended from her position as director. After discovering that Helman has spent almost all of the agency’s $165,669 budget, the SG Agency Review Board votes to permanently remove Helman from her post. The SG later freezes the SGP financial account.\textsuperscript{4786}

The USF Facilities Planning Department plans to spend $5 Million over the next five years to change the “central core” of USF. The “central core” is the Administration Building, Student Services, MLK Plaza, the University Center, Special Events Center, Fine Arts Building, and the Bookstore. The FDP hopes to work toward “enhancing the outsides of the buildings, creating more parking around the UC and the SEC, and building a new bookstore.” They also hope to “recreate MLK Plaza, stretch canopies between the buildings in the central core, and build an outdoor amphitheater and bell tower.”\textsuperscript{4787}

Independent Presidential Candidate H. Ross Perot speaks to students and supporters at the Sun Dome, hoping to drum up votes for tomorrow’s presidential election.\textsuperscript{4788}
The Oracle is named an Associated Collegiate Press National Pacemaker, a prestigious national award for university newspapers.\(^{4789}\)

Student Government has decided to merge Student Government Productions and University Center Activities Board into one organization, the Student Activities Council.\(^{4790}\)

There is an expected 4% increase in registration, with 33,087 expected to register for the coming semester.\(^{4791}\)

Mass Communications Professor Manny Lucoff accuses professors at USF of inflating students’ grades. Lucoff argues that high grades in the school are “out of proportion with what one might ordinarily see.” He points out that only 3% of students in Mass Communications received D’s or F’s in the spring of 1992. In that semester, of 892 students, only 9 failed. Lucoff maintains that director of the School of Mass Communications, Donna Dickerson, first informed him of the problem. Dickerson admits to telling this to Lucoff, but says that after further review she discovered that she was mistaken. Lucoff admits that he has been accused of grading to harshly and one student writes a letter to the Oracle accusing the professor of “grade deflation.” Another student accuses Lucoff of “hypocrisy,” as Lucoff’s class was a grade-inflated class. Professors in the Mass Communications department meet and discuss the issue. Students in the department are upset because they feel that they have earned their grades and Lucoff’s allegations decrease the “merit of their accomplishments and hurt future job opportunities.”\(^{4792}\)
SG President Lesia Miller exercises her first veto, vetoing Bill 56. Bill 56 would provide funding for Habitat for Humanity to travel to Miami and help build homes for victims of Hurricane Andrew. Senate President Brian McClard says that the reason for the veto is a belief that the money should not come from USF Students. The veto led to “heated arguments” at the next senate meeting.\(^{4793}\)

The Florida Historical Society, which has been at USF for 30 years, will be moving to Melbourne.\(^{4794}\)

1992: A political tug of war continues over the possible location of a public elementary school on USF’s Tampa Campus. The College of Education is a vocal advocate of the plan.

Congress approves $2 million appropriation for an Institute of Marine Engineering within the department of Marine Science.

College of Public Health building dedicated.

USF Sarasota acquires Crosley estate land.

USF has some powerful alumni in the state, but not enough. UF has 28 in the house and 8 in the senate, FSU has 15 and 7, while USF has 8 and 4.

USF students come from all over: from Hillsborough (32%), Pinellas (19%), Pasco (4%), and 11% come from out of the state. 1 in 9 students live on campus.

Research funds are high, but facilities and space are sorely lacking.

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\(^{4794}\) O 12/2/92 p1
Sponsored research averages $58 million a year, while in 1983 it was $17.8 million.

In the last two years, the state has cut $25 million from USF’s budget.

The library has 852,000 books, only half of FSU’s and less than 1/3rd of UF’s.

Borkowski apologizes to the BOR for his mishandling of a 1989 rape case involving a basketball player. B acknowledged that he was responsible the mishandling of the case. The case almost got him fired, but some last minute lobbying by two female faculty members may have saved his job. The Regents grilled B for two days, most harshly by Betty Castor. B allegedly said that the rape case was only a “lover’s quarrel,” but repeatedly denied it later. The alleged victims were not contacted by USF until this week. Marvin Taylor, a USF basketball star, has had complaints filed against him by 6 different women, ranging from battery to rape. He was not counseled, but instead USF’s administration allowed the allegations to multiply until Taylor’s athletic eligibility expired. The team kicked out Taylor for a curfew violation. Each alleged victim eventually dropped their cases because of harassment from teammates and their girlfriends. As a result of the case, B plans on setting up a victim’s advocacy center on campus, appointing an advisor on female issues, and demoting VP Walbolt, who supposedly mishandled the affair (although B defended him at the time). The BOR calls for a board policy to suspend student representatives (like athletes) charged with felonies or other serious violations. Several legislators and BOR members have openly called for his immediate resignation. The state performed an investigation into the matter and
several USF officials were criticized. After B obtained a copy of the report, he falsely claimed that no USF officials had been criticized.4795

Criticism of Borkowski’s other policies has mounted as well. Drugstore founder Jack Eckerd said he felt “grossly misled” when B solicited donations while planning to close USF’s eye institute. George Gage of GTE said he and many of his peers will not donate another dime to USF until B is gone. While B tries to raise money, USF’s enrollment has been declining among freshmen and sophomores. Students complain that B is inaccessible on campus. B has exaggerated problems with the budget, something that embarrassed many on campus. Because B is so unpopular with many state legislators, budget problems are likely to continue. State Senator John Grant is B’s most scathing local critic, but many think his ire is fueled by the fact that Grant is a board member for Moffitt Cancer Center, which B refused to grant autonomy.4796

B comes under fire again when he categorically defends VP of Health Sciences Ronald P. Kaufman’s lavish spending practices. Kaufman used USF funds to buy personal gifts, first-class air travel, lavish meals, expensive office decorations and rounds of golf with his wife and colleagues. Worst of all, B said nothing when Kaufman used USF funds to buy gifts and artwork from a business owned by K’s wife. Most of the misused funds came from the Academic Fund, a misnamed account that is made up of a percentage of fees that USF physicians charge their patients. The B administration has not been eager to make the fund’s expenditures public. Instead B has attacked the legislature for cutting USF’s budget.4797

4795 Tt 2/8/92; tt 2/6/92; spt 2/8/92, tt 2/5/92; spt 12/3/92.
4796 Tt 2/25/92.
4797 Spt 7/17/92.
Borkowski faces more controversy for getting involved in a congressional race. He spoke at a fund-raiser for congressional candidate C.W. Bill Young of Pinellas. The event raised $10,000 for Young’s campaign. Just weeks before, Young provided vital help in getting a special $2.5 million federal grant. Young’s opponent, USF Professor Karen Moffitt, complains to the press that B had already promised quiet support for her race and feels betrayed. Moffitt discovered B’s true support was with Young during a debate 12 days before the election, which she lost. Young himself boasted of the close relationship during their debate. B denied hosting any fund-raiser or contributing to Young’s campaign, but merely attended and spoke. Moffitt alleges that B never responded to an invitation to speak at one of her fund-raisers. B said he doesn’t remember any such invite. A BOR member told Moffitt that Borkowski would soon be leaving USF. There are hints that some regents who supported Moffitt are out to get B, but several members claim that his job was in jeopardy long before the election. One regent says that B’s duplicity is similar to his handling of issues pertaining to his job as USF president. Rumors abound that state Chancellor Charles Reed asked B to look for another job in a confidential job evaluation on November 3.4798

Worse yet, a shortfall in enrollment at USF caused a shortage of funds for the SUS that had to be shared by all members. USF paid $1 million to a dissident professor after pretrial testimony from B indicated that USF had a weak case. On the heels of the rape controversy, the problems mentioned above cannot help B’s credibility.4799

4798 Spt 12/3/92.
4799 Spt 12/3/92.
A new dean is welcomed to Bayboro Campus. After an exhaustive two year process involving two different search committees, Harold W. ("Bill") Heller is selected as the new dean and executive officer of the USF St. Petersburg campus.4800

Student government announces several new services for students, which it prepared and implemented over the summer vacation. First, it is opening a massage therapy program co-sponsored by SG and the Wellness Committee. In addition, the long-awaited ATM machine should be operational soon. They are also planning to enhance the production of the Crow’s Nest in order to prepare for the transition from the current newsletter format to a newspaper.4801

Mary Grigsby is appointed as director of the Nelson Poynter Memorial Library at the USF St. Petersburg Campus. Her duties will be overseeing the construction of the new $15 million library, advancing the use of technology in library services, developing special collections and encouraging community involvement through the Society for Advancement of Poynter Library.4802

USF-St. Petersburg professor of criminology Tom Mieczkowski works with a scientist from California on a test using hair samples to detect drugs.4803

A ground-breaking ceremony for a new $22 million marine science research facility is held Thursday, October 29th at the USF St. Pete Campus. USF’s marine science department and the Florida Marine Research Institute will share the new center. It will

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4800 CN: September 10, 1992, p. 1. Note: In November 1991, the Crow’s Nest began publishing again after a two year absence from the USF St. Petersburg campus.
include state-of-the-art technology for receiving, processing and modeling optical data from U.S. satellites surveying the ocean.\footnote{4804} \footnote{CN: November 9, 1992, p. 1.}

Winston T. Bridges, Jr. is named associate dean at USF St. Petersburg. The former interim dean of the campus will be responsible for administrative tasks and also for assisting the campus dean in the maintenance and development of academic programs.\footnote{4805} \footnote{CN: November 30, 1992, p. 1.}

USF Wellness Committee, the Counseling Center and the Campus Fitness Center begin a new program at USF-St. Pete called Great Strides. It is geared towards constructing a positive approach to living involving the whole person. It lets a person address six dimensions of wellness: physical, career, social, emotional, spiritual and intellectual.\footnote{4806} \footnote{CN: January 13, 1992, p. 1.}

A Student Forum on Tahiti is held at the Bayboro campus. Presented by Henry Aruffo, a USF ST. Petersburg Geography Student, “Tahiti-Paradise Found” focuses on the South Pacific’s geography, culture and beauty.\footnote{4807} \footnote{CN: January 13, 1992, p. 4.}

Two USF-St. Petersburg students receive scholarships from the Pinellas County Historical Society. Chris Sterner and Tony Smith each received checks for $1,000 at the 15\textsuperscript{th} annual banquet.\footnote{4808} \footnote{CN: February 10, 1992, p. 1.}

A 12-week lecture on ethics is hosted by the University of South Florida’s St. Pete campus. National and local experts will discuss the theoretical and practical aspects of a range of ethical issues during the series, entitled “Critical Choices: Ethics in a
Complex Society.” Some featured speakers include Andrew M. Greeley, Neil Postman, Supreme Court Justice Ben Overton and Paula Lyons.4809

Bayboro campus celebrates the history, arts and culture of Spain during the International Symposium. There is a full schedule of lectures, panel discussions, films, exhibits, and demonstrations in which the university community can participate.4810

USF St. Petersburg hosts the Suncoast Young Writers Conference entitled “Kaleidoscope of Life.” Three hundred Pinellas County students from grades six through eight will participate in the event. Among the featured speakers are authors Bruce Brooks, Herb Karl and White Deer of Autumn.4811

The Campus Women’s Collective (CWC) forms on the Bayboro campus with the goal of bringing people together to address issues of importance to men and women. The student coordinator for the group, Jamie Thomas, believes that the rapid growth of the CWD shows the need for this kind of group on campus. According to Thomas, the group serves as a support group, networking opportunity, resource-sharing base, advocacy group as well as a consciousness-raising effort.4812

Russell Means, an American Indians Rights Activist, speaks at the USF-St. Petersburg Campus Activities Center. His lecture, entitled “Our Indigenous Heritage: A Celebration of American Indian Culture” Means highlighted some of the significant contributions the American Indian has made to society.4813

4812 CN: June 1, 1992, p. 5.
4813 CN: June 1, 1992, p. 12.
1993: The College of Medicine attains full accreditation from the Liaison Committee on Medical Education, the national accrediting body. The issue will not be revisited for seven years, maximum time allowed.  

USF Students and WBUL DJ’s Paul Rizzo and Craig Borden stayed on the air for 174 straight hours during an “End the Silence” marathon. The marathon is meant to raise awareness of rape issues and open a dialogue. They also raised money for Students Organized Against Rape.  

USF falls below its 1992 goal of spending $16.6 million with minority-owned businesses. The school spends $1.6 million, far short of the goal. USF President Francis Borkowski maintains that the school attempts to spend money in minority businesses, and that other state universities fell below their goals.  

The Poynter Library at USF St. Petersburg receives two collections related to the Second World War, “Remembering Pearl Harbor,” a collection of first hand accounts, and a collection of almost 500 books.  

University administrators announce that they will no longer pursue hiring renowned Islamic studies professor John Esposito. After an 18-month search, the school was very close to offering Esposito a position, but faculty protests and budget concerns forced President Borkowski to withdraw consideration. The faculty senate was concerned about the cost of paying such a renowned professor, in a school with so few

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4816 O 1/11/93 p1
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student majors, when the budget crunch is forcing administrators to cut faculty positions.  

According to the University Police, the theft of parking hangtags has become a growing problem on campus. According to Parking Services, 127 hangtags were reported stolen last semester, for an average of about 2 per school day. The school year is about a week old, and already 7 hangtags have been reported stolen.  

So far this semester, vandals have broken into three vending machines and stolen the contents.  

At the Elm Street Flea Market, faculty members, administrators, and students stand in a “mock jail” in support of a petition drive for Amnesty International and political prisoners around the world.  

Two USF basketball players are dismissed from the team. Chad Dollar and Mike Hostetter violated team rules by celebrating Dollar’s 21st birthday by drinking alcohol on the team’s most recent road trip. This leaves the Bulls with just 10 players for the rest of the season. Chris Coleman and Sean Allen decide to quit the team later in the season, after these two leave at the end of the semester, there will be only seven players on the basketball team. The school had a 13-man roster at the beginning of the season, mostly filled with younger players hoping to rebuild the program.

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4819 O 1/15/93 p1, 4/20/93 p1
4820 O 1/21/93 p1
4821 O 1/21/93 p1
4822 O 1/22/93 p1, 3/30/93 p1

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Telecommunications coordinator Jim Matthews is giving free country-line
dancing lessons every Thursday to USF employees. Last semester, the average class had
about 20 people. This semester, the first class drew 40.4823

For the second time in less than a year, the SG office is robbed. Thieves take a
Macintosh LC II hard drive valued around $1,300.4824

Protests by a company who claims to have filed a lower bid for construction rights
to the Lifesey house, may force a delay in the construction.4825

The SG discusses the prospect of merging with the University Center Activities
Board and forming a Campus Activities Board to centralize the interests of both groups.
The plan is passed and Student Government Productions merges with UCAB to form the
CAB. Former SG Chief of Staff Chris Andraga is the director of CAB. Senator Jim
Johnson claims that the CAB is “more student-controlled” than Student Government
Productions under the Miller administration.4826

In the fall of 1993, USF will be offering a PhD program in the geology
department.4827

Maya Angelou, who recently spoke at President Bill Clinton’s inauguration, will
be speaking at the USF Special Events Center in honor of Black Emphasis Month.4828

The Student Government Supreme Court votes to fire the court clerk, Sandra
Solomon, citing poor performance of her duties. Oliver Perdomo, the chief justice,
initiates the motion. Perdomo believes that the troubles with Solomon have escalated and
must be handled. Perdomo cites “improperly filed out time sheets and a class schedule that conflicts with her duties” as his problems with Solomon. Solomon and Perdomo have had personal troubles in the past. Last October, Perdomo felt the need to “clearly define” Solomon’s job description as a result of extensive complaints. Because they have had these problems, Solomon has been going to the Assistant Comptroller to sign her time sheets. While this is legal, the comptroller has no idea how long she works on a given day or week. Perdomo claims that Solomon signed for a full 15 hour workweek, but did not work that long. Solomon claims that Perdomo “has a personal vendetta” against her and denies that he has the grounds to terminate her. While Perdomo claims there is no personal animosity on his part, Justice Kristin Tremmel argues that Perdomo “can’t keep his personal problems out of the office.” Tremmel argues that Perdomo had tried to alter rules in order to affect Solomon’s ability to work. Tremmel feels that Perdomo was “creating the problem, he is hell-bent on getting her fired and it happened.”

Perdomo will face impeachment proceedings. Student Affairs Committee Chair Jim Johnson brought up the charges, arguing that Perdomo “engaged in behavior unbecoming an SG official” and violated Florida’s sunshine law in firing Solomon. Tremmel argues that the proceedings to fire Solomon should have been stopped because Solomon was not present to defend herself, and that Perdomo spoke at length on the matter, but few other Justices spoke. Johnson argues that Perdomo also “unethically” presided “over his own vote of confidence.” Perdomo defends himself, stating, “Things have gotten out of hand…she [Solomon] was not fired by me. She was fired by the whole court.”

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4830 O 1/26/93 p1
Sandra Solomon is escorted from the SG office by the University Police. On the afternoon of Friday, January 29th, Solomon claims she was in the office waiting for Anthony Glover, of the Election Rules Committee. Solomon claims that, as an A & S fee paying student, she has every right to be in the office waiting for someone. Solomon was asked to leave a number of times by SG Secretary Theresa Colina, Director of Multicultural Affairs Sabu Kalarickal, and SG Director of Governmental Affairs Matt Ramirez. Ramirez claims that when he asked Solomon to leave, “She was verbally abusive” and told him to call (Associate Dean of Students) Troy Collier if he had a problem. Collier was unavailable. According to Ramirez, Solomon was asked to leave the office the previous day, and told not be come back by SG Vice President Tony Scalese. Scalese argued that Solomon should not be in the office until after impeachment proceedings of Justice Oliver Perdomo. Scalese claims that many members of the investigation committee complained that Solomon was “making her way around the office, talking to the members, trying to get them to side with her” on the impeachment case. Ramirez called the UP and asked them to remove Solomon from the office. SG President Lesia Miller was not in the office, but after speaking with Oracle columnist Billy Lee Newland about her options, Miller decides to suspend Ramirez for his actions. The event escalates racial tensions that have existed between the Miller administration and the African American community for months. Solomon, who is African American, is escorted out of the office just three days before the start of Black Emphasis Month at USF; and just over one week before an on-campus lecture by acclaimed poet Maya Angelou.4831

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Member of USF’s various African American student organizations gather on the Martin Luther King Jr. Plaza and castigate Lesia Miller and her SG Presidential Administration. Members of these groups charge Miller with running a racist administration and call for her resignation. Speakers include Miller’s predecessor as SG President Keevin Williams, who says of Black Emphasis month, “This is supposed to be a time of celebration but instead, because of the diseases of inequality that are festering in SG…I realize there is work to be done.” Monique Beau, President of the Black Student Union, and Daphne Miles, who claimed her firing from SG last semester was racially motivated, also speak to the large crowd. The rally also features speeches by three others who claim they were fired or not rehired by the Miller administration because of their race. During the daytime rally, speakers attempt to get SG President Lesia Miller to come and speak to the protesters.

Directly following the rally, Beau leads supporters upstairs to the SG office and demands that Miller speak with them. SG Vice President Tony Scalese claims that Miller is home studying, it is revealed later that the President was instructed by Associate Vice President of Student Affairs Barbara Sherman to stay at home. The group of about 100 people then began a sit-in in the SG office. It is arranged that Miller will meet the protesters at 6 pm. The group lines the halls on the second floor of the UC, so that Miller will have to walk past all of them on the way to the UC Administration Meeting Room.

Because of threats received, Lesia Miller arranges for a police escort to enter the University Center. Unknown to protestors, she also arranges for her “look-alike sister,” Montese, to act as a body double. Montese Miller enters the UC and walks through the crowd of angry protestors, while Lesia Miller sneaks up a side stairwell and into the
room. The meeting went on behind closed doors. After about an hour, Keevin Williams “emerged disgusted” and informed the crowd that, according to SG VP Tony Scalese, “the reason for the lack of black representation in the SG cabinet was due to a lack of qualified black applicants.” Williams was also angry about being lied to about Miller’s whereabouts during the day. Beau and BSU VP Cornell Boyd left the meeting just after Williams. The group had hoped to get Miller to fire Ramirez and resign herself, a request that she denied.

Miller finally came out to address the crowd just before 9:30 pm. In what the Oracle terms, “a short, rambling speech,” Miller apologizes for being unavailable earlier, and informs the crowd that she would like answers to the problems. Miller acknowledges the problems and says that she would like to see solutions. Miller refuses to resign, and refuses to answer questions, the two main requests from the crowd. Keevin Williams reiterates that Miller’s inability to discuss the issue is indicative of a larger problem (Miller had been accused of being unprepared to face similar issues last semester) and a failure of leadership. Miller still refuses to answer questions and doesn’t feel that “resigning is appropriate and it’s an affirmation of running away from the problems.”

Immediately following her address to the crowd, Miller “walked from the room, and once out of sight she sprinted out of the UC and into the night.” The image of Miller literally running away from the UC was a poignant one for student Vikki Ho-Shing, who stated, “How could she run? Leaders do not run, and that’s what she did.” Students who participated in the sit-in, have come prepared with sleeping bags and plans to turn the protest into a “sleep-in.” There are also tentative plans to bring the issue to the
appearance by Maya Angelou and the homecoming festivities, because of an increase in press coverage.

Miller later argues that she was, indeed, at home studying for an exam the day of the protest. She also claims that members of her administration were hired on merit and not race. Miller also argues that Sandra Solomon was removed from the SG office because she made threats to members of the SG while in the office.\footnote{4832}

Administrators stayed on campus after working hours ended in order to try and ameliorate the situation. President Francis Borkowski will not go to the sit-in because the issue should be handled by Student Affairs and “it would not be appropriate for the president to get involved” because he is “not privy to the full and complete substance of either argument.”\footnote{4833}

The day after her ill-fated meeting with the protestors, Lesia Miller addresses the SG Senate in an attempt to improve the situation. The Senate meeting must be held in the Special Events Center because of the large crowd interested in the proceedings. Keevin Williams, a spokesman for the coalition of groups protesting Miller’s policies, reiterates that Miller is an ineffective leader and charges that her appearance the previous night was “woefully inadequate.” Williams states that the coalition will work with others to change the atmosphere, but “it would be difficult for myself and other to work with Lesia Miller when she has betrayed us and deceived us.” Black Student Union representative William Leonard argues that “tonight Lesia Miller did what she has been doing since she first took office. She pushed the issues aside as she pushed the students aside.” Miller argues that “there is a misconception of communication” and that she has been “forever accessible to

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the students.” Miller maintains that she has met with student leaders “frequently” and “never refused to appear before a BSU meeting.” Miller denies that she ran from the University Center following Monday night’s meeting, and reiterates that she is willing to meet her critics.

After the meeting, a committee is formed to look into the prospect of impeaching Miller. SG Senator Seth Hoffman forms the committee. The committee will spend two weeks reviewing the situation and will then make a recommendation to the Senate, the SG will then vote whether to continue the impeachment process or drop the charges. According to the Oracle, “a majority of the Senators appeared to be in favor of requesting Miller’s resignation” although “a few” support the embattled President. Hoffman believes that “whether or not she is a racist, it is clear that Lesia Miller has shown that she is incapable of fulfilling a leadership role.”

The impeachment case of SG Supreme Court Justice Oliver Perdomo, whose firing of clerk Sandra Solomon ultimately led to the recent controversy, is “in limbo.” Four of the six charges brought against Perdomo are dropped. Matt Ramirez, the SG Director of Governmental Affairs who called the police to remove Solomon from the SG offices, resigns. Ramirez resigned because he believed his continued service in student government would “cause friction” and because he wants to focus on his campaign for Student Body President. The Coalition asking for Lesia Miller’s resignation had also demanded that she fire Ramirez. Ramirez hopes his resignation will lead to a better dialogue between the Student Coalition and the Student Government. Ramirez later goes before the BSU to defend himself and his actions in calling the police to remove Solomon. Just weeks after the controversy, Ramirez and Samantha Solomon both run for

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the vacant Arts and Sciences Senate seat. Neither of the former adversaries wins, losing to Matt Emrich.\textsuperscript{4835}

The impeachment committee looking into the charges against Oliver Perdomo eventually drops all the charges.\textsuperscript{4836}

Lesia Miller will hold a student forum featuring a question and answer session. She also claims that she will produce documented evidence that her administration has been fair to minorities. Miller again states that she will not resign her office and that she didn’t run from the building, saying that if she had, “I would have fallen because I have a bad ankle.” She also maintains that her sister Montese did not act as a decoy, that she simply entered the UC the same way she always enters the UC. Mitch Crandall, SG Attorney General, believes that Miller was right to get a police escort. Crandall argues that he was afraid for Miller and for his own safety. According to Crandall, “Daphne Miles said, ‘She’s not leaving until she answers questions tonight.’ And she didn’t say it in a nice voice. It was a high voice and she was using hand gestures. It seemed very threatening.”\textsuperscript{4837}

Interim Vice President of Student Affairs Barbara Sherman and Associate Vice President of Student Affairs Charles Hewitt hold a question and answer session with members of the Student Coalition. Sherman denies that she encouraged Lesia Miller to avoid coming to campus on the day of the protest (although she did encourage Miller to do whatever she normally does on Mondays, to “go about her daily business”). Both administrators believe that Miller should have made herself available earlier the day of the protest and Sherman “hinted at some uneasiness” with some of Miller’s decisions.

\textsuperscript{4835} O 2/3/93 p2, 2/4/93 p1, 2/5/93 p1, 2/24/93 p1
\textsuperscript{4836} O 2/15/93 p1
\textsuperscript{4837} O 2/4/93 p1
Hewitt told the audience that closing down the SG entirely was one option that the administrators still had at their disposal. 4838

The possibility that Student Affairs might dissolve the SG concerns both parties, the Student Coalition and the Student Government. Lesia Miller will hold her Student Forum in the Special Events Center on Monday, February 8th, exactly one week after the Student Coalition protest that turned into a sit-in and a sleep-in. According to the Oracle, “there is speculation that the forum is Miller’s final chance to salvage her presidency.” There is a rumor that if the controversy continues, Student Affairs will dissolve the SG to avoid picketing at Maya Angelou’s speech the following night. According to Barbara Sherman, USF President Francis Borkowski is “extremely concerned” and “wants to find the quickest solution.” 4839

The Office of Student Affairs orders the deactivation of SG President Lesia Miller and Vice President Tony Scalese, the termination of the SG Cabinet and the Agency Review Board, effectively disbanding the executive branch of Student Government. Lesia Miller’s 1:00 Student Forum does not take place because Miller is informed of their decision early in the morning. Interim Vice President of Student Affairs Barbara Sherman and Associate Vice President of Student Affairs Chuck Hewitt tell Miller of the development. A commission will be put together to look into ways that Student Government can be improved, and will finish its report in mid-April, so new SG elections can take place. Borkowski made his decision to support Barbara Sherman’s decision

4838 O 2/5/93 p1
4839 O 2/8/93 p1. The Oracle also publishes a comprehensive timeline of the events leading up to Lesia Miller’s troubles on 2/8/93, p2. It should also be noted that, throughout the turmoil, and for a long time afterwards, the Oracle’s letters and opinion page is utilized as a means of communication of opinion. Oracle Associate Editor Roger Mills writes a piece on Sandra Solomon, describing her actions while an Oracle employee (she was fired from her job at the paper) as being similar to those from which she was excused form the Student Government. Similarly to the Student Government, Mills accuses Solomon of making threats towards others after her termination, Oracle, 2/8/93 p4.
“with great regret,” but “it had become very clear that SG had unfortunately become dysfunctional.”

According to the Oracle, members of both the SG and the Student Coalition were opposed to the move. Members of the Black Student Union reiterate that it was never their intention to have the SG dissolved. Members are considering picketing the Maya Angelou speech in protest of the administration’s actions. Many members also express apprehension that Lesia Miller will remain in a paying position as an adviser for the new committee looking into reworking student government.

Ousted SG Vice President Tony Scalese delivers a “barely audible” speech, and the VP broke into tears just after the beginning of the speech. Scalese reveals to the crowd that if Miller had not resigned at the meeting, he and their executive assistant Chris Andraga were going to request her resignation. Scalese and “certain spokespersons for the coalition,” believe that the issue could have been resolved with Miller’s resignation and Scalese’s insertion as President. Scalese concluded his speech by telling Miller that he was sorry, and that he was not turning his back on her or “taking the role of Brutus,” but was “attempting to teach” the former President that “minority students, particularly African-Americans students, have a unique concern.” Scalese hugged Miller at the end of his speech and left the building after hugging friends and family. An Oracle editorial points out that “it was Scalese who was there to face the crowds last Monday, it was Scalese who showed sensitivity to minority concerns, it was Scalese who has been approachable. Not surprisingly, it was Scalese who was accused of being a turncoat.”
In an interview with the press following the speech, Miller said that it was “painful” to hear what Scalese said and not be aware of his feelings before. She had spoken with him the previous night and Scalese had not mentioned his concerns. According to Miller, because of Scalese’s opinions expressed in the speech, “you really have to question his personal integrity.” Miller then criticized Student Affairs for taking their actions because of the upcoming Maya Angelou speech. President Borkowski claims that he would have done the same thing regardless of whether or not it was homecoming week and Angelou was coming to campus. Miller also chastised the administration for a lack of involvement, saying, “They haven’t advised us. And some of the advice given by the administration hasn’t been the best.”

The possible formation of a “transition team” may return some powers to an SG executive. Because there is no representative of the executive branch, there is no official representative for off-campus events, including the Florida Student Association meetings.

The Oracle also publishes an article on the futures of various SG members who lost jobs because of the dissolution of the executive branch. Because many students rely on their jobs with the SG for their livelihood, administrators will listen to their situation and their current projects and decide if these students will be kept on the payroll.

University Police have prepared extra protection for the homecoming parade because there have been death threats levied toward former SG Presidents Keevin
Williams and Lesia Miller, both central players on opposite sides of the recent debate. Williams will be riding on a float in the parade.  

Maya Angelou’s scheduled speech at the SEC is a success.  More than 2,000 people had to be turned away because of the large turnout and the building was full to capacity an hour and half before she began speaking.  

Vice President for Student Affairs Barbara Sherman names Richard Taylor, Dean of continuing education and associate professor of philosophy, head of the Commission on Student Government, which is looking into changes necessary in SG.  Sherman selects student representatives less than two weeks later.  

In a unanimous vote, the Commission on Student Government recommends that SG elections be postponed until the coming fall.  The recommendation is made to Student Affairs, the administrative arm with the final say in the matter.  

The Student Senate and the USF administration have been at odds over the past few weeks over the administration’s dissolving of the SG executive branch.  A debate over who should run the SG without the presence of an executive is hotly contested.  The Senate passes a bill enacting an Emergency Council on Agency Oversight to oversee the six SG agencies.  Administrators feel that they should have a say in approving the oversight apparatus.  

Ousted SG President Lesia Miller has filed for an administrative hearing to prove that she was unlawfully removed from office.  Five USF administrators have been
subpoenaed in the case. Miller is asking for the hearing along with her former Attorney General Mitch Crandall and current SG Senate Vice-President Cristan Fadal.4851

Cristan Fadal is now “disassociating” himself from Miller’s legal action. Fadal claims that he “was not fully aware of the issue at hand.” Fadal says that Miller asked him to be a part of the move because he is taking classes at USF and serves in the Student Senate. Fadal claims that he informally agreed to support her claim, but never wanted to be listed as a petitioner in the case. Fadal admits to signing documents at the last SG meeting when, according to him, “Lesia Miller’s mother frantically ran in asking for his signature.”4852

Former SG President Lesia Miller loses her case when Florida officials dismiss her charges against USF.4853

Although the USF Victim’s Advocate Program is just one year old, it has assisted almost 200 people since its inception.4854

This year’s homecoming will have a “Carnivale USF ’93” theme. Because of poor attendance, Oracle editors publish an editorial published stating, “we have lost count of the number of times we have been surprised and outraged over sparse attendance at events that should have drawn thousands”:

The conclusion is that it is useless to harp on apathy and express regret at poor attendance at certain events. The painful fact is this: If you want rah-rah and students who bleed school colors, go to Florida or Florida State. If you want a quiet, solid education with a smattering of entertainment and are unwilling to commit yourself to the school after classes, this seems to be the place for you. That’s just the way USF is. And there’s nothing wrong with that.

4851 O 6/17/93 p1
4852 O 6/21/93 p3
4853 O 8/27/93 p1
4854 O 2/5/93 p1
The editor promises that this will be the final editorial chiding students for apathy, “this year, and hopefully forever. It’s old, we’re tired, and that’s just the way it is.”

At homecoming, Keevin Williams and Lana Chiarello, who served together as SG President and Vice President in 1991-1992, are selected as homecoming king and queen.

The St. Petersburg city council votes to donate 35 acres of land to the USF St. Pete campus. The space will be used for expanded available classrooms and parking spaces.

Because of the possible number of people in attendance, and in order to meet fire codes, spring graduation at USF will be split into two separate ceremonies.

Parking tickets at USF are the most expensive of all the state universities. A parking citation comes with a $15 fee at the University of Florida and Florida State University. The same citation will set USF students back $40.

Administrators release a report revealing that a first year student and resident of Gamma Hall has been diagnosed with bacterial meningitis. Heather Coryell is in serious condition at the hospital and any people who have had recent contact with her are encouraged to seek medical treatment.
USF faculty and alumni play “an active part in the revitalization of Tampa’s Ybor City” by working and living in the area, while at the same time bringing a unique arts culture to the area and enhancing awareness of the city’s past.\textsuperscript{4861}

Keith Schilit, a professor of management at USF, publishes \textit{Blue Chips and Hot Tips: Identifying Emerging Growth Companies Most Likely To Succeed} with his brother Howard M. Schilit. The book is named Investment Book of the Year by the 1993 Stock Trader’s Almanac.\textsuperscript{4862}

The Pappas Consulting Group has finished their evaluation and recommends “sweeping changes” to the University of South Florida. If administrators implement the proposed changes, there will be half as many administrators reporting to the president and the campus will become more student service oriented.\textsuperscript{4863}

There have been proposals for changes to the intersection of Maple Drive and Fletcher Avenue, which UP Office Tom Kelley refers to as “the intersection from hell.” Because of the frequency of accidents at the intersection, university staff is investigating the intersection and will decide how to make it safer.\textsuperscript{4864}

The University Police arrest 5 USF students for selling drugs. UP Police Chief Paul Uravich reports that they will be issuing warrants for 3 more students and this is all part of an ongoing attempt to limit campus drug use. Four of the arrested students were residents of Beta Hall; their hall mates describe them as “troublemakers” and “scum-types.” Two more people are arrested the following day.\textsuperscript{4865}

\textsuperscript{4861} USF Magazine, Vol. 35, No. 2 (Spring 1993), 10-12.
\textsuperscript{4862} USF Magazine, Vol. 35, No. 2 (Spring 1993), 13.
\textsuperscript{4863} O 3/11/93 p1
\textsuperscript{4864} O 3/29/93 p1
\textsuperscript{4865} O 4/1/93 p1, 4/2/93 p1
The fire alarm at the CIS building has gone off nine times in the last two weeks, and for the past eight days in a row. The police believe that it is not an electrical malfunction, but Arthur Ebanks, electrical supervisor for the physical plant, believes that a circuit board malfunction is causing the alarm to go off.\footnote{4866}

USF will be placing active phone lines in all dorm rooms, meaning that students will have to pay for phone service whether they want to or not.\footnote{4867}

There is a debate over the SG Senate’s decision to not fund the Election Rules Committee for the coming year. ERC member Ralph Moore wonders why it was Matt Ramirez who proposed the zero funding. Ramirez is the only senator elected without ERC officiating. The Education College Council elected him the previous week. The ERC files suit against the SG over its decision. The ERC contends that since they were not present to verify the election, Ramirez is not a Senator and therefore his proposal for zero funding is null and void. SG Senate President Brian McClard agrees with the ERC and removes Ramirez from the senate. Ramirez believes that members of the ERC are not working as much as they claim to be, saying that ERC records claiming around 50 hours a week of work are “total bullshit.” The members of the ERC disagree, saying that Ramirez is rarely there and has no way of knowing how much they work. Ramirez hopes that the zero funding stands because the money paying the ERC is coming from A & S fees and he doesn’t want money coming out of his pocket to go to “three guys who can’t go out and find real jobs.”\footnote{4868}
The SG Supreme Court rules against the Election Rules Committee. Matt Ramirez has been removed from the Senate, but decisions made while he was on the Senate will stand.\textsuperscript{4869}

SG Senate President Brian McClard has problems with the entire budget, which was just recently allocated. He believes that the “entire budget process was dead wrong.”\textsuperscript{4870}

A new policy will take effect in the fall prohibiting anyone from smoking in the dorms, including people smoking in their own room.\textsuperscript{4871}

USF President Francis Borkowski has been nominated for the Chancellorship (similar to USF’s presidency) of Appalachia State University in North Carolina. Borkowski, who recently removed his name from consideration for the presidency of Michigan State, is “flattered at the nomination” and will “explore the possibility.” Appalachia State was recently named one of Money Magazines best values in public education and will bring Borkowski closer to his three children, who live in South Carolina. President Borkowski also takes part in the annual “President for a Day” event. Borkowski and Freshman Joshua Fink switch places with one another for a day.\textsuperscript{4872}

President Borkowski becomes one of the final two candidates for the Chancellorship of Appalachian State. The other finalist, Paul Marion, Chancellor of West Virginia’s state college system, withdraws himself from consideration, making

\textsuperscript{4869} 4/21/93 p1
\textsuperscript{4870} 4/15/93 p1
\textsuperscript{4871} 4/14/93 p1
\textsuperscript{4872} 4/15/93 p1 and 8

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Borkowski the only candidate left. North Carolina’s Board of Governors decides to hire Borkowski as chancellor.\textsuperscript{4873}

USF President Francis Borkowski writes a letter of resignation to Florida Board of Regents Chancellor Charles Reed. In the letter, Borkowski defended his tenure as President, saying that all the issues the school faced have been addressed. At a press conference, Borkowski called his new position, “a splendid opportunity.” He says that some of the reasons for leaving USF are the micromanagement and the budget cuts that he has had to endure. Borkowski is looking forward to working in North Carolina, where education is at “a higher priority level.” Despite this, “the last few weeks have been mixed with exhilaration and regret.”\textsuperscript{4874}

President Borkowski’s last day is 7 July 1993. The Oracle runs a story on the President’s tenure.\textsuperscript{4875}

A fire in the Village Housing Complex causes more than $50,000 in damage and forces 18 students to find new quarters. Candles left burning in a room caused the fire.\textsuperscript{4876}

Seven people are arrested at a party and two UP officers are treated at the University Hospital. There were more than 400 people in the Empty Keg for the Zeta Phi Beta party. When non-USF attendees were asked to make room for a fraternity step show, the result was “a free-for-all fight, where anyone standing became a target for attack.” The fight eventually went outside, and because the fight “lasted a good 45 minutes. Every cop in Tampa was here and people were still fighting.” Forty units of the

\textsuperscript{4873} O 4/26/93 p1, 5/13/93 p1
\textsuperscript{4874} O 5/17/93 p1
\textsuperscript{4875} O 7/8/93 p1
\textsuperscript{4876} O 4/19/93 p1

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Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Department and one helicopter came to try and quiet the “potentially riotous situation.” Two different officers at two different locations reported hearing gunshots fired, but no gun related arrests were made and no gun related injuries reported. Vice President of Student Affairs Chuck Hewitt issues a statement that cancels all SEC events that may involve people who do not attend USF. Student organizations will also not be allowed to host parties that might be attended by non-students.\textsuperscript{4877}

President Francis T. Borkowski accepts a position with Appalachian State University and leaves USF.\textsuperscript{4878}

Operation Desert Storm Commander, General H. Norman Schwartzkopf, is given a doctorate of humane letters at USF’s graduation. Schwartzkopf is also the graduation speaker.\textsuperscript{4879}

USF Senior Alesha Oreskovich is Playboy Magazine’s Playmate of the month for June 1993.\textsuperscript{4880}

The EPA is investigating the USF St. Petersburg campus for “possible criminal violations regarding an asbestos material mishandling.”\textsuperscript{4881}

There have been strong odor problems in the library because of primer fumes being sucked through the air conditioning and ventilation system. Library employees are told they can leave, but will not get paid for the day.\textsuperscript{4882}

\textsuperscript{4877} O 4/26/93 p1, 5/24/93 p1
\textsuperscript{4878} USF Magazine, Vol. 35, No. 3 (Summer 1993), 12.
\textsuperscript{4879} O 5/13/93 p8
\textsuperscript{4880} O 5/20/93 p8
\textsuperscript{4881} O 6/10/93 p1
\textsuperscript{4882} O 6/10/93 p1
USF, the school board, and the Museum of Science and Industry, have started a joint venture to bring a Professional Development Elementary School to the USF campus.\textsuperscript{4883}

Construction begins on a “Solar Rotary between the CIS building and Cooper Hall. The rotary should be finished in about a year.\textsuperscript{4884}

USF Student Nicole Padgett is chosen as Miss Florida and will compete in the Miss America Pageant.\textsuperscript{4885}

The Board of Regents Select Robert Bryan, former interim President for the University of Florida and the University of Central Florida, to act as interim President at USF once President Borkowski steps down. A new President will not be elected until spring, 1994. Bryan begins his new position on 12 July 1993.\textsuperscript{4886}

Bryan keeps his promise to continue USF’s restructuring, eliminating the Vice Presidencies of Public Affairs and University Development and merging the two positions into one. Mark Lono, Vice President for Public Affairs, resigns his position and announces that he has no intention of applying for the new post.\textsuperscript{4887}

Plans to bring a football team to USF have taken another step forward. Tampa area businessmen Frank Morsani and Payton Adams are selected to head the Fundraising Steering Committee for Intercollegiate Football at the University of South Florida.\textsuperscript{4888}

The prospect of having a football program becomes even brighter when USF hires former Tampa Bay Buccaneer Lee Roy Selmon. Selmon, whom the Bucs drafted with...
their first pick ever in 1976, played for the team until 1986. He was the NFL defensive
player of the year in 1979. Selmon, who has been vice president for marketing and
community relations on the First Florida Bank management team since 1978, will serve
as Associate Athletic Director for External Affairs at USF. On his first day at USF,
Selmon’s co-workers leave him a welcome present of antacids and aspirin.4889

USF Interim President Robert Bryan readily discusses his opinion of the prospect
of a football team, but will not move forward with any plans while interim president.4890

Tampa is one of the five cities being considered to host the NCAA Final Four in
1998, 1999, or 2000. If Tampa is granted one of the three years, the Sun Dome will play
host to the event. USF is made host for the Final Four in 1999.4891

The Perry Snell House in downtown St. Petersburg will be moved to the USF St.
Petersburg campus as part of a preservation effort. The house will “serve primarily as a
welcome center for campus visitors,” according to Julie Gillespie, director of
development and university relations.4892

The BOR approves a $6 million project to support the creation of “distance
learning” classes, which would link the various campuses via an “interactive television
system” and allow students on branch campuses to take classes broadcast from the
Tampa campus.4893

The Oracle prints the annual “Welcome New Students” issue and the annual
“Welcome Back” issue.4894

4889 O 7/15/93 p15, 8/24/93 p24
4890 O 9/16/93 p1
4891 O 7/8/93 p18, 7/12/93 p1 and 14
4892 O 7/22/93 p1. For more information on the Snell house see the Oracle, 9/15/93 p9.
4893 O 7/22/93 p2
4894 O 8/16/93 and 8/23/93
The USF Library’s Special Collections Department receives the papers of William Pope Duvall, the first Governor of Florida. The collection is a gift from Frank Snyder, USF alumnus and former professor of history at Clearwater Christian College.  

The Student Government Senate decides that elections to reinstate the SG executive branch (which has been gone since it was dissolved in February) will be held in October. Administrators put the elections on hold until sometime after the dates announced by the Senate. Two students announce their intention to run for the presidency, followed quickly by five more.  

Interim President Robert Bran is named as the person to take over after Francis Borkowski leaves USF. He has formerly served as Interim President of both the University of Florida and the University of Central Florida.  

Werner H. Von Rosenstiel, a court officer at the Nuremberg Trials, donates his Nazi memorabilia to the USF Library.  

The Snell House is moved to USF’s St. Petersburg campus. It will be restored and used for a faculty and alumni gathering center.  

USF signs an agreement with Le Groupe Ecole Des Cadres, a respected Paris business school to provide the “first real MBA degree offered in France.” Thirty French businessmen will take classes at the College of Business for seventeen months.
A USF delegation made up of over 15 representatives takes part in the Second African/African-American Summit in Libreville, Gabon (Africa). Some of the famous participants included Coretta Scott King and the Reverend Jesse Jackson. USF’s participation occurred under an exchange agreement signed last fall.\textsuperscript{4901}

USF criminologist and licensed mental health counselor Kathleen Heide appears on television talk shows such as \textit{Larry King Live}, \textit{Geraldo} and \textit{Montel Williams} in order to discuss her book \textit{Why Kids Kill Parents: Child Abuse and Adolescent Homicide}.\textsuperscript{4902}

USF Student Larry Greenberg plans to sue the school because he cannot run for SG President. Greenberg, a transfer from the University of Florida, cannot run because candidates must have a USF GPA, which Greenberg does not have. Greenberg also objects to the election dates of October 6\textsuperscript{th} and 7\textsuperscript{th} because they fall on the Jewish holiday of Shemini Atzeret. Interim Vice President for Student Affairs Barbara Sherman claims that the school has the rule so that candidates will have some experience at USF before running for office.\textsuperscript{4903}

The SG election forces a runoff between David Quilleon and Jim Johnson. Quilleon captured 322 of the 1,150 votes cast and Johnson received 247. In the runoff, Johnson and his running mate Diane Smolinsky beat Quilleon and Vallye Alexander by just 15 votes, capturing the election 585 to 570.\textsuperscript{4904}

SG Comptroller Chris Pavlik asks the SG Supreme Court to look into the Oracle’s formal endorsement of the Quilleon/Alexander ticket for SG President and Vice President. Since the Oracle is A & S funded, rules stipulate that the paper cannot be used.

\textsuperscript{4901} USF Magazine, Vol. 35, No. 4 (Fall 1993), 15.
\textsuperscript{4902} USF Magazine, Vol. 35, No. 4 (Fall 1993), 16.
\textsuperscript{4903} O 9/22/93 p1, for information on the remaining six candidates see the special pullout section in the Oracle on 10/4/93.
\textsuperscript{4904} O 10/8/93 p1, 10/15/93 p1, for complete results see O 10/18/93 p1
in support of a political campaign. The Oracle editorial staff believes that this is an infringement on their first amendment rights.\footnote{4905}

Beginning in the spring semester, USF student IDs will change from laminated cards to cards with a magnetic strip, which can be used to buy items on campus, check out library books and at some point could be used for long distance phone calls.\footnote{4906}

Jean-Bertrand Aristide, President of Haiti, cancels his lecture at USF, citing pressing matters back home that required attention.\footnote{4907}

Marriott food services, which recently took over food services at the University Center, had promised that a Taco Bell Express would be brought onto the campus. Although this plan falls through, district manager Joe Lawrence promises a national fast food chain will come to the UC, because he knows that “students will be disappointed” if it does not happen.\footnote{4908}

According to the 1994 \textit{Money Guide}, New College of the University of South Florida is the best buy in college education in the United States. This is the fourth year that the list has been published. Rice University had been number one for the first three years, with New College in second. The two schools switch places in the new list. New College is also ranked number one on The Princeton Review’s list of marijuana popularity on campus.\footnote{4909}

A 17-year old USF student is arrested by University Police for firing a gun outside the University Center after a Phi Beta Sigma party. The party also resulted in one student being hit over the head with a beer bottle; a suspect is also arrested for this attack.
Members of the fraternity stress that none of their brothers participated in the violence. Because of violence after fraternity parties, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs Chuck Hewitt tells the Black Panhellenic Council that they can no longer hold parties at the UC. The ban is lifted just over a week later. The Black Student Union and the Black Panhellenic Council hold a forum to discuss the best ways to improve security at events.\footnote{4910}

Members of the community and the Presidential Search Committee have discussed the prospect of a female President throughout the summer. At an open forum for the Search Committee, Tampa Mayor Sandy Freedman states that having a female president at USF would be a “positive thing.” Many agree, but also believe that the best candidate should get the job.\footnote{4911}

The deadline for nominations and applications for USF President passes. A total of 122 nominations and 16 applications have been received. Nineteen have formally withdrawn their names from consideration, bringing the total to 119. These 119 possible candidates will have to submit their resumes by this Friday to be considered. Eight USF faculty members are being considered, including Interim President Robert Bryan and Provost Gerry Meisels. Former USF employee and Florida Secretary of Education Betty Castor, and retired General H. Norman Schwarzkopf have also been nominated. Castor makes her candidacy official just days later.\footnote{4912}

The BOR releases a list of the 30 candidates still being considered for the position. William Katzenmeyer, dean of the College of Education, is the only USF
faculty member still in the running. Betty Castor, who gave up her seat on the BOR while her name was being considered, is believed to be the front-runner in the race.\footnote{10/12/93 p2}

The search committee interviews the finalists for president. The Board of Regents meets to decide on finalists for the post. The list of ten is cut down to six: Eleanor Smith, Tilden Edelstein, Betty Castor, John Darling, Betty Asher, and Peter Nathan.\footnote{10/28/93 p1, 11/1/93 p1, 11/2/93 p1. From 15 November to 7 December, the Oracle prints regular articles concerning the interviews with particular candidates. Since Betty Castor was hired for the job, and her candidacy caused the most controversy, much of this research will focus on her.}

Just before the BOR meets to cut the list down to six, the USF College Republicans begin a letter writing campaign to oppose Betty Castor’s candidacy for President.\footnote{10/28/93 p1}

Many faculty members are upset that two members of the Presidential Search Committee have been circulating a secret petition opposing Betty Castor’s candidacy. Philip Smith, former Faculty Senate President, tells the Oracle that many people have told him of their “indignation and outrage” over the secret petition and he considers this one of the “most distasteful of events” in his 18 years at USF. The petition, begun by research professor Kristin Shrader-Frechette, calls for 200 signatures before Castor’s November 29th visit to campus. Accounting Professor Cherie O’Neil promises that the drive will continue and she tells that paper that she has already collected 12 signatures. O’Neil believes that the drive is necessary because there is no forum for faculty to oppose Castor’s candidacy. Fellow Search Committee member Kofi Glover claims that the two could have spoken against Castor’s candidacy when the committee met with the BOR.\footnote{11/18/93 p1, 11/19/93 p1}
Castor comes to campus for her extended visit and says during a question and answer session that she will have a Provost with a “strong academic background” but will not be a “hands off administrator.” She also understands the “dialogue and debate” over her qualifications and refuses to “run away from it.”

O’Neil announces that the petition drive has reached the necessary 200 signatures and will be forwarded to Charles Reed, the Chancellor of the BOR. The total number of signatures is 203.

The Board of Regents interviews all of the candidates one last time before deciding on a choice for USF’s next president.

Once the new president is selected, he or she will be able to move almost immediately into the Lifsey House. Construction on a President’s house will end soon and occupants will be able to move in sometime in February.

Internationally known science fiction writer Piers Anthony donates a large collection of his personal papers to USF. According to Special Collections head Tom Kemp, “This is the single most valuable collection the library has ever received.” The collection includes Anthony's daily journal from 1966-87, manuscripts for over 85 of his books and stories, and over 20 years of fan mail and correspondence.

USF is close to closing a deal with the New York Yankees that would make the school’s Red McEwen field home to organizations the single-A minor league team. The team, which has just moved its spring training and single-A facilities from Ft. Myers,

4917 O 11/30/93 p1
4918 O 12/1/93 p1, 12/2/93 p1
4919 O 12/7/93 p1
4920 O 12/6/93 p1
4921 O 9/28/93 p2
hopes to play one season at USF and then move to a complex across from Tampa Stadium. The deal is finalized in late November.\(^{4922}\)

Administrators and members of the Greek System gather together to break ground on the Greek Park housing community on the corner of 50\(^{th}\) and Elm Street.\(^{4923}\)

Interim President Robert Bryan closes the 15-year old Library and Information Sciences program in Ft. Lauderdale because he doesn’t “see any point for us being in Broward County.” Bryan receives a petition signed by 50 Tampa students opposing the decision.\(^{4924}\)

If Interim President Bryan approves a proposal, athletic fees will rise 69 cents from $4.96 per hour to $5.65 per hour.\(^{4925}\)

The Bull Blast, the kick off of USF’s basketball season, is pushed back a day because of an INXS concert at the Sun Dome.\(^{4926}\)

In an effort to smooth the often difficult process of registration, USF will expand available telephone registration and cut back on the paperwork necessary to add/drop classes.\(^{4927}\)

Throughout the summer the Oracle has followed the attempt of former USF basketball player Gary Alexander to make an NBA team. Alexander makes the final roster for the Miami Heat.\(^{4928}\)

Around 100 people must evacuate Cooper Hall when a pesticide fogger is set off on the second floor. The fire department must come because the fumes from the device,
set off by pest control company “Rentokill,” got into the air conditioning unit and spread throughout the building.\textsuperscript{4929}

Filmmaker Spike Lee will appear at the Chinsegut Film and Video Festival next semester.\textsuperscript{4930}

\textbf{1993:} Establishment of Caribbean and Latin American Studies Center.

Money Magazine names New College “Best Buy in Higher Education.”

Marriott refunds $600,000 in overpayments to USF and pledges to improve foodservice at the university. An audit found that USF has been overpaying Marriott and that foodservice has been losing money since 1988. All of this was found a year after USF signed Marriott to a new five-year deal. The new contract was awarded based on a merit scale designed by the company, not USF. Marriott actually owes USF $900,000, but USF agrees to the refund of 2/3rds the amount to avoid legal fees. In general, USF’s foodservice management found that USF’s interests took a back seat to Marriott’s profits. Marriott closed the snack bars in the Social Science and Student Services buildings to save money. On the other hand, Marriott pledges to spend $1 million on new facilities and pay $1.4 million in rent.\textsuperscript{4931}

An audit finds officials spent thousands of dollars on improper purchases, such as parties, sports tickets, golf games, food, gifts and travel. One official had control over

\textsuperscript{4929} \textit{O 11/10/93 p1 and 4}
\textsuperscript{4930} \textit{O 11/18/93 p10}
\textsuperscript{4931} \textit{tt 8/17/93; tt 7/8/93.}
accounts three years after he was fired. The amount of questionable purchases totals at $344,000.\textsuperscript{4932}

Administration increases library funding by 25% in the wake of criticism of its services and collections. Millions of dollars are taken from administration and research programs and put into classes.

Black students allege that USF SG President Lesia Miller is hostile to black participation in SG affairs. Miller had no black paid advisors, and she fired several SG employees under controversial circumstances. Black students claim that she turned down qualified black applicants in favor of whites and Miller’s sorority sisters. Miller’s cabinet retorts that the previous administration, under black president Keevin Williams, hired his friends and fraternity brothers. Tim Shaw, a Black Student Union officer, points out that B had no black advisors (except one special appointment on race), and that USF has one black dean and no black VPs. Black students made an uncompromising demand that Miller resign, staged sit-ins, and threatened to picket public events like the upcoming appearance by poet Maya Angelou. B reacted by terminating the entire executive branch of SG, including SG president Miller. Conservatives blamed B for caving in to a small group of protesters and depriving students of their popularly-elected SG. Blacks complain that B has made them an unpopular scapegoat by wiping out much of SG, while their only target was Miller. B banned SG in 1989 when student officials improperly distributed SG activity funds. Some observers say that SGs are not a training ground for politics, but elaborate systems of patronage involving millions of dollars in misspent resources. Florida SGs spend more money than any other state’s. USF’s SG has 100 paid positions given out by elected SG officials. SG VP Sherman calls for presidents to

\textsuperscript{4932} Tt 1/9/93.
be elected by the Senate. Many students remain angry over B’s high-handed actions, saying that he was out of touch with the situation, and that things had not reached an impasse.4933

USF President Borkowski resigns. He once planned on being USF’s president until 2001, when he turned 65. He gained greater recognition for USF by the legislature, unprecedented money-raising campaigns, and attracted top scholars and researchers. He had to cope with huge slashes in the state education budget. His tenure was marred by missing funds and bad audits. His conflict with the medical school led to the resignation of the orthopedic faculty. His mishandling of rape accusations against a star basketball player brought much negative attention early in his tenure. Borkowski accepted the position of president of Appalachian State U in N. Carolina. Close friends say that B grew tired of being the “whipping boy” for the press and politicians. B is reportedly looking forward to spending time with his three children, who all live in S. Carolina, and serving students far away from the limelight. He especially will not miss the “micromanagement”, “red tape”, or “meddling” of the legislature in university affairs, a trend that dates back to the notorious Johns Committee.

Overall, many see B’s tenure as positive and successful. The numbers, comparing 1988 to 1993, bear out this view. Enrollment grew from 30,003 to 34,161; Ranking by size among public U’s from 30 to 22; endowment from $21 million to $61 million; and research grants from $37.3 million to $60-million. The last year brought some especially good news. NASA supplies USF’s biggest research grant to date, $16.5 million to study ozone and global changes. Scientist Magazine (8/31/93) named USF as the fastest-growing research U in the nation. In October alone, USF won $5.6 million in

4933 Spt 2/14/93.
congressional research grants. Money magazine named New College the best public education value in the nation for the third year straight. The National Gallery of Art in Washington provided 13 rooms for a display of art from USF’s GraphicStudio, the gallery’s first showing of a U’s collection. The student lecture series won the prestigious Drew Pearson Award for the most outstanding lecture series of any U in the nation.\textsuperscript{4934}

Dr. Werner Von Rosenstiel donates a large collection of Nazi-era documents and books to the Tampa library. He subsequently pulled his collection out of Special Collections.

The Tampa Library makes microfilm copies of \textit{The Florida Sentinel-Bulletin}, Tampa’s African American newspaper. The copied issues go back to 1945 and are the only full set copies outside of the newspaper’s office.\textsuperscript{4935}

A controversy arises out of the \textit{Oracle’s} endorsement of Student Government candidates. This year, the \textit{Oracle’s} candidate lost the presidential election. The new president, Jim Johnson, won the election by 15 votes. Less than 4\% of the student body voted in the election. Claiming it is a government publication with no right to comment on politics, Johnson files a complaint to take away the \textit{Oracle’s} $200,000 budget arising from student fees.\textsuperscript{4936}

A massive 42-person committee is entrusted with choosing USF’s new president, including former governor Bob Martinez and former (and future) Tampa mayor Dick Greco. Tribune columnist Andrea Brunais observes, “Large groups foster factionalism. Advocacy, not consensus, becomes the bottom line. Blocs will form to push particular candidates and veto others. Few people will feel responsible for the choice.” Faculty

\textsuperscript{4934} Tt 5/16/93 (2 articles); tt 7/4/93, tt 2/2/93 (letter).
\textsuperscript{4935} SPT 8/15/93.
\textsuperscript{4936} Spt 10/22/93.
members are pressuring the committee and BOR chancellor Charles Reed to make a swift decision.\textsuperscript{4937}

Interim president Robert Bryan is an instant hit with students and faculty. Mass Communications Chairwoman Donna Dickerson said, “He’s decisive. It’s a characteristic we haven’t had in the administration at USF in the 17 years I’ve been here.” Bryan gives the annual fall presidential address. He chides about 300 faculty and staff members for lack of unity and focus on missions. He says USF has too many assistant and associate managers. His fist act as interim president is to merge the VP’s of public affairs and development into one position—an act he implemented immediately, while Borkowski planned on taking one year for the move. He frequently uses email or asks questions immediately rather than scheduling and waiting for meetings. His direct, clear and humor-laden memorandums are instantly popular. He asks USF to forget about national prominence—it must first be a regional force. “I think [USF] is ill-served at this moment to be constantly reminded that it can be a great university. There are a number of phases to go through. If it tries to leapfrog any of those phases of development, it won’t succeed.”\textsuperscript{4938}

Interim President Robert Bryan postponed a new $2 visitor parking tag, saying that it conflicted with USF’s mission to reach out to the community.\textsuperscript{4939}

Construction begins on USF’s presidential mansion, to be named the “Lifesey House,” after Julian Lifesey, who donated $600,000 for the project in his will. The project will cost $1.2 million, all in a year when tuition revenue is expected to fall $2 to $3 million this year and there will be no raises for staff. Many students, staff and faculty

\textsuperscript{4937} Tt 6/30/93.  
\textsuperscript{4938} Tt 9/15/93, O 7/22/93, tt 8/23/93.  
\textsuperscript{4939} Tt 8/18/93.
have opposed the project since it was thought up five years ago. The BOR supports the project, but does not fund it.4940

Rain clouds force a farewell picnic for outgoing president Borkowski into the SEC. The crowd of 1,000 eats burgers, dogs and potato salad. Reflecting, B says, “By and large, this has been an exhilarating and heady experience.” The Foundation creates a scholarship in B’s name with donations of $25,000.4941

The USF-St. Petersburg Journalism Studies Program is hosting a series of lectures and discussions on media coverage and journalism in the 1990’s this semester. Speakers include St. Petersburg Times writers and editors. Also presenting will be editors, correspondents, and design directors from the San Jose Mercury News, In These Times, Muhammed Speaks and the Associated Press. 4942

USF St. Petersburg campus is hosting a free public lecture series that examines attempts to build community within a diverse culture of competing issues and interests. Speakers will include Robin Morgan, editor-in-chief of Ms. Magazine, Mary C. Means, creator of the Main Street Program at the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and Steven M. Tipton, professor at Emory University and co-author of Habits of the Heart: Individualism and Commitment and American Life, among many others.4943

Yevgeny Yevtushenko, the most famous living Russian poet will give the keynote address at the 1993 Bayboro Open Poetry Celebration at the USF St. Petersburg Campus Activities Center. St. Petersburg Mayor David J. Fischer will read a proclamation

4940 Tt 11/6/93.
4941 Spt 7/1/93, spt 6/26/93.
awarding the key to the city and establishing a poetry cultural exchange with St. Petersburg, Russia.  

The St. Petersburg campus receives the final allotment of 35 acres of land from the city of St. Petersburg, allowing the campus to move ahead on its plans for expansion.  

The USF St. Pete Campus Lecture Series begins its International Symposium on India entitled *India: Diverse, Divine, Divided, Passage to Bharat*.  

Business Student Alfredo E. Barquin, a student at USF-St. Petersburg campus is awarded the 1993-94 Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship. The finance student will receive $18,000 dollars and continue his studies at Autonomous University of Guadalajara, Mexico.  

A groundbreaking ceremony is held for a new library building at USF’s St. Petersburg campus on April 16th behind the existing library. The library construction is a 15-million dollar project that will double the size of the existing library.  

British parliament member, David Atkinson speaks at Davis Hall on the St. Pete Campus. The Conservative politician from the House of Commons presents a lecture entitled “Human Rights in Europe Today.”  

Dr. Stephen W. Rich, director of Student Affairs, enacts a reorganization of the department. As a part of the change, two new positions are created, the personnel is reclassified and activities and services (A&S) fees are increased.
The ACLU Foundation of Northern California awards Christopher Eckhardt, a senior majoring in political science and a litigant in the 1969 Supreme Court decision *Tinker v. Des Moines*, the Earl Warren Civil Liberties Award.4951

Work begins on a $450,000 expansion of the Campus Activities Center on the St. Pete Campus. The expansion, which should take about eight months to complete, will add a new fitness room, a racquetball court, and upgraded locker rooms. There will also be some remodeling of the office spaces in the building.4952

Edward L. Cole Jr. donates $25,000 to the USF-Bayboro to create a new student scholarship. It is intended for county residents who have graduated from a Pinellas County high school and St. Petersburg Junior College and are now pursuing their bachelor’s degrees at USF St. Petersburg. It will be called the Amanda Cole Scholarship.4953

1994: Betty Castor is named USF’s first female president. She is scheduled to officially take office on 17 January. An *Oracle* editorial remarks that Castor’s arrival is received enthusiastically by a campus “starved for leadership” since former President Borkowski’s departure in 1993. “The time is right for a new direction for USF, and Castor will find it a challenge to keep a firm hand on USF’s tiller, while at the same time navigating the school through a maze of potential troubles.”4954

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USF head librarian Sam Fustukjian complains that budget cuts have forced the university library to pull hundreds of magazines and journals off its shelves. The collection, he explains, is now ranked one of the lowest in the country. Fustukjian has submitted a proposal to the Board of Regents suggesting that state budget allotments be determined by the university enrollment figures. “We are really bad. I don’t see any way to get over this hump without additional money.”

University officials announce that despite state budget cuts, new “high tech” ID cards should be available to students next semester. The multiple-use cards will not only serve purposes of identification, but will also be used as library cards and debit cards for vending machines, photocopiers, laundry machines, and video arcade games.

Phyllis P. Marshall, thirty-four-year veteran of the University, announces her retirement effective 3 March of this year. As a result of the bill passed in the state legislature in 1987, the University Center will now officially be renamed the Marshall Center.

K.C. and the Sunshine Band is scheduled to perform at the USF Homecoming concert. Homecoming Steering Committee Chair David Quilleon explains that the group was not his first choice of performers. “I would like to have seen someone with a little higher prestige, but we weren’t funded very well by SG.”

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4956 O: Jan. 10, 1994
4957 O: Jan. 11, 1994
4958 O: Jan. 13, 1994
More than five hundred people turn out to welcome USF’s new president Betty Castor. She says that she is looking forward to “a long tenure and a very positive relationship with USF.”

Former USF President John Lott Brown and his wife Catherine receive an award from the Institute on Black Life for their efforts in supporting and promoting diversity and education for minorities at USF.

CNN expresses interest in interviewing USF President Betty Castor as part of a report on women who run comprehensive research universities. Castor plans to encourage the reporters to follow her on a tour of the university campus. “It’s wonderful. I want them to see the university. The campus looks beautiful.”

The Latin American Student Association commemorates its eighth anniversary at the University of South Florida. “It’s more a celebration of the triumph of the Hispanic culture and Hispanic students at USF,” explains LASA President Jose Lopez. “We are now trying to organize other Latin American organizations to include them with us.”

Filmmaker Spike Lee is scheduled to appear at the USF Sun Dome to kick off Black Emphasis Month at USF. His presentation is entitled, “An Evening With Professor Spike,” and will deal with issues ranging from his films to racism.

A Hillsborough County Sheriff’s cruiser is stolen while parked in front of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity house on 42nd Street. The vehicle is found vandalized only a block

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4959 O: Jan. 14, 1994
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Two USF students are later arrested and charged with the theft; neither of them are members of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

Harold Nixon is appointed USF’s first black vice president. “The responsibilities that Dr. Nixon will assume are the heart of the university,” says President Castor. “They included student services, student organizations, financial aid, housing, enrollment planning and management, and academic support and achievement.”

President Betty Castor holds an open forum for faculty and staff in which she addresses the university’s legislative priorities and budgetary considerations for the year. “Our first priority will be funding,” Castor tells the audience of nearly 250 people. “But we must pursue all the goals with vigor.” She also comments on the issue of faculty and staff salaries, noting that, “It is difficult to keep faculty and staff members motivated without some significant financial incentive. And one raise in four years doesn’t constitute a significant motivation.”

A committee is appointed to investigate a physical confrontation that occurred among faculty members at a College of Public Health meeting nearly seven weeks ago. At the meeting, a shouting match between professors apparently escalated into a fight. Department Secretary Yolanda Santos has filed civil charges against Professor Jay Wolfson, who was allegedly involved in the incident. The committee was assembled to evaluate the department and make recommendations for improvement. Additionally, three professors file two separate grievances against two of their colleagues for allegedly...

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4964 O: Jan. 31, 1994
4965 O: Feb. 10, 1994
4966 O: Feb. 1, 1994
4967 O: Feb. 9, 1994
4968 O: Feb. 9, 1994
behaving unprofessionally and “interfering with the exercise of academic freedom.”

Later, the state attorney’s office decides not to prosecute anyone in connection with the incident. When the State Attorney drops all charges against COPH administrator Marie Boromei for illegally taping a conversation with Santos, Santos and other staff members urge Boromei be removed because they feel threatened. Boromei has a concealed weapons permit and told staffers that she carries a gun wherever she goes, which she denies. The COPH fires Boromei in November and she will serve out the remainder of her contract from home.

Visiting associate psychology and women’s studies professor Nancy Norvell is killed in a plane crash. “This is a great loss for the women’s movement,” comments UP Lt. Robert Staehle, who knew Norvell well. “She was cognizant of the needs of women in the movement, but she was not accusatory with a broad stroke of the brush. She was quick to find humor in situations where it would benefit the discussion. She also had a true empathy, in that she placed herself at the level of the people she was dealing with.”

Marriott food services manager Pete Radeka announces the opening of a Taco Bell restaurant in the University Center (Marshall Center) by the start of the fall semester. “Taco Bell seems to be the best ... choice for the UC at this time,” he explains. “It’s something we’ve tried to get accomplished for a while, and now hopefully we see it coming together.”

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4969 O: Feb. 11, 1994
4970 O: Feb. 14, 1994
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4972 O 11/7/94.
4974 O: Feb. 18, 1994
SG President Jim Johnson says that, “We probably aren’t going to have the money this year” to institute the new electronic, multifunctional student identification cards. The anticipated delay is due to a misunderstanding with Student Government over $150,000 expected for the purchase of the equipment, as well as another $150,000 pledge from the University which remains uncertain after a significant budget shortfall. Administrators have adopted a plan whereby the cards will be introduced in phases in order to accommodate budgetary concerns.4975

USF’s Expo ’94, one of the largest engineering expos in the Southeast, begins on Friday when MacDill paratroopers skydive onto the university campus. In addition to student presentations and exhibits, the expo has also been opened to private businesses as a forum to demonstrate their accomplishments. “We hold Expo ’94 to promote engineering as a profession,” explains Professor Dolores Gooding. “It interests many young people, and since many people still don’t know what engineering is all about, it bridges the gap of how technology affects society.”4976

The first ever Symposium on Hispanic Culture and Language is held at USF. “The Symposium on the Hispanic United States is an idea whose time has finally come,” says professor and symposium director Cleon Capsas. “All the experts are excited and enthusiastic about participating.”4977

A formal ceremony is held to rename the University Center after Phyllis P. Marshall, who announced her retirement this after working at USF for thirty-four years. Nearly four hundred people gather to commemorate the event and honor Marshall. “We are so proud of Phyllis,” says local media celebrity Jack Harris. “She’s the only one of us

4975 O: Feb. 22, 1994
4976 O: Feb. 24, 1994
4977 O: Mar. 1, 1994
to have a building named after her that has indoor plumbing.” One charter-class student paid a particularly emotional tribute, telling Marshall before the crowd that, “Little did I know how much you would touch my life ... Outside of my family, you were the most influential person in my life ... You have been a confidant, a best friend, an adviser and a role model of the first class.”

University officials announce that nearly half of 10,000 USF students did not fill out their financial aid paperwork correctly and as a result may not receive funding. Gwendolyn Francis, director of financial aid, believes the form itself must be unclear and confusing in order to provoke so many errors. “Obviously since we’ve had this problem we are going to look at the processing date of the application, the date that the government received the form,” Francis explains to those concerned about their funding. “As long as that date is before the deadline date ... we will still honor their application.” The financial aid office at USF dispenses approximately $30 million to 12,000 students each semester.

Students from USF’s Women’s Studies Department initiate a grassroots petition drive to elicit support for the installation of a proposed women’s center on campus. “We need student support,” says student Amy Fletcher. “We hope to take the signatures to President Castor. We are hoping that she will authorize funds [for the center] this coming budget year.”

Harold Nixon formally begins working as the new Vice President for Student Affairs at USF. “I think everyone’s anxious to have a permanent vice president and they’re anxious to work with him,” says Debra Sheehy, Nixon’s assistant. “Our
multicultural community here on campus – both students and faculty and staff – is very excited about his appointment.”

An Arts and Sciences College Council which represents 8,500 students at USF charges Marriott Catering Services with price gouging and threatens to seek alternative sources of foodservice. “The present contract with Marriott is unfair,” explains Lisa Bahnsen, president of the Council. “We’re being told what we can and cannot do concerning food services, which we are paying for in the end.” Bahnsen also complains that they were charged $75 at a recent meeting for food that was priced at $15 at a local Kash-N-Karry. A letter written by students to Marriott read, in part, “We as students will not submit to the financial raping of the USF community. We strongly urge you to pursue price adjustments for students, and organizations that are in better accordance with the needs of our community.”

Marriott Foodservice representatives meet with students to address concerns over the price of food on campus. “They just glazed over the situation,” complains Lisa Bahnsen, who left the meeting dissatisfied. “We won’t compete with grocery stores, we never have and we never will,” says USF director of Marriott Foodservices Pete Radeka, who argues that his company is operating on only a four percent profit margin. “You let us know how you want it and we’ll do it ... We will tailor our services to serve you.”

President Castor introduces Fred Wright to the USF community as her “new best friend” after the construction company owner donates $5 million to the University. The

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4981 O: Mar. 21, 1994
4982 O: Mar. 22, 1994
4983 O: Mar. 23, 1994
money is to be used to help patients pay for health care deemed too experimental to be covered by insurance. The donation is the single largest ever given to the University. USF students gather at MLK Plaza in an attempt to get into the Guinness Book of World Records for the longest country line dance. Though they needed 2,502 participants in order to break the record, only five hundred people actually show up.

USF Magazine profiles the new ‘First Husband’ of USF, Betty Castor’s husband Sam Bell.

The University Police kick off a new security inspection project intended to decrease crime on and off campus. The Voluntary Residential Rental Safety Inspection Program works in conjunction with local police agencies and apartment complexes to certify USF neighborhoods as safe.

USF begins to offer a one-of-a-kind Ph.D. in Aging Studies.

The University Center is renamed after long-time employee Phyllis Marshall who has worked at USF since the 1960’s.

The USF women’s golf team wins its first ever Ryder Florida Women’s Collegiate Golf Championship in Miami.

As the result of a budget shortfall at the university, USF students may be forced to honor a verbal agreement made by former SG President Lesia Miller to help finance the new student identification cards. “If Student Government cannot support the card system with the agreed upon amount, then we may commit to user fees for the students.”

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4984 O: Mar. 25, 1994
4985 O: Mar. 28, 1994
4990 O: Apr. 4, 1994
explains Rick Fender, Vice President of University Services. “We are committed one way or another. We are authorized by university board rules to charge students up to $5 for a student ID card.”

A research team headed by USF engineering professor Kevin Bowyer is awarded a $1.2 million federal grant to work on improving current techniques of diagnosing breast cancer. “It’s a highly visible piece of research and we’ll be working with some other institutions on it,” Bowyer explains. “It’s a pretty large grant so it means a lot to USF.”

A recent evaluation by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching designates USF as a Research II university.

African National Congress representative Madala G. Mthembu speaks at USF in order to promote awareness about South Africa’s transition from apartheid to democracy. “I hope my input will help the student population understand better the situation not only in South Africa, but also in our region, the subcontinent, and possibly shed some light as to what impact the success of our campaign against apartheid will have on the continent as a whole,” Mthembu said in an earlier telephone interview. Juel Smith, director of USF’s Institute on Black Life, comments that the visit is “a golden opportunity to make hundreds of people aware of the exchange agreement and what we are doing at USF.”

In a narrow vote, students approve a recommendation to incorporate a new plus/minus grading system at USF. The results are being forwarded to the Faculty Senate and University Administration for further investigation. “The idea was to see which
[grading] systems were the most popular,” explains ERC director Mark Kaprow. “We basically added this referendum to the ballot as a survey for students. Now it’s going to be up to the faculty to review the results.”

USF student and former Oracle columnist Nelson Trujillo is suspended for two years after admitting to making death threats to the Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Coalition. After two years, Trujillo can apply for readmission to the University only if he receives psychiatric attention. “I’m satisfied,” comments Pamela Morris, co-chairwoman of the Coalition. “I expected this. I would have been more comfortable with expulsion, but I realize this particular individual is in need of grave counseling [sic].” Trujillo declines to comment. A week later, the state attorney’s office files first-degree misdemeanor charges against him for violating Florida’s hate crime statute. In October, two male Beta Hall residents leave a message on the coalition’s answering machine ridiculing their lifestyle. No charges are pressed, but the case has been sent to Student Affairs.

President Castor espouses the need to increase the Latino presence on campus in order to enhance the University’s image. “We must look at the diversity of the faculty and staff, and change the dismal statistics,” Castor tells the USF Latino Association. “We have been invisible at this University,” says Maura Barrios. “But now we are organized; we don’t intend to be invisible. We are going to be here for a long time and we are going to continue to keep growing.” The 232 Latino staff members at USF represent 5 percent of the 4,440 employees.

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4995 O: Apr. 8, 1994
4996 O: Apr. 14, 1994
4997 O: Apr. 20, 1994
4998 O 10/12/94.
4999 O: Apr. 14, 1994
The Florida Senate passes a plan which will allow state university presidents to raise tuition as much as ten percent. The plan is scheduled to go into effect in the fall of 1995.

BOR Chancellor Charles Reed asks state university presidents to open the 253 limited-access programs to all students, even if those fields are already crowded. “If you want to go to Florida State University and get an accounting degree, it’s tough,” Reed comments. “It’s just a general complaint that students are having trouble getting into the upper division in the curriculum of their choice.”

University researchers announce a $1.9 million grant from NASA to USF’s Center for Microelectronics Research.

Marriott Food Services unveils its dining plan for the upcoming year which includes a multi-restaurant food court and three new types of meal plans. Scheduled to open in the new Argos Food Court is Subway, Pizza Hut, TCBY, and Firehouse Grill. “There is no doubt that Argos will be a great place,” says USF Marriott general manager Pete Radeka. “With neon, glass, and music blaring, we’ll show this to be a great place to hang out, meet friends, and enjoy a lunch.”

A university study measures USF’s economic impact on Tampa Bay to be worth $1.1 billion. Among the accounted factors are research funding at the medical and engineering schools (among others), in addition to the economic impact of a student population of 35,000. “We think the community needs to know,” says Public Services
director Mary Figg. “Generally, people who live in this community don’t know how USF affects their lives.”

WUSF Radio receives more than 100 harassing phone calls during its nine-day annual fundraising campaign. “Since we’re a radio station, harassing phone calls are never really unique,” says station manager John Young. “This is not the first time in WUSF history that we’ve received a large amount of such calls during our drives. It’s not the first time and it will definitely not be the last.”

A $400,000 budget shortfall forces Student Government to make cuts across the board, from Marshall Center hours and services to Safe Team operations. “It’s really going to affect students,” warns Veterans Services coordinator Meredith Nickles.

George Takai, Star Trek’s “Mr. Sulu,” is scheduled to appear at the USF Special Events Center as part of the year’s University Lecture Series. “We’re trying to provide variety and diversity,” explains Lori Woodward, ULS director.

USF Vice President for Administrative Affairs Rick Fender announces that plans are being negotiated for the construction of a multi-level parking garage on the university campus. While university officials favor an area near the Marshall Center, a forum is scheduled to be held in June in order to determine a final site location for the facility. The estimated costs of such a project total nearly $4 million.

USF marks its most successful legislative session in years bringing home nearly 23 million dollars in new funding for construction, about 1.2 million dollars for library
enhancement, and over 1 million dollars in new funding. USF also benefited from other initiatives targeted at the entire SUS in general.\textsuperscript{5009}

The USF Alumni Association donates $250,000 towards the construction of a new Alumni Center still in the planning stages. The Center is to be named after Congressman Sam Gibbons and his wife Martha.\textsuperscript{5010}

Moffitt Cancer Center, the largest of such university-affiliated programs in the state, performs its 400\textsuperscript{th} bone marrow transplant. “It’s a marvelous achievement that we were able to accomplish this much in such a short period of time,” exclaims Center physician Dr. Gerald Elfenbein.\textsuperscript{5011}

President Betty Castor plans to use some $13.6 million in “new state funds” to extend library hours, multiply course offerings, and increase financial aid scholarships. Castor also intends to create an Office for Adult and Transfer Student Services in order to “recruit and counsel students above traditional age and community college transfers.” Additional classes will also be available at the university’s branch campuses.\textsuperscript{5012}

USF hosts the 98 Rock’s “world’s largest barbecue” at the soccer stadium, attracting nearly 15,000 spectators and netting $20,000 in profits for the university. Eight arrests are made at the event, with charges ranging from marijuana possession to battery.\textsuperscript{5013}

USF launches an advertising campaign over local radio stations in an attempt to increase enrollment and promote the university’s image. “We need to get the word out in as many ways as possible,” explains USF spokesman Joe O’Neill, “We are not just sitting

\textsuperscript{5009} USF Magazine, Vol. 36, No. 3 (Summer 1994), 10.
\textsuperscript{5010} O: June 16, 1994
\textsuperscript{5011} O: June 20, 1994
\textsuperscript{5012} O: June 27, 1994
\textsuperscript{5013} O: July 7, 1994
here waiting for students.” “It is important for [potential students] to know that we are here,” adds associate director of admissions Marc Harding. “Let them know we are a major institution in their own backyard.”

Bert Hartley, USF Vice President of Administrative Affairs, announces the administration’s intention to preserve Crescent Hill and prevent the proposed construction of a parking garage there. “[Vice President for Student Affairs Harold] Nixon advised us in his opinion that it would be best to eliminate the possibility of using Crescent Hill as a possible garage site,” Hartley explains. However, he adds that, “This is currently a preliminary decision which is subject to change.” SG President David Quilleon vows to resist any attempts at construction on the hill. “Cutting down trees on campus is a very big issue. If they do put the garage on Crescent Hill there will be a battle. I will do my best to attack the proposal.” Ultimately, the final decision belongs to President Castor. “I don’t think we have to worry anymore,” comments Phyllis Marshall. “I am very, very pleased, because we don’t have much green space on campus anymore. So it’s good to preserve this area.”

The BOR criticizes accounting practices in USF’s Housing office, including $1.4 million of undocumented loans from the bookstore, and $600,000 of money transferred from Auxiliary Services for unexplained deficits in its divisions. Housing has no internal accounting system, so depends on the unreliable State Automated Management Accounting System. USF’s Human Resources is hit with an audit in which the BOR finds widespread irregularities. In one instance, an employee took $4,000 in funds for personal use. Parking Services is under scrutiny as well. The department has no formal

5014 O: July 11, 1994
5015 O: July 14, 1994
5016 O: 7/18/94.
policy for ticket forgiveness, conflicting employee responsibilities, poor cash supervision, etc.\footnote{9/13/94.}

USF prepares to “write off” up to $5 million in lost property. Last year, most other members of the SUS wrote off property, but none but USF returned to repeat the process this year.\footnote{7/18/94.}

The Florida Student Association (FSA) lobbies the state to allow collected library fines to remain on the campuses where they originated. USF collected $75,000 last year, while the SUS libraries collected more than $680,000. That money currently goes into a state pot. USF Library Director Sam Fustukjian says he could use the money to expand and improve services for students.\footnote{7/21/94.}

The Oracle goes online for the first time.\footnote{7/21/94.}

USF’s Soberride program plans to extend services to Ybor City to curb drunk driving by students.\footnote{8/15/94.}

WBUL, the USF student radio station with no frequency, can only be heard through a TV channel on campus and, late at night, TV channels under the area’s cable providers. There are no plans to get a transmitter.\footnote{8/15/94.}

USF’s University technology center is home to the Southwest Florida Blood Bank, a new facility that is part of Florida Blood Services.\footnote{8/15/94.}

The Sun Dome is renovated, increasing handicapped access, expanding female restrooms, providing more doors in the busiest entrances, and moving concession stands
from inside the arena to the margins. The campus recreation center is under construction next door, providing two additional gyms (so teams bumped out of the dome by events can still practice), a student fitness area, racquetball courts, and so on, at a cost of $10 million. Despite the renovations, the Sun Dome’s roof (which utilizes an “obsolete” air-supported design) still must be replaced, costing an additional $5 million.\footnote{5024}

Construction of the Gibbons alumni center is projected to begin soon. With the Lifsey House open, rumors about that President Castor is unhappy with the facility.\footnote{5025}

Although some crimes have decreased on campus in the last year, car thefts have doubled. Thieves prefer General Motors vehicles (50\% of thefts), followed by Chevrolet (25\%), and Chrysler (22.9\%).\footnote{5026} Between January and the end of August, an all time high record of 61 cars have been stolen from USF’s Tampa Campus.\footnote{5027}

The School of Library and Information Science’s new course “Sailing the Internet” is a hit with students. The two sections offered in the summer had to be expanded to four to keep up with demand, while fall semester is home to six sections.\footnote{5028}

A unique class called “Frontiers of Research” features 15 of USF’s most renowned researchers in a variety of fields.\footnote{5029}

Marriott opens the Marshall Center’s new Tampa Room, including four fast food outlets (Taco Bell, etc.), while the main Argos cafeteria features Subway and Pizza Hut.\footnote{5030} A Subway also opens in Cooper Hall.\footnote{5031} About $2,500 in cash is lost when the safe is stolen from the Cooper Subway in October.\footnote{5032}
The year-long search for a Graduate Studies Dean is scrapped, costing USF $5,800 with no candidate chosen.5033

The St. Pete Campus hosts a conference on HIV and Women called, “Positively Healthy Conference for Womyn.”5034 Despite a hoped attendance of 200, a mere 30 attend.5035

The library begins charging students three cents a page for CD-rom research printouts.5036 The Oracle complains of the move in an editorial, “It’s bad enough that you have to strand in line to use the CD-ROM stations. Now, you have to pay for printouts from them.” Students also have the option of saving the articles on a 3.5” diskette and loading them onto their computers at home.5037

Student Charles Weckesser sues USF for his dismissal from the master’s program in Social Work (MSW). He says he is disabled and that USF discriminated against him; that he was dismissed because of his interaction with Cleora Roberts, a professor who won a reverse discrimination lawsuit. When Weckesser stopped attending classes last year, he requested that his classes be counted as incomplete. Early this year, his incomplete classes were changed to failures. His lawsuit seeks damages, reinstatement in the MSW, and a letter of apology. By all accounts, the MSW is in a state of chaos and infighting, with two lawsuits brought against it by faculty members.5038

In July, two MSW students file grievances against a professor claiming that personality conflicts are behind their bad grades. One student claims that an exam grade was changed from 80 to

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5035 9/21/94.
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5038 8/25/94.
60, and the scantron form disappeared. Ruby Nell Johnson, the professor, criticized a student’s family as being codependent and dysfunctional in class; she told another student that she had a false sense of reality. Both students received low grades on their term papers. When both re-wrote their papers, they received lower grades and had their first scores erased.\(^{5039}\)

A squirrel is incinerated in USF’s main power station, leaving the campus without power for a half hour.\(^{5040}\)

Islamic fundamentalist Sheik Rashid al-Ghannoushi wants to speak at USF, but the State Department is hesitant to let him in the country. He was exiled from his native Tunisia in 1992 for trying to overthrow the government several times (and replace it with an Islamic regime), and lives in England under the condition that he does not speak in support of terrorism.\(^{5041}\) The USF Committee for Middle Eastern Studies invited al-Ghannoushi to speak on campus.\(^{5042}\)

USF begins its most active building schedules in the history of the Tampa campus. This ‘face-lift’ will cost approximately $100-million and will include a new bookstore, a parking garage and an overhaul of the aging utilities system.\(^{5043}\)

Ferdie Pacheco, an author, painter, and Muhammad Ali’s former ‘Fight Doctor,’ plans to raise money for USF’s Special Collections. HE will do so through a scheduled Tampa Museum of Art exhibit and local sales of his book \textit{Ybor City Chronicles}.\(^{5044}\)

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\(^{5043}\) USF Magazine, Vol. 36, No. 4 (Fall 1994), 6-7.
\(^{5044}\) USF Magazine, Vol. 36, No. 4 (Fall 1994), 12.
USF sets a record for attracting research grants for the second year in a row. It raised $84.9 million for the fiscal year 1993-94.\footnote{USF Magazine, Vol. 36, No. 4 (Fall 1994), 14.}

Betty Castor plans a unique inauguration that begins with a Sarasota campus brunch and 20\textsuperscript{th}-anniversary celebration and culminates with the inauguration and honors convocation. Castor invites students, faculty and staff to participate in almost all of the events (most of which were free.)\footnote{USF Magazine, Vol. 36, No. 4 (Fall 1994), 31.}

Although enrollment rose by 2.9\% since last year, dorm occupancy fell by 9\%. Availability fell by over 500 from 3,100 in 1991. More students are demanding single rooms and are avoiding the aging dorms built in the 1960s. Currently over 3\% of housing are not being used.\footnote{O 9/1/94.}

Work begins on Nancy Holt’s Solar Rotary sculpture on campus.\footnote{O 9/2/94.}

About 40 schools in Florida risk losing all Federal student aid because of excessive default rates. Florida has the 5\textsuperscript{th} highest default rate in the country.\footnote{O 9/2/94.}

USF student and KAOP fraternity brother Steven Lyew commits suicide after abducting, raping, and killing an ex-girlfriend who lived in Gamma Hall. After that abduction, he kidnapped her one year-old brother and his friend, shot him (critically) in the head, and then shot himself. Lyew, a Jamaican immigrant and art major, had a history of domestic violence and stalking on campus since 1990, including stalking a female student in the library, assaulting her on campus, and forcing his way into two female’s dorm rooms. The spokesman for his fraternity said, “Someone who I ate with;
someone I embraced—suddenly he’s gone." No one knows what disciplinary action was taken against Lyew for his previous outbursts because the records are not open to the public. The parents of a previous victim sent a letter to the university demanding Lyew be punished. In reply, they only received an acknowledgement of their letter. A representative of the UP said, “We did a lot of things right and we’re trying to look at what else we could have done.”

Prof. Manny Lucoff warns against USF seeking football. “Putting football on this university’s agenda adds up to big deficits. Deficits for a school that has always operated on the cheap.”

Eight months after assuming the presidency of USF, Betty Castor makes a speech suggesting a tuition increase to make up for a shortage of funds. She suggests raising tuition by the maximum allowed: 10%.

Doctor, author and artist Ferdie Pacheco exhibits his art in the library.

The football program is delayed due to fundraising shortages and postponement of the BOR approval date. About $4.5 million has been raised so far, with a goal of $5 million.

USF sociology professor Harvey Moore plans on running a parallel jury for the O.J. Simpson trial for research purposes at his Trial Practices Inc. downtown.
Faculty members oppose a move to charge faculty and staff members $125 a year to use the campus recreation center’s (gym) new facilities, which were built with student money.\(^{5057}\) A faculty committee suggests a charge of only $50 instead.\(^{5058}\)

A trash-clogged drain outside Beta Hall causes the dorm’s first floor to flood.\(^{5059}\)

A classroom in Cooper Hall is equipped with PCs for each student, in this case for an English class, teaching students to incorporate writing into their everyday lives.\(^{5060}\)

Only one in thirty USF students voted in the last SG election, a miserable participation rate even for USF, whose rate has usually hovered around 5%.\(^{5061}\)

After losing two journalist positions, WUSF is forced to cut its award-winning news coverage.\(^{5062}\)

Administration holds former SG president Jim Johnson’s student records until he repays $247 he improperly gave to a political campaign. The SG Supreme Court made the ruling, but could not put a hold on the records because it is not legal under the federal Buckley Amendment. Administration put the hold on Johnson’s records in lieu of SG intervention.\(^{5063}\)

Police seek a man who has broken into three rooms in the Village. Students wake up to find the intruder standing in their rooms or running away.\(^{5064}\)

Saying her inauguration is “not a coronation,” USF President Betty Castor plans a simple, all-inclusive ceremony that will not cost USF any money. Funds for the

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inauguration come out of donations from the Moffitt Center, the USF Research
Foundation, Busch Gardens, and Nations Bank.5065

On two occasions in early October, police respond to an alarm at the Lifsey
House, but both are false alarms.5066

On October 2, five men enter Mu Hall, force their way into a coed’s room and
beat her severely. All of the assailants are students and are suspended by USF and
banned from the campus. One of the men is an ex-boyfriend of the victim. The new
policy of suspension is backed by President Castor, who finds the men’s actions
“reprehensible.”5067 Four of the five assailants are pardoned for lack of evidence. The
fifth is expelled. Student Affairs VP Harold Nixon denies that any battery took place
during the incident, although the Oracle continues along the theme with the headline
“Student Expelled in Mu Battery,” and repeatedly referring to “battery” throughout the
article.5068 The victim later changes her story and backs down from pressing any
charges.5069

BOR Chancellor Charles Reed speaks on higher education in the Sheraton on
Hillsborough Avenue. With more money being spent on prisons instead of education,
Reed is concerned that Florida will be unable to keep up with the rising demand for
higher education. “I see a rocky future if we don’t convince our political leaders that
higher education is important.” Per-student spending has decreased by $2,000 in recent
years. Out of each state dollar, 7.8% goes to education, while corrections gets 9.5%.5070
Some student leaders in various state universities propose a uniform student disciplinary system for all members of the SUS.  

The Oracle paints a dark picture of parking woes after reviewing the Tampa campus’s 10-year master plan, saying that the campus will still be short by 13,000 parking spaces. The master Plan also includes a large expansion and renovation of the dorms to increase residents from about 2,600 to 4,000-4,500. 

A partnership between USF and the Department of Energy’s Largo plant (Technology Deployment Center) hopes to take ideas from great scholars, produce prototypes, and market them. 

USF is one of the greatest (non-football) distributors of athletic scholarships in the nation with over 100 (full or partial) scholarships annually and a $5 million budget. 

Feminist and age advocate Betty Friedan speaks on campus about “Aging in America.” 

The Dept. of Education grants USF’s school of physical education $548,000 to develop curriculum and distance learning videos of physical education for disabled children. 

Some USF stats: 36,058 students are enrolled at USF, with 12,434 in the College of Arts and Sciences. The median student age is 25, and female students outnumber

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males 4 to 3. Half of the students are enrolled full-time, while 65% are undergraduates.\textsuperscript{5078}

USF’s Dept. of Anthropology studies Tampa’s Central Avenue, the African-American district during the age of segregation.\textsuperscript{5079}

A “Just Say No to Drugs” march occurs through Suitcase City, the run-down neighborhood west of campus.\textsuperscript{5080}

An accrediting team recommends that the School of Mass Communication receive provisional status. The Accreditation Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications repeated its 1989 provisional ruling, which on the previous occasion was due to lack of funds and equipment, shortage of faculty, no minority recruitment program, and the need for more contact with alumni.\textsuperscript{5081}

When MC workers report a man who appeared to mentally disturbed, UP officers react, hoping to detain him under the Baker Act because he mentioned thoughts of suicide. When the officers walked R.J. Searcy back to his car near the Marshall Center, He got into a car that was reported stolen—he had borrowed it from a friend and refused to return it. Searcy locked himself in the vehicle and sped away. He stopped to pick up a friend, who quickly left the vehicle when Searcy appeared to be hysterical. Officers reached into the car to restrain him, maced him, and Searcy drove away, dragging two deputies for 25 feet. He drove around the block, parked near the SEC, re-entered the MC (to see his friend, the building manager), and was arrested.\textsuperscript{5082} Later, MC building manager Kenneth Browning files an incident report at the MC claiming the police used

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excessive force in apprehending Searcy. One of the UP officers apparently had words with Browning at the time of the incident, threatening him with arrest for interfering with an investigation. BSU members are concerned as well (Searcy is black).  

USF’s Ft. Myers campus gains visibility in the community just as it is slated to become Florida’s 10th state university, Florida Gulf Coast University. USF’s director for the campus has an objective of 3,000 enrolled students (or 1,000 FTE), and then he will leave the post to FGCU’s president.

The School of Continuing Education offers computer classes to 200 senior citizens.

Formed in 1993, The Foundation is comprised of 19 black male students who want to counteract negative images of black males through community service on such projects as Habitat for Humanity.

Political scientist Robert Cottam says that the US and Iran are in a destructive spiral conflict in a Marshall Center lecture.

The UFF is concerned that the BOR may lift privacy restrictions on teacher evaluations in the SUS. Both parties will probably make proposals to the legislature concerning the restrictions.

In the parking lot south of the library at 4 p.m., a 17 year-old Tampa high school student is held at gunpoint, forced into her truck, and raped in a secluded field in southeast Hillsborough County. The suspect remains at large. Days later, the alleged

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victim admits that she was with her boyfriend when the supposed incident took place, and that she concocted the story. She was not even on campus when she claimed she was. Her boyfriend is apparently not in favor with the girl’s family.\textsuperscript{5090}

Robert Good, a distinguished professor of pediatrics, lectures on his groundbreaking bone marrow transplant research in an event called “A Pioneer Assesses Bone Marrow Transplants.” Good’s new techniques have led to cures for over 75 diseases.\textsuperscript{5091}

After 25 years of employment, Dance Professor (and former department head) Bill Hug retires. He is honored with a diverse show of dance and choreography called “Remembering… Whispers, Women and Lots of Hoopla,” including some of his own work. A grand variety dazzled the 100 spectators, closing with Hug’s last piece of choreography, a survey of dance techniques going back 35 years entitled “Wrap-Up.”\textsuperscript{5092}

The BOR transfers joint USF/FAMU Architecture MA program to USF’s Tampa campus. Although USF does not have a separate school or college for architecture, FAMU leaders are concerned that an undergrad program in the subject could create difficulties for FAMU’s BA program.\textsuperscript{5093}

George Takei (“Sulu”) speaks at a Star Trek convention at the Special Events Center.\textsuperscript{5094}

Homecoming organizers convince the Faculty Senate to ban all academic testing for Homecoming event days in hopes of boosting attendance.\textsuperscript{5095}

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Business and Social Science students can take a one-credit library class to learn to perform research on databases, many of which are contained on CD-roms.\textsuperscript{5096}

BOR member Jason Rosenberg proposes health insurance for all SUS students and laptop computers for all as well.\textsuperscript{5097}

Graduate student David Erben leads the Tiyospaye American Indian Student Organization (TAISO) to act as an “extended family” for Native American students at USF.\textsuperscript{5098}

The library system acquires FirstSearch, a useful online research database.\textsuperscript{5099}

Architect Gene Leedy looks back proudly on his work on the $1.65 million Lifsey House. “It is a gateway to the university. If you drive down Fowler Avenue you see McDonald’s, Wendy’s, and all that is wrong with our society—the confusion and chaos. And then turn and see the large green area and the white Lifsey House, that is so refreshing as to what is across the street. The Lifsey House, I believe, will stand the test of time.”\textsuperscript{5100}

Eloy Gutierrez Menoyo speaks on campus. Menoyo fought beside Fidel Castro to overthrow the Cuban government, then formed a paramilitary organization to resist Fidel called Alpha 66. Castro jailed Menoyo for 22 years and released him in 1988. Menoyo has outraged Cuban exiles because of his willingness to lift the embargo and negotiate with Castro to improve the situation in Cuba. Several people have made threatening calls to Fraser Ottanelli, who set up the event. Violent protesters disrupted a historic forum on
Jose Marti last year, and some fear the same will happen at the lecture. Their expectations were not unfounded. Three hundred protesters condemn the lecture outside the library and spark a fight at the lecture itself. Then they surround the library’s exit to prevent his departure for several hours, throwing stones and beating police officers with flagpoles. Only USF students, staff, and faculty can attend the actual lecture, and only after being screened by metal detectors. When Menoyo tries to leave after the lecture, the crowd hurls stones and epithets, and some protesters charge the line of police to try to break through. Menoyo retreats back into the library, and many protesters wait for him at the rear exit and loading dock. They do not disperse until police tell them that Menoyo has already left through another entrance at 5pm. Menoyo leaves 45 minutes later. Some later write letters saying that the crowd threw only dirt and grass, as there were no stones available, but the Oracle stands by the story (as do library personnel who were there). Some claim that University Police brutalized protesters. Protesters and police alike were wounded in the melee. The UP defends its actions, whose 14 officers had to rely on backup from Tampa Police. Lt Bob Staehle said, “Crowd control was no problem for us, what was a surprise Thursday was the behavior of the crowd.”

Alan Adams holds a female USF student (and ex-girlfriend) and gunpoint in a Village Parking lot and forces her to accompany him to a local hotel, where she is beaten when she tries to escape. After Adams drops her off on campus, she reports the incident to police but is reluctant to have him arrested, but she relents.

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Just two weeks after construction is set to begin, administrators ask for student input regarding the planned parking garage near Crescent Hill, a long-time landmark for students. Students rejected having the garage on the hill itself over the summer. Planners want to put a road running straight through the hill for traffic leaving the garage going west.\footnote{5106}

Graphicstudio shows and sells works done there by some of its best artists over the years, including Robert Mapplethorpe.\footnote{5107}

USF officials expect a 33% increase of students in Tampa. In preparation, they approve a 5-year plan that would nearly double the 5 million square feet of classrooms and labs, new dorms for 1,000 residents, and 20,000 parking spaces. One-third of the 15,000 existing parking spaces on campus will be taken up by construction. USF hires an architect to design a series of walkways and landscaping in between the Marshall Center and the Administration building.

After 18 months of construction, Lifesey House is set to open with a price tag of $1.7 million and space of 9,000 square feet. Hills are created with fill dirt and sod to beautify the area and reduce noise. The courtyard alone has space for the entire freshman class of 2,000. President Betty Castor praises the innovative design, but others say it is stark and the front looks like a drive-in restaurant.\footnote{5108}

The landmark University Restaurant, a traditional gathering place for students, faculty and staff, is bulldozed to make way for a 24-hour Walgreens.

Second edition of \textit{The Best Doctors in America} is published; 37 USF faculty physicians and clinical faculty are included.
USF reaches all-time high of $86.3 million in externally sponsored research awards for fiscal year 1993-1994.

USF is the nation’s 18th largest university in terms of enrollment; it is the 8th largest urban university.

An auditor finds that USF President Frank Borkowski spent massive amounts of funds on improper purchases including $1500 in Christmas cards, $2,000 on a lawn party, and $800 on a dinner with four attorneys and another USF official. All of is found a year after another ugly audit that revealed improper spending. Since 1989, USF officials have been clamoring for more state funds in the midst of budget cuts. In all, $7 million in state-provided funds are unaccounted for, a whopping 4% of the state budget.\(^{5109}\)

The budget cuts continue to be felt. In 1990, Florida spent an average of $7,156 per student. In 1994 that figure is $5,128.

The $21 million Knight Oceanographic Research Center replaces a termite-infested wooden building for the Marine Science program and the USGS facility.

A variety of academics visit USF on behalf of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to review its accreditation. All aspects of USF will be reviewed including use of space, budgets, and academic quality. To prepare USF officials prepared a self study of the previous two years. Complaints include low salaries, lack of lab space, and low levels of academic counseling. Other findings: 93% of alumni believe their academic experience was positive, but 43% of current students complain that required courses are not available. 94% of faculty were satisfied with academic freedom on campus, but 59% said the library failed to meet their needs. 81% of staff believe their job

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assignments were clear, but 55% complained that their had no voice in university governance. 52% of the faculty published in scholarly journals in 1992.\footnote{5110}

SACS issues a report that was largely positive, but emphasized that USF needed to become leaner and better organized. Among the suggestions: USF needs to carry out planning reports that would streamline administration, improve budget priorities during tight budgets, better record keeping, and lines of authority should be clarified for the sake of stability and communication. SACS praised the colleges of engineering, education and marine science (in St. Pete) for their strengths.\footnote{5111}

Eloy Gutierrez-Menoyo, a former political prisoner in Cuba, arouses the anger of Cuban protestors while speaking at USF advocating the end of the U.S. embargo on Cuba. The event is held in the library’s Grace Allen room that holds 50. 150 protestors gathered outside, waving Cuban flags and chanting anti-Castro slogans. One protestors violently shouted too close to the line of police, and was struck on the head with a Billy club, drawing blood. Another protestors had to be detained by police when he attempted to approach the speaker. Several officers are battered during melees with the Cubans. The crowds charged toward a man who they mistook for Gutierrez-Menoyo. The protestors denounce him for being an alleged “pawn of Castro.” In 1992, a similar protest broke up a scholarly discussion of Cuban patriot Jose Marti. In letters to the \textit{Tribune}, some denounce the event’s organizers, while others condemn the protestors for violating free speech.\footnote{5112}
Tony Pizzo, Hillsborough County’s official historian, passes away. His commitment to USF Library’s Special Collection is underscored by the fact that he met with several librarians on his deathbed to discuss recent contributions of materials.\textsuperscript{5113}

Betty Wiggins donates the B.P. Brown Enterprises, Inc. Collections to the Tampa Library. The collection consists of the print jobs the company did throughout the African American community in Tampa, documenting a variety of organizations and activities.\textsuperscript{5114}

The \textit{Oracle} goes digital, posting an electronic version on the Internet. The \textit{Tampa Tribune} is still in testing stages of \textit{Tampa Bay Online}, where it will post electronic articles.\textsuperscript{5115}

Former USF President John Lott Brown is named interim president of Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Massachusetts. He will reportedly return to his teaching position at USF when a president is selected.\textsuperscript{5116}

Education and its reform are the theme of a planned free, public lecture series sponsored by USF’s St. Pete Campus from January 24 to April 18. “Education: The Quest for Quality and Equality” will highlight the most significant philosophical conflicts confronting education in the nation and the state. This year’s program is funded by the Florida Humanities Council.\textsuperscript{5117}

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\textsuperscript{5117} CN: January 19, 1994, p. 2.
A South African Symposium is slated for February 9-18 on the USF St. Petersburg campus. “South Africa: Country at the Crossroads” will explore the history, heritage and diverse cultures of the Republic of South Africa.5118

A state history celebration is planned to take place in Heritage Park in Largo and the USF-Bayboro campus. The series of lectures, performances, festivals and exhibits celebrating the history and culture of Florida’s ethnic populations and pioneer ancestors will be entitled “Treasures and Traditions: A Florida Landscape.”5119

The Legalis Society will host the University of South Florida’s International Business Conference to be held March 30 at the ST. Petersburg Hilton and Towers. The conference will feature speakers from the International Monetary Fund, Polish American Enterprise Fund, and European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.5120

The nursing program will return to USF-St. Petersburg campus. The Florida state legislature has approved $168,000 in funding and a group of local hospitals endowed a professorship.5121

The Fitness Center opens its doors to reveal a new facility to the campus community. The expansion completes phase three of the USF-St. Petersburg campus Activities Center Development.5122

USF-St. Petersburg campus releases its long-range master plan for expansion. The plan is set to span over ten years and is estimated at 107 million dollars.5123

5119 CN: February 2, 1994, p. 3.
5120 CN: March 16, 1994, p. 6.
The Dean and Chief Executive Officer Dr. H. William Heller prepares a “2005” plan to enhance USF-St. Pete curriculum. With this plan, he plans to dramatically enhance course offerings on the campus and help USF-St. Pete to become a dominant force in the education of Pinellas County residents.\(^{5124}\)

University President Betty Castor introduces the new, high-tech ID cards in a letter to students, faculty and staff as part of an “ongoing effort to expand services to the University Community.”\(^{5125}\)

USF President Betty Castor and Department of Environmental Protection Secretary Virginia Wetherell perform the ribbon-cutting ceremony during the October 28\(^{th}\) dedication of the USF Joint-Use Marine Research Facility on the Bayboro campus.\(^{5126}\)

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A computer hacker erases information from the USF network and causes many students to lose homework assignments mailed to professors.\(^{5127}\)

USF President Betty Castor hopes to convince members of a new NCAA conference (which doesn’t yet have a name) to allow the school to join. Castor is successful in her attempt to get USF into the new league.\(^{5128}\)

USF’s new Campus Recreation Center opens. Over 1,600 people go to the center on its first day. The Recreation Center adds 45,000 square feet to the previous gymnasium and cost $4.6 million to build.\(^{5129}\)
The Tampa Room in the Marshall Center has been expanded to incorporate 76 more seats and adds more natural lighting through multiple windows.\textsuperscript{5130}

President Castor begins to place her Annual Report on the Internet so information can be disseminated more quickly.\textsuperscript{5131}

Student Affairs receives numerous complaints concerning fliers posted around campus asking students to “join the rest of the world in helping destroy Israel and exterminate another three million Jews.” The fliers are actually posted by Aharon Greenberg, president of the Young Israel Jewish Student Union (his actions are unaffiliated with the group). Greenberg and seven friends post these and other fliers around campus to create conflict, discussion, support free speech, and elicit a response from “apathetic” students. Student Roxana Levin read the flier and complained Student Affairs. Upon closer inspection Levin believes that the fliers were an attempt to bring attention to the need to protect Jews. Despite this, Levin believes they are “very inappropriate.” The Office of Student Affairs begins an investigation into the fliers’ posting. Because the fliers are non-academic, according to University Policy the Office of Student Affairs must approve them.\textsuperscript{5132}

After a month of investigations by the Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Department Internal Affairs Division, several deputies are cleared of charges of brutality in their arrest of J.R. Searcy at the Marshall Center.\textsuperscript{5133}
Plans are set for a new bookstore in the Marshall Center. The new bookstore will be three levels tall, be 49,000 square feet larger than the 9,000 square foot existing store, and cost about $8 million. The new store is set for completion sometime in 1996.5134

The USF Faculty Senate expresses some concerns over the Diversity 2000 Strategic Planning Initiative. According to some faculty members the Initiative, meant to encourage minority students to come to USF, might lower the standards of the school’s acceptance policy. Other faculty members disapprove of the wording on a diversity poll.5135

Because of overspending by the two previous administrations, SG President must ask the senate to fund an interim budget for the executive branch. The previous administration of Jim Johnson went about $20,000 over budget and the administration of Lesia Miller was shut down because of “racial insensitivity,” causing about $20,000 in unpaid bills.5136

USF Associate Athletic Director and former Tampa Bay Buccaneer Lee Roy Selmon is elected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame. Selmon is currently working on bringing a football team to USF.5137

A suit that former secretary Yolanda Santos brought against College of Public Health Professor Jay Wolfson is settled out of court. Wolfson publicly apologizes for a “physical altercation” between the two at a department meeting in December of 1993.5138

Former SG President Jim Johnson will be charged $247 for bringing gubernatorial candidate Ander Crenshaw to campus last semester. SG Statutes prohibit the use of A&S

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5136 O 1/25/95 p3
5137 O 1/30/95 p1
5138 O 1/31/95 p1
funds to benefit a political campaign. Johnson refuses to come to the hearing because he is “no longer in Student Government” and believes he should not have to pay the sum. Johnson would like to further contest the ruling, but doesn’t want to hurt the authority of future administrations. Because the money will be owed to the school, Johnson may not be academically eligible until it is paid. Johnson used the same SG Statute against political support against the Oracle when he was elected in 1993. Johnson claimed that the Oracle violated the statute by endorsing another candidate for office. 

Jason Baer, director of the Elm Street Flea Market, warns that some of the products being sold at the market are not the name-brand products that they seem to be, but are actually illegal, inexpensive imitations.

There is a controversy over candidate recruitment on campus. Harold Nixon recruits for the job search to replace associate vice president for student life Chuck Hewitt. One of the people he recruits is Wilma Henry, now a finalist for the job. Some see this as favoritism.

The USF chapter of Amnesty International hosts Human Rights Week on campus.

Jim Matthews, a customer service representative in the information technologies department, now teaches a two-credit physical education elective in country line dancing. Matthews has been teaching line dancing to USF community members for three years.
He initially just taught the class to faculty and staff, but was so successful that it was made an elective.5143

As part of the celebration for USF’s new gym and the school’s upcoming move to a new athletic conference, President Castor sits on the bench as an honorary coach of the women’s basketball team.5144

Rodolfo de la Garza, one of the foremost academics on Hispanic studies, is the keynote speaker at a USF symposium entitled, “Hispanic United States.”5145

Jazz legend Benny Golson performs with the USF Jazz Ensemble at the Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center. The concert is part of an ongoing jazz residency series, which provides valuable interaction between students and established musicians. “The artists generally hang out with the students, get to know them and give them ideas of what they’re up against,” explains Chuck Owen, director of USF jazz studies.5146

More than 150 university faculty, staff, students, and alumni gather at the Elm Street Flea Market to commemorate Lee Roy Selmon’s induction into the Pro Football Hall of Fame. “Sometimes I don’t think that people in our area realize just what Lee Roy means to all of us,” says former teammate Scot Brantley. “I think they take him for granted.” USF President Betty Castor is present for the ceremony, and tells Selmon, “You’ve put a lot of people’s minds at ease since you joined our athletics department.”5147

At a meeting with approximately 450 USF staff and students, President Castor explains that state money can no longer support the rapid growth of the university. With a

5143 O 2/7/95 p7
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5145 O: Feb. 8, 1995
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5147 O: Feb. 9, 1995
proposed twenty-five percent budget cut this year, the university will be forced to look to alternative resources. “I want to assure each of you that our university leadership ... and I will do everything we can to ensure that higher education and the University of South Florida receive the funding we need to move forward,” she tells the crowd.\footnote{O: Feb. 9, 1995}

University officials and students give unanimous approval to a proposal that would allow for the construction of a new parking garage without destroying Crescent Hill. “We finally got a decision, and we’re ready to move forward,” comments Bert Hartley, vice-president of administrative services.\footnote{O: Feb. 10, 1995}

A serious of bicycle accidents on campus leads the University Health and Safety Committee to form a subcommittee on bicycle safety at USF. Additional bicycle paths are under consideration, and a UP bicycle patrol has also been suggested. “What they should do is not necessarily make a new bike bath,” says sophomore Jerald Guzinski. “They could make a bike lane on the existing roads. I don’t really think bicycle police are the answer.”\footnote{O: Feb. 23, 1995}

The USF Foundation hosts a March for Unity in celebration of Black Emphasis Month. “This isn’t a black vs. white issue,” explains Foundation President Dickens Aubourg. “There is no political goal. Everyone is welcome to show that as a community we can work together toward a future together.”\footnote{O: Feb. 23, 1995} The Foundation expresses disappointment when only 50 people, on a campus of nearly 40,000, attend the event.\footnote{O: Feb. 27, 1995}

University administrators announce that, beginning in the fall semester, telephone registration will be the only method available to students signing up for classes. While
approximately eighty percent of students currently register via telephone, state employees and senior citizens have been required to do so in person. The increased capacity of the new program will allow all students to use the telephone system. “Adjustments will have to be made on the financial end during the fall semester until we can completely phase out on-site registration,” explains Bruce Bursack, associate vice president of enrollment planning and management.\textsuperscript{5153}

President Castor submits to the Florida Senate two separate university budget proposals in compliance with the proposed cutbacks in higher education. The first is in response to a twenty-five percent statewide budget reduction, which Castor describes as “absurd” and “demoralizing.” The other more popular proposal reallocates $9.6 million in much-needed funding to the state universities. Castor also sends proposals to eliminate the College Level Academic Skills Test (CLAST), reduce the duplication of academic programs among state universities, and enhance the university’s image with community colleges.\textsuperscript{5154}

USF social engineers and “urban pioneers” reach out to the urban community surrounding the university. “Sponsored research projects-medical, scientific, urban and social-transform the urban community into a real world laboratory.” Part of this involves outreach, which targets students beyond the typical college ages of 18-22.\textsuperscript{5155}

The Tampa campus of USF decides to make its services and facilities more “user-friendly.” In practical terms, this means the creation of a Visitor Reception Center at the front entrance, extra parking through a new parking garage and 200 parking meters in

\textsuperscript{5153} O: Feb. 24, 1995
\textsuperscript{5154} O: Feb. 28, 1995
\textsuperscript{5155} USF Magazine, Vol. 37, No. 2 (Spring 1995), 3-7.
“high-turnover areas. Telephone registration will also be available at the Admissions Office as well as access to grades online. The library will also extend its hours.”

USF embarks upon a series of art projects throughout the branch campuses, which are intended to create casual and comfortable places where students and faculty and mingle and relax.

Former presidential candidate Michael Dukakis delivers a lecture at the Special Events Center on “life after the 1988 campaign.”

In a meeting with student government officers and residence hall officials, USF students spend over two hours venting their complaints and frustrations regarding life in the university dormitories. “It’s like a big campout,” says resident Richard Hauser. “I’m not giving my parent’s hard-earned money to live in the Ghetto.” Hauser’s comments were followed by thunderous applause from the many students in attendance. “We are trying to give comfortable living at the lowest cost,” replies Director of Housing Joan Tallis. “Let’s see some action,” says another frustrated student. Those residents in attendance doubt that the meeting will yield any improvements in the condition of university dormitories. “The USF residence halls are masters at dodging questions about the major issues … I doubt anything will happen,” complains David Iacono. “There will be nothing accomplished by this meeting tonight,” Hauser adds. “Nobody cares unless they are in danger of taking a pay cut.”

5156 USF Magazine, Vol. 37, No. 2 (Spring 1995), 11.
5158 O: Mar. 6, 1995
5159 O: Mar. 7, 1995
The USF men’s basketball team advances to the second round of the National Invitation Tournament for the first time in the university’s history.\footnote{O: Mar. 21, 1995}

The Advisory Council of Faculty Senates proposes a resolution to gain faculty representation on the Board of Regents. “The feeling of the group is that education, anywhere, at all, should include some sort of expert information,” explains USF faculty member Kofi Glover. “The faculty are critical to the education process.”\footnote{O: Mar. 24, 1995}

A crowd of nearly one hundred people gathers for the official dedication of USF’s newest sculpture, entitled Solar Rotary. Located behind Cooper Hall, the sculpture marks important events in Florida history by casting circles of sunlight on strategically placed plaques. Nancy Holt, the creator of the sculpture, was on hand for the event.\footnote{O: Mar. 28, 1995}

Amanda Goff, a USF student at the Ft. Myers campus, is named Florida’s Student Social Worker of the Year. Golf is chosen because of her work on the Lee County Rape Task Force and the establishment of the Rape Trauma Center at Gulf Hospital in Ft. Myers.\footnote{O: Mar. 31, 1995}

Student government representatives construct a model of the Marshall Center out of lottery cards with the intention of presenting it to the Florida Legislature in Tallahassee. The project is a statement about the state’s misallocation of lottery funds initially intended to go towards education. Students scrawled such messages on the model as, “Lottery, another broken promise.” “Some cards are really funny and some are really serious, like [students] are pouring their hearts out on the cards,” explains project organizer Stephanie Evans. “It was once thought that the lottery was supposed to be the
frosting on the cake, but it’s not like that anymore. The lottery is the whole cake now.”

More than 125 USF faculty members receive $5,000 raises in recognition of excellence in teaching. “These professors have helped build a sense of pride for teaching and for USF,” comments President Betty Castor. “This is a nice recognition that is long overdue.”

Retired Air Force colonel and former NASA shuttle commander Frederick D. Gregory comes to USF to speak about overcoming racial and scientific barriers.

Graduate student Kavita Kulkarni suffers burns to her face after a laboratory explosion in the bio-sciences building. According to the UP report, she was conducting an experiment when volatile flames suddenly ignited inside a ventilation hood. Kulkarni went quickly to an emergency shower nearby, while another student put the fire out with a fire extinguisher.

The Executive Budget Council grants $1 million to the USF housing division in order to begin much-needed renovations to university residence halls. “We are very concerned about the dorms,” says Harold Nixon, vice president for student affairs. “And about trying to bring the halls to a higher level.” University officials expect the first phase of construction, involving refurbishing, repainting, and carpeting in all the residence halls, to be completed by August.

Athletics Director Paul Griffin announces that USF will go to the Board of Regents with a proposal for a collegiate football program at the university. BOR approval
remains the final hurdle before bringing football to South Florida. “When they consider football, they’ll realize it’s a large economic undertaking,” Griffin explains. “I think they’ll realize that we have a sound fiscal, economic game plan.”

President Castor joins forty-two other state university presidents on the Commission on Governmental Relations, an organization created to help set federal policy for higher education. “Our purpose is really twofold,” Castor explains. “One, to receive information, and to take that information and use it for advocacy purposes.”

Conference USA, the newest university athletic league of which USF is a part, is formally established. The name was chosen because it was the only one that all twelve schools involved would agree upon. “It wasn’t that we all liked the name, it was that it was the only name no one disagreed with,” explains conference chairman V. Lane Rawlins. “When you’re dealing with twelve different universities, you’re dealing with a wide range of opinions.”

All Children’s Hospital announces that it will give $6.45 million to USF’s pediatrics department, provided the funds are matched by the state. “It takes us to a new plateau,” says President Castor. “It’s really dramatic. There aren’t that many gifts that size in the State University System ... It will bring a lot of attention to USF’s medical education and to the expertise with out health sciences.”

The Board of Regents votes to allocate $10.5 million towards renovating Alpha Hall and construction of a new residence hall on the USF Sarasota campus. “We’re very
relieved the plan was approved. It’s been a long time coming,” says housing director Joan
Tillis. “I think it’s a big start. There’s a lot that needs to be done.”

University officials propose an increase in parking decals as a means of funding
five new parking garages the university plans to build in the next ten years. Under the
proposal, decals will cost $20 and $35 more each semester for students and faculty,
respectively. “Nobody likes this [increase], but my guess is they’ll like the convenience
of having additional parking,” comments Bert Hartley, vice president for administrative
services.

The USF library’s Special Collections displays a 400-piece exhibit of Sammy
Davis Jr. memorabilia in observance of the fifth anniversary of the entertainer’s death.

GTE donates $700,000 to USF, beginning a “new partnership” between the
company and university. As part of the new USF/GET Outreach 2000 Program, GTE will
install a new system linking the university library to others in the area. A portion of the
donation will also be used to fund minority scholarships at USF.

USF offers a wide range of options related to distance learning. With new
technology, which offers these services, university researchers are concerned with
keeping up with multi-media corporations, which could someday eclipse universities at
their own game.

President Castor travels to China to complete the final details of a student and
faculty exchange program.
University officials freeze all dealings with the World and Islam Studies Enterprise (WISE) at the behest of Chancellor Charles Reed. The organization, founded by USF professor Sami Al-Arian, is a self-described Islamic think-tank that provides stipends to graduate students in Middle Eastern studies. Reed’s decision comes as a result of a series of stories featured in the Tampa Tribune linking WISE to Palestinian terrorist organizations.\footnote{O: June 5, 1995}

Nine of eleven available lots at the Greek housing site have been leased, according to university officials. The leases are for forty years, and cost the respective fraternities and sororities $25,000 each. “We are very excited that [the university] took the initiative to build the lots, now we want to show the drive to actually get the houses built,” says Jason Warnke, Interfraternity Council housing chairman. “And that’s what we hope all of our efforts show.”\footnote{O: June 8, 1995}

Mark Orr, chairman of the USF Committee for Middle Eastern Studies, finds no evidence that the World and Islam Studies Enterprise (WISE) is linked to international terrorism, as once suspected. “I have no information that leads me to believe the [WISE] is staffed by anyone sympathetic to terrorism or an advocate of terrorism or a participant of terrorism,” Orr explains. “I think quite to the contrary. They’re serious scholars who are concerned with peace in the area.”\footnote{O: June 15, 1995}

USF delays its bid for a football program by two months, waiting until September to formally request permission from the BOR. “It’s a very complicated process,” President Castor explains. “The board wants a great deal of information.”\footnote{O: June 19, 1995}
USF professor Sami Al-Arian responds to newspaper reports charging him with links to terrorist organizations. “The message of the article was clear,” Al-Arian comments regarding a recent Tribune column. “It was full of false allegations and written to persuade ... I am a seriously religious person, never extreme. My concern for understanding is one of my top priorities. We sought to initiate real dialogue.”

A thirty-year-old main water pipe breaks at the Science Center, resulting in flooding of the immediate area, the loss of water pressure, and cancellation of all classes for the day. In the meantime, the workers assigned to repairs received a “cool bath on a hot day.”

Emery “Pete” Sasser, former chairman of the mass communications department at USF, passes away at University Community Hospital. “He was a key figure in the development of the department in bringing faculty to the program,” says USF professor Manny Lukoff.

USF researchers are disappointed when a Canadian research team at the University of Toronto discovers the gene “that causes the most aggressive form of Alzheimer’s.” The USF team was just weeks away from making the same discovery after ten years of work. According to graduate student and researcher Guy Prihar, “the glory would have been great. But in terms of research, it’s great news and we’re very happy the gene has been found.”
President Castor proposes merging the Health Sciences Center and USF Florida Mental Health Institute physical plant into the Main Campus Physical Plant. Some of the employees are opposed to the move because they feel it will endanger their jobs.\(^{5187}\)

The USF Graphicstudio, holders of the rights to make posters for the 1996 Olympic Games, may lose their chance to help develop the “Centennial Olympic Fine Print Portfolio.” The buyer interpreted the contract as including both “fine art prints” and “posters.” The members of Graphicstudio interpreted the contract to mean just “fine art prints.” There was no contract signed, so no legal action will take place, but Hank Hines, the Graphicstudio director, believes that being involved in the project “would have been a great chance for USF and the community to be honored.”\(^{5188}\)

USF received over $48 million in federal research funds over the past year. The school has also gotten $55 million from private agencies. USF is now second in the state behind FSU and is ranked with the best in the nation.\(^{5189}\)

The MCI Corporation donates $20,000 to the USF library to help “expand technology and access to the Internet.”\(^{5190}\)

USF Athletics will play their first season in Conference USA in the fall of 1995.\(^{5191}\)

The school has over $20 million in construction planned for the next year, including a new parking garage, a new bookstore, two new education buildings, and a renovation of the Martin Luther King Jr. Plaza.\(^{5192}\)

\(^{5187}\) O 7/6/95 p1  
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\(^{5190}\) O 7/20/95 p2  
\(^{5191}\) O 8/21/95 p2C  
\(^{5192}\) O 8/28/95 p2A
USF President Betty Castor spent two weeks visiting the People’s Republic of China over the summer as part of a plan to create a joint degree program in Chinese Studies.5193

A controversy begins at USF when it is revealed that the school has a contract with an Islamic group allegedly tied to terrorist organizations. Two instances of contract mismanagements were uncovered by an internal investigation regarding the school’s contract with the “World and Islam Studies Enterprise” (WISE) a Tampa based think tank. According to the Oracle, the first problem “relates to the hiring of a WISE teacher; the second concerns payment of a graduate stipend to an unqualified student.” USF Professor Sami Al-Arian is on the WISE Board of Trustees. Al-Arian has responded in the Oracle to an incriminating article written earlier this summer by the Tampa Tribune.5194

On August 29th, members of the BOR will visit USF in order to view the facilities and then at the September 15th BOR meeting they will decide whether or not the school will be granted a football program. After the visit, the BOR members express their approval and support of a football program at USF, but a final vote has not been taken. Seven of the eight visiting members expressed approval for the program, one said that he felt “comfortable” with the prospect, but would not commit. There were six BOR members absent from the visit.5195

5193 O 8/28/95 p11A
5194 O 8/28/95 p15A, for Dr. Al-Arian’s article see Oracle, 6/22/95.
5195 O 8/28/95 p22A, 8/30/95 p1 and 22
USF releases a profile of their ideal football coach. The coach should have some local connection and have been in a situation similar to the one at USF at some point in the past.\textsuperscript{5196}

USF will field a varsity level Women’s Soccer team for the first time this fall. Logan Fleck, coach of the Men’s team, will also coach the women. Their first game will be at home on September 7\textsuperscript{th} against North Florida. The team finishes the season 11-3, including nine shutout victories.\textsuperscript{5197}

President Castor begins the new school year, her second as President, with a back-to-school meetings in the CIS Building. USF is now the 18\textsuperscript{th} largest university in the country.\textsuperscript{5198}

USF senior basketball player Chucky Atkins has been playing very well for the undefeated U.S. Team at the World University Games in Japan. The team wins the gold medal, beating host Japan 141-81. Atkins scores 9 points and has a team-high 8 assists.\textsuperscript{5199}

\textit{Money Magazine} ranks New College the best value for colleges around the country. Their rankings are based on low tuition and high academic standards. It is the third year in a row that the school has been ranked number one.\textsuperscript{5200}

Various members of the USF and Tampa Bay communities testify before the Florida Board of Regents in favor of USF receiving its own football team. The special
meeting is held on August 29th at the university and comes only after USF raised the $5 million dollar endowment needed for that goal.5201

USF’s women’s soccer team joins over 150 other Division I women’s soccer programs. The impetus for a growing number of successful women’s intercollegiate programs comes from Title IX and a grass-root interest in sports at the youth-league level.5202

After having acquired the Carnegie Foundation’s Research II status only last year, there is speculation that USF can possibly reach Research I very soon. The university’s faculty brought in $1044.1 million in research money during the previous budget year, putting it in the top tier of universities in that regard.5203

Faculty members from the Ethics Center begin to work with the Disney Institute to create aspects of the theme park specifically geared towards critical thinking.5204

A 10-acre piece of land next to the Sun Dome parking lot has been approved for the construction of an elementary school on campus.5205

A student government town meeting draws only eleven students. Intended to be a discussion and explanation of A&S funding at USF, the meeting “turned out to be a two-man debate about security funds.” The student government officers were left with sixteen gallons of ice cream, provisions for the crowd that never came.5206

5201 USF Magazine, Vol. 37, No. 4 (Fall 1995), 3-4.
5202 USF Magazine, Vol. 37, No. 4 (Fall 1995), 8.
5203 USF Magazine, Vol. 37, No. 4 (Fall 1995), 12-17.
5204 USF Magazine, Vol. 37, No. 4 (Fall 1995), 27.
5205 O 9/6/95 p2
5206 O: Sept. 7, 1995
Francesco USF, a branch of Ristorante Francesco, opens on the fourth floor of the Marshall Center. The new dining facility offers “inexpensive dining in an upscale atmosphere.”

The U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Committee gives USF $1.2 million to develop new technology for mammograms. “The overall goal of the four-year project is to develop computer systems to read or interpret mammograms and aid the radiologist,” explains Kevin Woods, visiting professor in the department of computer science and engineering.

Village residents are without water for seven hours after a water pipe bursts.

In a vote of 6 to 1, the Board of Regents’ athletic committee formally approves the creation of a Division I-AA football program at the University of South Florida. University officials are still awaiting the final word from the Board of Regents. “It’s not done yet,” explains President Castor. “One more meeting, but I think that you could say that it looks like it’s going to happen.”

At a meeting in Orlando, the Board of Regents vote 13 to 1 to put the final stamp of approval on the proposed football program at USF. Upon the announcement, the fifty or so USF students in attendance immediately burst into applause, and present each of the BOR members with a green and gold souvenir football. “It’s about time we had football,” exclaims Tampa regent and USF alumnus Dennis Ross. “This was the missing link for our university. I’m very proud, as are the other 100,000 people of the alumni of that institution.” USF freshman Barry Matthews celebrates the decision. “There will be more

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5207 O: Sept. 7, 1995
5208 O: Sept. 13, 1995
5209 O: Sept. 14, 1995
5210 O: Sept. 15, 1995
unity in the school community when we have a football team. Now there’s not much
happening on campus.” Athletics director Paul Griffin also expresses enthusiasm for the
decision. “You can be assured that there are a lot of young men who would want to be the
first people to play for the University of South Florida. Recruiting them will not be that
difficult.” Lee Roy Selmon also comments on the decision. “I am just as excited as
anyone in this room. Football is no longer a vision for USF, it is a reality.” Regent
Elizabeth Lindsey issues a warning to her fellow Florida regents. “To [the] Gators,
Seminole, Rattlers, Knights, and Hurricanes among the regents, you now have a ‘Lady
Bull’ to contend with.”

According to a report in the Department of Education’s *Chronicle of Higher
Education*, USF is now the fifteenth largest university in the country with an enrollment
of 34,768 students. “It’s a new benchmark every day,” says President Castor. “We’re
doing our job and it’s reflected in this year’s enrollment.”

Tampa civic officials proclaim a USF Day in celebration of the university’s new
football program.

Management at USF’s Marshall Center announces that they will begin offering
beer to patrons in the Tampa Room. “It was my decision based on some requests,”
explains Peter Radeka of Marriott Dining Services. “We don’t promote alcohol, we don’t
do ladies’ night specials, but we make it available.” In the meantime, the Empty Keg
continues to offer alcohol as well.

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5211 O: Sept. 18, 1995
5212 O: Sept. 19, 1995
5213 O: Sept. 20, 1995
5214 O: Sept. 22, 1995

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Donn Smith, the founder and former dean of USF’s medical school, passes away in his sleep at the age of seventy-nine.

Edward James Olmos, “America’s most visible spokesman for the Hispanic community,” speaks before a capacity crowd at the Special Events Center.

The University Police approve plans to arm every officer with pepper spray as an additional tool to fight crime on campus. “It’s not to replace anything, it’s to give the officers more options when dealing with a violent suspect,” explains Sergeant Michael Garry.

The H. Lee Moffitt Center opens a new research facility, which will house four programs: cancer cell biology, immunology, cancer control, and molecular oncology. The new center will also provide additional lab space and examination rooms, along with a cafeteria, a new library, and an auditorium.

Bob Dylan performs at the Sun Dome with special guest Alison Krauss. Comedian Carrot Top also brings his act to the Special Events Center.

The USF department of Biology and Institute on Aging test antioxidants on rats to slow the aging process. It is hoped that the research will lead to a way to cure or curb Alzheimer’s disease.

Students crowd into the Empty Keg to watch the OJ Simpson verdict.

USF graduate David Pauling runs for US President as a Democrat against incumbent Bill Clinton.
President Castor invites various faculty members to share their art and/or research at a reception at her office. The event gives her a chance to “see how productive the faculty are.”

Earl Wardrum’s architecture Design class offers suggestions for the design of the new Graphicstudio building.

SG members lobby against cuts in Federal financial aid, traveling to Washington DC.

The Oracle runs an article on the transition of the USF Fort Myers campus into Florida Gulf Coast University. The school will close in the summer of 1997 and open that fall as FGCU.

Members of the step team in the Phi Beta Sigma fraternity at USF win the national competition in Washington.

Judith Ochshorn, co-founder of the Women’s Studies Department at USF, dies of cancer.

Athletic director Paul Griffin is in negotiations with officials at the Thunder Dome and at Tampa Stadium as he searches for a place the USF football team can play.

The Oracle announces that former USF adjunct instructor Ramadan Abdullah Shallah will become the leader of Islamic Jihad. Shallah was head of the World Islam Studies Enterprise in Tampa while teaching at USF in 1994 and 1995.
USF’s chapter of the Pi Sigma Alpha honor Political Science Honor Society is recognized as one of the best in the U.S.  

The People Organized for Oppressed Pumpkins (POOP) voice dissatisfaction with the display of holiday pumpkins at the university’s Subway Restaurant. “We at POOP wish to lodge a complain against Subway for its display of horrible, violent images of slashed and mutilated pumpkins. As Subway customers, we were sickened by these ‘decorations.’ Even though our members represent a very small percentage of Subway’s customers, we ask that it be more sensitive to our cause and remove these offensive and violent images.”

Former USF adjunct professor Ramadan Abdullah Shallah is named the new leader of the Islamic Jihad, a “militant Middle East organization.” Shallah taught a Global Issues course, specifically lecturing on conflicts in the Middle East. “It makes me angry to think that I paid my money to USF and that’s who they gave me for a professor,” complains David Burns, a USF graduate and self-identified Zionist Jew. President Betty Castor comments on the situation, explaining that, “We regret, I personally regret and the university regents, that anyone that had any association with the university, however minor, wound up in a position like this where they advocate violence.” In the meantime, Shallah, now in Syria, vows revenge against the Israelis for the assassination of his predecessor, Fathi Shakaki.
USF students hold a memorial service in honor of the assassinated Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.5234

A bad odor in the Math and Physics Building is traced to the accumulation of sour rainwater from a leaky roof. “It was really bad,” says math professor Mike Krajcevski of the scent. “I thought it was a dead animal stuck in the air conditioning vent.”5235

The USF faculty senate passes a formal resolution against discrimination of both students and employees on the basis of sexual orientation.5236

Lieutenant Robert Staehle reveals that the University Police seized and impounded fourteen tanks of nitrous oxide (a.k.a. ‘laughing gas’) at a recent Phish concert held at the USF Sun Dome. “It’s not as benign as those who are using it and trying to rationalize it say it is.”5237

The USF Bulls win their first-ever Conference USF volleyball championship against Louisville. “It’s fantastic,” exclaims coach Perri Hankins. “It’s great for the team and the program to set a precedent in Conference USA.”5238

An eighteen-year-old student gives birth in the Mu residence hall. Because she was the victim of a sexual battery case still under investigation, the student’s name cannot be released.5239

FBI agents and customs officials search the office of USF engineering professor Sami Al-Arian as part of an ongoing investigation into possible ties between the university and international terrorist organizations. Federal officials also searched Al-
Arian’s home, as well as his office at the World and Islam Studies Enterprise, a think-tank where he worked with Ramadan Abdullah Shallah. “It’s an investigation looking into possible violations of both federal permits and immigration laws,” explains FBI spokesman Brian Kensel. “My privacy has been violated, but there’s nothing I can do,” says Al-Arian.5240

The USF Athletic Department announces plans to conduct four on-campus interviews for the head coach position of the new football program. The four candidates include two current college coaches, a former NFL coach, and a high school coach.5241

The Alumni Association initiates a campaign to encourage people to purchase USF Bulls license plates. The campaign comes as a result of the fact that, since their creation in 1987, only 10,000 plates have been sold. “If you consider the size of USF and you look at the sales, they are not where they should be,” says Valerie Conger, director of member services at the Alumni Association. “When I see someone on the highway with a USF Bulls tag, I honk and wave. I want to see more tags out there, and I want to see that kinship with the faculty, staff, students, and alumni here at USF ... This is a spirit issue. I think this program is wonderful in terms of promoting school spirit.”5242

USF Student Government holds a rally to encourage school spirit and get students excited over the football program at the school. Student body president David Quilleon is happy with the turnout, stating that “this is the kind of excitement football will bring…football is something you can get excited about as soon as you start fall classes.”5243

5240 O: Nov. 21, 1995
5241 O: Nov. 21, 1995
5242 O: Nov. 29, 1995
5243 O 12/1/95 p1
USF interviews Kansas State defensive coordinator Jim Leavitt for the position of head football coach. Leavitt, who grew up in St. Petersburg, is the youngest of the candidates and is the coordinator of the top ranked defense in the nation.

Thirteen Fine Arts students staged a protest outside the building, carrying posters decrying the conditions of the building.\footnote{5244}

USF unveils a new logo developed by FKQ Advertising. President Castor describes the new bull on the logo as “very bold and futuristic.”\footnote{5245}

Kansas State football’s defensive coordinator Jim Leavitt is favored to be selected as the first head coach of USF’s new football program.\footnote{5246}

USF communications instructor Rick Wilber launches a new on-line magazine produced, written, and published by USF students. “As on-line publication is very likely something magazine majors will be involved with in the future.”\footnote{5247}

1995: USF cracks down on cross enrollment. Many USF students, in an effort to save money or find available classes, take courses at local community colleges. HCC’s classes cost half of those at USF. In 1990, 2,693 credit hours were taken by USF students at community colleges. In 1993, the figure had jumped to 16,623.\footnote{5248}

A drive-through reception center opens at USF’s main Fowler Avenue entrance, giving out maps and directions, and selling parking tags.
Nancy Holt’s large sculpture “Solar Rotary” is erected near the CIS building at a cost of $100,000.

The dorms are renovated for the first time since their construction some 30 years ago. Then, they were considered state of the art by students. Today, the student body has much different experiences and tastes. They consider the rooms too small and do not want to share facilities with other residents. 80-85% of USF students never shared a bedroom, and over half never shared a bathroom. In order to fund the renovations, USF asks for $7.1 million from the BOR in addition to the $1.3 million in emergency housing funds already received. In addition, USF will raise rent by 7.5%.

A $35 million construction plan is unveiled, including $1.8 million for the landscaping and design of MLK plaza, $7.2 million for a new bookstore based on Stanford’s successful design, $6.9 million for a parking garage for 800 cars, $20 million for dorms, with $7.1 to make Alpha Hall a model for future dorms.

This phase of construction is planned on being followed up by a $1 billion construction plan over 10 years, including $12.1 million for an education center, $3 million for the Center for Urban Transportation and Research, $3.4 million for an alumni center, and $12.6 for new wing of the Health Sciences Center. In Sarasota, $7.7 million is earmarked for a Science building and expansion of the Physical Plant at New College.

With a student body of 37,000, USF is the 18th largest university in the nation. There is one parking space per 2.5 people. The university pumps $1.1 billion into the region every year. Over 60,000 grads live in the area.

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5249 Tt 5/2/95.
5250 Tt 4/18/95; tt 9/3/95.
Research funding for 1994-95 reaches $104.2 million. USF has several research niches, but critics say it needs to further specialize research efforts. The Marine Science dept. on the St. Pete campus is a great asset, where more than 600 people work for 6 state agencies studying the waters of the gulf. The research in Marine Science is said to set a great example for future endeavors. In addition to the College of Engineering, the Tampa campus has the prominent H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center, as well as a group of researchers studying again and Alzheimer’s Disease.\textsuperscript{5251}

One of the nation’s top prizes for research on Alzheimer’s disease is awarded to USF researcher John Hardy.

The Board of Regents approves football at USF.

USF adds an up-link satellite capable of broadcasting distance learning classes around the globe.

The state legislature presses forward with massive budget cuts for universities. The funds are to be used for corrections and prison programs.\textsuperscript{5252}

USF officials decry the loss of $128 million out of the National education “Common Fund” by a rogue trader who was not caught.

USF is said to be going through a “mid-life crisis.” Administration has assembled an “Identity Task Force” to study what kind of image the university wants to project.

Conservative thinker Dinesh D’Souza stirs controversy with a lecture on campus. He believes that any racial inequality exists because of cultural infirmities among African-Americans. Several students brought their dismay to his attention in the Q&A

\textsuperscript{5251} Tt 9/26/95.
\textsuperscript{5252} Tt 5/27/95.
session. William F. Buckley Jr. also speaks at USF. The two speakers were scheduled in response to allegations that USF only hires liberal lecturers.\footnote{Tt 9/21/95.}

The USF Women’s Club presents President Betty Castor with a check of $5,000 for the Tampa Library.\footnote{Tt 10/14/95.}

The Tampa Library begins a digitization campaign to give global access to their Special Collections. MCI gives $20,000 to USF’s Foundation to facilitate the project.\footnote{Tt 7/19/95.}

President Castor approves a hike in parking fees, from $50 in 1994 to $70 in 1996-97. The 1987 price of $40 increased to $50 by 1994. The price hike is the first of many. By 2002, it is not unusual for staff to spend $220 on an annual pass.\footnote{Tt 7/27/95; tt 8/11/95.}

Former USF president Frank Borkowski comes under fire at Appalachian State U for the conduct of star football player Aldwin Lance for assault on a female student. The school’s administration refused to keep Lance away from the victim. If the same incident took place at USF, the university would have that power, thanks to B’s founding of the Victim’s Advocate office.\footnote{Tt 11/18/95.}

Beginning February 27\textsuperscript{th}, the University of South Florida St. Petersburg campus will hold a symposium exploring the culture arts and history of “The Sunshine State.” It will feature a series of lectures, films, exhibits and special events. The symposium is being held in honor of the 150\textsuperscript{th} anniversary of Florida’s statehood.\footnote{CN: February 27, 1995, p. 2.}
After severe budget cuts from the State University System, USF President Betty Castor announces to the Board of Regents a plan to raise tuition costs in order to help improve conditions at the school.\textsuperscript{5259}

Student Government votes to initiate a Student Activities Board for the USF-St. Petersburg campus. The board will replace the current Student Lectures Committee board and will plan, implement and evaluate campus programs. Associate director of student affairs Dr. Tim Grimm says that he believes that the board “will open a lot of leadership opportunities for students.”\textsuperscript{5260}

Administration officials give SG President Bob Schweickert, Jr. an ultimatum that he must resign his position or his admission to the university will be revoked. According to the university, Schweickert failed to disclose all relevant details of a probation that he was serving when he filled out and submitted his application for admission. His continued admission will be conditioned on his no longer representing the university.\textsuperscript{5261}

USF-St. Petersburg Campus Dean H. William Heller predicts that enrollment at the campus will double by 2005. To accommodate this growth, university officials have proposed a 10-year master plan, which is currently being reviewed by the Board of Regents.\textsuperscript{5262}

The Board of Regents plans to request a ten percent increase for tuition.\textsuperscript{5263}

The board of regents votes yet to football for 1997. The members voted 13-1 on September 15 in favor of allowing the university to start a football program, ending almost five years of hard work on the part of the university’s athletic program.\textsuperscript{5264}

\textsuperscript{5259} CN: March 27, 1995, p. 2.
\textsuperscript{5260} CN: April 24, 1995, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5261} CN: August 28, 1995, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5263} CN: September 12, 1995, p. 3.
The decision by Herm Brames, the director of administration and finance at USF-St. Pete, regarding Bob Schwickert, Jr.’s appeal the university administration’s decision to bar him from student government is final. If the former president decides to return to USF as a student he must fulfill all court ordered penalties, truthfully and completely fill out and submit another application for admission, and remain on permanent conduct probation if he is readmitted.\textsuperscript{5265}

Bayboro’s Florida Marine Research Institute is used for marine clean-up after a Tampa Bay oil spill. Before being used in this incident, the institute’s marine oil spill response program was a top-20 technology award finalist.\textsuperscript{5266}

USF’s center for Ocean Technology helps the Navy in locating and deactivating mines. After the Persian Gulf War, the Navy realized a need for “smarter” submarine and autonomous underwater vehicle sensors. In an effort called “mine-counter measures,” the center aims “to develop the technology necessary to sense and deactivate mines.”\textsuperscript{5267}

**1996:** As public funding of state universities decreases and enrollment increases, USF begins “re-engineering” teams, which are intended to optimize efficiency at the university and increase productivity.\textsuperscript{5268}

USF’s Medical School turns 25 years old.\textsuperscript{5269}

\textsuperscript{5264} CN: September 26, 1995, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5265} CN: September 26, 1995, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5266} CN: October 11, 1995, p. 2.
\textsuperscript{5267} CN: October 11, 1995, p. 3.
Soon after winning the Holiday Bowl with the Kansas State Wildcats (as
defensive coordinator), USF Football coach Jim Leavitt moves into his office on campus.
Leavitt, a graduate of Dixie Hollins High School in St. Petersburg, was selected in
December 12th of last year to head the fledgling program.5270

The Oracle website debuts with daily updated university news and photographs.
Although the site is not interactive, on-line Editor Kerney Gouch claims, “that will
change soon.” Gouch hopes to add extra information and artwork to the site, which is
intended to supplement daily issues of the paper. He hopes to allow students to listen to
USF basketball games over their computers. The site will have links to related sites and
will implement Java in order to allow for animation and interaction on the page.5271

Two stories related to Middle East terrorism have hit USF in the recent past. The
Tampa Tribune has alleged that USF professor Sami Al-Arian supported terrorist groups
the Islamic Jihad and Hamas. Islamic Jihad has also named Ramadan Abdullah Shallah,
who had taught at the school as an adjunct Professor as recently as spring 1995, as its
new leader. USF will host a forum entitled “Jihad University?” to discuss issues of
academic freedom vs. academic responsibility. The forum, intended to allow journalists
to debate the issues with other knowledgeable people, resulted in mostly “slanderous
accusation” toward journalists from the audience of “more than 200 people, many from
the Muslim community.”5272

5270 O 1/8/96 p1
5271 O 1/9/96 p1
5272 O 1/9/96 p1, the Tribune article first appeased in the paper on 28 May 1995 and Shallah was first
named leader of Islamic Jihad in November of that year. O 1/11/96 p1. See O 4/25/96 p1 for more on the
ongoing controversy and the relationship between the Muslim community and the school.

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USF holds a Teach-in to look at issues of terrorism. Entitled “Take a Stand with a Teach-In Against Terrorism on Campus,” the event also looks at issues such as racism and bigotry.\(^{5273}\)

This semester the Marshall Center will offer a new Interactive Kiosk Experience, an interactive information center, and a store, Greek Unique.\(^{5274}\)

A student showering in the Gamma Hall bathroom (an all female dorm) is interrupted and threatened by an intruder with a knife. The intruder leaves the bathroom when confronted by another student entering the bathroom and calmly leaves the building. The police release a composite sketch of the suspect. The suspect returns to Gamma Hall the next day and is arrested after entering a bathroom and threatening another student with a knife.\(^{5275}\)

This semester, USF will be going through a lot of rapid growth and changes to the campus, including a $1.5 million renovation to the Martin Luther King Plaza and a 1.2 million-gallon water tower. The College of Education will get a second education building and the Anchin Center at a cost of over $10 million. The school is also building a six-story parking garage, and plans to renovate the Science Center and build a new bookstore.\(^{5276}\)

Student government President David Quilleon receives a letter from a group called “Bullseye” advocating the formation of a political party on campus. Twenty-one student government senators are suspected of being part of the group. Quilleon forms a

\(^{5273}\) O 3/19/96 p1, 3/20/96 p1  
\(^{5274}\) O 1/9/96 p3  
\(^{5275}\) O 1/10/96 p1 and 1/11/96 p1  
\(^{5276}\) O 1/11/96 p1
committee to look into the legality of political parties on campus. The committee recommends that the SG drop their charges.\textsuperscript{5277}

SG Court Justice Bryant Fayson II and Senator Jason Wood created Bullseye as a think tank designed to allow for better interaction between the SG and students, not as a threat to student government.\textsuperscript{5278}

Assaults and auto thefts have fallen at USF in the past year, while other crimes have risen only slightly.\textsuperscript{5279}

Elisabeth Cameron is named visiting assistant professor of African Art History at USF. Her position is the “first and only endowed chair on African art in the country.”\textsuperscript{5280}

USF breaks ground on a project to enhance the Martin Luther King Jr. Plaza and make it a symbol of his life and dream. The plan includes trees for shade, a garden with fountains, a shaded walkway, a new MLK bust, a reflecting pool, and tablets carved with King’s ‘I have a dream’ speech.\textsuperscript{5281}

The second of the four national presidential debates will take place in St. Petersburg and USF will be one of the sponsors.\textsuperscript{5282}

USF is the site and one of the four sponsors of the Vice-Presidential debate between Democratic incumbent Al Gore and Republican challenger Jack Kemp.\textsuperscript{5283}

Lauren Nicole Johnson wins the Miss USF Pageant and will represent the school at the Miss Florida Pageant.\textsuperscript{5284}
Starting February 1st USF will be charging a $5 fee for student transcripts. All copies of transcripts are free, but now students will receive one at graduation and must pay for any additional transcripts.  

The Student Code of Conduct Handbook now includes ‘internet rules’ which will apply to students applying for an e-mail account.  

In a meeting between administrators and student organizations, the name Crescent Hillside Parking Facility is chosen for the new parking garage which will be built near the Marshall Center.  

Police warn female students of an anonymous caller who has been calling campus for five years. The caller looks through the USF directory, calls female students, asks them to take a survey, and then asks them sexually explicit questions. The caller promises $200 at the completion of the survey, but the women must meet him in person to collect the money. Last semester a student met the caller and was forced to perform sex acts. Police warn that the caller calls at the beginning of the semester, offers the $200, and never calls the same woman twice, so he cannot be traced.  

WUSF will begin broadcasting a weekly show highlighting the school’s athletics. The show, titled ‘Inside USF Sports,’ taped its first episode with Jim Louk as host and USF President Betty Castor and Athletic Director Paul Griffin as guests.  

The USF Football team, which was approved last September and hired Jim Leavitt as coach in December, has signed its first recruits. Eighteen players have signed letters of intent to the school. The football team will play in Tampa Stadium.
Kentucky Wesleyan signs a contract to play USF on September 6th 1997. This is scheduled as USF’s first Division I-AA game. USF Athletic Director Paul Griffin isn’t sure if that will be the first game because “the schedule is far from complete.”

Football coach Jim Leavitt holds the inaugural edition of his weekly radio show, “Jim Leavitt’s USF Bull Session.” His first radio show occurs on the team’s first media day. The first practice will be Friday September 6th. On Wednesday, September 11th, the football team participates in its first full contact practice with pads.

Student audits are now available on the Internet through Sun-Link, maintained by the department of academic support and achievement. Students can access a review of classes they have taken and classes they need to take without waiting for paperwork.

Jane Krause, a recently retired 22-year University Police veteran, is suing Chief Paul Uravich, USF, and the Board of Regents for sexual harassment and for gender bias towards male officers. Attorneys for USF ask that the motion be denied because the statute of limitations has expired. Uravich denies all charges.

Rent for residence halls will go up anywhere from $146 to $200 next fall.

USF Students are chosen to represent the school as one of the 50 universities that will host a Diet Coke/“Friends” Ultimate Get Together. Diet Coke and the NBC sitcom ‘Friends’ is sponsoring parties around the country for people to meet with their friends,
drink Diet Coke and watch the TV show. USF is one of just 10 schools chosen to have the party photographed for a national promotion by Coke and NBC.  

The Oracle wins third place in the Associated Collegiate Press “Newspaper of the Year” competition.

The USF Homecoming advisory committee proposes moving the school’s homecoming to the fall semester in 1997 with the arrival of the football team.

This year’s homecoming will feature the old USF logo rather than the new logo. Decisions were made for the homecoming merchandise before the change was finalized, and would constitute an unnecessary cost to change all the logos.

USF alumnus Henry Bell Jr. will carry the Olympic torch this summer as a lead up to the 1996 Atlanta games. Bell is one of 5,500 people chosen across the country and was selected as one of 69 from a group of 400 Tampa-area applicants. USF sophomore Derek Busciglio and USF St. Petersburg Dean Bill Heller are also chosen to carry the torch.

Bobby Paschal, who has coached the USF men’s basketball team for 10 years, announces his resignation from the position. Paschal finishes the season as number one of USF’s basketball coaching wins list. Paschal’s last game is also the last game for USF standout Chucky Atkins, who finishes his career third on the all-time scoring list.

Embassy Suites will build a 247-room, eight-story hotel on campus. The hotel will be finished by 1997.
The library had an email service that provided email access on five computers in the reference section. The email access has been removed because of complaints from students who cannot search the library catalog because of people using the machines to check email.\footnote{5303}

The magazine \textit{Florida Leader} names USF’s Student Government the best in the state. Five members of the SG appear on the cover of the newest issue.\footnote{5304}

The FBI investigates a bomb threat at USF from “alleged Muslim terrorists.” In a letter to the Oracle signed by “the One, The Leader of the War Purgers,” terrorists threaten to blow up an administration building and kill a white, female professor in a public place. They also plan to leave a fake detonator in a “crowded area of eating to cause panic and disarray.” The War Purgers describe themselves in the letter as “a diverse group of extremist individuals that are dedicated the Death, Destruction and Demoralization of the Great Satan,” the United States. The writers claim to have connections with Hamas and Islamic Jihad; they also claim to have infiltrated state universities and neo-Nazi organizations. The War Purgers also demand that “the biased, racist, liberal American press” apologize to former USF instructor and leader of Islamic Jihad, Ramadan Abdullah Shallah. They also demand that the Oracle reprint the letter, but the paper does not because the editor “did not want the newspaper to be manipulated by threats of violence” or be used as a medium for propaganda.\footnote{5305}

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\footnotetext[5304]{O 3/19/96 p3}
\footnotetext[5305]{O 3/26/96 p1, Oracle Editor in Chief Deborah O’Neil explains her decision in O 4/1/96 p5, that page also includes a timeline of issues concerning terrorism at USF.}
While there are differences of opinion over whether or not the threats are true, most agree that the USF community should take them seriously. Muslim women at USF form a group called the Sisters United Muslim Association. They hope to “promote Islam positively and to establish tolerance and understanding in the community” while providing a support network for other Muslim women.

USF Art Professor Bruce Marsh and a group of graduate students set out to revamp the image of Suitcase City through a special public art project.

USF will pay $10,000 to anyone with information leading to the arrest and conviction of the writer responsible for the terrorist threat letter. Administrators also work on plans for dealing with April 29th, the day The War Purgers have designated as the day their threats will be carried out. In order to plan for the attack, the school cancels finals week and reschedules exams for the last week of class. While many students are upset that they will lose a week of study time to prepare for their exams, most agree with the decision. The school will remain open on April 29th, but access will be restricted and security will be very tight. USF President Betty Castor refuses to give in to threats and close the school completely. All buildings will be locked the weekend prior to April 29th.

Police arrest 19-year-old sophomore Damian Conrad Hospital in conjunction with the bomb threat. Federal agents searched Hospital’s Theta Hall dorm room in the spring. One of the suspect’s suite mates claims that Hospital “had a lot of Nazi symbols,

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5307 O 3/28/96 p1
5309 O 4/3/96 p1, 4/9/96 p1, 4/15/96 p1, 4/16/96 p1, 4/25/96 p1. See O 4/18/96 p1 for a complete checklist of the plans at USF.
swastikas and sayings from Hitler written on his wall.” Another former resident of Theta claims that the suspect was “quiet,” and “seemed like a nice guy but when we partied he stayed in his room and studied.” Hospital pleads ‘not guilty’ and is currently being held in the county jail on Orient Road.5310

Police reveal that Hospital wrote email letters describing his plans to lead a “New Order” and the “Purge of 2006.” Hospital also referred to himself as “The One,” the same name attributed to the letter-writer, adding to the FBI’s case that the emails and the bomb threat were written by the same person. The recipient of the email, who Hospital threatened with “long and agonizing” torture, turned the documents over the FBI after reading about the bomb threat in the New York Times. Hospital maintains his innocence and sent an email exclaiming that he was “not involved with some islamic bullshit!” Hospital is no longer a USF student. USF Attorney Debbie King cannot state publicly whether the suspect was expelled or withdrew from the school, but if he is released on bond (his bail is set at $50,000) Hospital should have no reason to come to the USF campus.5311

Hospital is released after “a family friend in New York put up his house to secure a $50,000 bond.” Hospital will be living with his mother in Tamarac, will be restricted to south and central Florida, must get mental health counseling, and must check in with Legal Aid every Wednesday.5312

Hospital pleads guilty to one count of mailing a threatening communication. The felony could carry penalties of five years in jail and $250,000. Hospital claims that he wrote the letter while suffering from an untreated mental illness. He states that whenever

5310 O 10/2/96 p1
5311 O 10/3/96 p1, 10/4/96 p1
5312 O 10/14/96 p1
he thinks “of the person who wrote that letter.” Hospital doesn’t “know who he is” and now that he is taking medication and seeing a psychiatrist, “the black despair is gone.” Hospital will also pay the $41,050 that USF spent in campus security as a result of the bomb threat.\footnote{5313}

H. Ross Perot, who recently formed the Reform Party and will run for president this year, comes to USF and speaks to students at the Special Events Center.\footnote{5314}

The University Mall will begin offering a shuttle service from the mall to campus. The major reason the mall has expanded service is to give students, faculty, and staff, more choices for lunch.\footnote{5315}

The Faculty/Staff Scholarship and Library Campaign set a record by raising $188,000 this year for scholarships and library resources. The group’s 23-year total is $1.4 million.\footnote{5316}

There will be a runoff election between the two top tickets in the SG Presidential election. The ticket of Joe Whalen/Jen Brack (who received 613 votes) will face Jorge Caraccioli/LaSondra Savage (recipients of 405 votes). Before the runoff, an unknown person begins to circulate flyers and write chalk messages on the ground wondering if Whalen and Brack’s relationship (the two have been dating for 5 months) would cloud their ability to run the SG. Caraccioli and Savage deny any connection with the negative campaigning. Whalen and Brack win the runoff election.\footnote{5317}

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\footnote{5314} O 4/1/96 p1
\footnote{5315} O 4/11/96 p1
\footnote{5316} O 4/11/96 p1
\footnote{5317} O 4/19/96 p1, 4/25/96 p1, 5/13/96 p6, Whalen and Brack had also had earlier trouble during the initial campaign because one opponent requested their disqualification for not using their full first names on paperwork, but their nicknames “Joe” and “Jen.”
Next month, USF will open the CYbor City at the Marshall Center. CYbor City will be an Internet café on campus and it is designed to be in the “architectural style” of historic Ybor City. The computers in CYbor city feature nothing but Internet access, there isn’t even word processing.\(^5^3^1^8\)

The SG Senate must move back the vote on budget allocation for the next year because the Budget Office is granting them an extra $50,000. The money was available as a result of staffing changes.\(^5^3^1^9\)

Register Once, a part of the National Voter Registration Act, will now give students the chance to get a voter registration form through the mail when they register for classes.\(^5^3^2^0\)

The Oracle publishes its annual “welcome back” issue welcoming new and returning students to the campus for the fall semester. This year the school celebrates its fortieth birthday. The issue includes a section on all the construction on campus over this semester.\(^5^3^2^1\)

Francesco’s Italian Restaurant, which is on the fourth floor of the Marshall Center, begins serving alcohol. Although the Empty Keg serves beer, Francesco’s will be the only place on campus serving liquor.\(^5^3^2^2\)

USF Magazine interviews Grace Allen, who reflects on the tenure of her late husband, John Allen, USF’s first president.\(^5^3^2^3\)

\(^5^3^1^8\) O 5/16/96 p7, 9/5/96 p11
\(^5^3^1^9\) O 5/29/96 p1, 5/30/96 p1
\(^5^3^2^0\) O 6/3/96 p1
\(^5^3^2^1\) O 8/26/96 p4A
\(^5^3^2^2\) O 8/29/96 p1
There is a “Welcome Back” ice cream social to celebrate USF’s 40\textsuperscript{th} anniversary.\textsuperscript{5324}

A luncheon is held celebrating the founding women of USF. President Betty Castor invites Grace Allen, widow of inaugural USF President John Allen; Mary Lou Harkness, one of the school’s first librarians; Phyllis Marshall, former director of the University Center and head of the school’s first residence hall; Elizabeth Himes, a member of the Tampa Chamber of Commerce when USF opened; Margaret Fisher, one of the school’s first employees; and Sonja Garcia, assistant director of the library. The women present discussed the early days of the school and reminisced with those in attendance.\textsuperscript{5325}

Five people are arrested in conjunction with USF’s largest crime spree ever. The five are considered suspects in 24 burglaries in 6 separate areas of campus over a 2-hour period.\textsuperscript{5326}

Rocky I-AA, a 2,000-pound, 3-year-old, gray-black Brahman bull, will make an appearance at the USF football team’s first intrasquad scrimmage. Rocky I-AA will be in a pen behind the stadium’s bleachers and will not interact with fans. Tommy Tonelli, marketing and promotions assistant for the athletic department, says that Robert Woodard Jr., the bull’s owner and son of Temple Terrace Mayor Robert Woodard, claims that it is best that the bull keep to himself because “they’re a mean species.”\textsuperscript{5327}

In the football team’s first intrasquad scrimmage, the offense scores 10 touchdowns, including a 70-yard touchdown pass from Lance Hoeltke to Charlie

\textsuperscript{5324} O 9/5/96 p1
\textsuperscript{5325} O 9/13/96 p1
\textsuperscript{5326} O 9/18/96 p1
\textsuperscript{5327} O 9/24/96 p1
Jackson, for the first score at a public scrimmage in the school’s history. Four thousand nine hundred and seventy five fans attended the practice. Head Coach Jim Leavitt says that the offense worked so well in the game because of restrictions he placed on the defense, including not allowing them to blitz. There were also no kickoffs, field goal attempts, or punts during the practice. During the team’s second intrasquad scrimmage, the defense is allowed to blitz occasionally and the kicking unit is utilized.⁵³²⁸

Sam and Martha Gibbons are on hand to break ground for the Alumni Center that will bear their name.⁵³²⁹

Because of a computer glitch, parking services is owed more than $20,000 from 300 faculty and staff members. The people with faculty/staff permits for the 1995/1996 school year were supposed to have $70 deducted from their accounts. The money was never taken out, so now it must be collected a year later. 12 of the 300 people no longer work at USF.⁵³³⁰

Graduate students in the medical school are chosen to ceremoniously shovel the first dirt in a groundbreaking for the Health Sciences Research Building. When the building opens in November 1997, it will have 20 laboratories, classrooms, and offices.⁵³³¹

The Reverend Jesse Jackson and the comedian Carrot Top will attend tonight’s BullBlast, the celebration of the basketball season opening.⁵³³²
Carl Riggs, who came to USF in 1971 as vice president of Academic Affairs,retires as director of the Center for Excellence in Math and Science. Dr. Riggs worked at USF for 25 years.5333

Representatives from the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center announce that they have received two grants worth about $6.5 million to fund “a telemedicine research project” and “create a cancer screening center for veterans and their families.”5334

Equipment valued at over $5,000 is stolen from the intramural fields. Thieves take banners and a VCR meant to promote the National Football League. The sponsors had hired a security firm to patrol the area, but the perpetrators seem to have taken the items while the guards were “on the opposite side of the field.”5335

The university sets aside $600,000 to remodel the child-care center. The center, which now accommodates 3-5 year olds, may be transformed to accept children from infants to 12 year olds.5336

Mario Garcia, an “internationally renowned” designer, has re-designed the Oracle. Garcia has done redesigns for national newspapers such as *The Philadelphia Enquirer* and *The Des Moines Register*, plus other papers overseas. While comparable papers would have had to pay Garcia $50,000, he redesigned the Oracle for free. Garcia is a 1969 USF graduate and oversaw the Oracle’s first redesign in 1968-69 while he was editor of the school paper. Garcia’s son, Mario Garcia Jr., a 1992 USF graduate, helped with the redesign. The paper now features easier to read text and bigger photos.5337
USF publishes *Kaleidoscope of Women at the University of South Florida*, a magazine that highlights the accomplishments of women at the school.\(^{5338}\)

USF Professors petition the Board of Regents asking them to revoke a recently passed policy, which will allow for the review of tenure after tenure had been granted. Many argue that this policy defeats the purpose of tenure.\(^{5339}\)

Because of USF President Betty Castor’s contributions to Florida in both education and politics, Governor Lawton Chiles inducts her into the Florida Women’s Hall of Fame.\(^{5340}\)

In honor of the Oracle’s thirtieth birthday, current and former staff members get together for a reunion party.\(^{5341}\)

USF officials are investigating a situation involving physical plant worker Wayne Wilcox. Wilcox, who works as a male stripper when not working at USF, agreed to strip during a lunch hour birthday party for a co-worker. Officials are looking into whether or not Wilcox broke any rules, and will discipline the worker if they can. Wilcox is eventually reprimanded and will receive a pay cut for performing during work hours.\(^{5342}\)

The newly renovated Martin Luther King Plaza is dedicated as part of USF’s 40\(^{th}\) anniversary celebration. A new bust of the civil rights leader will be unveiled as part of the celebration.\(^{5343}\)

The new parking garage next to the Marshall Center will open in January. A meeting is held to decide how access to the 800 spaces will be allocated. Although there

\(^{5338}\) O 10/24/96 p3  
\(^{5339}\) O 10/28/96 p2  
\(^{5340}\) O 11/1/96 p2  
\(^{5341}\) O 11/1/96 p9  
\(^{5342}\) O 11/8/96 p2, 11/15/96 p2  
\(^{5343}\) O 11/13/96 p2
is low turnout at the meeting, members of the faculty, staff, and student body all get
together to argue their particular group’s case. Student Government advocates for the
entire garage to be student parking. Because of the dearth of parking, faculty members
apply for the establishment of temporary spots.\(^{5344}\)

Matthew Rametta proposes to his girlfriend, USF Graduate Student Nicole Ligori,
by placing an ad in the Oracle. She accepts.\(^{5345}\)

A group of housing experts brought to USF to view the dorms recommend a
series of changes. They recommend that the school offer more residence hall programs,
more campus activities, and more living options for students who would rather not live in
a dormitory.\(^{5346}\)

SG President and Vice-President Joe Whalen and Jen Brack advocate for the
library to stay open twenty-four hours.\(^{5347}\)

USF’ Center for Urban Transportation recommends the founding of a commuter
center to ease the traffic in the university area.\(^{5348}\)

USF Student Body President Joe Whalen is named president of the Florida
Student Association, which lobbies to Board of Regents and the state legislature on
behalf of all college students.\(^{5349}\)

Rick Fender, associate vice president for administrative services, says that
sororities and fraternities with lots in the Greek Park may be asked to begin building their

\(^{5344}\) O 11/15/96 p2, 11/19/96 p2, 11/21/96 p2, 11/22/96 p2
\(^{5345}\) O 11/8/96 p5, 11/15/96 p3
\(^{5346}\) O 11/20/96 p2
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houses within 18 months. Fender believes this will provide incentive to work on the houses, but members of the Greek system do not want to be rushed.\textsuperscript{5350}

After much debate, construction of an elementary school has been approved on campus. It is to be partially located on an old USF landfill (1956-early 1970s).

Two hotels are to open near USF. One will actually be on campus as part of its research park on the SW end of campus for $30 million. A smaller hotel is slated to open on Fowler and 30\textsuperscript{th} worth $4 million.

Groundbreaking ceremony held for new Center for Urban Transportation building.

USF co-hosts the Vice Presidential Debate at the Bayfront Center in St. Petersburg.

Ground broken on the new Sam and Martha Gibbons Alumni Center.

Martin Luther King Plaza rededicated.

All Children’s Hospital has given about $13 million in donations to USF in the last year or so. $6.45 million came in to bring to researchers specializing in children’s diseases. In January, another $6 came in to build a large research building. Both donations are eligible for matching state funds. In order to build the research building, St. Pete will have to give the land to USF, as all university buildings must be on land owned by the institution.\textsuperscript{5351} While the donations are welcome (the $6.45 million is USF’s largest gift to date), the state has already run out of matching finds for the year, relegating the donations to a long waiting list.\textsuperscript{5352}

Advanced degree holders from USF rank No. 1 in the nation on the certified public accountant exam.

A new fund-raising campaign begins, with a goal of $125 million.

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\textsuperscript{5352} TT 4/19/96.
Since opening, USF has graduated 150,000 students and has 37,000 current students. The annual economic impact on the area is $1.1 billion, the equivalent of 8 Super Bowls every year. USF has $100 million in sponsored research and welcomes 200 new honors students.

Congresswoman Shirley Chisolm speaks at USF’s MLK Day celebration. Chisolm was the first African-American woman to be elected to Congress and one of the few women to seek the Democratic nomination for president.

USF honors author Stetson Kennedy after he donates his papers to the Tampa Library. USF signs up to participate in the EPA’s “Green Light” program that will replace the campus’s lights with more efficient ones. The move is expected to save $600,000 annually on electricity, allowing more money to be spent on academic programs.

An anonymous bomb threat prompts USF to move exams to an earlier date by one week. The FBI later discovers that a student named Damien Hospital mailed the letter that threatened to bomb a campus building and kill a white female professor.

1997: Betty Castor publishes her president’s report in USF Magazine. In it, she outlines how the administration has created innovative programs, streamlined student services, and built new facilities in order to better the student experience. USF President Betty Castor approves a 10% tuition increase.

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5355 Tt 4/16/96.
USF will begin renovations on Alpha Hall this spring. The dorm has been closed for renovation since 1993.5358

Allocations of parking spots are finalized for the Crescent Hillside parking garage. The garage will open at the end of January.5359

The library begins offering classes helping students learn how to use the internet and email.5360

The USF Credit Union is undergoing renovations that will add a drive-thru teller and a drive-up ATM.5361

USF Alumna Phoebe Irby receives the national “Outstanding American Teacher Award.”5362

USF’s St. Petersburg campus breaks ground on a new sailing center to be opened this spring.5363

USF New College Student Amy Andre files suit against the university because they confiscated a tape “depicting nudity and sexual situations” which Ms. Andre showed at a campus event. Andre believes that her first amendment rights have been violated and wants to get the tape back. In 1996, Andre was instrumental in passing a code to make sure that movies “shown at on-campus, outdoor parties weren’t offensive to passers-by.” The video that Andre showed, “Annie Sprinkle’s Sluts and Goddesses Video Workshop,” was not covered by the code of consent, which stipulated that any movie publicly shown must be pre-approved by the New College community. One former New College student

5357  O 1/6/97 p3
5358  O 1/6/97 p2
5359  O 1/6/97 p3
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5361  O 1/7/97 p2
5362  O 1/8/97 p10
5363  O 1/9/97 p5
says that Andre uses the Bill of Rights “as a sword and shield,” to both attack her
opponents and defend herself.\textsuperscript{5364}

Andre declines a USF settlement offer. The settlement would entail USF paying
her legal fees and keeping the incident from her academic record, but would require her
to acknowledge that the University did nothing wrong.\textsuperscript{5365}

Because of student complaints, Marriott Dining Services has changed some of its
meal plans. Included in the changes is an option to allow money left over from one
semester to carry over to the next, or the student can choose to have the left over money
apply to next semester’s meal plan.\textsuperscript{5366}

Arash Amin, former SG senator will have to pay back $808 he owes the A & S
funds. Amin is accused of appropriating funds for the Persian Cultural Society and the
Association for Computing Machinery. He is a member of both groups. This
investigation has been going on since the middle of 1996.\textsuperscript{5367}

Members of the USF dance department will travel to France and perform in
Paris.\textsuperscript{5368}

A plan is approved to make the USF child care center accessible to children from
infancy to 12-years old.\textsuperscript{5369}

As a means of encouraging school spirit, SG Director of green-and-gold pride
Rich Heruska will drive around campus in a golf cart every Wednesday and award prizes
to the first five people he sees wearing USF paraphernalia.\textsuperscript{5370}
Daniel Hess, a mechanical engineering professor at USF is one of 20 people worldwide awarded a Presidential Early Career Awards for Scientists and Engineers by President Clinton.\textsuperscript{5371}

If a SG approved bill passes through the faculty senate, USF will have its first Honor Code and will establish an honor court to hear cases of faculty dishonesty.\textsuperscript{5372}

Logan Fleck, who coaches both the men’s and women’s soccer teams, is awarded the Lanzera National Coaches Committee Coach of the Year award for 1996.\textsuperscript{5373}

Florida State Senator John Grant, a former USF business professor, writes a letter to USF President Betty Castor opposing an upcoming lecture by former Olympian Greg Louganis. Louganis, who is gay, will be giving a lecture called “Breaking the Silence” an autobiographical lecture describing life as an openly gay and HIV positive man in the United States. Grant believes that Louganis’s speaking engagement will be an indication of “moral decadence” and would advocate for the homosexual lifestyle. Grant promises to look closely into the school’s funding. USF political science Senior Michael Gagne believes that Grant’s tactics (particularly his plan to look into the school’s funding) are “political extortion” and comments that, despite Grant’s claims, Louganis isn’t going to “set up a booth in the back and sign people up to be homosexuals.” SG vice president Jen Brack appears on “Good Morning Tampa Bay” to discuss the issue with Senator Grant. During the show, Senator Grant claims that he is not concerned about Louganis’ sexuality, but he believes the cost of the appearance represents a misuse of funds.\textsuperscript{5374}

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Members of the USF community have signed a petition asking for the removal of State Senator John Grant from the senate education committee. Dick Josalyn, who works for Amnesty International and drafted the petition is not upset because Grant expressed his opinion, but because of Grant’s “blatant abuse of power.” SG President Joe Whalen believes that Grant is using his position of power as head of the education committee to push his personal beliefs on others.5375

Dick Joslyn, outside advisor to the USF Amnesty International Club, files a formal ethics complaint against Senator Grant for “misuse of public position.”5376

Senator Grant proposes a bill which will take control of Activity and Service fees away from students. Student Government and the Florida Student Association oppose the measure, which passes in committee but fails to pass in the House.5377

Special Education major Dorothy Forry and teacher Phoebe Irby receive national recognition for their achievements.5378

Greg Louganis’ speech, the spark for the Senator Grant controversy, is expected to be very well attended. All the free tickets have been distributed but plans are underway to allow some without tickets to view the event if there were more people attending. The Special Events Center holds 1,950 people and 2,000 tickets were distributed. People begin lining up for the speech an hour and half before the SEC opened. Senator Grant writes a letter to the Oracle describing his side of the story.5379

Major League Soccer teams draft two USF soccer players. The Columbus Crew selects Todd Deneault in the third round. The Tampa Bay Mutiny selects Mike

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Mekelburg in the first round. Mekelburg is USF’s first all-American since Roy Wegerle in 1984. Mekelburg also broke Wegerle’s Bulls record for most goals in a season. Wegerle is also in the MLS with the Colorado Rapids.

Twenty-five players sign national letters of intent to play football at USF they are all from Florida. USF’s football team includes just one player who is not from Florida, Tight end Chad Johnson.

The USF Victim’s Advocacy program celebrates its fifth anniversary. The program has helped 1,500 victims of crime since its inception.

Author Stetson Kennedy gives a lecture on campus. Kennedy recently donated many of his works to the Special Collections department at the USF library.

Many residents express dismay because they are not allowed to park in the new Crescent Hill parking garage, even though it is near many residence halls and there are many empty spaces. There will be a party to celebrate the official opening of the new garage featuring free food and beverages and live reggae music.

On Sunday, February 23, the USF women’s basketball team will play their final home game of the season. Former and current players and coaches will come to the game to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the team.

On February 27th, USF will begin the last spring homecoming. Homecoming will move the fall with the arrival of football. Students requested and voted on the change to
a fall homecoming. Comedians Craig Shoemaker and Margaret Cho will entertain homecoming audiences. Rock group Warrant will also perform during the festivities.\textsuperscript{5386}

The University of South Florida sets a national record for graduating 150,000 students faster than any other school in U.S. history. The school will honor Evelyn O’Neal, class of 1962, and Felisha Cupps, who graduated in December 1996, who are the 1\textsuperscript{st} and 150,000\textsuperscript{th} graduates respectively, during halftime of the 1997 the homecoming basketball game. Both honorees are teachers and live in the area.\textsuperscript{5387}

Organizers of USF’s Women’s Awareness Month have decided to cut the celebration down to a week because of a lack of involvement.\textsuperscript{5388}

USF grants author and Nobel Peace Prize recipient Elie Wiesel an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters.\textsuperscript{5389}

Former USF student Damian Hospital, who caused a campus shutdown in spring 1996 with a bomb threat letter, is sentenced to five years probation and must pay $41,050.98 to the school to pay for school closures and security. Hospital claims he wrote the letter because he suffered from untreated depression.\textsuperscript{5390}

By sweeping a weekend series against Virginia Tech, USF baseball coach Eddie Cardieri passes the 500-win plateau. Cardieri has been coaching the team for 12 years.\textsuperscript{5391}

For the second straight year the USF Student Government is named the best in the state by \textit{Florida Leader} Magazine.\textsuperscript{5392}
USF administrators decide to overhaul the housing situation on campus after a survey finds that just 7% of campus residents are completely satisfied with their housing. Proposed changes will include the construction of new residence halls and “cosmetic changes” to already existing residences.\footnote{5393}

Chuck Winship, former USF men’s golf coach, files a federal lawsuit against the school and the Sun Dome, claiming that both parties violated the Americans with Disabilities Act because he was fired as a result of an accident and the subsequent rehab, not because of his job performance.\footnote{5394}

USF President Betty Castor will hold the school’s first on-line press conference, allowing students with internet access to watch the press conference from their homes and dorm rooms.\footnote{5395}

To celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of Jackie Robinson’s breaking the color barrier in Major League baseball, USF makes 17 former members of the Negro National League honorary South Florida Bulls. Included among the honorees is Booker T. Robinson, father of USF track coach Ray Robinson. Former player Eugene “Stink” White described the reunion as “the thrill of my life.”\footnote{5396}

President Castor announces that the school will begin assessing students a technology fee and that her tuition increase will be applied, despite student opposition. Castor believes that both steps are in the long-term interest of the school.\footnote{5397}

Tampa General Hospital president Bruce Siegel announces that the hospital plans on closing its Davis Island facility and moving to the USF campus. The move will take

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place gradually over the next five years. The hospital board votes 12-3 to privatize the hospital and approve a move. USF and the hospital must now come to an understanding.5398

Rocky’s Empty Keg hosts its final concert. The Caitlin Roscoe Project, Jay’s Ex-Girlfriends, and Mega Smegma perform the final show. After the concert, the Empty Keg will be remodeled and a booth for WBUL DJs will replace the stage. The booth will be made of glass so onlookers can watch DJs at work. The student government computer lab will also move into the lower level of the Marshall Center, taking the spot of the now-empty North Keg. The CYbor City internet lounge will expand into the South Keg and there are plans to add a movie viewing area to the lower level of the Marshall Center.5399

Former chemistry student Petr Taborsky, who has had an ongoing battle with USF over a patent dispute, is released after almost two years in state custody. During those two years Taborsky also spent eight weeks in a maximum-security facility as part of a chain gang. Taborsky’s troubles began almost a decade prior to his release. While a student in the chemistry department, Taborsky worked as a lab assistant on a project researching a clay called Clinoptilolite. After the project was over, Taborsky continued to work with the clay and discovered a means of heating it past 850 degrees. With this discovery, Clinoptilolite became an inexpensive means of treating sewage. Because the discovery came from a USF project, Taborsky’s professor believed that the discovery belonged to USF and Florida Progress, who were responsible for the original project. Taborsky argued that the project was over and the patents were his. He refused to turn over his research notebooks, which the school claimed Taborsky took from a locked

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laboratory. Taborsky claimed that the notebooks were personal property bought with his own money and that he never signed any agreement with the school. Taborsky was convicted of grand theft in 1990 and placed on house arrest for one year and probation for 15 years. He continued to try and get a patent, violating his parole. Taborsky was sentenced to 3 ½ years in state prison in 1992 when he refused to sign over his first patent to USF. During his incarceration, Governor Lawton Chiles considered granting Taborsky clemency, but the prisoner declined, hoping to prove his innocence through legal channels.  

Taborsky may have to go back to prison because he refuses to sign his probation papers. Taborsky claims he will not sign the papers because he is not guilty and he believes that serving 3 ½ years in maximum-security prison plus 11 ½ years of probation “represents cruel and unusual punishment.” Taborsky files an affidavit to have Judge Bob Anderson Mitcham removed from the case. Judge Mitchem terminates Taborsky’s probation, but Taborsky promises to continue fighting to get his conviction overturned. Having the probation overturned ends Taborsky’s criminal trial, but has no effect on USF’s civil suit.

USF students partake in a rally at the state Capitol to protest Senate-backed student fee increases. The rally is a coordinated effort between all the state universities. The Congress approves the tuition increase.

Five USF students are selected to compete on the popular TV game show “Wheel of Fortune.”

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Manuel Mejia, a USF Graduate student, files a complaint with the United States Department of Education claiming that the school violates civil rights by prohibiting Hispanics from entering certain minority programs including Upward Bound and Project Thrust.\textsuperscript{5404}

The Student Government approves the use of just under $46,000 establish the first “SG-sponsored child care drop-off center” in the state. Some SG Senators question the use of funds for the drop-off center. If the center does not get the money from the SG, the cost of dropping off a child will rise from $2 an hour to $4 an hour.\textsuperscript{5405}

The tickets of Edwin Narain/Kamilah Oliphant (630 votes or 42%) and Ricardo Dominguez/Frantz Pierre (310 votes or 21%) receive the most votes in the SG Presidential election. Narain and Oliphant win the runoff election.\textsuperscript{5406}

The Ft. Myers campus of USF holds its final graduation. The campus will soon become a part of Florida Gulf Coast University.\textsuperscript{5407}

The University North Commuter Center opens in the University Mall and offers information to students, faculty, and staff regarding alternatives to driving.\textsuperscript{5408}

Arthur “Sandy” Sanderson dies at age 81. Sanderson was the founder of the Oracle and an advocate for the creation of a School of Mass Communications at USF.\textsuperscript{5409}

USF Magazine chronicles USF’s path to a football team. The article includes quotes from coaches, athletics chair people, former presidents, community members, and alumnus over the years.\textsuperscript{5410}

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\textsuperscript{5407} O 5/12/97 p13
\textsuperscript{5408} O 5/19/97 p2
\textsuperscript{5409} O 5/28/97 p3
\textsuperscript{5410} USF Magazine, Vol. 39, No. 3 (Summer 1997), 24-26.
Joy Culverhouse donates $5 million to USF in order to develop an ambulatory care program for breast cancer. Dr. Charles Cox, the program director, is nationally recognized for his new surgical techniques regarding the disease called “Lymphatic Mapping.” Culverhouse has also donated $2 million to the study of swallowing disorders. In addition, her gifts will also be used to forward the research of asthma. The state matches these funds, doubling possibilities for USF researchers to make a difference in these fields.  

The St. Petersburg Times pledges a $1.75 million gift to USF in order to fund multiple scholarships, guest lecturers and library improvements.  

USF spring sports teams have one of their most successful years ever with baseball, softball and women’s tennis all advancing to NCAA postseason play. In addition, “track and field produced two Conference USA individual championships.”  

With an endowment of $124 million, USF is second to the University of Florida in fundraising.  

The Chicago White Sox select USF shortstop Jason Dellaero number 15 overall in the amateur draft for major league baseball. Dellaero is just the second player in school history to go in the first round, joining Scott Hemond, drafted in 1986.  

Eleven different schools confirm that they will play the USF football team in 1997. The first game, a September 6th match-up with Kentucky Wesleyan, is confirmed. Because of financial concerns, the USF football program will not be able to field a
marching band during the inaugural season. There are plans to field a marching band by the 1999 season.\textsuperscript{5416}

USF’s football team breaks the record for season tickets sold before a team’s inaugural season. Marshall had sold 12,543 season tickets before their first football season and USF has already passed 13,200. By the end of the summer they pass 17,000 and the final total just before the inaugural game reaches 20,338. As part of the buildup to the football season, USF hosts a “Football Day” at the Franklin St. Mall in downtown Tampa. The event, attended by coach Jim Leavitt and Associate Athletic Director (and NFL Hall of Famer) Lee Roy Selmon, will feature performances by the team’s cheerleaders and the Sundolls plus the unveiling of their new uniforms. Team Captains Ivan Alicot, Demetrius Woods, Anthony Henry, and Lance Hoeltke are also present at the event.\textsuperscript{5417}

Just before the start of the football season, fourth string quarterback Bryan Freese is accidentally shot in the neck while home visiting a friend. Freese is expected to make a full recovery.\textsuperscript{5418}

Ending months of speculation, Football coach Jim Leavitt names junior Chad Barnhardt the starring quarterback for the first game. Barnhardt had been in a tight competition with sophomore Lance Hoeltke.\textsuperscript{5419}

Local singer Belinda Womack sings the national anthem before the first game and Freddie Solomon, who played for the University of Tampa, the Miami Dolphins, and the

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San Francisco 49ers, represents USF at the coin toss. The marching band from Bloomingdale High School, whose mascot is also a bull, plays during the halftime.\textsuperscript{5420}

The Bull’s first football game is a sellout. The 49,212 USF fans attend the game, which is played at Tampa’s Houlihan Stadium. The attendance is believed to be a Division I-AA football record. The end result is an 80-3 Bulls victory over the Kentucky Wesleyan Panthers. The Bulls scored 11 touchdowns on 548 offensive yards. Running back Rafael Williams scored the game’s, and USF’s, first touchdown. USF cheerleaders continued their tradition begun at the team’s first scrimmage of doing push-ups after every USF touchdown. The cheerleading squad did a total of 462 pushups. The team’s next game will be away against the Citadel.\textsuperscript{5421}

Although the Bulls are considered 30-point underdogs, they lose to the Citadel by a score of just 10-7.\textsuperscript{5422}

The SG Senate votes to approve continuing the shuttle service to all home football games. The number of students utilizing the free shuttle service decreases dramatically over the course of the season. Since 470 students filled 10 busses on the day of the first game, the SG ordered 15 busses for the second and only 6 were filled. That number dropped to 3 and then 2 for the next 2 games.\textsuperscript{5423}

The Oracle publishes the school’s first “Football Homecoming Issue.” The school’s first fall homecoming, features a game against Southern Illinois, plus comedians Kevin Pollack and Richard Jeni, a pep rally, concert, and parade. Student Body President

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Edwin Narain and Vice President Kamilah Oliphant are voted Homecoming King and Queen. The Bulls lose the football game 23-10.\textsuperscript{5424}

ESPN will produce a 70-minute commemorative video with highlights from USF’s first football season. The video will be entitled “The First Stampede” and will feature video from as far back as 1991, when then-USF President Borkowski formed a “Football Feasibility Committee,” to the end of the first season. Because the season is not over the video is still being scripted.\textsuperscript{5425}

The USF Football team posts its first shutout, its first road victory, and begins its first winning streak (2 games and counting), in a win over Cumberland.\textsuperscript{5426}

On November 22\textsuperscript{nd} the USF football team plays its final game of the inaugural season. Steve Riggs, the team’s kicker, will be honored at the game. Riggs is one of only two seniors on the team (along with backup tight end Brian Erb) and the Clearwater native has been a leader on the team all season. The Bulls win the last game of the season, beating Davidson 48-3. The USF Football team finishes its first year with a record of 5-6, and gets three wins in the final four games. All of the players except Riggs and Erb are expected to be back next year.\textsuperscript{5427}

USF’s dance department and the college of fine arts hosts the annual Florida Dance Festival for the 13\textsuperscript{th} time. This will be the last time the festival is held in Tampa, as it will be moving to Miami next year.\textsuperscript{5428}

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\textsuperscript{5425} O 10/31/97 p3
\textsuperscript{5426} O 11/10/97 p18
\textsuperscript{5427} O 11/21/97 p 11, 11/24/97 p14, 11/26/97 p16
\textsuperscript{5428} O 6/23/97 p7
Former USF basketball player Wanda Guyton is the starting center in the inaugural game for the Houston Comets, a team in the new WNBA. Guyton holds USF career records in points and rebounds.\footnote{6/23/97 p14}

Over 200 people attend a rally for the release of Mazen Al-Najjar. Al-Najjar, a former Arabic instructor at USF, has been held since May because of suspected ties to Islamic Jihad, a terrorist organization. Many attendees feel that Al-Najjar’s civil liberties are being violated because the government will not disclose information regarding the case.\footnote{7/7/97 p2. There are other sporadic events held throughout the semester to express support for Al-Najjar.}

Although the grand opening will not occur for a few weeks, the new USF bookstore opens for business. The 38,000 square foot store cost $8 million to build and replaces the old bookstore, which had just 8,000 square feet of space.\footnote{7/10/97 p3}

The Oracle publishes their annual “Welcome Back” issue, entitled “Welcome Back to a Year of Touchdowns.” The paper also publishes their “Inaugural Football Edition,” which consists of articles pertaining to the football team.\footnote{8/25/97, 9/3/97}

Because of demand for on-campus housing a new housing plan will call for renovations and new dorms by 2016.\footnote{8/26/97 p2}

The school unveils a new entrance on Fowler Avenue at the beginning of the new semester. The entrance, which features palm trees, a wall on either side of Leeroy Collins blvd., and a 7-foot USF seal, cost $1 million.\footnote{8/27/97 p3}
USF plans to purchase Tampa General Hospital’s psychiatric center for $1.6 million.\(^{5435}\)

In late September, the Marshall Center will open a new patio on its southeast side. The patio will feature brick pavers inscribed with messages. People purchased pavers ten years ago for a proposed rose garden that was never begun. Although the patio is a different project altogether, the same pavers will be used.\(^{5436}\)

Because of the demand for on-campus housing, freshman are being placed in the Village housing complex, which had been used as upper class housing up to this point.\(^{5437}\)

Because of a now-ended UPS strike, about 20% of all USF textbooks have not arrived at the bookstore yet.\(^{5438}\)

The BOR approves a master’s program in the Women’s Studies Department.\(^{5439}\)

Resident students can now watch SG senate meetings on the residence hall cable television.\(^{5440}\)

Two-time USF student body President Dave Quilleon contributes a chapter to the book *So You Want to be President…How to get Elected on your Campus*.\(^{5441}\)

USF announces plans to build an $8 million health lab on campus. The lab is a joint venture between the College of Public Health and the Department of Health.\(^{5442}\)

Jeb Bush, who is considering running for governor or Florida, visits the USF Educational Research Center for Child Development. He is interested in studying the format of the program.\(^{5443}\)
USF men’s basketball coach Seth Greenberg cancels the Bull Blast, otherwise known as Midnight Madness. The annual celebration which kicks off the basketball season would cut into important practice time for the team, who have a heavy slate of early games and several first year players.  

Former University Police chief of detectives Jane Krause begins her suit against USF, the BOR, and Police Chief Paul Uravich. The civil suit claims that Krause “was subjected to a myriad of insults, discrimination and retributions,” during her 22 year career at the university. Chief Uravich is accused of not returning Krause to a previous position after the department was restructured (Krause was training at the FBI academy during the restructuring) because of her gender, failing to provide information which would have helped her case for a promotion, and continually referring to her as “old breeder hips,” and “the dance of cellulite.” Uravich also allegedly did not speak openly with female employees and referred to the University’s Status of Women Committees as “sows.” Uravich and the school deny all charges. Krause and USF settle the case out of court for $25,000.

The USF Tennis team will begin playing on a new set of courts, which feature a scoreboard and more seating for fans. The complex cost around $170,000.

There is a lot of anticipation around campus over an upcoming lecture by director Oliver Stone. Stone, who has a new movie and new book out, will be giving a talk entitled, “Making Movies Matter.” Stone’s lecture and question-and-answer session with the audience is well attended, but he was “not very responsive to the crowd” and cut the
Q&A short because of the direction that the questions were taking. After the lecture Stone signed books in the bookstore. The Oracle publishes letters to the editor both chastising the paper for their negative portrayal of the event and chastising Stone for being unprepared and overpriced.\textsuperscript{5447}

The Moffit Cancer Research Center is the first in Florida to be designated by the National Cancer Institute.\textsuperscript{5448}

Tampa Hispanic Heritage names USF alumna and former USF adjunct instructor Liana Fernandez Fox Hispanic Woman of the Year.\textsuperscript{5449}

Dance Professor Jeanne Travers will take a group of students to perform in Tunis, Tunisia on November 17, 1997. The city of Tunis is being honored as “Cultural Capital of the Mediterranean,” for the years 1997-1998 by the U.N. Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization. Travers took a group of dancers to perform in Paris earlier this year.\textsuperscript{5450}

USF junior Gordy Bubolz wins the world championship in the Men’s I Division at the Wakeboard World Championships.\textsuperscript{5451}

The housing office in the Resident Village has received 59 complaints since the beginning of the semester concerning pests, mostly mice and ants. Although the university has received the complaints, many students complain that little is being done about the issue. Kelly Best, resident director for residential services for facilities, claims that Village is sprayed on a monthly basis and the Terminix Pest Control comes on

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Mondays and Thursdays to deal with specific complaints. Students believe that the problem has not been adequately addressed.\footnote{5452}

Several campus groups and members of the USF community will contribute 3x6 foot panels to a quilt that will commemorate victims of the AIDS virus.\footnote{5453}

Student Broadcasting Television begins on public access cable. Student Broadcasting will be a weekly show featuring community and student news. Jen Fogle, vice president of informational news for SBTV, claims that the show hopes to “supplement what the Oracle produces.”\footnote{5454}

The USF women’s volleyball team sets a Conference USA record with 16 straight wins.\footnote{5455}

Class schedules will now be available for students to view online.\footnote{5456}

After upsetting FIU in the first round of the NCAA tournament, the USF men’s soccer team stuns defending national champion St. Johns 2-1 to move on to the next round. This is the farthest that any USF team has advanced in an NCAA Division I tournament. Their next opponent is number one ranked, and undefeated, Indiana (the USF soccer team defeated Indiana in 1984 to end the Hoosiers 46 game winning streak). The soccer team, the school’s first in the elite eight, will move on the final four with a victory.\footnote{5457}
Florida governor Lawton Chiles names Maricela Langelier to the Postsecondary Education Planning Commission. Langelier, an early childhood education major, is the first USF student named to the commission.5458

The city of Tampa applies to host the 2012 Summer Olympics. If Tampa’s bid is successful, USF President Betty Castor and Tampa Mayor Dick Greco both agree that USF’s facilities would be an integral part of the experience, especially the Sun Dome, the soccer fields, the track and field facilities, and even the dorms.5459

In an attempt to make graduation accessible to all interested family members, there will be two separate ceremonies for the 3,000 fall semester graduates this year.5460

A trust fund that controls assets of the late Hugh Culverhouse announces a gift worth $14 million to USF, including state match, the largest single gift in USF history. The gift is earmarked for breast cancer treatment and research and for swallowing disorders.

For the second time in the College of Medicine’s history, all medical students pass the national first-step exams. Nationally, 93 percent of medical students passed the exam.

USF begins its first-ever season of NCAA football. The Bulls, playing in Division I-AA, open with an 80-3 win at Tampa Stadium over Kentucky Wesleyan before 49,000 fans.

The Tampa campus library is named the state’s distance learning reference center.

USF announces its largest fund drive ever, a capital campaign called “Great Achievements, Great Expectations,” with a goal of $220 million.

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1998: USF Magazine profiles Moffitt Cancer Center and its use of the new lymph node mapping technique, particularly in the case of Eleanor Klein of Scottsdale Arizona. The article also gives a timeline of Moffitt’s eleven year existence and outlines the research and care being performed and given at the cancer center.5461

USF’s College of Public Health partners with the community to provide a program called Healthy Start for babies born in Hillsborough County. It seeks to reduce infant mortality and the incidence of low birth weight babies. The services provided by the program will now benefit a wider range of women and children thanks to an $8.4 million federal Healthy Start grant awarded to USF’s Lawton and Rhea Chiles Center for Healthy Mothers and Babies, Healthy Start of Hillsborough County and the Hillsborough County Public Health Department for a duration of four years.5462

USF celebrates its first Fall Homecoming centered around the new football program.5463

The new USF Family Center opens. The center, which is run by CorporateFamily Solutions, will allow parents to drop their children off for up to 29 hours a week at $4 per hour.5464

The Embassy Suites Hotel and Conference Center, located on campus at the corner of East Fowler and Spectrum Boulevard, was set to open this week, but due to construction delays will open on January 12th instead.5465

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Continuing its association with Tampa General Hospital, USF announces that a $500,000 fund has been created to develop “products in cardiac medicine.”

USF’s Mentor Training Institute will help train adults who hope to work as mentors to children.

The Marshall Center is producing a cookbook and has begun the process by taking recipes from anyone associated with USF. They have six recipes so far and hope to split the cookbook up into two sections, “real” and “cheater” recipes. Marshall Center Assistant Director describes the “cheater” recipes as “the way students cook – recipes that use stuff out of your pantry.”

USF St. Petersburg will open the homes of C. Perry Snell and John Williams to the public for yours benefiting the Suncoast Area Boys and Girls Clubs. The historic homes have been restored by more than 20 Tampa Bay area interior design groups. The public tours will be available for about a month and will cost $10.

USF has a task force looking into the prospect of putting a branch campus in Pasco County. There are plans for the campus to be founded in New Port Richey.

USF officially announces the beginning of classes in Pasco County in the fall semester. Eleven USF classes, four of which are at the graduate level, will be offered at Pasco-Hernando Community College in New Port Richey.

The Alzheimer’s Research Laboratory at USF has genetically altered mice to carry two of the three genes that cause the disease. Previously mice could only carry one.
This advancement means that greater research can be done in a smaller time frame on the causes of the disease and “places USF as one of the few universities in the world making strides in the search for a cure.”

The USF St. Petersburg campus and St. Petersburg Junior College have announced a partnership that will allow Pinellas county residents better access to Bachelor’s degree programs.

Maria Cortez, a three year old from El Salvador, undergoes a successful operation at All Children’s Hospital to remove a large tumor from her face. The tumor obstructed her vision and, because it was connected to her brain, something as small as a scratch or a mosquito bite on the tumor could have cause a fatal brain infection. Maria’s mother Paula walked three hours from her village of El Yomo to a clinic in Jucuapa. There were medical students and doctors from Tampa and USF at the clinic, but the facilities were not conducive to removing the tumor. USF Medical Student David Clendenin undertook the little girl’s cause and convinced Dr. Ernesto Ruas to perform the surgery for free provided Clendenin could arrange for Maria and her mother to come to Tampa. Clendenin raised funds, made the arrangements, and even had enough money to set a trust fund allowing Maria to have money for college. Two successful surgeries removed the tumor, reconstructed Maria’s face, and finally set her eyes straight ahead, as she had grown used to looking around the tumor.

SG President Edwin Narain and Regent Dennis Ross will appear on a new television show called “Insiders.” Kathy Bentancourt, associate VP for Government
Affairs at USF, hosts the show. During “Insiders” guests will discuss issues related to USF. The show is an updated version of another show that aired during the 1970s.

In an effort to push ahead the construction of Greek housing the University has set a deadline of March 1st for fraternities and sororities to begin building their residences. The Greek Village, planned for the corner of 50th Street and Fowler Avenue, will then have to be finished within 18 months. Greek organizations that do not meet the deadline will default on the projects, which began in 1993.

USF hosts its first ceremony for football awards. At the “South Florida Football Awards Ceremony,” Safety Anthony Henry wins the most awards, including Most Valuable Player on the defensive side of the ball. Quarterback Chad Barnhardt is voted Offensive MVP.

The USF Gerontology Department plans to open a “Grandparent’s Center,” which will help grandparents with information and answers to questions.

Journalist and USF alumna Ann Liguori comes to the USF bookstore to sign copies of her new book, “A Passion for Golf: Celebrity Musings About the Game.” For the book, Liguori interviewed athletes, entertainers, and politicians, about their experiences with golf.

John Parks, chairman of the USF Black Emphasis Month Committee, claims that this may be the final Black Emphasis Month in USF history because of cutbacks in funding.
Five USF professors sue the school for gender discrimination. The plaintiffs, led by distinguished service professor Kristin Shrader-Frechette, claim that the school pays less money to equally qualified women than they do to men. The plaintiffs are seeking $50 million and claim to be “spokespeople” for other women who are underpaid and do not receive promotions and awards because of their gender. Shrader-Frechette claims that the group attempted to work within the system, but “have exhausted all internal ways of solving this.” Plaintiff and religious studies professor Sara Mandell claims that they tried “to get through to the administration for a long time,” but it has been “like hitting a stone wall.”

Although President Castor hopes to settle the lawsuit quickly, it doesn’t appear that the matter will be resolved outside the courtroom.

Administrator Carolyn Lavely joins the gender discrimination lawsuit against USF.

President Castor argues that the reason for pay disparity lies in a statewide limitation on pay raises, meaning that the state government, and not USF, is at fault. The six plaintiffs release a five-page letter illustrating discrepancies in USF’s statement.

The lawsuit receives the support of the National Organization of Women when NOW sends a letter to President Castor urging her to settle the discrimination suit.

Kristin Shrader-Frechette, the lead plaintiff in the gender discrimination case, leaves USF to accept a position at Notre Dame. Her decision to leave does not affect the status of the lawsuit.
The annual Salary Equity Study at USF finds “several pay discrepancies” at the school. Of 27 applicants for pay raises because of inequality, 11 are granted an increase. Four of the lawsuit’s plaintiffs receive raises.\(^{5487}\)

The gender discrimination lawsuit is settled out of court for $144,000, nine months after it began.\(^{5488}\)

Student Body President Edwin Narain circulates a petition opposing a proposed move of the Oracle offices to the basement of the Marshall Center. Narain opposes the move because the office would replace the existing game room and students would bear the cost of the move. Narain gives his petition to President Castor after she signs the budget that would approve the move. There is still a chance that the move will be called off.\(^{5489}\)

Student Affairs and Student Government inform students that Oracle offices will not replace the game room, but now they are searching for a place to put the paper’s headquarters.\(^{5490}\)

Despite reports to the contrary, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs Wilma Henry informs the Oracle that the game room is still being considered for the paper’s new office.\(^{5491}\)

USF is named a National Center for Water Treatment Technologies. USF is the third center in the country and the only one on the east coast.\(^{5492}\)
Student Body President Edwin Narain requests $10,000 for the purchase of a “spirit rock” which would be placed in the Greek Village. According to Narain, “the spirit rock is basically a rock, a big boulder, where you can go paint the colors of your organization, have bonfires around it, do all sorts of things.” Narain believes the rock will help school spirit. Some students complain that the rock will not benefit all students, but just Greek Students. Narain claims that many schools have a “spirit rock,” and the money will be used to also purchase benches, flowerbeds, and flagpoles for the Black Pan-Hellenic and Inter-Fraternity Council flags, which would surround the rock. Letters to the editor are not very supportive of the “spirit rock.” One student recommends that the school invest in a “spirit radio broadcast tower” for WBUL. President Castor approves the $10,000 project, but reminds students that the plan is not set in stone, and the money has just been set aside for a “spirit project,” not necessarily a “spirit rock.” Most students who speak out on the issue of the rock express their disapproval of the plan. Graduate Student Victor Trinidad sums up his opinion by stating, “You can dress it up, paint it Greek colors, but it’s still a 10-grand rock.” Some students offer other options concerning the “spirit rock” money, including rising support for a radio tower for the campus radio station. Narain tells the Oracle that he is not necessarily “pro – ‘we need this rock,’” but hopes to find a project that would promote school spirit. If forced to choose between the rock and the radio tower, Narain claims he would choose the tower.

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5493 O 2/9/98 p2, 2/10/98 p5, 2/11/98 p2, 2/12/98 p3, 2/16/98 p2, 2/18/98 p3, 2/24/98 p2 (See also the Oracle letters to the editor for more opinion on the spirit rock).
WBUL organizes “Tower Tuesday,” a rally to support the prospect of a new radio tower.\footnote{5494}

Administrators decide that the $10,000 allocated for a spirit project should go toward building a tower for WBUL.\footnote{5495}

Members of the Lambda Chi Alpha and Sigma Chi fraternities are suspended for the rest of the semester from participating in intramurals because of a fight between the organizations during an intramural basketball game. The suspensions lead to both fraternities being deactivated by the Office of Student Activities until the end of the summer semester.\footnote{5496}

Neil Cohen, Assistant Director for Student Activities, lessens the suspensions for the two fraternities. Some students rally against he change because it is “a racial issue.” The two fraternities, apparently overwhelmingly white, had their suspensions reduced through letter writing and advocacy, but two black fraternities involved in a similar situation in 1996 went through similar channels and did not have their suspensions reduced. Cohen claims that he did not want to take any action that would hinder the construction of the Greek Village. The USF NAACP holds a rally on Crescent Hill to address issues of “cultural insensitivity” in the Office of Student Activities. During the rally speakers announce a plan to increase multiculturalism. The group reached an agreement with Marshall Center Director Luis Visot to address six key issues by April 15th.\footnote{5497}
Visot upholds the initial suspension of the two fraternities. They must also take part in anger management and “sportsmanship” workshops. Visot claims that the NAACP rally had no effect on his decision.\textsuperscript{5498}

In an attempt to “treat residents more like adults,” there will be major changes to the on-campus living situation next semester. More of the dorms will be co-ed and all but two dorms will feature internet access from the rooms.\textsuperscript{5499}

The USF St. Petersburg campus police unveil a four-man bicycle patrol unit.\textsuperscript{5500}

USF releases the football schedule for the team’s second season. The last game at Houlihan’s Stadium will be a September 12\textsuperscript{th} matchup with Valparaiso. The homecoming game will feature USF playing against Cumberland on November 7\textsuperscript{th}. The team holds their first spring practice on March 3\textsuperscript{rd}.\textsuperscript{5501}

An SG committee begins an impeachment investigation on SG Supreme Court Chief Justice Chandon Manansingh, who is accused of abusing his power. Manansingh files two civil lawsuits in Hillsborough County Court against three SG officials, Senate President Rob Mackay, Senator Lara Osofsky, and interim director of Sober Ride Bryan Verdone, for “defamation of character and violating information laws.” Verdone is accused of spreading false information regarding Manansingh’s character and Osofsky and Mackay are accused of illegally keeping Manansingh from one their meetings investigating his conduct. Ostofsky and Mackay’s legal representatives claim that closed meetings are legal at USF.\textsuperscript{5502}

\textsuperscript{5498} O 3/18/98 p2
\textsuperscript{5499} O 2/20/98 p2
\textsuperscript{5500} O 2/23/98 p3
\textsuperscript{5501} O 2/25/98 p18, 3/3/98 p15
\textsuperscript{5502} O 2/25/98 p2, 3/2/98 p2, 3/4/98 p2, 3/5/98 p2
Manansingh walks out of a hearing regarding his investigation because he believes that, since he has civil case pending against Ostofsky, he will not get a fair investigation as long as she is in charge of the committee.\textsuperscript{5503}

Five SG Judicial officials, including Manansingh, resign their positions over repeated moves by Student Government to overturn their decisions. With only three members of the court left, the groups cannot reach a quorum and the Supreme Court is effectively nonexistent. In a letter of resignation, the five claim that “it is unmistakable that Student Affairs seeks to exercise complete dominion and control over the SG supreme court…with Student Affairs making decisions for the court, the court is no longer independent.”\textsuperscript{5504}

The engineering department celebrates the 25\textsuperscript{th} anniversary of its annual expo. The event, held every year since 1973, is the largest of its kind in the United States.\textsuperscript{5505}

The USF Bike Club has spent over two decades planning and organizing for bike paths around campus. Now that most of the new paths are finished Jesse Binford, the faculty advisor to the club, hopes that they can be properly advertised so they are used.\textsuperscript{5506}

Hillsborough County’s Research and Development Authority grants permission for Tampa General Hospital to purchase land on and next to the USF campus, making the possibility that the hospital will move to the campus more and more realistic.\textsuperscript{5507}
After receiving approval from Hillsborough County Commissioners, Tampa General Hospital moves closer to settling in on Fowler Avenue and beginning a close association with USF.5508

USF holds the annual regional Special Olympics at the soccer stadium.5509

USF sends a request for information to federal officials with regards to Professor Sami Al-Arian. The tenured professor was removed from his position because of an investigation by the FBI, but he has still not been charged with anything. USF administrators believe that “the situation has been going on seemingly indefinitely, and the question of his status needs to be addressed.” After months without hearing from the FBI, Al-Arian is reinstated as a professor at USF.5510

The BOR approves plans to build two new residence halls, but the state legislature must approve the school’s plan to borrow $25 million before the plan can move forward.5511

All Children’s Hospital and USF announce plans to build a $12 million pediatric research facility.5512

USF alumnus Greg Pitts will be co-starring in a FOX sitcom. The show, “Damon,” stars Damon Wayans as a police detective in Chicago. Pitts plays Billy McCarthy, “the new guy” on the force.5513
USF hosts the “Sweet Sixteen” round of the NCAA basketball tournament. The games were played at Tropicana field in St. Petersburg. Next year the school will host the “Final Four.”

Rebecca Kramer, who edited her high school yearbook, puts in a request for more than $85,000 to start a yearbook at USF. The school has not had a yearbook in over a decade. Kramer withdraws her request but will resubmit over the summer.

USF’s Small Business Center comes to the aid of many new business founders, advising on everything from how to start a business to the intricacies of working with the federal government. Chronicled are the success stories of Ed VerVane, Gene Howes & Rhonda Davis, and Robert Geller.

Theatre Professor Bill Lorenzen and his students have been building marionettes at USF for the past thirty years. USF Magazine chronicles one of his shows from the production of the marionettes through the show.

The USF Student Accounting and Business Organization and the Masters in Business Association work the vending booth near the visitor’s dugout at the first Tampa Bay Devil Rays home game.

The USF Athletic Department and ESPN Regional host the USF Sportsfest. The Sportsfest features four different USF teams competing against other schools, the football team holds their final Spring practice as an intrasquad game at the USF soccer field, and

5514 O 3/23/98 p1, 14, and 16
5513 O 3/26/98 p2
5518 O 4/1/98 p17
the women’s soccer team plays against the Tampa Bay Extreme, a women’s professional team. Approximately 1,000 people attend the football scrimmage.\textsuperscript{5519}

New College graduates Joshua and Kaia Tickell turn their senior project, an attempt to run a diesel engine on “biodiesel,” a combination of used fryer oil, alcohol, and lye, into a cross-country journey in their “veggie van.” The “veggie van” is a Winnebago run on biodiesel intended to raise awareness of alternative energy sources.\textsuperscript{5520}

The Oracle prints a review of the previous year in Student Government and includes a timeline of SG controversies over the last five years.\textsuperscript{5521}

The football team announces the captains for the upcoming season. Ivan Alicot, Anthony Henry, and Demetrius Woods return as captains. Quarterback Chad Barnhardt replaces Lance Hoeltke as the fourth captain. Hoeltke and Barnhardt competed for the starting job last year and Barnhardt eventually won the job. Hoeltke has been moved from quarterback to safety for the coming season. Hoeltke quits the team just before the season begins.\textsuperscript{5522}

Masters Degree student Eric Chrisp and his mentor Professor Jay Sokolofsky collect the stories of the African American community in St. Petersburg as part of the Olive B. McLin Community History Archive Project.\textsuperscript{5523}

The USF Football team is ranked number 24 in Division I-AA in the \textit{Sporting News} top 25 preseason poll. Three games in, the USF football team cracks a national poll for the first time during a season. The team is ranked 23\textsuperscript{rd} in the Sports Network I-AA Top 25 and were just 17 votes short of being number 25 in the USA Today/ESPN Poll.

\textsuperscript{5519} O 4/3/98 p11, 4/6/98 p13
\textsuperscript{5520} O 4/6/98 p8
\textsuperscript{5521} O 4/7/98 p1, 2, 3, 14
\textsuperscript{5522} O 4/7/98 p18, 8/24/98 p19C
\textsuperscript{5523} USF Magazine, Vol. 40, No. 3 (Summer 1998), 16-18.
The Bulls move up to number 25 in that poll the following week. The team later moves as high as number 12 in both polls.\textsuperscript{5524}

USF signs the \textit{Tampa Tribune} to an exclusive contract regarding sports marketing. Representatives of the \textit{St. Petersburg Times} complain that the bidding process was unfair and that USF officials did not follow legal procedures. A hearing is scheduled for 5/15/98 to hear the complaint.\textsuperscript{5525}

USF reaches an agreement with the \textit{Times} and agrees to open the bids for promotional contracts. The \textit{Times}, who had withheld a gift of $1 million to the school, grants the money after the decision.\textsuperscript{5526}

The Student Government elections come down to a runoff between the incumbent ticket of Edwin Narain/Kamilah Oliphant and challengers Jessica Pawelkop/Joenathan Jones. Pawelkop works for Narain as Student Government’s Director for Programming. Both tickets feel that the other would do an excellent job if victorious.\textsuperscript{5527}

Pawelkop and Jones win the runoff election with a record total of 833 votes. Narain/Oliphant set the previous record in last year’s election. The 1,518 votes cast is also a record. 5.4\% of the campus voted. Both Narain and Oliphant offer to serve the new administration in an advisory capacity to assist their transition.\textsuperscript{5528}

USF graduate Steve Johnson has created University MealPass Corp. as a means of providing USF students with more varied dining options. MealPass allows students to

\textsuperscript{5524} O 6/25/98 p16, 9/22/98 p19, 9/30/98 p20, 10/6/98 p16, 10/13/98 p16
\textsuperscript{5525} O 4/16/98 p2, 5/11/98 p3
\textsuperscript{5526} O 5/15/98 p2
\textsuperscript{5527} O 4/17/98 p2
\textsuperscript{5528} O 4/24/98 p2
purchase a card for either $1,000 or $1,500. The card can be used at area restaurants and businesses to purchase food, with the money being deducted from the card.\footnote{5529}

Administrators state that MealPass can no longer market from a rented area in the Marshall Center because Marriott has rights to exclusivity in offering dining plans on campus. They also declare that MealPass must drop all references to USF in their advertising.\footnote{5530}

USF files a lawsuit against University MealPass because “the company misrepresented itself as an affiliate of the University.” Steve Johnston, MealPass’s president, believes that the company has adequately distanced itself from the university. The lawsuit is settled out of court.\footnote{5531}

The NBA’s New Jersey Nets train for their playoff series against the Chicago Bulls at the Sun Dome. USF men’s basketball coach Seth Greenberg, a close friend of Nets coach John Calipari, made the team’s arrangements.\footnote{5532}

Don Barr, coach of the men’s tennis team, promised the team that he would shave his head if they won the Conference USA tournament at the end of the season. They win the tournament and Jay Shaw, a member of the team, got to shave the coach’s head.\footnote{5533}

USF men’s soccer coach David Christiansen is under investigation by the NCAA for allegedly using an ineligible player in an exhibition game and illegally trying out a high school player on the campus. Christiansen, a first year coach, claims that he

\footnote{5529} O 4/20/98 p2, For a MealPass ad with a list of participating restaurants see, Oracle: New Student Edition, Summer 1998, p24A. 
\footnote{5530} O 6/22/98 p2, 7/13/98 p3
\footnote{5531} O 9/3/98 p1, 9/10/98 p1
\footnote{5532} O 4/21/98 p18, 4/23/98 p18
\footnote{5533} O 4/22/98 p22 (the April 22\textsuperscript{nd} edition of the Oracle is mistakenly labeled March 22\textsuperscript{nd} on the front cover).
violated the rules out of “inexperience” and “mistakes in interpretation of NCAA rules.” He resigns.  

New College student Amy Andre, whose first amendment lawsuit in 1997 named USF and several administrators, has decided to drop President Castor and other administrators from the suit. The case against USF will move forward.  

Officials announce that the Sun Dome will receive a new roof in the summer of 1999. Administrator’s claim that the school needs $8 million for the project and has about $4 million at the present date. The administration will probably borrow the extra money from the Capital Improvement Trust Fund. There is some debate over whether this money should be used.  

USF awards an honorary doctorate in humane letters to Nobel Peace Prize winner Oscar Aria-Sanchez.  

The athletic department announces that the first game of the 1999 season will be against San Diego State, marking the first time the USF team plays against a Division I-A opponent.  


The Tampa Bay Firestix of the Women’s Professional Fastpitch Softball League begin their second season. The team plays at USF’s Red McEwen field. The team
features former USF player Laurie Gouthro and former USF Softball coach Hildred Deese is the Assistant General Manager.\textsuperscript{5540}

For the first time a former USF baseball player comes to Tampa for a Major League Baseball game. Tony Fassas, a pitcher for the Seattle Mariners, began his career with the bulls in 1976. He is the only USF graduate currently playing in the major leagues.\textsuperscript{5541}

Chancellor Adam Herbert proposes a new Tier System for the State Universities. According to Herbert’s system, schools would be classified as either National Research Universities, Research Universities, Doctoral Universities, or Comprehensive Universities. USF would be a National Research University, along with the University of Florida and Florida State University. If the plan passes, USF would have to cap enrollment and would focus more on graduate and research programs. The school would also be able to change tuition as needed provided changes passed the legislature. Herbert later revises the plan to include just three classifications rather than four; Research I, Research II, and Comprehensive.\textsuperscript{5542}

In her annual State of the University Speech, President Castor claims that the school will be recognized as the third Research I institution in the state, joining the University of Florida and Florida State University.\textsuperscript{5543}

The Florida Student Association meets to discuss Chancellor Herbert’s Tier Plan and decide to vote against sponsoring the plan. USF is the only school in the ten-school State University System to support the plan. Just after the decision, the FSA officially

\textsuperscript{5540} 05/28/98 p16
\textsuperscript{5541} 0 6/1/98 p12
\textsuperscript{5542} 0 6/1/98/ p1, 6/18/98 p1, 9/4/98 p1
\textsuperscript{5543} 0 9/4/98 p1
reverses their position from ‘opposed’ to ‘neutral.’ Members of the student group decide they would rather take no official stance and instead have each school prepare a statement with their “likes and dislikes.” While the plan is likely to pass, opponents worry that enrollment caps will hurt minority students and promote inequality.\footnote{O 10/23/98 p1, 10/26/98 p1, 10/27/98 p1, 11/6/98 p1, 11/10/98 p1, 11/12/98 p1. For a comprehensive overview of the plan see Oracle, 11/19/98 p10 and 11.}

The Board of Regents passes the Tier Plan unanimously.\footnote{O 11/20/98 p1}

Students entering USF in the fall will face a rise in tuition rates. This marks the third time in three years that tuition rates have gone up.\footnote{Oracle: New Student Edition, Summer 1998, p8A}

Community members, students, and faculty at the USF Lakeland campus question the leadership of Dean Yvonne Ralston. They believe that Ralston, who has been dean of the campus since it opened in 1986, should not have dissolved the USF-Lakeland Community Advisory Board. Ralston is reassigned to the provost’s office.\footnote{O 6/8/98 p2, 7/13/98 p2}

The Tampa Bay Buccaneers will open their new stadium on September 20, 1998. When trying to decide seating assignments for season ticket holders at USF Football games, the athletic department decides to grant “priority points” based on contributions, length of time involved with the department, whether or not they are basketball season ticket holders and whether or not they are alumni.\footnote{O 6/11/98 p11}

The USF Football team plays its last game at Houlihan’s Stadium. They close the “Houlihan’s era” with a 51-0 win over Valparaiso, moving their record at the stadium to 6-3. The crowd of 21,467 is the smallest ever for a USF game. The first game at the new Raymond James Stadium is a 45-6 victory over the Citadel.\footnote{O 9/11/98 p12, 9/14/98 p16, 10/2/98 p12, 10/5/98 p1}
Student Senate Vice President Matt King and Senator Peter DePrimo plan to start an SG political party that would unite members of various student groups under one banner.\footnote{6/15/98 p3}

USF students are upset that the campus courtesy phones will longer allow them to make calls off campus. The SG successfully advocates for off-campus calls on 15 of the 128 courtesy phones around campus.\footnote{6/18/98 p3}

When the University City School in the Museum of Science and Industry opens this fall it will be the first school in the country governed and managed by a public university.\footnote{6/18/98 p3}

For the first time since classes began in 1968, the St. Petersburg Campus will accept freshman and offer freshman and sophomore level classes.\footnote{6/18/98 p3}

Longboat Key businessman Robert Roskamp donates $5 million to the USF Alzheimer’s research team.\footnote{7/2/98 p1}

USF Alum Michael Rao becomes the youngest chancellor of a four-year university in history when he accepts the Chancellorship at Montana State University’s Northern Campus. Rao, 31, had been president at Mission College in Santa Clara California, for five years.\footnote{7/9/98 p11}

Former Miss USF Nicole Johnson will compete for the Miss America crown as Miss Virginia.\footnote{7/16/98 p5}
Johnson wins the Miss America crown for the year 1999. Johnson, who suffers from juvenile diabetes, plans on going for a speaking tour to raise diabetes awareness.\textsuperscript{5557}

The new computer registration system, Banner, has had many problems. Students and faculty complain that the system mistakenly deleted many course permits, complicating the registration process. The problems with the Banner system later lead to financial aid problems for students. Checks arrive later than promised, meaning many students are left with unpaid tuition bills.\textsuperscript{5558}

An Oracle study of three local bookstores finds that the USF bookstore has the highest price on 45 of 60 books and the lowest on just 1. Because of the findings, the bookstore implements a new policy which will double the difference back to students for any books found cheaper off campus.\textsuperscript{5559}

Marriott opens the new Andros Cafeteria. Freshman psychology major Kerri Jones is the first to eat there.\textsuperscript{5560}

The WUSF television studio will be moved from the basement of the Student Services Building, its home for 32 years, to a new location that will be built next to the WUSF Radio Station. Construction on the new studio will begin in the fall of 1999 and will be finished sometime in 2000.\textsuperscript{5561} USF completes its remodeling and restructuring of Alpha Hall, the first residence hall originally built on the campus in 1961. The new hall will provide residents with apartment-style living with private bathrooms and the option of single rooms.\textsuperscript{5562}

\textsuperscript{5557} O 9/21/98 p3, 9/22/98 p2
\textsuperscript{5558} O 8/25/98 p1, 9/10/98 p1
\textsuperscript{5559} O 8/24/98 p2A, 8/25/98 p1
\textsuperscript{5560} O 8/25/98 p14
\textsuperscript{5561} O 8/28/98 p1
\textsuperscript{5562} USF Magazine, Vol. 40, No. 4 (Fall 1998), 20-23.
USF Magazine interviews Professor James Strange, who has spent the past thirty years conducting archeological digs in Israel and developing theories related to the life of Jesus and ancient times.\textsuperscript{5563}

USF Alumni Gary Padgett and Linda Tjong, plus several New College and Lakeland campus professors, plan on establishing the Piyospaye Native American Organization on the Tampa campus. The group hopes to “teach people about (Native American) culture,” according to Padgett.\textsuperscript{5564}

Senior Natasha Bashir is the 2 millionth person to use the Campus Recreation Center.\textsuperscript{5565}

Café Bianco, an independent, full service restaurant on the fourth floor of the Marshall Center closes because of a lack of business.\textsuperscript{5566}

Many residents of Mu Hall are forced off-campus into hotel rooms because heavy rains have brought as much as a foot and a half of flood water into the first floor dorms.\textsuperscript{5567}

USF Humanities and American Studies Professor Daniel Delgrad is nominated for a Pulitzer Prize in history for his book “The Culture of Spontaneity, Improvisation and the Arts in Postwar America.”\textsuperscript{5568}

The SG Legislative Committee convenes a discussion of three new justices but closes the proceedings to the public. This causes the Oracle to levy an official complaint against the committee.\textsuperscript{5569}

\textsuperscript{5563} FUSF Magazine, Vol. 40, No. 4 (Fall 1998), 30-34.
\textsuperscript{5564} O 9/8/98 p2, Although Linda Tjong’s name is spelled Pjong in 9/8 issue a correction is made in 9/10/98 p3
\textsuperscript{5565} O 9/17/98 p1
\textsuperscript{5566} O 9/18/98 p1
\textsuperscript{5567} O 9/21/98 p1
\textsuperscript{5568} O 10/7/98 p1
USF Football Captain Demetrius Woods is suspended after being charged with burglary and theft after taking the parking hangtag from a student’s car. Fullback Terrance Smiley comes forward and claims that he is the one that stole the hangtag, not Woods. Both are suspended “until the matter is resolved.” Woods and Smiley serve a two game suspension.5570

Two doctors in USF’s ophthalmology department file a religious discrimination suit. Dr. Steven Gross and Dr. Robert Urban, who are Jewish and Catholic respectively, file the suit against the university, the Board of Regents, and former ophthalmology department chair Dr. J. James Rowsey. The suit claims that Rowsey, who remains on the school’s staff but resigned as chair on October 13, 1997 after allegations of discrimination first surfaced, hurt their job performance by forcing them to participate in prayer and passed them over for promotions because of their religion. The suit also alleges that the school knew of the alleged discrimination and did nothing to stop it. Numerous attempts by the school to settle the matter out of court are rejected.5571

Dr. James Rowsey is suspended for mailing invitations to a prayer breakfast using USF stationary and a USF postage meter.5572

The death in Wyoming of gay college student Matthew Shepard sparks debate on the USG Student Senate floor over funding of gay and lesbian organizations at the school. President Castor writes a letter to Chancellor Adam Herbert arguing that sexual orientation should be added to the discrimination policy of the State University System.
UF President John Lombardi, FIU President Mitch Maidique, and the United Faculty of Florida all support Castor’s initiative.5573

USF will host a Midnight Madness celebration for the opening of the basketball season. The celebration was a school tradition, but coach Seth Greenberg canceled it last year.5574

USF administrators consider holding some classes at a location in Clearwater to serve northern Pinellas County.5575

In a reflection of the national craze around ‘swing’ dancing, USF holds a ‘Swing Fling’ in the Marshall Center Ballroom. The dance is so successful that the SG may make it an annual event.5576

An inspector with the Department of Health comes to campus to inspect the ‘Smoothie King’ in the Campus Rec Center. On the way to the Center he passes through the Elm Street Flea Market and notices multiple health code violations. The school shuts down all vendors at the flea market serving food.5577

The USF Women’s Soccer team, which had been a club team until 1995, finishes the season undefeated 14-0-3.5578

This year’s homecoming features comedian Jim Breuer, a concert by the Violent Femmes, and a game against Cumberland. In an event reminiscent of USF’s past Spring Homecomings, the basketball team will play their first exhibition game as a part of the celebration. The celebration begins with President Castor’s second annual ‘cake cutting’
ceremony. Ann Poonkasem and Ted Rivera are crowned queen and king. The Bulls win the homecoming game 69-3.\textsuperscript{5579}

The USF Health Sciences Library is named after Mandell “Hinks” and Elaine Shimberg. The couple donated $1 million to the library.\textsuperscript{5580}

The Elm Street Market will temporarily move to a location behind the Marshall Center next semester because of construction at Elm Street. The market will be renamed the ‘Bull Market’ after the move.\textsuperscript{5581}

The Tampa Bay Lightning team up with the Moffit Cancer Research Center for a fund-raising program. The program encourages local businesses to donate money to the center for every Lightning victory.\textsuperscript{5582}

As part of the second annual World AIDS Day USF campus groups create panels for a giant quilt and put the quilt together on the MLK Plaza.\textsuperscript{5583}

USF is named by the Florida Board of Regents as a “Research I” university, along with the University of Florida and Florida State.

USF reaches $135 million in annual sponsored research and ranks among the top 50 public universities in the country.

Former Miss USF Nicole Johnson wins the Miss America pageant in Atlantic City. Johnson, a spokeswoman for diabetes and a diabetic, earns $20,000 in scholarship money.
Alpha Hall, the oldest residence hall on the USF Tampa campus, reopens after $11 million renovation.

The USF endowment reaches $185 million. The number of fully and partially funded endowed chairs is 45.

1999: USF President Betty Castor and UCF President John Hitt combine their efforts with those of economic development organizations and corporate executives to join forces on the Florida High Tech Corridor Initiative. The purpose of the initiative is to make the I-4 Corridor area (a 13-county region) a national scene for developing and manufacturing technology, similar to Silicon Valley in California.\(^{5584}\)

The Florida Board of Regents decides to classify Florida’s universities according to their strengths under three classifications: Research I, Research II and Comprehensive. USF is designated as a Research I institution, along with UF and FSU.\(^{5585}\)

About 1,000 students receive incorrect grades due to input errors. Complications with OASIS, the new online student information system, led to as many as 1,000 grades being keyed into the university computer system incorrectly. Most of the errors have been or will be corrected in the coming days.\(^{5586}\)

Both USF administrators and the Board of Regents say that they are hopeful that a statewide construction-funding shortfall of $52.6 million will not adversely affect the

\(^{5586}\) O: January 5, 1999, p. 1.
College of Engineering, which was originally allocated $8 million by the Board of Regents.\footnote{5587}

Vice President of Student Government, Joenathan Jones, unexpectedly resigns. He cites a desire to focus on academics.\footnote{5588}

The Lawton and Rhea Chiles Center for Healthy Mothers and Babies on the USF campus receives an outpouring of memorial support for the former governor. About $60,000 in gifts is sent to the center.\footnote{5589}

USF offers a federally sponsored High School Equivalency Program through the College of Education for migrant farm workers and their children who never had an opportunity to finish high school. \footnote{5590}

The Elm Street Market begins its rebirth as the Bull Market, relocated from Elm Street to the Phyllis P. Marshall Center. The move, caused by construction plans on Elm Street, was met with criticism by vendors due to their fear of profit losses. Marshall Center marketing director Debbie Lum says that events planned for the new Bull Market will help spark every vendor’s business.\footnote{5591}

A new television course is developed for students. The class is based on the first International Conference on Ethical Issues in Sport which was held at USF eight months ago. The issues explored will include money, power, government and medicine.\footnote{5592}
Nobel Prize nominee Joyce Carol Oats and prison-rights activist Angela Davis will speak on campus this semester. They will headline the spring 1999 University lecture series, joining nine other speakers.5593

Elm Street Market gets off to a rocky start. When vendors arrived on Wednesday, they did not know where to set up or where to park and barriers for the road closings were not in place. Bad weather also adversely affected the market’s premiere.5594

Efforts to free former USF adjunct professor Mazen Al-Najjar from an Immigration and Naturalization Service jail in Bradenton have stalled after the United States Government is now reconsidering his request for asylum. He has been detained since May 19, 1997 on secret government evidence alleging ties to Palestinian terrorist groups. He appeared to be close to attaining a work visa to Guyana, but a hold has been placed on his immigration until the Guyanese government can further review his case.5595

Marriot promises that the new restaurant opening on the top floor of the Phyllis P. Marshall Center is open for the long run after a series of predecessors closed due to slow business. The Campus View West opened recently to a steady crowd, replacing Café Bianco, which closed in September.5596

USF faces another sexual discrimination lawsuit from former Dean Judith Plawecki of the College of Nursing. She has alleged sexual discrimination and retaliation for her demotion to professor in March of 1995.5597

5597 O: January 7, 1999, p. 3.
The university suspends a student’s e-mail account after he responded to an Air Force advertisement recruiting public health officers. Jim Willingham, a Vietnam War veteran and registered nurse, is accused of violating university policy concerning mass e-mailing. His message mentioned carpet-bombing in Cambodia and expressed the opinion that military recruiters should be kept off campus.5598

Two of the three fraternities under investigation for a pair of September scuffles are charged with violations that may lead to their suspensions from the university. The offense stems from a brawl that broke out between members of Pi Kappa Alpha and Sigma Alpha Epsilon.5599

A 14-year-old girl claims that her 12-year-old classmate raped her while both attended a speech-therapy class on campus in November.5600

After elevator breakdowns and other problems, disabled students say that the campus is lacking access. At least three wheelchair-bound students state that the first week of classes this semester has been a nightmare, with elevators out of order and automatic door buttons malfunctioning.5601

Busch Gardens and Adventure Island open the Leadership Zoo on campus in the Phyllis P. Marshall Center. Both theme parks have donated more than $40,000 for the renovation of the student organization office space.5602

The colleges of engineering and medicine, which both continue to grow with the help of USF’s participation in the I-4 Corridor high-technology Initiative, join forces to offer a new graduate program. A total of 14 professors from both will teach courses for

5599 O: January 8, 1999, p. 2.
5600 O: January 8, 1999, p. 2.
the biomedical engineering program. Michael Kovac, dean for the College of
Engineering, believes that the program is paramount to USF excelling in medical
research.\footnote{January 12, 1999, p. 2}

Betty Castor celebrates her fifth year at USF. The school’s higher enrollment,
larger endowment, and a new football team mark her anniversary.\footnote{January 12, 1999, p. 1.}

A daylong celebration is held on the USF campus to commemorate the 70th
anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr.’s birthday. A candlelight vigil and panel
discussion concerning human rights are both scheduled to take place.\footnote{January 13, 1999, p. 1.}

The USF Contemporary Art Museum hosts the premier exhibit of Joeb Van
Lieshout’s latest works. The exhibit consists of angular living units, schematics for
homemade assault rifles, and spherical sensory-deprivation helmets. The concept is based
upon the artist’s utopian vision for a self-sustaining community.\footnote{January 13, 1999, p. 8.}

Nine of the ten state universities request an increase in the fees per tuition credit
hour. When universities request fee increases, the Board of Regents usually does not
challenge them, according to BOR Chairman Dennis Ross. USF did not make a request
before the October deadline.\footnote{O: January 14, 1999, p. 1.}

Investigators try to locate more than $6,000 worth of checks missing from the
College of Public Health’s Copy Center. An estimated 200 checks, all written in January
1998, are unaccounted for, according to the University Police. It is not certain at this time
whether the checks have been stolen and cashed, or whether they are just missing.\footnote{O: January 14, 1999, p. 1.}
The Board of Regents declines to enact President Betty Castor’s proposal to make it illegal for state universities to discriminate against individuals based on sexual orientation. According to Chancellor Adam Herbert, the regents do not have the legal power to include sexual orientation in the State University System’s anti-discrimination policy.\textsuperscript{5609}

A Student Government special committee appointed by president Jessica Pawelkop recommends retaining membership in the statewide Florida Student Association, a student government-lobbying group. Instead it suggested some improvements, including a weighted voting system and annual renewal. Although she supports the organization, President Pawelkop considered leaving the group because of increases in the dues.\textsuperscript{5610}

The president of St. Petersburg Junior College, Carl Kuttler, recently agreed to a nursing program partnership with Florida State University that may violate an agreement signed last year between USF and SPJC. According to Kuttler, the program would best serve SPJC students because FSU has a fully articulated A. S. degree which places it a full year or two ahead of USF, which does not accept all SPJC credits.\textsuperscript{5611}

Dr. Bert Volgelstein of the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, considered the most highly cited scientist in the world by the Institute for Scientific Information, visits Moffitt to discuss genetics, ethics and other cancer-related topics.\textsuperscript{5612}

USF is scheduled to register a plea of not guilty today in district court responding to a religious discrimination lawsuit filed by two former university employees. The

\textsuperscript{5609} O: January 15, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5610} O: January 15, 1999, p. 2.
\textsuperscript{5611} O: January 20, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5612} O: January 21, 1999, p. 1.
plaintiffs claim that they were denied privileges in the Ophthalmology department due to their religious orientation. They also claim that top university officials were aware of the alleged discrimination and did nothing to stop it.  

UCF asks the State University System for about $200,000 to implement a program that would allow 20 to 30 students a chance annually to complete one year of basic medical science classes at UCF. The students would then attend USF for three years to complete clinical-based study.

The Board of Regents announces a new policy to increase partnerships between the state universities and community colleges, with the ultimate goal of streamlining public education.

In response to the BOR’s lack of jurisdiction regarding the banning of sexual orientation discrimination by state universities, students and faculty from around the state plan to protest outside the SUS office in Tallahassee.

USF begins a new marketing campaign targeting Hispanics. It is part of the school’s $450,000 plan to increase its recognition in the community. Using billboards, print ads and a radio program, the school attempts to attract more Hispanic students.

A trial against the Student Government Legislative Committee begins, pitting the organization’s interpretation of statutes against that of the Oracle. The student paper filed charges against SG in October, following the second closing of a Legislative Committee

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meeting by its chairman. SG court justices must decide whether or not to void all decisions made as a result of those closed meetings.\textsuperscript{5618}

Marriot combats policy resistance over the new university requirement that all incoming freshmen and transfer students to purchase a meal plan from the campus-dining provider. Eighty of these students have not renewed their meal plan for a second semester due to dissatisfaction over the food. It is Marriot’s policy to charge a student who will not renew the contract for the same meal plan that the student purchased in the fall and the debt will cause academic holds to be put in place. Marriot stands to lose at least $74,000 in revenue.\textsuperscript{5619}

Financial Aid director Leonard Gude said Bright Futures scholarships were being dispersed; yet everyone who receives a check is not necessarily entitled to one. The university has been waiting for Florida’s Office of Student Financial Services to give them an eligibility report, but the state office has recently brought up a new computer system and they have been having difficulty generating the report. Students may have to return the money if they are mistakenly allocated funds.\textsuperscript{5620}

The Graduate Assistants Union (which represents 4,500 student employees statewide) continues its push to establish health care for members. GAU negotiators will meet in Gainesville with Board of Regents staff members and representatives from universities where GAU employees work and study, including USF. The state has not devised a way to pay for health care packages; instead it is offering to increase student stipends.\textsuperscript{5621}

\textsuperscript{5618} O: January 25, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5619} O: January 27, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5620} O: January 27, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5621} O: January 28, 1999, p.1.
A local Jewish activist, Jack Roth, complains to Primer, a Jewish media watch group, that USF is seriously lacking in its course offerings on the Holocaust. He also criticizes the university the absence of a Judaic Studies Program. Professor Jacob Neusner writes back to defend the university.\footnote{O: January 28, 1999, p. 1}

The Florida Humanities Council and USF break ground on the St. Petersburg campus Thursday for the Florida Center for teachers, after receiving a $5.1 million grant from the Florida Legislature.\footnote{O: January 29, 1999, p. 1.}

A report presented by President Betty Castor announces the results of a study on the progress of the I-4 Corridor’s biomedical industry. It shows more than half of the I-4 region’s biomedical firms call Pinellas County home. Leaders say they will focus on fostering high-tech business in that area.\footnote{O: February 1, 1999, p. 1.}

Two new studies conducted at the University of South Florida raise the national profile of the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center.\footnote{O: February 1, 1999, p. 1.}

In an effort to head off a potentially violent confrontation, Harold Nixon, USF vice president for Student Affairs, issues a plea for respect and civility Friday in anticipation of a visit from a group of anti-abortion activists. The group represents the Center for Bio-Ethical Reform and is scheduled to visit USF today through Thursday.\footnote{O: February 1, 1999, p. 2.}

An anti-abortion display featuring graphic photographs comparing abortion to genocide prompts a counter-protest that led to three students’ arrests and promises of
more demonstrations. They were arrested for disorderly conduct (moving too close to the display).\textsuperscript{5627}

Instructor Nancy Barbara opens a fourth section of her popular Human Sexual Behavior class in order to accommodate the 637 student requests for the class. According to Barbara, the main purpose of the class is for students to gain a deeper understanding of their own sexual nature. It will facilitate biological, psychological, sociological, cultural and political aspects of our sexuality.\textsuperscript{5628}

A group of USF medical students has decided to go to Cuba for spring break as a part of Project World Health, a program created and run by USF students. They plan to bring medical supplies after having been granted permission by the Department of the Treasury.\textsuperscript{5629}

Theta Hall residents want the housing department held financially accountable for construction delays at their hall. Those living in the “Leadership House” lobby Resident Services for a construction-induced partial rent refund.\textsuperscript{5630}

Parents of children in the University Head Start program are taking steps to change how the federally funded program is conducted. They claim that the staff is conducting an “improper administration” and is indifferent and inept.\textsuperscript{5631}

The Student Disability Network is established to address the needs of disabled students. It was formed to offer support for the disabled, raise awareness, and clear up the misconceptions of others.\textsuperscript{5632}

\textsuperscript{5627} O: February 3, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5628} O: February 3, 1999, p. 8.
\textsuperscript{5630} O: February 9, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5631} O: February 9, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5632} O: February 10, 1999, p. 1.
A. Bayard Angle donates $3 million to USF Library in order to make sure that it stays on the cutting edge of technology.\textsuperscript{5633}

The Florida Forum on Ocean Conservation is held at the USF-St. Petersburg campus. It features scientists, conservationists, educators and policy makers discussing everything from disruptions to global climate cycles to the health of sea turtles.\textsuperscript{5634}

Feminist author bell hooks visits the USF Tampa Campus to present a lecture during Black Emphasis Month.\textsuperscript{5635}

United Faculty of Florida negotiates to include sexual orientation in the State University System’s anti-discrimination policy. Their lawyers have challenged the BOR’s statement that it didn’t have the legal authority to enact the new policy.\textsuperscript{5636}

USF’s new, redesigned home page is unveiled on the web.\textsuperscript{5637}

Maulana Karenga, the founder of Kwanzaa, professor of Black Studies at California State University, and author speaks at USF.\textsuperscript{5638}

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy, a popular swing band, performs a concert at the Special Events Center.\textsuperscript{5639}

Dr. James Rowsey, a USF ophthalmologist, is under scrutiny from the national ophthalmologic association for allegedly using an experimental procedure on patients before properly testing it. The former director of the Ophthalmology Department at USF

\textsuperscript{5633} O: February 12, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5634} O: February 12, 1999, p. 3.
\textsuperscript{5635} O: February 15, 1999, p. 2.
\textsuperscript{5636} O: February 17, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5637} O: February 17, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5638} O: February 18, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5639} O: February 18, 1999, pp. 8-9.
used the Tampa Trephine, an instrument used to extract corneas from notated eyes that can be used for transplants.  

A 1991 Buick LeSabre catches fire in the cul-de-sac near the entrance to the USF Medical Clinic Thursday morning. More than 175 people are evacuated after the smoke seeps into the building’s ventilation system and floods it with dark black fumes.  

Vandals smash the windshields and jump on the hoods of eight cars parked in the USF Federal Credit Union early in the morning. UP officer Thom Shiflett says that the destruction appears to be random and that the victims have no connections among them.  

The Bulls Women’s Basketball Team achieves its first winning season since 1994.  

Noted historian John Hope Franklin, who chaired an advisory board to launch a national dialogue on racial relations, visits USF to speak about the board’s work and outlines the history of race initiatives in this country.  

USF launches its Internet2 project, which will provide the school with an Internet connection a thousand times faster than the average home telephone modem.  

The General Education Council changes its policy to allow graduate assistants and adjunct professors to teach exit requirement courses.  

Four USF professors search for the best methods for teaching math and science in schools throughout the nation. Their project is made possible by a $1.1 million grant from
the National Science Foundation. Over a three-year-period, they will assess the impact of a program implemented by the foundation called Urban Systematic Initiatives, which attempts to increase the achievement levels of students who have not traditionally excelled in math or science.\(^{5647}\)

Library director Sam Fustukjian dies from complications after heart surgery caused him to slip into a coma. During his eight-year tenure, the director saw his idea for the Virtual Library come to fruition.\(^{5648}\)

USF launches its Women’s Awareness Month with the celebration entitled “Women at USF: Networking into the 21\(^{st}\) Century.”\(^{5649}\)

USF plans to continue its educational outreach initiative by leasing 15,000 square feet in the new Port Authority building this summer, giving USF office and classroom space in downtown Tampa. University officials believe that this will allow easier access for people who work downtown or live in South Tampa.\(^{5650}\)

A former USF employee is charged with embezzlement. Anita Morales-Edwards, formerly of the Institute for Institutional Research and Practice in the College of Education, is charged with altering 1,450 money orders made out to the university totaling $47,100.\(^{5651}\)

Former USF student Jody-Gaye Bailey is murdered while riding home in her car with her fiancé. Police charge Robert Boltuch and suspect that the attack was racially motivated.\(^{5652}\)

\(^{5647}\) O: February 26, 1999, p. 3.
\(^{5648}\) O: March 2, 1999, p. 1.
\(^{5649}\) O: March 2, 1999, p. 2.
\(^{5650}\) O: March 2, 1999, p. 3.
\(^{5652}\) O: March 4, 1999, p. 1. (See February 25\(^{th}\), 1999 Oracle for further information)
The University Lecture Series revises its speaker policies, beginning with a shift to a theme into which all of the proposals for speakers must fit in order to be accepted. The theme for this year is “The New Millennium: a look toward the future.” The committee that plans the ULS also doubles its student membership. Some student groups complain that this will limit the diversity of the speakers. 5653

Kent Cullers, a physicist who was the model for the scientist in “Contact” who discerns radio frequencies sent by aliens, visits USF to report advances in the search for extraterrestrial life. 5654

Mass Communications Professor Manny Lucoff addresses a faculty senate meeting in order to express his concerns over the university’s 1998 decision to place management of the two public radio stations on campus under the auspices of University Advancement. He fears that doing so will stifle critical reporting of USF’s activities and programs. 5655

Despite wining at least 100 more votes than other tickets, Tyvi Small and Tara Klimek were thrown out of the race for Student Government’s executive office due to allegations of campaign fraud. 5656

Parking decal prices go up an extra $15, not including the spots in the premium areas of the campus. Drivers who want to park at the Library, near a residence hall or in other high demand areas can expect to pay $65 more beginning in August. Administrators

5654 O: March 5, 1999, p. 1.
cite the construction of new parking lots as the chief reason for the rate hikes. Next fall a second round of increases will kick in. \textsuperscript{5657}

A group of Christian protesters bearing signs and Bibles interrupt a prayer vigil that was intended to commemorate the victims of hate crimes and kick off Gay and Lesbian Awareness Week. Some of their signs stated, “Rainbows are a promise not a lifestyle,” “Jesus saves you from sin and hell,” and “they’re not gay, they’re perverted, a depraved mind, fisting, golden showers, rimming, murder.” Mike Solomon, PRIDE president-elect believes that the protest shows the need for more awareness-promoting events such as the one being held. \textsuperscript{5658}

A forum concerning death penalty ethics is held at USF. \textsuperscript{5659}

The University Police issue a “Rape Alert” across campus after two women are sexually assaulted in nearby apartment buildings. \textsuperscript{5660}

USF’s Student Tutorial Enrichment Program (S.T.E.P.) gives students an opportunity to set a good influence for children in need of help. STEP is a student-mentoring program that enables USF Students to have an impact on a child’s life by being a stable, guiding figure. The program sets out to provide college students with the opportunity to learn just as much from the children they work with as the children do from positive role models. \textsuperscript{5661}

Former Black Panther Angela Davis visits USF in order to speak as part of the University Lecture Series. In her talk, she decries the U.S. prison system’s inherent racism and condemns the enormous amounts of federal money used to create more
prisons instead of rehabilitating criminals and draws parallels between the U.S. military and the local police departments.\textsuperscript{5662}

The USF College of Medicine is on the forefront of research for treatments concerning brain repair. In fact, research for the first neural transplant in the US for strokes was conducted at USF. Last summer, the procedure was carried out at the University of Pittsburg Medical Center.\textsuperscript{5663}

USF offers a student internship program as a project of the USF Farm Labor Support Committee (FLSC). The FLSC “is a group of faculty, staff, students and community members interested in promoting farm workers’ rights and issues.” It offers education outside of the classroom for university credit to benefit the education of the students.\textsuperscript{5664}

A forum designed to bring issues of racism and homophobia out in the open is held as part of Gay and Lesbian Awareness Week. Co-sponsored by the PRIDE Alliance, NAACP, and ASIA, the meeting provides an opportunity for informal dialogue. Although Campus Ministries Alliance member Rudy Lopez began the evening by reading passages from the Bible, which he believes condemns homosexuality, much of the evening was spent in productive dialogue.\textsuperscript{5665}

At a town hall meeting concerning parking at USF, more than 100 students and staff members express distaste for a proposal that would raise fees at least $15 and create a limited number of premium parking spaces costing an extra $50 annually.\textsuperscript{5666}

\textsuperscript{5662} O: March 31, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5663} USF Magazine, Vol. 41, No. 2 (Spring 1999), 16-21.
\textsuperscript{5664} USF Magazine, Vol. 41, No. 2 (Spring 1999), 22-26.
\textsuperscript{5665} O: April 1, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5666} O: April 2, 1999, p. 1.
According to James Rowsey’s attorney, the university committee investigating the doctor’s professional conduct decides not to discipline the USF ophthalmologist. The three-person faculty committee is reportedly waiting until after the American Academy of Ophthalmology’s ethics committee has completed its investigation to render a decision. The academy is one of five different committees investigating charges that Rowsey used a surgical tool before procuring proper approval.\textsuperscript{5667}

Betty Castor creates a new position to help alleviate salary equity concerns. A faculty member will be appointed Ombudsperson in order to work as a neutral facilitator between the university and individuals with salary equity complaints. Among the pool of applicants is one of the five women who settled a gender discrimination lawsuit last year.\textsuperscript{5668}

Vendors who frequent USF every Wednesday for the Bull Market say that the ‘experiment’ of moving the Elm Street Market to a location outside of the Marshall Center has failed. Many have abandoned the market, while others are threatening to leave due to poor sales.\textsuperscript{5669}

Hip-hop’s most touted tour of the year comes to USF’s Sun Dome. The “Hard Knock Life” tour will feature Jay-z, DMX, Method Man, Redman, and DJ Clue.\textsuperscript{5670}

Zeta Phi Beta is suspended until all of its current members leave USF on hazing charges after an investigation concludes that the sorority used a wooden paddle to strike potential members. The chapter vice president is also suspended for planning the alleged

\textsuperscript{5667} O: April 6, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5668} O: April 6, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5669} O: April 8, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5670} O: April 8, 1999, p. 9.
hazing and participating members could be charged with aggravated assault or assault by the Sheriff’s Department.  

The FDA approves USF eye surgeon Brad Fouraker’s vision-correcting rings.

The Division of Languages and Linguistics at USF issues a resolution calling for an end to the U.S. and NATO bombing campaigns in Yugoslavia and Iraq. They have also called on other academic units at the university to adopt similar stances. This action occurs despite dissent in the department.

The Florida Orchestra performs a symphony written by USF graduate student Christiane Rinck. The piece is entitled “And So it Begins-NAYSTEN.” The original compositions of three other USF music students will also be featured.

Police identify a suspect in the rapes that occur near campus.

Former USF volleyball coach Perri Hankins is close to filing a lawsuit against the university due to the university’s decision not to renew her contract after taking the team to the NCAA Tournament five of the last six years. She claims that her inability to find another coaching job resulted from the university’s defamation of her professional and personal character.

Shriners Hospitals for Children in Tampa, located on the USF campus, plans a $13.1 million expansion and renovation project that will create 30,000 square feet of new space and 15,000 square feet for renovations.
During her legislative budget session, Betty Castor announces that USF is losing $5 million in next year’s budget because it did not reach enrollment benchmarks in upper-level or graduate education programs.\textsuperscript{5678}

Luis Valdez, the founder and director of the internationally renowned theater group El Teatro Campesino and director of \textit{La Bamba} will speak at the May commencement.\textsuperscript{5679}

Parking Services revises its proposal, rescinding the plan to offer “premium” parking at a greater cost in high-demand lots in an effort to appease students and faculty. Students will instead pay five dollars more per tag in 2000-2001, raising the cost of tags 43 percent more than the current charge. In addition, the amendments also suggest beefing up the parking enforcement staff and working with University Police to make parking safer.\textsuperscript{5680}

Muslim students on campus look for a space for prayer after a fourth floor library room once available for prayer or meditation is taken away. The late Library Director Sam Fustujkian allowed the practice, but after disputes over the use of the room, Assistant Library Director Sonya Garcia deemed that it was not within the library’s mission to provide such a space. Students have taken to kneeling to pray outdoors, in empty classrooms or between book stacks in the library in order to carry out mandatory prayers.\textsuperscript{5681}

\textsuperscript{5678} O: April 23, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5679} O: April 23, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5680} O: May 10, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5681} O: May 13, 1999, p. 1.
In an effort to increase low summer enrollment figures, university officials extend several registration deadlines.\(^{5682}\)

The International Affairs Center’s plans to send four participants to China in order to teach conversational English are put in jeopardy due to recent anti-American protests and demonstrations related to the bombing of a Chinese Embassy in Yugoslavia.\(^{5683}\)

FBI agents investigate USF doctor Brad Fouraker for charges related to Medicaid Fraud.\(^{5684}\)

As part of the first Lawton Chiles International Lecture Thursday, Dr. Jose Belizan speaks about the lack of international cooperation in a field devoted to help people. Belizan is the director for the Latin American Center of Perinatology and Human development. He stresses that both rich and underprivileged countries should work more closely with each other to improve world help.\(^{5685}\)

President Castor raises tuition by 5 percent and overrules a committee of students and administrators who had agreed to raise tuition only by 4 percent. The legislature has already mandated a five percent increase of its own. In response, the committee attempted to go easy on students, yet Castor claims that they are ignoring the needs of the university.\(^{5686}\)

The USF Charter School receives a $500,000 gift from Citigroup. The gift is among the largest in Florida to ever be presented by the national conglomerate.\(^{5687}\)

\(^{5685}\) O: May 17, 1999, p. 2.  
Unidentified vandals desecrate the public art project “Unspecific Gravity,” which was dedicated to be the centerpiece of Time Warner Gardens.\textsuperscript{5688}

The university implements a pay-to-print system, planning to charge five cents per copy. The computer labs will receive the excess money, ending\textsuperscript{5689} the limitations on pages printed placed on students each time they visit a computer lab.

The Moffitt Cancer center participates in a national study that tests raloxifene’s ability to prevent breast cancer.\textsuperscript{5690}

The Florida Mental Health Institute celebrates its 25-year anniversary by presenting its humanitarian award to Rosalynn Carter. Mrs. Carter has worked to improve the public mental health system as the first lady of Georgia and the United States, continuing her work with the Carter Center Mental Health Program in Atlanta.\textsuperscript{5691}

USF marine scientist Frank Muller-Karger collaborates with Nelson Melo, a researcher at the Cuban Institute of Oceanography to create a 10-day research expedition including eighteen oceanographers in the Gulf of Mexico and Caribbean Sea. The international effort seeks to better study the earth’s circulatory system in the Gulf Stream.\textsuperscript{5692}

Monica Triner and Jennifer Thompson rewrite USF’s pitching records for women’s softball.\textsuperscript{5693}

\textsuperscript{5688} O: May 20, 1999, p. 3.
\textsuperscript{5689} O: May 24, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5690} O: May 27, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5691} O: May 27, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5692} USF Magazine, Vol. 41, No. 3 (Summer 1999), 16-21.
\textsuperscript{5693} USF Magazine, Vol. 41, No. 3 (Summer 1999), 36.
Governor Jeb Bush shocked the Board of Regents and Florida university presidents Thursday by vetoing a 5 percent statewide tuition increase mandated by the Legislature.  

USF may grant one of three student organizations the ownership rights to a plot of land located on the corner of Sycamore and East Holly Roads. The three organizations competing include the Muslim Student Association, Students of India, and the University Chapel.  

The University police ban a man from campus after reports that he was following and videotaping a female driver. Over the past six months, three different women have reported James Crofton on similar accusations. He cannot be arrested for his activities, but the UP has kicked him off campus for upsetting the operation of the university.  

Despite objections from faculty and staff members, Parking Services’ rate increase proposal is expected to be approved by USF President Betty Castor. The proposal raises the price of permits across the board and also designates heavily used lots as premium parking, which will cost more.  

The College of Education and the nation of Belize sign a cooperative agreement aimed at using computer technology to improve the Central American country’s education system. The agreement is known as the Belize-University of South Florida Educational Initiative 2000. It calls for Jane Applegate, dean of the College of Education,

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to appoint a multidisciplinary team to evaluate Belize’s educational systems and then
draft and implement a plan to advance their capabilities.  

USF and the University of Central Florida will share a $1.2 million gift from
Cirent Semiconductor intended to endow chairs at both universities.  

A new grant is created for part-time undergraduate students who attended USF in
the fall of 1998 with a GPA of 2.5 or higher. Leonard Gude, director for financial aid,
anticipates that 600-700 awards will be given.  

Former USF professor Hamilton Stirling files a lawsuit charging the university
with illegally firing him after he missed work due to his mental illness.

The university closes the visual art wing of the fine arts building when asbestos
insulation was found on heating and cooling pipes. The building’s heating and cooling
system is scheduled for repair.  

The College of Medicine creates a new position, the associate dean for research,
to help develop younger research talent and oversee the research techniques of all
medical researchers at USF. Official say that the position may have helped to prevent the
current problems faced by James Rowsey.  

In response to summer enrollment at USF dropping five percent lower than last
year, the university starts an advertising campaign to entice prospective students.

LSU and Appalachian State University examine USF’s Leadership House in order
to copy the program at their campuses.

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6698 O: June 7, 1999, p. 2.
USF becomes the new host of the Junior Pan Am Games after the Miami-Dade Commission dropped its support due to the Cuban community’s staunch opposition to the Cuban National Team’s participation. However controversy follows, as some oppose hosting the games in Tampa for similar reasons. Proponents believe that it will help bring the Olympics to Tampa.\textsuperscript{5706}

A man is arrested after allegedly robbing a woman at gunpoint in a parking lot near Gamma Hall.\textsuperscript{5707}

The USF International Student Association of Health and Human Rights sponsors a free mini-film festival to raise public health awareness.\textsuperscript{5708}

Bulls Kicker Bill Gramatica is the first USF player to be listed as a pre-season All-American.\textsuperscript{5709}

The U. S. Patent and Trademark Office approves a patent request by USF for the Ebaf Assay, a testing technique for the early detection of colon cancer.\textsuperscript{5710}

A University Head Start teacher files a federal lawsuit claiming that USF failed to intervene after she complained about being harassed by supervisors whom she claims discriminated against her because she is black.\textsuperscript{5711}

The library acquires a collection of tapes, transcripts, records and logs detailing the Richard Nixon Presidency, including the Watergate scandal. They are set to go on display.\textsuperscript{5712}

\textsuperscript{5705} June 21, 1999, p. 2.  
\textsuperscript{5706} June 24, 1999, p. 1. (see also 6/28 & 7/7 for further information)  
\textsuperscript{5707} June 24, 1999, p. 1.  
\textsuperscript{5708} June 24, 1999, p. 8.  
\textsuperscript{5709} O 1 July 1999 p16.  
\textsuperscript{5710} July 7, 1999, p. 1.  
\textsuperscript{5711} July 7, 1999, p. 3.  
\textsuperscript{5712} O 8 July 1999 p1.
The university offers a scholarship to qualified employees registered for upper-level undergraduate or graduate courses.\textsuperscript{5713}

USF joins the U.S. Army partnership program designed to make it easier for enlisted personnel to return to college once they have fulfilled their active duty military obligation.\textsuperscript{5714}

Governor Jeb Bush names USF political science professor Susan MacManus his chairwoman of the Florida Elections Committee.\textsuperscript{5715}

Four former university physicians who claim USF owes them money are collectively suing the Board of Regents for more than $300,000, according to their lawsuit.\textsuperscript{5716}

The Marrell Foundation gives a gift of $1.14 million to USF in order to create an endowed chair honoring Dr. Stanley Graven, who researches children’s developmental disabilities. Florida has matched the gift, bringing the total amount to $2 million.\textsuperscript{5717}

The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards recruits USF President Betty Castor to become the board’s head. She resigns her position as president of USF, which she has held for the past five and a half years.\textsuperscript{5718}

Despite the worries of students moving into the building, construction around Iota Hall hasn’t hindered the moving in process for most people.\textsuperscript{5719}

SG President Brett Chambers sends an email to Dennis Ross, chairman of the Board of Regents, complaining at the small number of students on the committee looking

\textsuperscript{5713} O: July 8, 1999, p. 2.
\textsuperscript{5714} O: July 12, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5715} O: July 12, 1999, p. 2.
\textsuperscript{5716} O: July 15, 1999, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5717} O: July 15, 1999, p. 2.
\textsuperscript{5718} O: August 23, 1999, p. 10A.
\textsuperscript{5719} O 24 August 1999 p1.
into a new USF President. Of the 52 committee members only 3, Chambers, former SG President Jessica Pawelkop, and engineering student Merry Perry, are students.\textsuperscript{5720}

The BOR sets criteria for the school’s next president. Among the qualifications, the incoming president should have experience as a president or vice-president of a university, must have a PhD, must be adept at fundraising, and must be able and willing to work with the Tampa Bay Community. The committee decides that “an academician” needs to lead the school.\textsuperscript{5721}

The search advisory committee releases a full statement on requirements for the presidency at USF. The statement now requires BOR approval.\textsuperscript{5722}

Chick-fil-A replaces the Firehouse Grill in the Marshall Center’s Tampa Room.\textsuperscript{5723}

USF Athletics, ESPN Regional, and radio station WQYK finalize an agreement to broadcast USF football games, men’s basketball games, and radio shows with the team’s coaches on WQYK 1010.\textsuperscript{5724}

Because of complaints revolving around campus preachers and an anti-abortion protest earlier this year, the school has designated an area between the Administration building, the MLK Plaza, the Chemistry building, and the Bio-Sciences building as a designated area for the expression of free speech. The policy is part of a plan to move potentially disruptive speakers to an area with less human traffic. The ACLU is asked to

\textsuperscript{5720} O 24 August 1999 p1.
\textsuperscript{5721} O 27 August 1999 p1 (see page 2 for a full list of requirements), 10 September 1999 p1.
\textsuperscript{5722} O 14 September p2, 16 September 1999.
\textsuperscript{5723} O 24 August 1999 p7.
\textsuperscript{5724} O 24 August 1999 p23.
come in and scrutinize the new policy. Administrators reverse the policy while they review regulations.  

Campus preachers in the Campus Ministers Alliance return to their spots outside Cooper Hall. The group brings a video camera to tape their preaching as a means of refuting allegations. When asked about the issue of why he “like[s] to call some people in the audience whores, sluts and whoremongers,” Rudi Lopez, the founder and president of CMA responds that he doesn’t “like calling any of you ladies whores or sluts,” he doesn’t enjoy it, “but it’s necessary.” Lopez’s comments toward women in the audience has been a major source of complaints to the administration about the group. The Oracle has printed letters to the editor supporting or disagreeing with the school’s free speech policies. As a result of the debate, the Oracle begins publishing a weekly series on different religions. The series lasts throughout the semester.  

USF’s internal reviewers of a ‘free-speech zones’ policy finds that the policy breaks USF rules and cannot be enforced.

Medical School Dean Martin Silbiger claims that the school continues to make improvements despite the public image that it is hindered by litigation and investigations.

The USF Athletic Department hopes to move the football program into Conference USA, joining all the other USF athletic teams. If the football team joins the conference they will be playing division I-A football. President of Conference USA

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5726 O 1 September 1999 p1. The series runs on Fridays.
5727 O 2 September 1999 p1.
5728 O 26 August 1999 p1.
schools make their decision next week. If accepted, USF administrators hope to begin C-USA play in 2001.\textsuperscript{5729}

C-USA commissioner Michael Slive announces that the Bulls will join the conference in 2003, two years later than USF administrators had hoped.\textsuperscript{5730}

The titles of Graduate Research Professor and Distinguished Service Professor, which had been bestowed on USF faculty, are eliminated and replaced with the Distinguished University Professor Award. According to Provost Thomas Tighe the award is “based on three things: to teach, to contribute to knowledge and to serve the community…the three are interrelated.” Tighe claims the award is difficult to receive and allows for recognition of all faculty. The previous awards were “more biased toward the bench scientists or hard scientists.” Political science professor Susan MacManus and engineering professor Alberto Sagues are the first two to receive the new award.\textsuperscript{5731}

The College of Nursing receives a $1.2 million grant from the National Cancer Institute and National Institute of Nursing Research. The grant will be used to teach nurses skills necessary for the care of terminally ill cancer patients.\textsuperscript{5732}

The USF men’s soccer team plays to Major League Soccer’s Tampa Bay Mutiny to a 1-1 tie. The USF team was just seven minutes away from defeating the professional team, but gave up a goal and neither team scored after that.\textsuperscript{5733}

The USF football team will play its first game of the year against San Diego State University. The game will be USF’s first against a Division I-A opponent and will mark the farthest USF has ever traveled for a football game. USF loses the game 41-12.\textsuperscript{5734}

\textsuperscript{5729} O 27 August 1999 p1.
\textsuperscript{5730} O 12 October 1999 p20.
\textsuperscript{5731} O 30 August 1999 p1.
\textsuperscript{5732} O 31 August 1999 p1.
\textsuperscript{5733} O 31 August 1999 p20.
A new sign on Fowler Avenue will soon be turned on and act as the Sun Dome’s entrance marquee. The sign will light up with names and dates of upcoming events and cost the Sun Dome $120,000.\textsuperscript{5735}

The “Herd of Thunder” marching band will debut at a Friday evening farewell party for Betty Castor and then perform at USF’s 1999 home opening football game against Southwest Texas State. It will be the first appearance for the band, which has been two years in the making.\textsuperscript{5736}

Castor’s going away party is deemed a success. Castor, who will begin a job in Washington D.C. as president of the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards on October 1\textsuperscript{st}, gets to see the marching band perform for the first time, is given a framed copy of the USF fight song, receives a certificate from SG president Brett Chambers naming her an “honorary lifetime member of the Student Government Senate,” and lifetime 50-yard line tickets to USF football games from Athletic Director Paul Griffin. Griffin refers to Castor as “the first lady of USF football.” The event, which included 300 attendees, took place on the MLK plaza, which didn’t exist before she came to USF.\textsuperscript{5737}

Proposed renovations to the Marshall Center will cost $48 million. A committee is formed to discuss various options for raising the funds.\textsuperscript{5738}

An ongoing debate concerning the use of $48 million to renovate the Marshall Center leads to a forum designed to answer the questions of student who do not feel that

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\textsuperscript{5734} O 1 September 1999 p16. See also the Oracle’s Special Football edition from 1 September 1999. \textsuperscript{5735} O 7 September 1999 p1 and 23. \textsuperscript{5736} O 7 September 1999 p2. \textsuperscript{5738} O 7 September 1999 p1. The article also contains a sidebar detailing all the proposed changes.
the plan should go into effect. The Oracle has received and will continue to receive letters either supporting or opposing the change.\footnote{O 6 October 1999 p1, 8 October 1999 p1, 13 October 1999 p1.}

SoberRide, a free service funded by the SG, has been out of service since the beginning of the semester. SoberRide offers free rides home to students, mostly in Ybor City, unable to operate their own vehicles. The problems have stemmed from an inability to keep the service staffed because of its late hours. SoberRide resumes service just two days after the article is published.\footnote{O 8 September 1999 p1, 10 September 1999 p2.}

Bill Gramatica becomes the first Bull football player to pass 1000 points for a career.\footnote{O 8 September 1999 p20.}

The library is not opened until 11:00 because of a phoned-in bomb threat. The threat turns out to be false.\footnote{O 9 September 1999 p1.}

Former USF volleyball coach Perri Hankins files discrimination charges against the school with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Hankins feels the school fired her because of her age and her willingness to speak out about alleged Title IX infractions.\footnote{O 10 September 1999 p1.}

Student Affairs announces their intention to rename Gamma Hall. If the state legislature and the BOR approves the change, the dorm will be renamed in honor of outgoing USF President Betty Castor.\footnote{O 10 September 1999 p2.}

The Oracle begins running a regular column focusing on research at the USF campus.\footnote{O 13 September 1999 p1, the column runs on Mondays.}
The Post Secondary Education Planning Committee approves the entrance of freshman and sophomores to the St. Petersburg campus. The BOR must approve the proposal for it to take effect. The BOR approves the change, but the approval is delayed because the BOR must vote on a rule change before formally approving the move.\textsuperscript{5746}

Castor’s last day working as President of USF, she attends a reception in her honor at the USF St. Petersburg campus. Castor had advocated strongly for the plan to allow underclassmen to register at USF-St. Pete and was disappointed that the measure had not yet passed.\textsuperscript{5747}

USF receives another bomb threat, this one at the College of Medicine library. The same day a bomb explodes at the library at FAMU.\textsuperscript{5748}

Former USF Bull and men’s basketball all-time points leader Chucky Atkins signs a contract to play in the National Basketball Association with the Orlando Magic. Atkins is an Orlando native.\textsuperscript{5749}

After 4 months, Dr. James Rowsey drops his request for a hearing regarding allegations of scientific misconduct. Many speculate that Rowsey will resign his position. Rowsey later resigns.\textsuperscript{5750}

Construction workers mistakenly cut a cable connecting WBUL to the campus televisions, making TVs across USF show only static.\textsuperscript{5751}

Richard Peck is chosen as USF’s interim president and will serve in that capacity beginning in mid-December. Peck served as President of the University of New Mexico.
from 1990 until 1998. The BOR confirms the decision. Provost Thomas Tighe has been acting president since the departure of Betty Castor and will continue in that capacity until Peck arrives.5752

For the second time in Seth Greenberg’s four years as USF’s men’s basketball coach, the team will not hold a Midnight Madness to celebrate the opening of the season. Problems with the funding of the event have forced the cancellation.5753

In what an Oracle columnist claims is a “whopper of an honor,” Burger King names USF senior and punter on the football team Tony Umholtz as the Division I-AA College Football Scholar Athlete of the year. The corporation donates $10,000 to USF’s scholarship fund in the player’s name. The company grants the award based on athletic, academic, and community service accomplishments. Umoltz claims it is “a great feeling to be honored in such a way.”5754

The USF football team beats Illinois State 14-13. The victory is significant because it is USF’s first against a ranked opponent. Illinois State is ranked no. 6 while USF is ranked no. 19.5755

USF administrators offer assistance to the 11 Greek organizations that have plans to build housing in a proposed Greek Park. The planned construction has not moved ahead as fast as administrators had hoped. If the Greek organizations accept the school’s assistance, they will help build houses for the fraternities and sororities.5756

5752 O 29 September 1999 p1, 1 October 1999 p1, 18 October 1999 p1.
5753 O 5 October 1999 p1.
5755 O 18 October 1999 p16.
5756 O 20 October 1999 p1, 3 November 1999 p1.
The USF ice hockey team, champions in College Hockey South last season, move into Division III hockey, making them eligible for the national tournament in the American Collegiate Hockey Association.\textsuperscript{5757}

Rick de Oliveira, a USF alumnus and producer for MTV, brings the Real World/Road Rule Challenge TV show to the USF campus. The show’s participants take part in a flag football game on campus, coached by Tampa Bay Buccaneers.\textsuperscript{5758}

Three students, including a former director of the Campus Activities Board and a former Student Government Cabinet Member, are accused of illegally changing 20 of their grades. The grades were mostly changed from D’s and F’s to A’s and B’s. The State Attorney’s Office will file criminal charges against the three students. Because of the controversy, professors recommend a stricter policy in grade changing, making sure that faculty members can confirm changes before they are made final.\textsuperscript{5759}

Acting USF president Thomas Tighe gives his first State of the University Address, claiming that the school will soon become a nationally recognized Research I University.\textsuperscript{5760}

The Elm Street Flea Market will be renamed the Terrell Sessums Mall in honor of the state legislator and Tampa attorney.\textsuperscript{5761}

The College of Engineering is reaccredited until at least 2002. Some administrators worried that the growing enrollment and a resulting lack of space would hurt the school’s chances.\textsuperscript{5762}

\textsuperscript{5757} O 20 October 1999 p16.
\textsuperscript{5758} O 20 October 1999 p8.
\textsuperscript{5759} O 22 October 1999 p1, 9 November 1999, p1. This page also includes a list of the classes taken and grades changed for each of the accused. O 18 November 1999 p1.
\textsuperscript{5760} O 22 October 1999 p1.
\textsuperscript{5761} O 28 October 1999 p1
\textsuperscript{5762} O 1 November 1999 p1.
This year’s homecoming festivities include a continuation of the tradition of the president cutting a cake to begin the celebration. Acting president Thomas Tighe presents the first piece of cake to his wife Louise. The football team will play the University of New Haven, comedian Dave Chapelle will entertain the student body. SG Vice President Cara Miltner is named Homecoming queen and Tyvi Small is named king. The football team wins the game 41-27.\textsuperscript{5763}

A group of residents request parking spaces in the new parking garage, claiming that a late night walk from the Park and Ride lot is dangerous. The SG Senate endorses the resident’s position.\textsuperscript{5764}

Derek Washington, a teaching assistant in the Introduction to Art class, is reassigned after a parent complains to the dean. Washington is accused of sexual harassment because he showed a picture of himself having sex during class. The picture, titled “Nigger Lover,” depicts Washington, who is African American, and a white woman having sex. The picture is intended to portray the ways society perceives interracial relationships between white women and black men. More than 200 hundred students come to the president’s office to oppose Washington’s reassignment after class is canceled. The students decide to go to the president on their own, without the insistence of the class instructor Diane Elmeer. The father who complained claims he is “not an art critic and loathe[s] censorship” but is upset that his daughter has been exposed to “smut” and “crude,” “disgusting pornography.” Elmeer claims that the students were given disclaimers about some of the work before class and were told they could leave without

\textsuperscript{5763} O Homecoming issue, November 1999, 8 November 1999 p1 and 16, 4 November 1999 p1.
\textsuperscript{5764} O 4 November 1999 p1, 17 November 1999 p2.
penalty if they found it offensive. Administrators claim that the T.A. was reassigned because a complaint was filed and must be looked into before he can return to class.\textsuperscript{5765}

Fine Arts Dean Ronald Jones returns to USF early from a conference in Pittsburgh in order to discuss the issue with students and hear their concerns. A student in the class writes to the Oracle and defends Washington’s actions. Soon after, the student who felt harassed by the image withdraws from the class and Washington is reinstated.\textsuperscript{5766}

The WBUL radio station, the center of some derision because its broadcast capabilities don’t extend past the Marshall Center, may soon have the power to broadcast for about a mile on the 1620 AM frequency.\textsuperscript{5767}

Oracle columnist Jacob Ogles travels to the HardRock Café in Orlando to try out for a reality show in Orlando tentatively titled “O-Town.” The show tracks the process of creating an all-male pop group, or a “boy band.” Ogles believes that the show will “combine two of the lowest forms of popular entertainment currently in existence: real life soap operas and boy bands.” Ogles “chickened out” before the audition when he discovered that the audition would be broadcast throughout the HardRock Café.\textsuperscript{5768}

The USF campus is the site for the first “Festival of Lights,” which charges people $9 per carload to drive through a large area of blinking lights and decorations. The money goes to Hillsborough County Schools.\textsuperscript{5769}

The Sports editors of the Oracle begin a series of articles profiling USF’s five greatest athletes. They include (in descending order from 5 to 1) volleyball player Erica

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\item \textsuperscript{5767} O 23 November 1999 p1, 24 November 1999 p1
\item \textsuperscript{5768} O 23 November 1999 p8.
\item \textsuperscript{5769} O 29 November 1999 p1.
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Berggren, soccer player Roy Wegerle, basketball player Wanda Guyton, basketball player Charlie Bradley, and runner Jon Dennis.\textsuperscript{5770}

Three USF students LeAnna Dawson, Majid Tahri, and Jaclyn Ayala, die as a result of injuries related to an automobile accident. A fourth student, David Sanders, is listed in fair condition at Tampa General Hospital. According to police, Mitchell H. James Jr. ran a red light and hit the student’s car at the intersection of Bruce B. Downs and Fletcher. The driver had a blood alcohol level almost 3 times the legal limit and could get as much as 50 years in prison.\textsuperscript{5771}

The 1999 edition of “\textit{Best Doctors in America}” lists 187 physicians who are either USF faculty or have voluntary clinical professorships with the university.

USF is the host university for the 1999 NCAA Final Four in St. Petersburg.

USF has students from 142 countries, to go along with students from every state in the union.

USF Tampa changes the appearance of the front entrance, from open spaces to tree-lined, and replaces a long, low wall next to Fowler Avenue with a large seal of the university.

Betty Castor leaves her position as President to head the national Board for Professional Teaching Standards in Washington, D.C.

USF Marching Band makes its debut.

\textsuperscript{5770} O 29 November 1999 p16, 30 November 1999 p20 (p19 also includes the list from numbers 6-10 and a column on the “Rest of the best”), 1 December 1999 p20 (p19 also includes a list of younger players to watch because of their potential), 2 December 1999 p20, 3 December 1999 p32 (p30 also includes some reader’s picks of their choices).

\textsuperscript{5771} O 30 November 1999 p1, 3 December 1999 p1.
2000: There are seven candidates vying for the job of University President, including USF Provost and former acting President Thomas Tighe and SUNY Albany Provost Judy Genshaft. Two candidates have dropped out of the race by the time Judy Genshaft comes to campus for her interview. She describes USF as a campus with a lot of “momentum,” and many advantages, such as being in a large metropolitan area.\textsuperscript{5772} 

The Board of Regents votes to cut the list of Presidential Candidates from five to three, leaving Howard University Provost Antoine Garibaldi, Wisconsin-Stevens Point Chancellor Thomas George, and SUNY-Albany Provost Judy Genshaft. Genshaft is almost cut from the list in favor of Ohio University Provost Sharon Brehm, whom half the regents argue is better qualified than Genshaft. Brehm misses making the cut by one vote.\textsuperscript{5773} 

The BOR selection committee states that there is no clear favorite for the presidency, although the committee rates Genshaft as a “strong candidate,” and rated Garibaldi, George, and Brehm as “extremely strong candidates.” The BOR will announce the new president on Friday, March 10\textsuperscript{th}.\textsuperscript{5774} 

Just before the announcement the Oracle reports that Judy Genshaft admitted to having been contacted by chancellor Adam Herbert. Although Genshaft claims the other two candidates were also contacted, they report that this is not the case. The Oracle also reports that Genshaft has been “spotted during a visit to Tallahassee this week,” while the other two candidates have stayed in their home states.\textsuperscript{5775} 

\textsuperscript{5772} O 1/10/00 p1A, 1/19/00 p1, 1/24/00 p1, 1/25/00 p1 
\textsuperscript{5773} O 2/3/00 p1 
\textsuperscript{5774} O 2/9/00 p1, 3/8/00 p1, 3/10/00/p1 
\textsuperscript{5775} O 3/10/00 p1
Genshaft wins the Presidency. Chancellor Herbert claimed that Genshaft’s experience with economic development was a major factor that set her apart from the other candidates. Genshaft also has experience in the New York and Ohio state university systems, the two largest in the country. She is expected to assume the Presidency in July. Student reaction is mixed.  

Mitchell Houston James Jr. pleads innocent to three counts of DUI manslaughter. Mitchell’s car struck a vehicle carrying four USF students on 11/29/99. Three of the four students were killed.  

The Athletic Department fires Kristin Shoesmith, the coach of the SunDolls Dance Team because of what Assistant Athletic Director Hiram Green describes as “racy’ costumes, music, and choreography.” Shoesmith is the only coach the squad has ever had. Green believes that the SunDolls’ routine is not “appropriate for a group representative of the Athletic Department and the University.” He has asked Shoesmith in the past to tone down the act. During a performance from last Saturday the team wore tear-away pinks shirts and ripped them off to reveal their black halter tops. It is the exact same routine that the SunDolls performed the day earlier at a national competition in Disney World. Editorials and letters to the Oracle oppose the Athletic Department’s decision.  

Athena Tacha’s sculpture, “Marianthe,” is in such a state of disrepair that is it scheduled to be torn down. Tacha is a professor of art at Oberline College and was selected in 1985 to create a sculpture for USF’s Ft. Myers campus. The artist is upset by
the turn of events because the contract with USF “obligated the university to keep the
sculpture in good condition and repair and not to destroy or alter it.”

Bob Woodward, Pulitzer Prize winning journalist for the Washington Post, speaks
at the Special Events Center. Woodward met with members of the Oracle’s staff before
the lecture.

University MealPass, an alternative to the dining options on campus, shuts down
over the winter break, leaving some students waiting for a refund. Stephen Johnson II,
President of University MealPass, claims that there is no money left for him to refund and
he is $100,000 in debt. He plans on filing for bankruptcy and feels “very badly” that he
cannot refund the money.

USF interim President Richard Peck promises to have lunch for the first ten
students who call his office. Peck will pay for the meal and hopes to spend the time
discussing university issues with students.

Next year the Andros Resident Complex will feature two brand new laundry
rooms, but the individual halls will no longer have laundry facilities.

Former math education professors Betty and Donovan Lichtenberg donate
$100,000 for math education scholarships, the state matched half the donation so the total
donation is $150,000.

The faculty senate will vote later this month to either support or oppose the
implementation of a plus/minus grade scale. The Faculty Senate endorses the plan.  

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5781 O 2/2/00 p1, 2/14/00 p3
5782 O 2/3/00 p7
5783 O 2/4/00 p1
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The WBUL Radio station, housed in the Marshall Center and initially slated to begin broadcasting last November, finally comes on air. Beginning the broadcast with the words, “Welcome to 1620, the Underground,” followed by the song “Bigger than the Devil,” by Stormtroopers of Death. The song was chosen through a poll of former station managers. The broadcast was delayed because engineering errors had meant that the station could only be heard just around the Marshall Center. Now the thirty-watt signal can be heard in a wider area. Station manager Joe D’Acunto thanks the USF community, including the “thousands that worked for us for the past 14 years.” The dream of getting the station gained a lot of headway in early 1998 when then-Student Body President Edwin Narain proposed spending $10,000 for a “spirit rock,” this proposal led to a successful campaign to use the money for a radio tower rather than a spirit rock.5786

USF’s plastic surgery program does not pass its accreditation review.5787

As a celebration of Valentines Day, the Marshall Center holds its fifth annual Love-In. One of the prizes given away will be a bicycle built for two. The campus restaurant will also give away a dinner for two.5788

Construction begins on a new $6.9 million roof for the Sun Dome to replace the “air-supported, translucent structure” that has covered the arena since it opened in 1980.5789

The BOR will vote soon as to whether USF should increase the athletic fee or establish a flat fee to charge students in order to pay for a proposed $10 million athletic building which will house offices, locker rooms, and workout facilities.5790
Joy Culverhouse will donate $4 million to two departments in the College of Medicine. The matching funds from the state will bring the total donation to $8 million. Culverhouse’s donation is the largest the school has received and will go to two different centers, the Joy McCann Culverhouse Center for Swallowing Disorders and the Joy McCann Culverhouse Airway Disease Research Center.5791

Organizers of the 2000 Engineering Expo at USF open a time capsule left for them during the 1975 Engineering Expo. The capsule is driven to the stage on a remodeled 1911 car with an electric engine. The capsule contained a button from the 1975 Expo, a t-shirt from the Expo that said “Engineers make it better,” a letter from the students, a microprocessor, and a slide rule with a note attached describing the rule as “very efficient in its day!”5792

In a letter to the Oracle, SG President Brett Chambers discusses the need for tradition at USF, more specifically a “naked tradition.” According to Chambers, “the time to try something outrageous is in college,” and many schools, including Michigan, Virginia, and Princeton, have a tradition of nude events. Chambers might not even participate in the event, depending on whether or not he gets to the gym more often. Student reaction is mixed. One student approached Chambers at the gym supporting the idea. According to the Oracle, Chambers was at the gym “getting ready for the day he gets naked.” Oracle columnist William Link informs readers that he is naked in the newsroom while writing his piece and he proposes that the ongoing search for a new USF President be replaced with a “nude Olympics,” with the winner taking the position.5793

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5792 O 2/22/00 p3
5793 O 2/24/00 p1, 3/1/00 p1, 3/2/00 p4
The monks of Drepung Loseling come to USF from Tibet in order to create a Mandala Sand Painting. Mandala sand paintings are a series of shapes and spiritual symbols created with grains of colored sand and is also a meditation practice. The monks will work four at a time in shifts. While not working on the piece, the monks will converse with members of the USF community. The monks will close their time at USF with a performance of music and dance. They will also destroy the mandala in order to underscore “the impermanence of all things.”

Oracle columnist Quincey Vierling, curious about the words to the USF fight song she hears at sporting events, tracks down a copy of the lyrics. Dissatisfied, they encourage students to send new lyrics for the song to the Oracle.

The USF Baseball team loses in an exhibition game to the Tampa Bay Devil Rays 13-0. Despite the score, players were happy to get the chance to play against major league talent. Pitcher John Vigue described the event as “neat,” and was happy since “a lot of aren’t going to get the chance to play in the big leagues,” this was an opportunity to play against big league players.

Legislators propose a bill that will separate two of USF’s branch campuses, turning New College and the St. Petersburg campus into independent universities, named Ringling University and Suncoast University respectively. The proposal comes just three years after much of the USF-Ft. Myers campus was integrated into Edison Community College, and much of the campuses faculty and staff became employed by Florida Gulf Coast University.
Training camp begins for the USF Football team’s first year in division I-A.\textsuperscript{5798}

The International 2 + 2 Program begins at USF. The program allows international students to spend two years at a community college, postponing enrollment at USF, if they do not meet the admissions standards. The program is begun in conjunction with Hillsborough Community College.\textsuperscript{5799}

USF has held the Miss USF pageant for four years, this will be the first year for the Mr. USF pageant. Nicole Johnson, the first Miss USF, later won the Miss America pageant.\textsuperscript{5800}

Former USF President Betty Castor will receive an honorary doctorate in humane letters from the University on May 6\textsuperscript{th}. Castor, who does not have a PhD, would not be able to run for a Presidential position at any state university in Florida now because of new rules which require a PhD.\textsuperscript{5801}

Legislators are preparing a plan that would eliminate the Board of Regents and replace it with a Board of Trustees to oversee all education in Florida. Chancellor Adam Herbert is opposed to the plan.\textsuperscript{5802}

The SG Senate approves and implements an online voting system, allowing students to vote in SG elections from their computers.\textsuperscript{5803}

Peter Angelo, USF alumnus, returns to the Solar Rotary behind Cooper Hall with his radio headphones to continue a tradition he was forced to give up five years ago.

While a graduate student at USF, Angelo used to enjoy going to the Rotary during the
day, taking off his shirt, listening to his headphones, and dancing “wildly.” After a while, he was told by university police to stop or he’d be charged with trespassing. While at USF as a graduate student and an Oracle columnist, he danced almost every day during lunch, usually attracting quite a crowd. According to Angelo he returned to the circle because he was “in the area and just felt the need to stop here and dance again.” According to the Oracle, “Angelo thrust his hips at passers-by, slapped his own butt, [and] grinded his body” against the rotary’s black pillars. All in tune with music through his headphones that no one else could hear. Some audience members began singing the chorus to the Michael Sembello song “Maniac” during the performance. Angelo left quickly after his performance, without incident.\footnote{5804}

A groundbreaking ceremony is held for the Lawton and Rhea Chiles Center for Healthy Mothers and Babies. The 8,000 square foot, $4.5 million facility is scheduled to open in the summer of 2001.\footnote{5805}

The Bulls softball team remains undefeated in Conference USA after a three-game sweep over rival Saint Louis. With a perfect record, the Bulls sit in first place in their division over Louisville, DePaul, UNC, UAB, and Saint Louis.\footnote{5806}

Student Government Senator John Mudd testifies before Congress to advocate for funding for diabetes research. Mudd was diagnosed with the disease as an infant. “By not paying for a cure,” he argues, “Congress is only contributing to the poor health of Americans.”\footnote{5807}

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\footnote{5806} O: Apr. 3, 2000
\footnote{5807} O: Apr. 5, 2000
Playboy magazine announces its plans to visit the South Florida campus in search of models for its collegiate issue.  

Online voting for student government officers encourages participation by a greater number of USF students. In this last SG election, 1,383 students voted, compared to a total of 971 votes from all of last year’s elections combined. In the latest election for SG president, 2,615 students cast their votes.  

Student Government officer Bill O’Hare walks into his office to find his desk in disarray, and a stuffed animal hanging from a noose. “It’s Brett Chambers,” O’Hare alleges, “but he refuses to admit to anything.” Chambers, the SG president, denies having anything to do with it. “I don’t know what happened,” he asserts. “It’s that time of the year when a lot of pranks are going around. I think the office looks better than it usually does.” Apparently, further investigation reveals that there has been an ongoing feud between Chambers and O’Hare. Just a few days after announcing his resignation last week, O’Hare took a nap on a couch in the student government offices. When he woke up, he found a note on his chest signed by Chambers. The note told O’Hare to be out of his office by Friday or suffer the consequences. “If you have not done it by then, it will be done for you ... Doing this will be much more productive than your sleeping on the couches in the lobby like now.” Still, Chambers alleges that O’Hare is in fact the antagonist. “I only asked him to leave early because I thought he was done working ... I wish he wouldn’t act like a third-grader and bring down the reputation of the SG office.”

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World-renowned archaeologist Anna Roosevelt speaks at USF on research she conducted in the Amazon rainforest. “The speech will give people an opportunity to see how modern people live in the rain forests,” explains Assistant Professor Robert Tykot. “This area of the world is very rich in natural resources.”

Six students compete for the first-ever ‘Mr. USF’ crown. “It really isn’t just a pageant, it’s a scholarship opportunity,” explains “beauty-king” pageant director Lynne Dalton. The winner will receive a $200 scholarship in addition to several gift certificates.

Two former Bulls sign with professional football teams. LaFann Williams signs on with the Washington Redskins, while Dyral McMillan is drafted by the San Francisco Forty-Niners.

Work begins to deflate the air-supported roof of the Sun Dome and replace it with a steel roof.

Edward B. Rood, “the man who helped build USF’s football program with a $1 million donation, passes away at the age of eighty-three.

Incoming president Judy Genshaft makes a visit to the USF campus to meet with students, faculty, and staff. This is her second trip to the campus since being chosen as South Florida’s next president. “President Genshaft, it is rumored that you are a quick study,” says faculty senate president Jesse Binford before a crowd at Genshaft’s reception party. “We have some problems here that need a quick solution.” Among her goals as
incoming president, Genshaft says, “I want to work with you all in a team effort to bring USF to the next level of research.”

Construction workers at USF discover a bomb casing from the World War II era, when the area was used as a training range for the U.S. Army Air Corp. Upon consulting with officials from MacDill Air Force Base, University Police Sergeant Mike Klingebiel concluded that “the shell was dropped approximately sixty years ago as part of training ordinances.” Because this type of shell is typically filled with water or sand, it poses no threat to the university population.

Former USF President Betty Castor returns to campus for the spring graduation ceremony, where she receives an honorary doctorate. “I hope I can get through the entire ceremony without a tear in my eye,” she comments.

The State Board of Regents approves a controversial request for a thirteen percent tuition increase. “That shows a lack of restraint and responsibility on behalf of the Board of Regents,” complains Kevin Mayeux, executive director for the Florida Student Association. “There is no way the Legislature is going to approve a thirteen percent tuition increase.”

Marshall Center director Guy Conway decides to close the Centre Studios, citing a $38,000 annual loss. “We have to be good stewards of the students’ money,” he explains.
Student Health Services opposes a request to use SG funding to provide USF students with HIV testing. The plan, proposed by Senator Anthony Brooks, would allocate $4,240 from the “special projects” account to subsidize the project.5823

USF officials celebrate the success of the “Great Achievements, Great Expectations” fundraising campaign, which has surpassed its $220 million goal a year ahead of time. “Great universities are built on graduate education and research,” says incoming president Judy Genshaft. “USF is a research powerhouse and we’ve just gotten started.”5824

The College of Medicine’s Division of Infectious Diseases receives a $1.5 million federal grant to conduct an STD awareness program among health care professionals. “We show people how to talk to patients about risks and educate them,” says Medical Center Director John Toney. “We want to dispel misconceptions and myths.”5825

The University Police report a recent wave of golf cart thefts on campus, with a total of five stolen in the past two weeks. All of the carts were recovered, however, with minor damages to each. “It looks like someone played bumper car with the carts,” comments UP Major Pat Johnson.5826

Renovations to the USF Sun Dome cause this year’s graduation ceremonies to be held at the State Fairgrounds.5827

President Judy Genshaft spends her first full day at the University of South Florida, a good deal of which is spent meeting with student representatives around the campus. “She’s very approachable,” says Debbie Lum, assistant director for Student

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“You can walk right up to her and shake her hand. Most students don’t get to do that to their university president until commencement.” Student Government senator Nicole Brown believes Genshaft made a positive impression on students. “This was a great idea,” she says. “If [Genshaft] keeps doing this, she will have a good impact.” The incoming president also met with the Department of Residence Services at the East Holly Apartments, and toured the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center.

Martin Silbiger resigns from his post as the vice president for Health Services and the dean of the College of Medicine. After five years, Silbiger cites his frustration with administrative problems and endless paperwork. “I wouldn’t know a detail if I saw one,” he says. “I don’t like administrative jobs, but I always seem to get them.” Silbiger plans to return to his first loves: medicine and radiology.

The USF Parking Services shuttles will begin offering off-campus service in the fall semester.

The “Welcome Back” issue of the Oracle features a story on who holds power at the USF campus. They run profiles on President Genshaft, Bert Hartley, Susan MacManus, Gus Stavros, Lucas Grindley, Joe Synovec, and Dale Johnson.

The Oracle features a story on Melissa Howard, USF alumnus (class of 1999) and star of the most recent season of MTV’s television show “The Real World.” Howard lived in New Orleans for the taping of the reality show which follows the lives of young people living together in a house for four months.
Dione Smith, an ex-player on the USF women’s basketball team files a lawsuit against former coach Jerry Ann Winters, Athletics Director Paul Griffin, and USF, claiming that Winter discriminated against black players, showed favoritism toward white players, and segregated the players. USF releases a statement, declaring that the school “embraces diversity and will not tolerate discrimination in any form.” The school hires Joseph Hatchett, a former justice for the Florida Supreme Court, to look onto the issue.5833

President Genshaft reassigns women’s basketball secretary Lisa Walker after Walker writes a letter supporting the position of Dione Smith regarding racial discrimination in the women’s basketball team. Walker writes that there has been “an ongoing and pervasive pattern of racial discrimination, racial hostility, and degrading and intimidating actions,” by representatives of USF toward African American women on the team.5834

A second former Women’s Basketball player files a civil suit accusing the coach and the university of discriminating against her because of her race. Avia Lee claims the coach discriminated against her and released her from the team when she complained to USF officials. Former assistant coach Tara Gibson also files a discrimination complaint with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission against the school.5835

LaTonya Greer and Patrice Coleman become the third and fourth former women’s basketball players to allege racial discrimination by their coach. Jonathan Alpert, attorney for Smith, Lee, Gibson, Walker, Greer, and Coleman, claims that because of the “stonewalling and the racism practiced at an institutional level” by USF, the school may

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5834 O 9/20/00 p1
5835 O 9/28/00 p1, see also 10/3/00 p1
soon have more women’s basketball players “in court than on the court.” Alpert claims, “none of this should have been necessary. None of this had to be necessary. None of this should have taken place.”

The Women’s Basketball team is embroiled in further controversy when it is revealed that the coaches may have allowed players to use university pin numbers when making phone calls, charging the calls to the school. This is a violation of NCAA rules.

USF junior Dominique Goldstein will appear in the October issue of *Playboy Magazine*, the “Girls of Conference USA” issue. Over seventy-five students tried out for a spot in the magazine when Playboy representatives came to campus, 17 were called back to take test shots.

USF linebacker Vassay Marc is one of 70 college football players in contention for the Butkus Award as best college linebacker. Vassay later finds that a herniated disc might keep him out for the season.

Approximately 728 residents have mobbed into the new Holly apartment complex, but construction will be ongoing for another month.

This fall there are 7,561 more students registered at USF than there were last fall, bringing the total at the Tampa Campus to 28,724.

The USF Football team opens the new season with a 40-0 win over Jacksonville State University.
The Oracle launches a website that officially separates the paper from the USF website.\footnote{5843}

Use of the new off-campus shuttle service has exceeded expectations, with more than 800 people riding per day.\footnote{5844}

The “Blockbuster Room,” the game room at the Marshall Center, closes to begin renovations.\footnote{5845}

In a mock election among USF students between Al Gore, George W. Bush, Ralph Nader, and Pat Buchanan, Gore wins with 50\% of the vote, followed by Bush with 33\%.\footnote{5846}

Throughout the fall semester, the Oracle runs a weekly series on namesakes of various buildings around campus, including Chester H. Ferguson and Russell M. Cooper.\footnote{5847}

The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching considers USF one of the most “productive and expansive” research universities in the United States.\footnote{5848}

There is a campus-wide debate over an ad found around the school for a club in Ybor City, the ad features a topless woman.\footnote{5849}

Political strategists Mary Matalin and James Carville speak on campus. Matalin and Carville routinely generate interest wherever they go because they are married
despite having met while working on competing political campaigns, he for Bill Clinton and her for George Bush, in 1992.\textsuperscript{5850}

750 students sign a petition requesting more parking spaces near to the Sun Dome.\textsuperscript{5851}

USF celebrates the 40\textsuperscript{th} anniversary of the school’s opening. The Oracle prints a retrospective on styles, sports, and changes in the university since 1960. There are also reprints of some of the paper’s most important headlines. At a Marshall Center party celebrating the event, students ate food outside while “distinguished guests” partook in a ceremony inside. During the ceremony, cakes (enough to feed 600) decorated with pictures of the Marshall Center, were cut by SG President Tyvi Small, President Judy Genshaft, Phyllis Marshall, former director, and namesake, of the Marshall Center, and Grace Allen, wife of the first USF President, John Allen. Former interim President and Dean Harris Dean also attends the event. Dean comments that USF’s growth has not surprised him.\textsuperscript{5852}

Former SG President Brett Chambers is selected as the student representative on the Board of Regents. Chamber’s appointment is later rescinded because he does not meet the residency requirement, having lived in Florida for just under four years when the rules stipulate five. Natalie Copeland, former SG executive director, applies for the position and is appointed soon after Chambers leaves.\textsuperscript{5853}
Bill Cosby’s homecoming comedy show almost sells out the first day tickets go on sale.\textsuperscript{5854}

Rocky’s Sports Grill, located on the USF golf course, closes temporarily. Frank Margarella, president of Demar Consulting, which runs Rocky’s, has asked the University to lower their fees during the off-season for golf. Margarella claims that the restaurant does not do enough business during this time to stay open.\textsuperscript{5855}

A female resident is attacked and robbed at the remote parking lot near the Credit Union. Many students have criticized this lot because its remote location can be a safety hazard. UP Spokesman Sgt. Mike Klingebiel claims that the woman is the first hurt since the lot opened. The victim of the attack later retracts her story, claiming she made it up to hide an abusive relationship.\textsuperscript{5856}

The USF Football team defeats Troy State 20-10. Troy State had been ranked Number 1 in Division I-AA. This is USF’s first victory over a Number 1 ranked opponent.\textsuperscript{5857}

President Genshaft gives her first University-wide speech when she delivers her first State of the University address. Genshaft promises that the school will continue its move toward "excellence," and becoming "a major national research university."\textsuperscript{5858}

An underground group of students has been organized to sterilize, fee, and vaccinate the many stray cats that live on and around the USF campus. All of the vet bills and food are paid for through private donations. Representatives of the Department of Environmental Health and Safety support the group’s spaying and neutering of the

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\textsuperscript{5858} O 10/5/00 p1
cats, but worry that, since the group returns the cats to campus, there may be liability
issues involved in the return of the captured felines.\textsuperscript{5859}

Green Party presidential candidate Ralph Nader speaks to more than 1,000
supporters, bashing his opponents such as Al Gore, whom he called a “certified political
coward” and a “technotwit” who wasn’t fit to be president. Nader also showed his
disgust for the national debates and claiming that America’s youth is being “raised by
corporations.” \textsuperscript{5860}

The University Police arrests senior Adrian Ray Long for assaulting instructor
Gerald Lucas during his postmodern literature class. Long reportedly attacked the
instructor after he was asked to leave the classroom because he would not join the class in
reading an assignment from the textbook. Because the victim was a university employee,
the battery charge is a felony.\textsuperscript{5861}

Downy detergent company offers USF students a “Wrinkle-Free Laundry Week.”
Besides the free use of machines, the company also offered free detergent, fabric
softener, a laundry bag and a sample of their new wrinkle-removing product.\textsuperscript{5862}

USF President Judy Genshaft appoints a new executive officer for the Sarasota
campus. Laurey Stryker is now the acting campus executive office for USF’s
Sarasota/Manatee campus. The move is viewed as a step towards splitting USF Sarasota
and New College by giving them different directions for the future.\textsuperscript{5863}

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\textsuperscript{5861} O, “UP arrest student for assaulting the teacher,” October 17, 2000, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{5863} O, “With hiring, Genshaft moves to split campuses,” October 18, 2000, p. 1.
University architects host an open-air forum to discuss USF’s 10-year master plan with students. The Master Plan, which dictates where construction happens on campus, was last updated in 1995 and is updated every five years to allow for adjustments.\footnote{O, “Planning for parking, building,” October 19, 2000, p. 1.}

Parking and Transportation Services enacts a new policy requiring a USF permit to park in a handicapped space in August. In the past, students or faculty members only needed the handicapped tag issued by the county to park in any USF lot. The director of the agency defends the decision as fair asking: “How is it fair that someone who is handicapped gets free parking and everyone else has to pay?”\footnote{O, “New rules require disabled to pay for parking on campus,” October 19, 2000, p. 1.}

Vice President for research George Newkome leaves USF after fourteen years of service in order to become a vice president for research and graduate dean at the University of Akron.\footnote{O, “Newkome leaves university,” October 20, 2000, p. 1.}

A free testing facility for HIV is set up at the Florida Mental Health Institute building on the USF Tampa Campus.\footnote{O, “Free HIV testing offered on campus,” October 20, 2000, p. 3.}

Rocky’s, the sports grill on USF’s golf course, is reopened under new management after financial problems caused its closing.\footnote{O, “Rocky times are past,” October 23, 2000, p. 1.}

Students for the Ethical Treatment of Animals petitions Sodexho Marriott (the campus food vendor) to increase its selection of vegetarian and vegan options at the campus dining halls. SETA seeks signatures at Terrell Sessums Mall near Cooper Hall in order to rally many freshmen who have to purchase meal plans.\footnote{O, “Students petition Marriott for more vegetarian, vegan entrees,” October 23, 2000, p. 1.}
Kareena Gore-Schiff and Bucs wide receiver Keyshawn Johnson host a rally for Al Gore as President at USF. They stress the importance of voting, especially among young people. A crowd of more than 250 people gathered. 5870

To give students and parents a better idea of crime on campus, the national Department of Education requires college campuses to submit crime data. There has been an increase in burglaries on the Tampa campus in the past year. 5871

Two more former women’s basketball players file civil lawsuits alleging racism against their former coach, Jerry Ann Winters, and the university. Tamekia Williams, one of the six women now involved in the discrimination scandal, states that the reason she is coming forward is that she “want[s] to show this has been going on for a long time.” When she was on the team, she “didn’t think [she] would come out because [she] was just one person on a team.” She didn’t think that she had “any power,” but now she doesn’t “want to see this racial discrimination continue.” In response, senior captain Shannon Layne and sophomore Lindsey Smith of the USF women’s basketball team defend the innocence of their coach at a press conference. “We’re behind her all the way, the whole team is,” Layne said. “We’re going to keep working hard for our coaching staff, but we really hope that this works out and she gets reinstated back as our head coach.” Despite these words on her behalf, an investigation claims that there is “reasonable cause” to believe that Jerry Ann Winters did retaliate against former player Dione Smith after Smith complained about discrimination to the administration. Former assistant women’s basketball coach Ron Gathright and current player Aiya Shepard also later came forward and asserted that the investigation into allegations against Winters

was untrue and that their statements had been “turned around” in order to implicate the coach. Jerry Ann Winters is now suspended with pay for the duration of the appeal process. She has consistently defended her innocence. About a month later, two more former women’s basketball players also file racial discrimination lawsuits against the coach. Charmain Leslie and LaToya Ward’s attorney stated that “They don’t want her to be fired, but they want a change.” The scandal is later featured on *Real Sports with Bryant Gumbel* on HBO in a segment entitled “Team Divided.”

The new elementary school, located on Bull Run, is named for history lover Anthony Pizzo.

The artist Ruscha will speak to USF to share stories about his life at work as a part of the Artist’s Talk. Ruscha’s pop art style is displayed at his show “Edward Ruscha: Editions 1959-1999” being shown at the USF Contemporary Art Museum.

USF’s Accelerated Literacy Learning (ALL) Program will be implemented at two Hillsborough County elementary schools. The program is being implemented with the aid of a $400,000 grant from the Verizon Foundation.

Comedian Bill Cosby visits USF Homecoming, SuperBull IV and performs two shows at the Special Events Center on Friday November 3rd for the Stampede. He discussed fatherhood and college life in his material.
A debate concerning the US presidential election is held in the USF Marshall Center among four college parties (College Republicans, Democrats, Libertarians and the Green Student Union). Moderator Dr. Susan MacManus stated that she was “shocked” by the turnout of 150 people. “Never in my 12 years (at USF) have I seen this campus as energized about politics as it is here.”

*New York Times* editor W. Schmidt speaks at the USF campus. He reportedly built his career as a foreign correspondent, yet has been described by Art Lowrie (vice chairman for the committee for Middle Easter Studies) to epitomize all of the best qualities in a journalist. Schmidt shares his adventures of reporting abroad and discussed with the audience of 60 the challenges of his profession.

MSNBC’s Gina Gaston, who hosts *Talk of the Town*, conducts a live panel discussion about the presidential candidates with USF students.

The USF Bookstore will host two “brown bag” piano concerts performed by professor Averill Summer’s students. The point, according to the professor, is to bring serenity to the shoppers and allow them to be enriched by the arts after having “been in class all day.”

Students, instructors and volunteers work together to raise money for the USF ceramics department. The annual fund-raising party produces clay sculptures and at the end of the event the volunteers sell the donations in the find art courtyard.
The Homecoming festivities are expanded to include a masquerade ball at the Embassy Suites Hotel, but students were left waiting outside after the small ballroom’s maximum capacity had been reached. Other problems that stemmed from the space issue included favoritism according to Geoline Andre. “Some guy said he didn’t have a ticket, but he knew how to get in.” “Favoritism is a big question here tonight,” proclaimed Andre, yet she decided that she would joint the homecoming committee next year in order to “change that.”

George W. Bush’s nephew, George P. Bush, speaks at USF attempting to persuade young voters to make his uncle the next American president. The rally at the Martin Luther King Plaza features Republican candidates from around the state, but its highlight will be George P.’s speech, which Republicans hope will give a “younger perspective to the campaign.” He is called by some the “secret weapon” of the Bush campaign.

The Graphicstudio holds its Second Annual Sale and Celebration to raise money for programs that will help USF’s graduate and undergraduate students who are majoring in the visual arts.

USF Books on Tape program strives to help blind and learning-disabled students to read and comprehend sometimes-dense textbooks and prepare for quizzes.

The Oracle features an article on the Green and Gold Guys, a. k. a. Brian Hope and Walter Price. These students, now sophomores, paint their bodies in green and gold and wear only towels to cheer at the school’s sporting events. Their efforts at fostering

school spirit are now being supported by the university. According to the two, “USF came to us and offered help” in their spirited endeavors. “Now the spirit club helps pay for our body paint.”  

On Election Day 2000 Al Gore makes a last-minute stop at the Tampa Campus. His final campaign stop is scheduled for the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center. Liz Lubo, the Florida press secretary for his campaign, said that the vice president was familiar with the area and wanted to talk to “talk to working folks.”

Members of the USF cross country team begin to run with the mission to raise rape awareness on how women can protect themselves from sexual predators after member Kristy Fuller’s mom is beaten and raped during her 5 a.m. daily jog. Members of the team launch a ribbon campaign to promote their cause during the November 4th Bull Run.

USF criticizes the allegations of retaliation made by former volleyball coach Perri Hankins and wish her lawsuit to be dismissed. Following this line, Athletics Director Paul Griffin and Senior Associate Athletics Director Barbara Sparks-McGlinchy file a motion to dismiss the civil rights lawsuit. Hankins defended her lawsuit, filing a memorandum which stated that both Griffin and Sparks-McGlinchy retaliated against her when she complained about “the disparate treatment of female athletes and those employed in women’s sports at USF,” a violation of Title IX regulations.

ESPN Sportscenter anchor Stuart Scott appears as the featured speaker at a panel discussion about Career in Sports at the Special Events Center. The National Football

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Researchers at the USF Roskamp Institute discover a molecule involved in the brain’s immune response that may help in the development of treatment alternatives for patients suffering from Alzheimer’s disease.\footnote{O, “Alzheimer’s discovery gives hope,” November 14, 2000, p. 1.}

USF students demonstrate outside of WFLA studios in Tampa in order to demand that Palm Beach County residents be allowed to re-vote in the 2000 Presidential Election after technical problems with the ballots caused complications.\footnote{O, “Student protest seeks revote,” November 14, 2000, p. 3.}

The San Francisco Mime Troupe brings its silent play “City for Sale,” a tale about the effects of neighborhood gentrification, to USF for a one time only free show in Tampa.\footnote{O, “Mimicking Modern Life,” November 14, 2000, p. 10-11.}

President Judy Genshaft brings her plans for the regional campuses to the BOR. Among her goals are giving admissions control to the St. Pete Campus, gradually giving regional campuses full autonomy, and granting St. Pete separate accreditation. Though working towards administrative autonomy, she believes that the branch campuses should remain part of the larger university because of the mutual benefits of the relationship.\footnote{O, “Genshaft: Keep regional campuses,” November 15, 2000, p. 1.}

A new business class at USF, fueled by the General Motors Marketing Internship program, allows 13 students to create a marketing/advertising agency to obtain practical experience while receiving academic credit. The students organize events under the name “BullsEye Promotions.”\footnote{O, “New class offers experience, prizes,” November 15, 2000, p. 6.}
Rocker Marilyn Manson performs at the USF Sundome.  

Julia Butterfly Hill, a young activist who spent two years living in a redwood tree to protest the corrupt and environmentally dangerous practices of logging companies, speaks at the Tampa Theatre about activism and her experience.  

The Students of India Association (SIA) pools artists from USF and the community for their festival of lights (Diwali), a celebration of Indian culture. Francis Vayalumkal believes that the event is important for “Indian students because most are second or third generation here…the festival is an opportunity to celebrate our culture and keep our tradition alive” while still sharing their culture with others.  

USF junior Margaret Murray organizes an underground film festival called “Movies That Move.” Murray felt that she would “die” if she could not see movies that she appreciated, so she “decided to bring them here” herself. Each event is held at different locations and times, varying from between six weeks to two months apart.  

As a part of the “Eckerd Celebration of Lights,” more than three million lights illuminate USF’s southwest side of campus. The display is intended to raise money for the Children’s Miracle Network and the Hillsborough Education Foundation through donations.  

As part of a sociology class, students collect food for the Metropolitan Ministries in Tampa. The goal of the assignment, according to Professor Russ Buenteo was to make students realize what they take for granted on a daily basis. “I think for most people,

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homelessness is a foreign concept,” Buenteo said. “Unless they come face-to-face with it, people think it’s always something that happens to other people—not something that would happen to me.”

USF holds a Funniest Person on Campus contest, challenging students to compete in a stand-up comedy competition. Organizers videotape the performances and will send the winner’s recording to agencies, including EastCoast Entertainment, the company that represents Pauley Shore.

Residence Hall Association members are divided over a proposal which would raise their rent $20 per year in order to pay for morning paper delivery. When president Anthony Brooks suggested voting on the divisive issue during the meeting, RHA representatives grew tense and adversarial and decided to postpone the vote in order to consult with residents. They later rejected the proposal in a vote of 42-15.

USF staff, students and community, present quilt panels to promote awareness in observance of World AIDS Day.

One year later, the families of Leanna Dawson, Jaclyn Ayala, and Majid Tahri commemorate their lives on the anniversary of their deaths. A drunk driver killed the USF students on the corner of Bruce B. Downs and Fletcher. Mitchell James ran a red light and slammed into their car, killing two of the students instantly. He is currently awaiting trial for three counts of DUI manslaughter. The same day, a vigil was held for them and a magnolia tree planted to remember them by.

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A heart is found on the sidewalk outside of the Fine Arts Building. Professor of anatomy, Don Cameron, was called to the scene in order to determine if the organ came from a human body. He determined that it was probably canine due to its size and also found that it had been expertly dissected, judging from the incisions.5906

Lecturer Adrian Melott, a professor for physics and astronomy, speaks to USF students about Kansas’s science curriculum standards. He tells a crowd of about 50 that the standards do not encourage its public school science teachers to teach Darwin’s creation theory, as well as theories involving the Big Bang and the concept of global warming. According to Melott “the biggest conception that people have about the Standards in Kansas is that teaching evolution was banned.” According to Melott, it wasn’t. Instead it is “merely not encouraged.”5907

Mayor Dick Greco proposes to dedicate a piece of land to USF to construct a public park and increase the university’s visibility in downtown Tampa. “We want people to realize that USF is an urban university,” said City Councilman Bob Buckhorn, “and that the city and the university are tied together.”5908

Harry Battson leaves the university, becoming the eighth in a string of officials to leave since President Genshaft began her term. Battson became vice president for Public Affairs in 1995 under former President Castor. He’s leaving to take a similar position in California.5909

Judy Genshaft, provost at the State University of New York at Albany, becomes USF’s sixth permanent president.

Of all the state universities, USF services the largest population: 3,440,677.\textsuperscript{5910} USF has 24 Alumni Association chapters around the nation and 156,484 alumni.\textsuperscript{5911}

Females at all levels comprise 59\% of students at USF. Among international students, males dominate at the graduate levels, 363 to 199. Most international students come from India, 186 in all. By region: Africa 74, Caribbean 91, Central America 41, South America 157, Europe 220, Near/Middle East 100, Southeast Asia 241, Far East 169, and other (mostly Canada, Australia, and UK territory, including 127 unknown) 284.\textsuperscript{5912}

The largest college at USF is Arts & Sciences at 12,068, followed by Business (6,605), Education (4,030), Engineering (3,083), Fine Arts (829), Nursing (631), New College (622), Public Health (419), Medicine (385), and Medical Sciences (107).\textsuperscript{5913}

USF is named to the top rank of research universities by the Carnegie Foundation.

USF St. Petersburg begins admitting full complement of freshmen and sophomores under a plan approved by the Board of Regents and the Legislature.

Each of the students in the new, 728-bed, $25 million Holly Apartments residence halls complex receives Internet access and cable television.

New, $2 million freestanding, digital WUSF-TV building is dedicated.

Shriner’s Hospital for Children at USF Tampa breaks ground on a $13 million expansion project.

Marine Science becomes a college.

\textsuperscript{5910} USF fact book 1999-2000, p. 25.
\textsuperscript{5911} Ibid, p. 31.
\textsuperscript{5912} Ibid, p. 41, 44.
\textsuperscript{5913} Ibid, p. 74.

Moffitt is named one of “America’s Best Hospitals” for third year in a row.

Legislature votes to make New College at USF Sarasota/Manatee a freestanding, 11th state university.

Lt. Gov. Frank Brogan announces USF’s first-ever Board of Trustees, which will assume more of the policy-making decisions for the Board of Regents, abolished by the Legislature in 2001.

USF enrollment reaches a high of more than 37,000.

USF ranks No. 1 in number of transfer students enrolled for the second year in a row, according to U.S. News & World Report.

Gamma Hall is remodeled and reopens as Betty Castor Hall.

USF announces completion of the capital campaign announced in 1997. The $255.9 million raised in gifts and pledges is Tampa Bay’s largest campaign in history.

Women’s basketball coach Jerry Ann Winters is fired after Athletics director Paul Griffin is scrutinized for his role in responding to racial discrimination complaints regarding the team.5914

Dione Smith rejoins the women’s basketball team after coach Jerry Ann Winters was fired for retaliating against her and kicking her off the team. After her final game

5914 O 8 January 2001 p5A.
with the Bulls, an Oracle editorial refers to Smith as “the woman who had more of an impact on USF athletics than any other student ever.”

Former assistant athletics director Hiram Green says that he was ordered by administration officials to write a letter stating that racial discrimination problems in the women’s basketball program were solved when in reality they were not.

Athletic Director Paul Griffin resigns amid a controversy regarding alleged cover-ups of racial discrimination. Former Tampa Bay Buccaneer, restaurateur, highway namesake, and member of the NFL Hall of Fame, Lee Roy Selmon replaces Griffin as Athletics Director. Selmon plans on focusing his administration on “fund raising, increasing ticket sales and developing strong ties with the Tampa Bay community.”

The damages sought in the ongoing lawsuit of former women’s basketball players against the university citing racial discrimination are made public. The plaintiffs are suing for $395,000.

In response to Jerry Ann Winters’ challenge to her release, the Florida Division of Administrative Hearings states that she should be reinstated as coach and compensated for lost wages seven months after her release.

“Survivor” reality show stars Sean and Ramona will highlight a USF promotion called “Destination Marshall Center.” Participants will explore the student center over a nine-week period until Spring Break, identifying clues and heading to each mystery destination. Participants who have reached all destinations will meet with the television

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5917 O 19 March 2001 p1. For some reactions to the controversy see 22 March 2001 p1. For a timeline of events see O 6 April 2001 p4.
5918 O 21 May 2001 p1.
5919 O 3 July 2001 p1.
stars at an invitation-only Australian theme Patio Tuesday. Two contestants on the hit TV show Survivor discuss their experiences filming the show. They also have a private lunch with Dottie Washington, a USF student who wins the “survivor of the “Destination Marshall Center” contest, and other entrants in the competition. The competition lasted nine weeks and 54 students and staff members entered.

USF Graduate Student Karen Bachman reaches out to create a new community online. She founded Volunteervine.com, a resource and communication network online for volunteers and Tampa Bay organizations. She has also received a grant from the Oracle to help her in her efforts.

A CD, vinyl and movie store opens on campus in the Marshall Center basement. Sonic Boom has a wide variety of new and used mainstream and indie music.

Bernice King, the youngest daughter of Coretta Scott King and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., speaks at USF’s Martin Luther King celebration. Chairman of the events, Tracy Dace stated: “she will be the first King child to officially visit the MLK Plaza.” In her speech she said that unconditional love is key to ending racism and bringing humankind together. Nearly 300 people attend the event. A parade and candlelight vigil is also held which celebrates his contributions to equality and encourages young people to recognize the significance of MLK Day.

USF research projects garner $40 million in federal funding, more than any other university in Florida.
A new course explores the impact of the Holocaust this semester. According to Lowell Harris, a graduate teaching assistant, “Communicating the Holocaust” “will examine how we can help open up lines of communication among people so genocide never happens again.”

The bookstore prepares for a possible increase in theft at the beginning of the new semester by hiring a small team of people, in addition to their normal security, to keep an eye out for shoplifters.

The Hillel Foundation quickly raises the funds for the “Jewish Student Center” at USF after the administration threatened to revoke the university land that had been set-aside for the center since 1987. Ground breaking is set for June 15th.

The first-ever Black Heritage Festival is held to help create more discussion about blacks’ roles in the Tampa community. It is organized by USF’s assistant director of admissions in order to attract tourists to the area and raise awareness. The festival holds events across Tampa.

Four students are stuck in a Cooper Hall elevator for 20 minutes on their way to class. “It went about six feet, and there was kind of a little drop, and a thump, and we were all looking at each other like, ‘What’s going on?’” says senior Troy Roman. Physical Plant says that despite the constant creaks and bumps, the elevators are not dangerous and are inspected monthly. Yet workers have been called to the building ten times.

times since the beginning of the fall semester to service the elevators due to complaints of skipping floors and getting stuck.\(^{5930}\)

Student groups volunteer to help with the Super Bowl halftime show. Their duties included chasing members of *NSYNC and Aerosmith onto the field at Raymond James Stadium during their performances in order to simulate fanfare.\(^{5931}\)

USF student Elise Lever wins a trip to Israel from Birthright Israel, a foundation that allows Jewish American college students to visit Israel for free.\(^{5932}\)

Three Native-American leaders participate in the University Lecture Series in order to debate cultural sensitivity. The forum, “American Indians Today: Creativity, Community, and Courage,” will include various topics from racial sensitivity to and stereotyping to cultural discussions on art, language and creative endeavors.\(^{5933}\)

Indigenous artists from Australia and America work with USF students in faculty in exploring their cultures. USF dance professor Gretchen Warren directs the theatrical, dance, visual art and anthropological collaboration, “Dreamtime, Our Time: The Eternal Dance.” The idea for this type of partnership arose when Professor Warren visited Australia in 1997 and became aware of the plight of its indigenous people.\(^{5934}\)

President Genshaft announces the changes that she intends to implement concerning the university’s handling of discrimination complaints. The shift is prompted by recommendations contained in a 161-page packet written by Joseph Hatchett, a former U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals judge, concerning the recent civil rights complaints and

\(^{5930}\) O 22 January 2001 p3.
\(^{5931}\) O 22 January 2001 p1.
\(^{5932}\) O 22 January 2001 p10-11.
lawsuits regarding the Women’s Basketball Team. Consequently, all complaints of
discrimination will now be referred to a new university office for review.\textsuperscript{5935}

President Genshaft attends monthly lunches with students at the Crossroads Café. The events, organized by Student Government, are meant to give students a chance to communicate their concerns directly to the president. She encouraged them to be blunt and honest: “I’m interested about you.” Fifteen students were in attendance.\textsuperscript{5936}

NFL’s biggest players and community leaders share their life stories with students at the NFL player’s forum, which is held in the Marshall Center. The audience, with the help of moderators, will also be allowed to ask questions of them.\textsuperscript{5937}

Bruce Lindsey is named interim Vice President for Research. He plans to move USF’s research efforts towards national prominence during his tenure. Over the past 23 years Lindsey has helped to create a neuroscience department at USF.\textsuperscript{5938}

Two former USF students file federal lawsuits claiming that the university discriminated against them due to their disabilities. They claim that the university has repeatedly violated the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 by failing to provide adequate program accessibility, equal access to tutoring and mentoring services, qualified sign language interpreters, closed-captioned materials and televisions, and generally equal access to classes, parking and the Library.\textsuperscript{5939} USF requests that the cases be dismissed, but a federal judge denies their request.\textsuperscript{5940}

\textsuperscript{5935} O 24 January 2001 p1.
\textsuperscript{5936} O 24 January 2001 p3.
\textsuperscript{5937} O 25 January 2001 p3; O 31 January 2001 p5.
\textsuperscript{5938} O 25 January 2001 p1.
\textsuperscript{5939} O 26 January 2001 p1.
\textsuperscript{5940} O 24 April 2001 p1.
The University Police report that a vending-machine robber single-handedly caused the Tampa Campus’ 1999 crime rate to spike by 32 percent.\footnote{O 26 January 2001 p1.}

A new board focuses upon problems in the USF graduate program. The students lack an organization to lobby for them, but Patrick Cannon proposes a solution: the Graduate and Professional Student Organization. He is currently soliciting help from other graduate students to make it a reality and increase the visibility of grad students at USF.\footnote{O 29 January 2001 p1.}

The Suncoast Writer’s Workshop brings Chinese, African, Americans and Irish memoirs, poems and novels to USF’s St. Petersburg Campus in an effort to expose students to diverse cultures.\footnote{O 29 January 2001 p1.}

USF’s Center for Positive Health at the Medical School offers free tai chi and yoga classes on campus in order help faculty dealing with stress.\footnote{O 30 January 2001 p1.}

The Second City comedy troupe gives a free showing of its improvisational comedy at USF. One of its founders was later responsible for discovering SNL stars John Belushi, Dan Aykroyd, Bill Murray and Gilda Radner. Their performances are audience interactive and similar to the TV show Whose Line is it Anyway?\footnote{O 30 January 2001 p1.}

The bike shop in the Marshall Center becomes the latest casualty in the trend of non-usage that on-campus shops suffer. It is forced to close its doors in the basement.\footnote{O 31 January 2001 p1.}

After a massive earthquake in India, members of the Students of India Association raise $27,000 that they plan to donate to the Red Cross. SIA hopes to collect
$5,000 before the end of the week. Student Government also holds a vigil for the victims in the Marshall Center Ballroom.\textsuperscript{5947}

Author Frank McCourt takes part in the University Lecture Series. The prize-winning author of the memoirs “Angela’s Ashes” and “Tis,” speaks about his life experiences as a poor youth in Ireland and also about his views on the influence of guilt in religion.\textsuperscript{5948}

The Students of India celebrate India’s 51\textsuperscript{st} Republic Day at the Special Events Center. The event features actors, singers and dancers, but the main purpose is to raise more funds for victims of the Indian earthquake.\textsuperscript{5949}

The Muslim Student Association and the Sisters United Muslim Association hold Islamic Awareness Month at USF in order to educate non-Muslims about their religion and culture.\textsuperscript{5950}

ACLU leader Howard Simon speaks at the St. Pete ULS as a part of the Ethical Issues in Florida’s Future speaker line-up. He served as executive director for the ACLU of Michigan for more than 20 years before becoming the Florida affiliate in 1997. School vouchers is one of the hot-button topics that he addresses.\textsuperscript{5951}

Modern artist James Rosenquist gives a sculpture to the children’s research institute. The titanic, multi-colored bandage is, according to its creator, a symbol of healing.\textsuperscript{5952}
Mazen Al-Najjar, the former USF adjunct professor jailed for more than three and a half years as a terror suspect, lectures at USF. He and James Zogby, founder of the Arab-American Institute, will speak as a part of the University Lecture Series. He was detained based on secret evidence, which was never revealed to him.5953

Photographic artist William Wegman displays his traveling exhibition, “Fashion Photographs,” at the USF Contemporary Art Museum. Wegman specializes in photographing dogs, particularly his Weimaraner Batty.5954

University-wide salary increases total $78,000. The raises are intended to make USF more competitive with other national universities.5955

Former U.S. senator Connie Mack joins the Moffitt board of directors in order aid the fight against cancer.5956

An e-mail claiming to contain a picture of tennis star Anna Kournikova spreads a virus throughout the university’s server. Fortunately, the university had already learned how to deal with this type of problem due to a similar situation with the “I Love You” bug.5957

The College of Education, in coordination with local strawberry growers, organizes the first “Strawberries for Scholarships” sale to raise money for USF’s Migrant Education Program and fund scholarships for current USF students whose parents work in the fields.5958

5953 O 6 February 2001 p1; O 7 February 2001 p1.
5955 O 8 February 2001 p3.
5956 O 12 February 2001 p1.
5957 O 14 February 2001 p1.
5958 O 15 February 2001 p3.
A documentary is released which investigates USF and its expansion from a commuter college to a leading research facility with a “renewed school spirit.” The documentary airs on WFSU-TV/Florida Channel and is called Crossroad on Campus: University of South Florida. 5959

Residents complain due to the fact that not all Holly residence hall buildings will be open this summer. 5960

Judy Genshaft is inaugurated at USF in part of a week-long celebration of the new president. The black-tie optional event that follows her ceremony will be a dinner costing $1,000 per table to attend. 5961

University architects redesign the front entrance to USF due to complaints from students and passers-by that they could not easily read the signs hidden by a string of palm trees planted in front of them. 5962

Renowned Holocaust historian Yehuda Bauer speaks at USF as part of President Genshaft’s Inaugural Week and the ULS. He discusses preventing the despair caused by the Holocaust from happening again. His research compares the Holocaust to other acts of genocide. 5963

Author James Malinchak lectures about the seven keys to success. He is the author of From College to the Real World and an editor for Chicken Soup for the College Soul. Some of the secrets to success in college that he cites include having enthusiasm and a positive attitude. 5964

5959 O 16 February 2001 p3.
5960 O 16 February 2001 p1.
5961 O 19 February 2001 p1.
5962 O 20 February 2001 p1.
5963 O 20 February 2001 p3; O 21 February 2001 p1.
5964 O 22 February 2001 p1.
Judy Genshaft’s first “crusade” will be to retain all of the branch campuses as part of USF. In her first state of the university address, she pledges to do so.5965

The alternative rock sensation Weezer headlines at the Sundome.5966

A $17 million dollar grant is given to the College of Education in order to change the way teachers become certified in the state. The test is used to certify education majors to teach in the state. The Institute of Instructional Research will specifically receive the grant.5967

Rubin “Hurricane” Carter speaks about his time in prison for a crime he didn’t commit.5968

The Baptist Collegiate Ministry will bring USF SoberRide vans to popular spring break destinations such as Cancun and Panama City.5969

John McKay, Senate President for the Florida Legislature, recommends that USF New College be separated from USF. New College has been a branch campus for 25 years because of financial problems in the mid-1970s. Now that the school is fiscally stable, many believe that it should become independent again. The bill separating the two schools passes its first senate committee.5970

The USF SG Senate amends the school’s constitution to include a clause against discrimination toward homosexuals.5971

Two of the four candidates vying to be USF’s new provost drop out of the running after accepting positions elsewhere. SUNY-Albany interim Provost Carlos

5965 O 23 February 2001 p1.
5966 O 27 February 2001 p1.
5967 O 27 February 2001 p1.
5968 O 28 February 2001 p1.
5969 O 7 March 2001 p3
5971 O 21 March 2001 p1.
Santiago is the first of the remaining two to come to USF and discuss his plans for the school’s direction. USF’s interim provost David Stamps is the last of the two candidates to give a presentation detailing his concept of USF’s direction. Stamps is named the school’s new provost soon after.\(^5972\)

The new Broadcasting building opens and WUSF moves out of the Marshall Center basement.\(^5973\)

Students Advocating for a Better Body Image set up at the Bull Market on Wednesdays and in the Gym on Thursdays. Members of SABBI, according to Monica Braverman, advocate for “better health and rejecting the poor body images the media feed into us.” In order to emphasize their point, SABBI sets up tables with pamphlets, posters, and Barbie Dolls as a visual aid.\(^5974\)

Students can once again use their credit cards to pay for monies owed in the cashier’s office. The practice was stopped in 1994.\(^5975\)

In the second year of internet voting for SG elections, there are 1,100 votes cast in the first day. 1,500 were cast the first day last year. In 1999, the last year to utilize manual voting, only 914 students voted over the course of the two day election. SG Business Manager Joe Synovec believes that these numbers indicate that students prefer the internet option. The election is marred by “allegations of rules violations and complaints” to the Election Rules Committee. The tickets of Mike Griffin/Dave Mincberg and Anthony Brooks/Shawna Mulford will move on to a run-off. Griffin captured 937 votes for 48% (just 2% short of the necessary 50% that would avoid a

\(^{5972}\) O 22 March 2001 p1, 26 March 2001 p1, 2 April 2001 p1, 10 April 2001 p1.
\(^{5973}\) O 30 March 2001 p1.
\(^{5974}\) O 3 April 2001 p10.
\(^{5975}\) O 4 April 2001 p1.
runoff). Brooks received 637 votes, 32% of the total. Mike Griffin and Dave Mincberg win the election.\textsuperscript{5976}

Softball Coach Ken Ericksen is named to the USA Softball Women’s National Team Coaches Pool. This means that Ericksen is one of 12 coaches who could be assigned to coach the national team in various events including the U.S. Cup, the World Championships, and the Olympics. Ericksen is later named to the staff of The U.S. national team and is named an assistant coach for the 2004 Olympic team.\textsuperscript{5977}

John Mayer, advertised as “the next big acoustical guitar performer,” plays a free concert for about 100 people on the MLK plaza. Free refreshments are provided.\textsuperscript{5978}

The National Cancer Institute gives a $3.17 million grant to the Moffitt Cancer Research Center.\textsuperscript{5979}

The McNair Scholars Disseminations Program, which aims to increase the number of African American and Hispanic students in doctoral programs, selects USF as one of three schools to hold the program. Rutgers and the University of Southern California are also chosen.\textsuperscript{5980}

Sami Al-Arian is one of the speakers during a panel discussion of the continuing problems in the Middle East.\textsuperscript{5981}

Faculty, staff, and students will travel to Tallahassee to partake in USF Day at the Capitol. This will give people associated with use the chance to “advertise the university

\textsuperscript{5976} O 5 April 2001 p1, 6 April 2001 p1, 13 April 2001 p1.
\textsuperscript{5978} O 16 April 2001 p7, 17 April 2001 p1.
\textsuperscript{5979} O 16 April 2001 p1.
\textsuperscript{5980} O 17 April 2001 p1.
\textsuperscript{5981} O 19 April 2001 p1.
and its achievements” to legislators. USF Day had been a tradition until about five years ago and now it is being revived.\footnote{O 23 April 2001 p1.}

According to the Oracle, the first players from the USF football team to be drafted by NFL teams are taken consecutively at the beginning of the fourth round. Kenyatta Jones goes to the New England Patriots with the 96\textsuperscript{th} pick, Anthony Henry is chosen by the Cleveland Browns with the 97\textsuperscript{th} pick, and the Arizona Cardinals take Bill Gramatica with the 98\textsuperscript{th} pick. The article claims that Jones is the first player drafted in the history of USF football. Gramatica becomes the first drafted player to sign a contract, signing with the Cardinals for three years. Undrafted free agent Ryan Benjamin is released shortly after signing with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. He was the first former USF football player to be listed on the roster of the hometown Buccaneers.\footnote{O 23 April 2001 p8, 7 June 2001 p16, 11 June 2001 p23. Benjamin played for the Buccaneers in 2002 and 2003.}

Freshman Rachel Fagen took offense to a sign outside Cooper Hall which encouraged students to “Get what you really want this semester! Register for classes early.” Fagen was offended because the sign featured “the silhouette of a young co-ed, sitting seductively in a desk with her breasts accentuated” on one side and “a silhouetted woman stretched across a desk, breasts hanging off the top of the desk,” on the other side. Fagen paints “Is this what women are worth to USF?” in red paint over the sign. She claims that the sign also featured, in small letters on the bottom, the phrase “sex sells advertising.” The sign features a USF logo, but was not “university-sponsored” according to Wilma Henry, associate vice-president for student life and wellness. Henry claims they are trying to find out who made and placed the sign. Soon after Fagen
painted the sign it is removed from the area by facilities planning. Whoever made the sign reproduced USF’s logo illegally and could face legal action.  

A groundbreaking at the 50th street site where the new Hillel Center will be built marks the beginning of the first Jewish Student Union at USF. The 3,600 square foot center opens over a year later.

Engineering Major Jeremy McGinnis wins an art contest sponsored by Prentice Hall Publishing. His piece, “Rusty,” made from rusted metal found in a junkyard, will be featured on the cover of a Prentice Hall textbook. He will also receive $100. It is the first art class for McGinnis, a senior, and the first piece of art he has created.

MBA graduate student Brett Miller is the first to pay his tuition online using a credit card.

USF senior Kerine Black becomes the first person to win four individual gold medals at the Conference USA championship.

New College will officially become Florida’s 11th independent public university as of July 1st.

The state legislature cuts the tuition waiver program that allowed faculty, staff, and state employees to take six tuition-free credit hours.

The Board of Regents meets for the last time (they will be replaced by local controlling boards for each school). The BOR approves USF’s plans to seek NCAA Division I-A status for the football team and to build Greek housing on campus.
Midnight Madness will return to USF to kick off the 2001 basketball season. It will be the first time USF has held the event in two years.  

President Genshaft announces the membership of the new USF Board of Trustees, who will be replacing the Board of Regents on a local level. SG President Mike Griffin will be the only student on the Board and will be the only member of the board from USF. Some in the USF community worry that there is not enough minority representation on the board and that they represent a business focus with little background in the social sciences. 

Michael LaPan, president of Sun Dome Inc., discusses the possibility of selling the naming rights to the dome. The soda corporation (most likely either Pepsi or Coca-Cola) that acquires exclusive rights to USF would be the most probable namesake. 

The USF Center for HIV Education and Research receives a $1.79 million grant for the next year. 

Janet Reno, U.S. Attorney General during the Clinton Administration, receives an award from the James and Jennifer Harrell Center for the Study of Domestic Violence. The center is part of the College of Public Health. Reno is honored for her advocacy on behalf of the abused elderly. 

USF will have approximately 37,000 students for the fall 2001 semester. 

The Bulls football team begins their first season in Division I-A. Their first game of the year is on the road at Northern Illinois; they lose 20-17.
An accident in the spring led the SoberRide program to lose its insurance coverage and shut down. Student Government members hope to get the service moving again soon.  

The textbook reservation program at the USF bookstore, which previously required students to fill out a form in person, now can be accessed online. They also accept debit cards online and can ship the orders to students living on campus. The bookstore is also offering an Advance Purchase Program for students who need books before they receive financial aid. The bookstore will advance students $300.  

The football team beats Pittsburgh 35-26. The win is USF’s second against a division I-A opponent, is the biggest upset at Pittsburgh in 111 years, and is the “most important” win in USF football history.  

In an interview with professor Sami Al-Arian, Fox TV pundit Bill O’Reilly wonders if USF is “a hotbed for terrorist activity.” O’Reilly cited a link between Al-Arian and former USF instructor Ramadan Shallah, leader of Islamic Jihad. Al-Arian claimed that he worked with Shallah, but Shallah did not become involved in terrorist activities until 6 months after he left USF. Al-Arian claims that the producers “tricked” him by saying that the subject matter would only cover the World and Islam Studies Enterprise (WISE) think tank in Tampa. Students, faculty, and administrators at USF discuss the accusations and issues of safety at the school.
Student Body President Mike Griffin is interviewed on O’Reilly’s show The O’Reilly Factor, and defends administrators’ decision to put Al-Arian on paid leave. The issue continues to appear in the editorial and letters pages of the Oracle.\(^{6003}\)

Bill O’Reilly states on his TV show that President Genshaft “will not explain what the heck is going on” at USF and should be removed from her position as president. He believes that Al-Arian’s continued paid leave at USF is “ridiculous.”\(^{6004}\)

Members of the faculty meet to discuss issues of free speech and academic freedom in the wake of the O’Reilly scandal. Members of the faculty senate publicly support Genshaft’s decision to place Professor Al-Arian on leave and draft an official statement.\(^{6005}\)

Bill O’Reilly interviews USF professor and faculty union president Roy Weatherford on his TV show. Weatherford defends USF’s actions, stating that Al-Arian has not been found guilty of anything and any allegations come from the federal government, which has investigated Al-Arian for two years and found nothing.\(^{6006}\)

Al-Arian denies a segment on the TV show Dateline NBC that claimed he had ties to the Palestinian Islamic Jihad terrorist group. Al-Arian claims “terrorism expert and NBC consultant” Steven Emerson, the primary source for the report, is both “a liar” and “a phony.”\(^{6007}\)

\(^{6003}\) O 1 October 2001 p1. Al-Arian personally responds with a guest column in the Oracle, 8 October 2001 p4.
\(^{6004}\) O 5 October 2001 p1.
\(^{6005}\) O 10 October 2001 p1, 11 October 2001 p1, 18 October 2001 p1.
\(^{6006}\) O 17 October 2001 p6.
\(^{6007}\) O 29 October 2001 p1.
USF students respond to the 9/11 terrorist attacks on the United States, which dominates the Oracle reporting, editorial pages, and letters to the editor for weeks afterwards.\textsuperscript{6008}

The USF Center for Biological Defense receives a $4 million grant from the United States Department of Defense.\textsuperscript{6009}

Engineering Professor Robin Murphy and three of her graduate students drive through the night on September 11\textsuperscript{th} and arrive in New York on September 12\textsuperscript{th} to help rescue efforts at the site of the World Trade Center. USF is one of just three universities in the United States developing robotic technology for urban search and rescue.\textsuperscript{6010}

The USF football team wins its first Division I-A home game, beating North Texas 28-10.\textsuperscript{6011}

Administrators postpone the Peace, Unity, and Awareness Rally of the Coalition of Progressive Student Organizations because of security reasons. Organizers of the Awareness Rally had planned for about 20 people, but the Tampa Tribune printed an article describing the event as an “anti-war” rally, leading the numbers to jump to 300. Anthony Brooks, chairman of the CPSO, says the article’s author was mistaken and the rally is not “anti-war,” but is meant to engender discussion about the issues. The Coalition was supposed to start their drive for sponsorship on September 11\textsuperscript{th} but postponed because of the attacks.\textsuperscript{6012}

\textsuperscript{6008} O 12 September 2001 p1, 13 September 2001 p1.
\textsuperscript{6009} O 27 September 2001 p1.
\textsuperscript{6010} O 28 September 2001 p1.
\textsuperscript{6011} O 1 October 2001 p16.
\textsuperscript{6012} O 11 October 2001 p9.
Mold causes illnesses and the closure of the photo lab at the Marshall Center. It re-opens soon after the closure.\(^{6013}\)

A staff member at the Oracle, who is also a student, receives an envelope containing white powder. This worries the community because of recent anthrax scares around Florida. Tests show that the student is not adversely affected by her contact with the substance.\(^ {6014}\)

The Coalition of Progressive Student Organizations holds the rally “amid tight security.” The event is meant to “raise awareness of different perspectives students may have about the domestic and foreign affairs.” Students who attend the event wait in line and then get on stage and express themselves for two minutes. According to the Oracle, most of the opinions regarded U.S. military actions in Afghanistan.\(^ {6015}\)

Laptop users will now be able to access the internet in the library because it has been connected with wireless internet.\(^ {6016}\)

The homecoming festivities will include a rerouted parade down Maple Drive, Comedian D.L. Hughley, and the unveiling of the new USF mascot. Sophomores Terry Lucas and Robbie Mann hope to start a new tradition by camping out in tents behind the Sun Dome the night before the Basketball team’s first exhibition game. Basketball coach Seth Greenberg brings pizza to the campers in the evening and doughnuts and orange juice in the morning. Lucas writes a diary describing his time camping out in what he refers to as “GreenbergOplis” in honor of the coach. The Oracle reports that the two

\(^{6014}\) O 17 October 2001 p1.
\(^{6015}\) O 25 October 2001 p1.
\(^{6016}\) O 26 October 2001 p1.
students will stay at GreenbergOplis throughout the season and Lucas’s diary reappears the following week in the Oracle. It is unclear how long they stay.\textsuperscript{6017}

USF President Judy Genshaft, Athletic Director Leroy Selmon, Football Coach Jim Leavitt and SG President Mike Griffin are among those who partake in the traditional cake cutting which begins homecoming week.\textsuperscript{6018}

Sammy Kalmowicz and Danielle Traub are named Homecoming King and Queen during a 45-6 Bulls victory over Houston. The players dedicated the game and the season to the memory of red-shirt freshman Patrick Payton, who died in a motorcycle accident over the summer. Just before the game, the Coach Leavitt presented Payton’s mother with his framed number 29 jersey.\textsuperscript{6019}

Because of the large freshman class coming into USF this year, the school will begin holding some of its larger classes at the movie theater at the University Mall. Some students find that the commute disrupts their day.\textsuperscript{6020}

The campus celebrates the opening of the Psychology and Communication Sciences and Disorders Building.\textsuperscript{6021}

Immigration and Naturalization Services arrests former adjunct instructor Mazen Al-Najjar, one of the key figures in the ongoing scandal involving USF and allegations of harboring terrorists. Al-Najjar was arrested in 1997 and spent over three years in jail because of secret evidence the government claimed linked him to terrorist networks. A judge ruled that the government cannot hold someone on secret evidence. Al-Najjar has

\textsuperscript{6018} O 30 October 2001 p1.
\textsuperscript{6019} O 5 November 2001 p1 and 16.
\textsuperscript{6020} O 14 November 2001 p1, 18 January 2002.
\textsuperscript{6021} O 20 November 2001 p1.
been ordered to leave the country, but has nowhere to go because he is a “stateless Palestinian.”

State budget cuts necessitate the butting of Bright Futures classes over the summer and a limiting on summer offerings for other students.

The Board of Trustees hopes to present the final version of USF’s Mission, Goals, Values and Visions plan. The document will be a planning blueprint for the school.

**2002:** The USF School of Architecture and Community Design was named the “top architecture school in Florida” by the Florida Board of Architecture and Interior Design, the state’s licensing board.

USF dedicated a new, 32,000-square-foot, $9.1 million College of Engineering Building in February. The fourth building in the Engineering complex boasts state-of-the-art classrooms, laboratories and faculty offices.

The USF Board of Trustees on March 21 approved a $15-million loan to supplement private donations and provide the funds necessary to build a state-of-the-art athletic facility to open in 2003.

The USF Board of Trustees approved a new honors college at USF to help the university attract more high-achieving students.

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6024 O 6 December 2001 p1.
The Oracle was named the state’s best student daily by Florida Leader magazine for the second year in a row.

Two College of Education majors became the first-ever students to receive a four-year degree from USF St. Petersburg.

“Since USF has a large growing student population there is often a need for students and faculty to access communication or information outside the classroom. This semester those needs for communication are available to the USF community with a new system of interactive communication called University Web Portal. The system has been added to the myUSF online services, and some students and faculty are finding it an easier, updated version of WebCT. The Web Portal has services that allow USF students to view grades on recent assignments, post messages on discussion boards, sell and buy textbooks with other users and search for transportation on a car pool board. The system was added to USF’s online service called myUSF, which allows students to utilize e-mail, calendars and an address book.”

“USF’s Tampa campus Library had to resolve budget cut effects that hit the university last semester by reducing its operating hours and student-employee hours this semester. Many USF departments had a 5 percent cut, but the Library was faced with an overall 9 percent cut from its budget. Jim Gray, acting director for the Library, said it lost about $450,000 from the summer and fall cuts combined that will not be returned. Gray and the Library faculty decided to trim 11 hours from its weekly schedule of

6025 O 7 January 2002.
operation. The changes took place this week. This also caused Other Personnel Service (OPS) hours to be cut as well.”

“Gov. Jeb Bush on Tuesday proposed a $93 million increase in spending for Florida’s state universities, alleviating, at least temporarily, financial setbacks suffered from last month’s special session-induced budget cuts. A special session called in December because of slow economic growth resulted in state university budget cuts of more than $83 million. Bush acknowledged, however, that there were no assurances that the economy will rebound and said other parts of the new state budget will likely remain flat in order to boost spending for the next school year.”

“More than 100 people packed into the Westside Conference Center Wednesday as the Faculty Senate debated whether to support President Judy Genshaft’s decision to fire Sami Al-Arian.” “The Faculty Senate voted…not to support President Judy Genshaft’s decision to fire controversial, tenured Professor Sami Al-Arian.”

“With the recent concern about the state of our nation’s economy in mind, the features department decided to run a series dealing with money issues for the spring semester. Each article will take a look at a specific economic topic as it relates to students at USF.”

“Former USF striker Kristine Edner is a member of Norway’s national team taking part in the Four Nations Tournament later this month in Guangzhou, China. Edner
played for the Bulls from 1996-98, earning numerous records and accolades, but this is
her first stint at the national level. ‘It’s a lot higher speed, and the intensity is a lot higher
(at the national level compared to college),’ Edner said via telephone from Oslo, Norway.
‘Everyone is a lot better, so you’ve got to be on top all the time.’ Edner was frequently on
top of her game during her three years with the Bulls. She led the team in scoring and
garnered first team All-Conference USA honors each year and set school single-season
records with 16 goals and 43 points in 1998. Edner’s 37 goals, 24 assists and 98 points all
rank second on USF’s career lists.”

“Tuesday marks the 73rd anniversary of the birth of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King
Jr. In commemoration of the civil rights movement and the achievements of King, the
Coalition of Progressive Student Organizations has organized the March on USF. The
march will provide students and faculty at USF an opportunity to re-enact the 1963
March on Washington, a movement that united more than 250,000 people. This historic
event led to King’s famous “I Have a Dream” speech and encouraged Congress to pass
the Civil Rights Act.”

“A United Faculty of Florida steering committee on Sunday unanimously voted to
provide legal and financial support to controversial USF professor Sami Al-Arian.” “The
motion will be passed on to UFF’s three affiliates: The Florida Education Association,
the National Education Association and the American Federation of Teachers.”

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“If USF President Judy Genshaft finalizes Sami Al-Arian’s termination, the
tenured professor said Monday he’s prepared to contest her decision. And he doesn’t
think he’ll lose. ‘America is the only place you can fight back,’ Al-Arian said during a
news conference at the Islamic Community of Tampa’s compound. ‘And better yet, you
can win … and we will win.’”

Although it is “not something that’s set in stone,” according to Gina Bendetto,
assistant director for Centre Gallery, the USF School of Architecture has an art exhibit at
the Gallery once a year. This year’s exhibit is called “Form, Space and Light: An
Exploration.”

The Student Government Senate votes to demonstrate their support for President
Genshaft and the BOT’s decision to suspend Professor Sami Al-Arian. Because he was a
tenured professor, the debate over Al-Arian’s suspension continues. Throughout the
summer and fall many writers accuse President Genshaft of avoiding the issue. Genshaft
officially terminates Sami Al-Arian.

“Medical faculty members gathered Tuesday to hear the State of the College of
Medicine Address, the main topic being the recent wave of educational budget cuts.
Speaker Joanne Strobbe, associate dean for business and technology for the College of
Medicine said she’s maintained an optimistic perspective throughout the budget cutting
process. “In my opinion, the College of Medicine budget is healthy,” she said. Strobbe’s
comment came despite the announcement made only moments earlier by the college’s

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6035 0 16 January 2002, 24 January 2002, 27 February 2003, the Al-Arian case has been a dominant issue in
the Oracle throughout the entire year.
dean, Dr. Robert Daugherty, that the cuts have affected the medical program at USF by $2.28 million for the coming fiscal year."

“Graduate Assistants United voted unanimously on Tuesday to support the resolution passed by the faculty union last week supporting Sami Al-Arian should he choose to take legal action against the university.”

University 16 Theaters at University Mall works with USF to make possible “the new movie theater project that started at the beginning of the semester. The project is a trial run to see if the theaters serve as a good classroom environment and to help USF officials offer as many available spaces in classes as they can due to budget cuts. The review of the project seems to be a positive one.” University administrators think that there is a good possibility that this project will continue in the future.

“This week, USF Human Resources began mailing out layoff notices to employees whose jobs could be eliminated in June. Sandra Conway, assistant director for Human Resources, said about 20 letters were mailed to USF employees, including the branch campuses. The letters distributed were a notification to the employee that the position they hold could be abolished due to budget cuts, but no final decisions will be made until June 20.”

Some students are annoyed by the new policy of putting classes too large to house in USF facilities in nearby movie theatres off campus. In addition to the hassle of having

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to leave campus, the students enrolled in these courses are also charged an additional $7.50.

“President Judy Genshaft said Tuesday that the recommendation to fire Sami Al-Arian is an issue that took a tremendous toll on USF. At Tuesday’s Board of Trustees meeting, Genshaft and the trustees reviewed the principles of academic freedom and tenure, which is a document listing the rights professors are entitled to inside and outside the classroom. It’s an issue that has received attention because of USF Professor Sami Al-Arian.”

“The Muslim Students Association and the Coalition of Progressive Student Organizations [join] forces Wednesday to march in protest of the much-publicized firing of professor Sami Al-Arian. The protesters [call] for the reinstatement of Al-Arian and [question] the decisions of the Board of Trustees and university President Judy Genshaft.”

USF’s representative in the Eastbay National Flag Football Championship won the national title from a pool of 57 other teams. The team, called “Shut ’Em Down,” beat Florida A&M University in the championship game 32-22.

USF Student Benny Cohen appears on the college tournament for TV game show Hollywood Squares.

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Kenyatta Jones, less than a year after being the first USF football player drafted to play in the NFL, becomes the first former Bull to play in the Super Bowl. Jones is a backup offensive lineman for the AFC Champion New England Patriots. The Patriots defeat the St. Louis Rams 20-17, making Jones the first USF player to win a Super Bowl.  

“USF aims to secure more funds this year because of its increased enrollment.”

“As long as tuition and enrollment remain unharmed, budget cuts shouldn’t hurt A&S fees.”

“A group that represents 20 graduate student organizations will hold a forum Wednesday at which USF President Judy Genshaft will speak about her decision to fire tenured professor Sami Al-Arian. The Graduate and Professional Student Organization, which counsels graduate students on academic, social and cultural issues, organized the meeting after representatives from the provost’s office relayed to GPSO’s president, Patrick Cannon, that it was important for Genshaft to speak to graduate students about her decision to fire Al-Arian.” “An assembly of graduate students voted Wednesday 28-1 that Al-Arian should not be fired. The unofficial tally was taken after Genshaft answered questions from the group of more than 60. Some left before the discussion was finished, and not everyone that remained until the end voted.” “But Genshaft wasn’t concerned with votes. In fact, when Cannon suggested that the students decide whether to support

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the president by a show of hands once the question and answer session was finished, Genshaft said she hadn’t come for a vote. So she, along with Provost S. David Stamps and professor Susan Greenbaum, who also attended the forum, got up and left. Genshaft said a vote wasn’t part of the agreement to attend.”

With 17 points against UCF, USF basketball player Altron Jackson breaks the career Conference USA scoring record of DeMarco Johnson. Jackson also wins the C-USA Sixth Man of the Year awards in his sophomore and junior seasons.

“Midway through the second week of the Florida Legislature’s session, USF lobbyist Kathy Betancourt said Wednesday the atmosphere in Tallahassee has been quiet as legislators try to sort out shortcomings resulting from budget cuts. She said, however, that legislators are beginning to put together their agendas, two of which could affect USF.” “One is a recommendation from the Senate staff that would give state universities’ boards of trustees more specific powers, similar to that of community college boards, Betancourt said.” “Another issue, Betancourt said, was legislation based on Gov. Jeb Bush’s State of the State address last week. Bush proposed allocating $100 million for high-tech universities, and Betancourt said, as a result of the kind of work done at USF — marine science, macroelectronics, nano-biology, etc. — the university could benefit from additional funds.”

“Beginning today, universities across the nation will participate in National Islamic Awareness Month, giving students a chance to learn and ask questions about the

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Islamic culture. USF’s Muslim student organizations are preparing a month of activities including lectures, classes and cultural displays to give USF students the opportunity to learn more about Muslims. 

Al-Arian participates in a live chat online.

“USF and five other universities will participate in a $16 million Alzheimer’s Disease research project.”

“Sami Al-Arian’s quest for reinstatement entered the world of cyberspace Wednesday as he participated in an online chat as a part of The Chronicle of Higher Education’s Colloquy Live series. Al-Arian spent an hour fielding questions from students, professors and citizens from across the country. During the chat, Al-Arian was presented with a question or a comment from the general public and was allowed to respond. His responses ranged in length from just a sentence to upward of three paragraphs. The questions came from those who supported as well as opposed Al-Arian.

Richard Meyer, “Associate dean for the College of Business [,] says his students won’t see budget cuts affect class selection until next year, but frugality within the college will be maximized.”

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“The construction of Holly apartments was not the end of the Residence Hall Enhancement plan. It was just the beginning. Tom Kane, director for Residence Services, spoke with the Residence Hall Association Feb. 11 to discuss the newest phase in the enhancement plan: the Maple residence halls. The complex will be built on top of the Beta parking lot, and, in the end, Maple will sit at the intersection of Holly and Maple Drives, in front of Beta hall. “About one-third of the Village will be shut down this summer, and a crew will begin to drill in the parking lot within the next 45 days,” Kane said. “(This will begin) most likely after spring break.” The drilling in the parking lot will not affect the parking of any students. It is simply to test that the ground is adequate to build on, Kane said. Maple hall will house 28 students on each floor plus one resident assistant. Two students will share a room and an adjoining bathroom will link two rooms. In the middle of each floor there will be a common area where residents can lounge and study. There will also be a common kitchen for the residents at the end of each hall. Each room will contain its own air control, such as Holly apartments, and a sink that is separate from the bathroom.”

“Construction trucks will plow through USF again in May to break ground for a $14.5 million Greek housing project to be completed by August 2003. The project is a Residence Services plan that will provide seven buildings projected to house 14 Greek organizations on campus. This will provide eight fraternities and six sororities with 344 beds in their own houses. Two organizations will be housed per building, and a wall will divide the house, giving each side its own main entrance. The plan is expected to have eight, 3-story houses with 28 beds and six, 2-story houses with 20 beds.”

6056 O 13 February 2002.
organizations will rent the housing from USF instead of owning it outright themselves.\(^{6057}\)

“The American Association of University Professors thinks” that President Genshaft may have violated academic freedom when she fired Sami Al Arian, “but don’t count on a definitive answer for a long time. Mary Burgan, general secretary for the AAUP, explained Wednesday the process by which USF could be censured for violating academic freedom. She described censure as a “multi-level process” which, in USF’s case, could take more than a year.”\(^{6058}\)

“The USF men’s soccer team announced a decorated 2002 signing class Thursday, including the Florida Gatorade Player of the Year. Following a 15-win season and an appearance in the second round of the NCAA Tournament, USF coach John Hackworth tabbed a five-player class that will have to replace leading scorer Jason Cudjoe, midfielder Matt Cavenaugh and defensive anchor Joe Valencia.”\(^{6059}\)

“As USF waits for the Florida Legislature to set its new budget, faculty in the College of Medicine are still waiting to see if last year’s budget cuts will leave them unemployed. The College of Medicine’s $38.3 million budget was reduced last year by $2.3 million. This will affect 23 faculty positions, 14 of them currently employed researchers who could be laid off. Research positions such as biological scientists and lab technicians will be laid off unless the employees can be placed in another position.”}\(^{6060}\)

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“Students who support and oppose USF President Judy Genshaft’s decision to Sami Al-Arian [stand] with posters roughly 20 feet apart and [engage] in a heated hour-long debate. At one point during the debate Lars Fetzek, a Jewish graduate student who supports Al-Arian, and juniors Jim Holley and Mike Berman, who support Genshaft, [confront] each other with raised tones.”

“The U.S. Department of Justice on Thursday acknowledged that the federal government is conducting an ongoing investigation into the actions of controversial USF professor Sami Al-Arian. The information came in the form of a news release from Mac Cauley, U.S. Attorney for the Middle District of Florida. Cauley said in the release that although the government is typically prohibited from disclosing the information on the status of investigations, ‘there are exceptions to this policy, such as when the community needs to be reassured that the appropriate law enforcement agency is investigating the matter.’”

“After years of planning and months of building, USF President Judy Genshaft will officially open the new $9.1 million College of Engineering building with a ribbon-cutting ceremony today. The building will be home to four departments and offer 64 new offices to the engineering department.”

“Analyzing budget cuts and their effects on the university often involves looking at smaller classes, lost jobs and downsized departments. But not all news is bad news in “Budgetland”, according to some. While most would agree that cutting the budget isn’t a

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good thing, some say it can bring about positive effects. USF lobbyist Kathy Betancourt said budget cuts can sometimes make legislators better understand the importance of programs which are oftentimes overlooked. When cuts come around, these programs are brought into the limelight, because even minimal cuts could destroy them."

“USF President Judy Genshaft unveiled the new $9.1 million Engineering Building III with an official ribbon-cutting ceremony. Genshaft said the ceremony was an important point in her presidency in that the ground-breaking ceremony in October 2000 was one of her first official acts at USF. Genshaft said the new building will be home to the chemical, civil, environmental, industrial and mechanical engineering offices. She said the building is an important step in improving the learning environment for engineering students. “This new building is a representation in bricks and mortar of the exciting development in our College of Engineering,” she said. Present at the ceremony were several engineering faculty members and community members who had given gifts for the building. Among these was USF alumnus John Ramil, president for Tampa Electric. Ramil is also a member of the USF Board of Trustees, and his company gave $1 million toward the construction.”

Safe Zone, a group created to provide a safe environment for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender students, will hold its first Safe Zone Task Force meeting today. Members of Safe Zone are known for stickers on their offices or cars. These stickers are meant to designate the area as one that is safe to discuss sexual orientation issues. Nicole

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West, coordinator for Student Affairs at USF, said the goal of the Task Force is to provide an avenue for the Safe Zone message to reach throughout the university."

The Moffitt Cancer Centers has formed a partnership with the Puerto Rico Cancer in order to share research and information.6067

Genshaft speaks “about Al-Arian, the threat of being blacklisted by the American Association of University Professors, and the reasons behind her decision” recognizing “that this complex case is ‘nationally visible, and precedent-setting.’” She believes that it is most important to “view the situation holistically, not just since Sept. 26, when allegations of Al-Arian’s terrorist ties were reintroduced by talk show host Bill O’Reilly. ‘You cannot take this semester as an isolated incident. You must take Professor Al-Arian’s past and present in order to make a decision about the future,’ Genshaft said. ‘This is a person with a history. This isn’t somebody that just has had some issues that are involved in just one semester.’”6068

“According to the USF Summary Base Budget Reduction Plan, students should anticipate that classes will be larger and course offerings fewer. Thus, many students may not be able to graduate on time. However, despite the budget cuts’ pervasive impact on students’ lives, financial aid will remain unscathed. ‘In terms of funds for students, programs like Bright Futures are held harmless,’ said Leonard Gude, director for the

6066 O 28 February 2002.
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Office of Financial Aid. ‘There’s no need for concern. In fact, the university is putting more money in merit-based programs for incoming students.’

“Due to the tightening of the budget, the University of South Florida has had to cut several degree programs, most recently, the bachelor of science in dance education. Ronald Jones, dean for the College of Visual and Performing Arts, met with approximately 30 students to field questions about the program being lost because of budget cuts.” Emotions ran high and the dance majors demanded to know who made the final decision to cut their program.

Roy Weatherford Faculty “Union president uses an introductory speech at an academic freedom lecture to criticize USF President Judy Genshaft’s decision to pursue the termination of controversial professor Sami Al-Arian.”

The Marshall Center receives structural work and a paint job.

“Two weeks ago in a tournament in Brazil, USF men’s soccer coach John Hackworth served as an assistant to national Under-17 team coach John Ellinger. Wednesday at the USF Soccer Stadium, Hackworth and Ellinger were on opposite sides, as Hackworth’s Bulls took on the national youth team in a spring practice match. Hackworth came away the winner against his boss, as the Bulls took an early lead and held on for a 3-1 win, avenging last year’s 4-1 loss.”

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The Faculty Senate does not pass a proposal that would allow for the use of an “A+” grade.\footnote{O 21 March 2002.}

“The pending situation involving controversial professor Sami Al-Arian compounded Wednesday when a former federal prosecutor filed a civil suit against him in state court. John Loftus, president for St. Petersburg’s Holocaust Museum and well-known author on terrorism and intelligence, is claiming that Al-Arian conspired against the United States with the Saudi Arabian government. He also alleges Al-Arian used the guise of a charitable organization to funnel money into Saudi terrorist groups. Al-Arian said Wednesday the allegations are nonsense.”\footnote{O 21 March 2002}

Fareed Zakaria, “editor for Newsweek International, will speak to students about his research analyzing the rage behind terrorism at 7 p.m. in Cooper Hall Room 103.” His Newsweek “article, ‘The Politics of Rage: Why Do They Hate Us?’ discusses the last 30 years of history in the Middle East. Zakaria explains the reasons for the hate against Americans in the Islamic world. He also lists ways to defeat terror and bring about reform. Zakaria said the strategy to deal with the form of religious terrorism must be divided along three lines: military, politics and cultural. He said military goals are the destruction of al-Qaida, the political goal is obtaining international legitimacy for reforative acts; and the cultural goal is helping Islam enter the modern world.”\footnote{O 21 March 2002} “If a terrorist wants to find out how to build a nuclear bomb all he needs is a good Internet search engine, said Fareed Zakaria, editor for Newsweek International, at USF Thursday. Media representatives from Southeast Asia were among students, faculty and alumni that
attended the lecture, ‘The Politics of Rage. Why Do They Hate Us??’ in Cooper Hall. The journalists, from Thailand, Indonesia, the Philippines and Malaysia were in the United States as part of a U.S. State Department sponsored visit to allow journalists from Muslim countries to see how Muslims are treated in the U.S.” He alleged that religion does not lie at the bottom of terrorist extremism.  

“A meeting scheduled to last 30 minutes between students and a representative from the American Association of University Professors lasted nearly an hour and a half Thursday morning. During the session, five students who support USF President Judy Genshaft's decision to fire controversial professor Sami Al-Arian, were given a chance to explain to William Van Alstyne, chairman for a three-member panel that is investigating whether Genshaft violated academic freedom, why they thought Al-Arian should be given the boot.”  

“On Wednesday, John Loftus, a former federal prosecutor and current president for St. Petersburg’s Holocaust Museum, filed a civil suit in state court alleging Al-Arian has conspired against the United States with the Saudi government and funneled money into terrorist groups under the guise of charity.” Al-Arian, who has before been investigated by the FBI, but never charged with a crime, shook off the latest news as a political conspiracy. ‘This is an orchestrated campaign that has been waged against us for many years,’ Al-Arian said. He said the U.S. government is using him as an example of
what will happen to others who speak out against its policies, especially those pertaining to Israel.”

“After two bouts of budget cuts in the past year, the College of Arts and Sciences, USF’s largest college, finds itself short of money and short on classes. Interim Dean Renu Khator said the cuts have been hard and nearly impossible to handle. ‘Let me put it this way, the cuts were very drastic,’ Khator said. ‘We’re just basically cut to the bone.’ Khator said the college has attempted to make the impact on the students as little as possible. She said that would be difficult, however, with a reduced faculty and a freeze on new hirings. Khator said without the remaining faculty’s efforts, the cuts would have had a large impact on students’ education.”

“As the director for USF athletics, [Lee Roy] Selmon is busy trying to secure funds for the proposed athletics facility on campus. Selmon estimates the cost of the facility to be in the neighborhood of $13-15 million, and the process of securing the funds is well under way. ‘We’re working with our administration and coming up with a financial plan to build a facility, and that is to identify resources to pay back a loan or bond issue,” Selmon said. A bond issue will be necessary because the entire facility cannot be funded by private donations, which now total roughly $2 million, Selmon said. “We would like to get as much of that as we possibly can in commitments and pledges because that will be paying down our debt servicing,” Selmon said.”

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“Students who have free access to USF’s dial-up modem as their Internet service will have to start paying a fee on July 1. The modem will come with a monthly charge expected to be $5.99, said Claire Robinson, assistant vice president for planning policy analysis and information technology. Robinson said the modem, which is provided by Academic Computing, costs about $200,000 to support the system and since it was cut from the budget they will have to use money from other sources.”

“Georgetown law professor David Cole will lend his two cents concerning the situation surrounding controversial USF professor Sami Al-Arian. Cole will speak tonight about terrorism and how it affects the nation’s civil liberties at 6 in room 111 of the Chemistry Building. Cole, an expert in constitutional law, criminal procedures and federal courts, is also the legal affairs correspondent for Internet news Web site, The Nation, and a commentator on National Public Radio. Cole is also a staff attorney for the Center of Constitutional Rights where he has litigated many First Amendment cases.”

“Attorney and First Amendment expert David Cole said the reasons cited by Genshaft in pursuing the termination of tenured professor Sami Al-Arian were ‘transparently flimsy.’ In his lecture, ‘Academic Freedom and Civil Liberties In The Wake Of September 11,’ Cole spoke about Al-Arian’s pending situation and the legal changes that occurred in the United States following the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Cole said Al-Arian’s case crystallized the changes that had occurred in the U.S. since Sept. 11.”

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“The College of Public Health is reorganizing its employment makeup in order to adapt to budget cuts. As a result, it is cutting at least eight entry-level faculty positions. For one track, the college has had to compensate by relying solely on one professor to teach that area.” “Administrator [Phil Marty] says the college will lose more than $430,000 as a result of statewide budget cuts.”

A group of Muslims hold a rally “denouncing Israeli occupation of the Palestinian territories. The protest, held on the corner of 56th Street and Fowler Avenue, comes at a time when a car bombing in West Jerusalem marked the sixth suicide bombing in as many days in the region.” The leader of the rally is a student named Suhail Rifaie, “a junior at The Islamic Academy of Florida — a Muslim school founded by controversial USF professor Sami Al-Arian.” “About 50 Muslims — many of them children — and” sang “chants of anti-Israeli sentiment toward cars passing by.”

Students from Sami Al-Arian’s class the semester that he was suspended from his teaching duties sign “a petition, which [is] submitted to the graduate program director, the dean for the College of Engineering and the chairperson for the Computer Science Department, asking for Al-Arian to be allowed to teach.”

“Officials say people still want to come to the university regardless of the Sami Al-Arian controversy.”

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“The fluctuation in financial support to the university isn’t totally caused by the Sami Al-Arian controversy, officials say.”

There were two tickets running for Student Body President and Vice President. Incumbents Mike Griffin and Dave Mincberg received 1,250 of the 1,679 total votes. The other ticket, Joe Nirenberg and Lakia Stewart, received 408 votes. It is the first time in recent memory that there was no need for a runoff election.

The police say that the death threats against Sami Al Arian have subsided since the original airing of his appearance on the O’Reilly Factor, a Fox News program.

“Holocaust expert who sued Sami Al-Arian will discuss past atrocities and present turmoil” during Hillel’s weeklong remembrance of the Holocaust. During the speech, Loftus outlines the reasons why he believes Al-Arian to be closely connected to terrorism.

“Officials at universities around the state view the controversy involving Sami Al-Arian and USF President Judy Genshaft’s decision to fire him as nothing less than complex. Genshaft’s decision has caused many to think about the difficulty of the job as president and the issue of academic freedom. Carlos Alfonso, Board of Trustees member for the University of Florida, said in any university, there will always be controversial

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issues. He said Genshaft was put into a tough position to make a choice that would affect the entire university, and USF should be careful not to lose her.***6093

“While many education departments are struggling with budget cuts, the USF Center for Biological Defense has found itself a beneficiary of the war on terrorism, receiving a $2.7 million increase in funds from its contract with the U.S. Department of Defense.”***6094

There is a controversy on campus when WUSF refuses to play on-air ads advertising the upcoming appearance of Ralph Nader and Michael Moore at USF. The ads are taken off the air because they might portray a political bias on the part of the station.***6095

The construction being done on the Phyllis P. Marshall Center is at the edge of completion. The painting contractor will begin working on the final quadrant of the Marshall Center on Monday. The final quadrant includes the covered patio that is adjacent to the Marshall Center’s food court. Due to the awnings covering the patio, this area will be closed for as long as two weeks.***6096

“USF’s Educational Outreach, which provides audio/visual equipment such as projectors or cameras to the university, may not be able to buy as much equipment as it

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would like this year because of budget cuts, said Jackie Fechter, coordinator for the Audio Visual Department in Educational Outreach."

USF Track and Field athlete Jimmy Baxter successfully clears 7 feet, 4.5 inches in the high jump. This is the highest jump nationwide among college athletes this season. Chandra Brewer throws the shot put 51 feet, which is the best in Conference USA this season. Both are named C-USA athletes of the week, the first time USF has had both athletes of the week in C-USA history.

“Phi Beta Kappa official says the university shouldn’t even apply for its honor if censured by the AAUP, but USF administrators say talks of censure are premature.”

“[Nancy] Barbara, a Department of Women’s Studies adjunct who teaches Human Sexual Behavior, has such a following for her three-day-a-week class, students are often told by their orientation leader that her course is a must, Barbara said. So when Barbara’s students learned in mid-March that her teaching load would be drastically reduced next fall because of budget cuts, they weren’t happy. More than 350 students signed a petition supporting Barbara and sent it to the administration. And at Tuesday night’s Student Government senate meeting, the administration responded.”
“USF men’s soccer coach John Hackworth resigned Wednesday after four years at the helm of the Bulls to take a full-time position as an assistant coach with the Under-17 U.S. national team.”

“Free speech was a hot topic of discussion at USF Thursday, but for the first time in nearly eight months, the man whose speech was being dissected wasn’t Sami Al-Arian. It was a University Police officer. Mike Klingebiel, the UP’s public information officer, sent an e-mail just after 8 am with a simple message intended to inform the university community that UP brought in $2,500 at an auction for the USF Student Emergency Loan Fund. But it was what followed the summary that led to a daylong exchange on three USF listservs. Klingebiel said in the message that UP “got a little aggressive” and auctioned off a few things that it shouldn’t have. The list included WUSF Radio, USF President Judy Genshaft’s car, the Administration Building and The Oracle. Two hours later, UP Major Pat Johnson sent out an e-mail of his own, calling Klingebiel’s e-mail a “lapse in good judgment,” saying that it was unprofessional and detracted from UP’s dedication to serving the university community and apologized to those the e-mail “directly offended.” “The administration of the University of South Florida Police Department extends our deepest regrets for this inappropriate act of insensitivity,” the e-mail said. But even Genshaft was laughing Thursday after she learned that she was one of the subjects at whom Klingebiel was poking fun, as Klingebiel made reference to USF’s faculty union being the high-bidder in the imaginary auction.”

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“An important step in USF’s quest to become a leading center for cancer research and treatment took place Friday evening as the American Cancer Society cut the ribbon on its new Tampa Hope Lodge. The $9 million lodge, which is located next to the H. Lee Moffitt Center, is the 18th of its kind in the United States and the third in Florida. Its purpose is to provide free living space and a communal environment for patients who must travel to Tampa for cancer treatment.”

USF begins a Naval ROTC program.

“Fedaa Al-Najjar, wife of former USF professor and government detainee Mazen Al-Najjar” is disappointed after she waits the six months that his lawyers told her was the maximum amount of time the government could detain him without being deported.”

“The current situation is just the latest in a long saga for Al-Najjar, who is the brother-in-law of the embattled USF professor Sami Al-Arian. Al-Najjar has been fighting deportation for more than five years. He caught the attention of the FBI while heading a USF campus Islamic group allegedly tied to Palestinian Jihad, a known terrorist group. Al-Najjar was jailed for more than three years based on secret governmental evidence. He was released in 2000 after his imprisonment was ruled unconstitutional.”

Governor Jeb Bush signs the School Code Rewrite Bill in the College of Education at USF.

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6106 O 20 May 2002.
The French Deputy Consul comes to USF to award professor Eugene Scruggs for his promotion of French language and culture. He is to receive the highest academic honor that the French government grants. French Deputy consul, stationed in Miami, Delia Mata-Ciampoli, grants Scruggs the “Chevalier de l’Ordre des Palmes Academiques.”

USF’s Sailing Team is invited to the National Championship for the first time in their history.

“The Florida Student Association, which represents the 245,000 college students across Florida, is lobbying Gov. Jeb Bush to veto additional increases above the 5 percent statewide increment. On May 13, the State Legislature passed an education appropriations bill. The bill contains the annual increase of undergraduate tuition but also contains a provision giving state boards of trustees the option to implement an additional increase in graduate and professional tuition. If approved, undergraduate tuition for residents and non-residents will increase by 5 percent at Florida’s state schools. Local boards of trustees would also have the option to raise resident graduate and professional school tuition another 5 percent, as well as non-resident tuition by another 10 percent.”

“The USF Tampa campus Library is the latest victim of budget cuts and small summer enrollment. Officials have responded to what they say is a substantial drop in

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student usage between 10 p.m. and midnight by cutting those hours and saving the library money.”

USF researchers have developed a new process for detecting anthrax. “The new method may well provide a breakthrough in reducing the excruciating three to four day wait for diagnosis that people exposed to “suspicious substances” currently endure. The process, if adopted by the Florida Department of Health, could reduce the time needed to confirm the presence of anthrax in samples to as little as six to eight hours.”

The proposed Intercollegiate Athletic Facility “took a step closer to becoming a reality Tuesday when Dr. Robert Daugherty and Joy McCann Daugherty committed $500,000 toward an Academic Enrichment Center in the proposed facility.” “Robert Daugherty is the dean of the College of Medicine at USF, as well as the vice president of Health Sciences. Joy McCann Daugherty is the widow of former Buccaneers owner Hugh Culverhouse. Mrs. Daugherty is the single biggest benefactor to USF, and together, the Daugherty's contributed $1.3 million last year. Even with the Daugherty’s donation, funding appears to be the main factor holding back the building’s go-ahead.”

USF student Shelton Gilyard wins the 56 kilogram weight class in the National Weightlifting Championship [as an individual, not as a member of a USF team]. He is a five time winner of the competition and entered the contest as defending champion.

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Protestors rally outside of the Coleman Correctional Facility in Sumter County, calling for the immediate release of Mazen Al-Najjar. About 100 protestors attend the event. “Al-Najjar’s next legal action comes on June 12 when the INS will conduct a hearing to review his imprisonment. Martin Schwartz, one of Al-Najjar’s attorneys, said the hearing could mean a release without having to appear in court. Mrs. Al-Najjar, however, said the legal team working for her husband has told her not to raise her hopes.”

American Association of University Professors, based in Washington, D.C., has investigated [USF] about the handling of the [Sami Al-Arian] case. The AAUP could vote to censure USF if violations of Al-Arian’s academic freedom, due process and other rights are discovered. The “group released a stern interim statement on the case Monday. The statement said, among other things, that a full report could be produced by the investigating committee at any time. In addition, the statement continues to call for Al-Arian to be returned to work by the fall semester. ‘The investigating committee believes that Professor Al-Arian’s statements fell well within the ambit of academic freedom,’ the statement said. ‘Other currently pending charges against Professor Al-Arian have been characterized by the investigating committee as too insubstantial to warrant serious consideration as adequate cause for dismissal.’

Tuition costs rise in order to create and fund scholarships.

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A lawsuit filed by John Luftus, “which accused Al-Arian of providing aid for terrorists, will not see the light of a courtroom. A Hillsborough County judge ruled on Monday that the lawsuit, which was filed in March, did not prove Al-Arian had caused Loftus harm. Loftus said he is not upset by the ruling. ‘It’s not unexpected,’ Loftus said.’ The judge wanted more detail, which is not a problem.’ Loftus said the judge has given him 20 days to prepare an improved lawsuit. Loftus said preparing the lawsuit will not be a problem because he has a wealth of incriminating evidence on Al-Arian. He said he continues to classify Al-Arian as dangerous to Americans.” 6117

“With five teams making NCAA appearances this school year, USF athletics still has the most NCAA Tournament appearances of any Conference USA school in the league’s seven-year history.”6118

It is revealed that Bill Heller was ousted as St. Petersburg Campus CEO by the St. Petersburg Campus Board of Directors. In a meeting with President Genshaft, Heller agreed to look at some important issues and come up with a plan for leaving his position within a year. After the meeting Heller’s resignation was confirmed in the St. Petersburg Times, forcing him out of the position.6119

“The academic accolades from Conference USA keep coming USF’s way. A month after 29 Bulls earned the C-USA Academic Medal for having a grade point average of 3.75 or better, USF finished second in the conference’s running for the

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Institutional Excellence Award, presented to the university with the highest department-wide GPA.\textsuperscript{6120}

The National Women’s Law Center accuses 30 schools of Title IX violations, including USF. The NWLC “claims that women student-athletes aren’t receiving proportional benefits.”\textsuperscript{6121}

“UConn assistant George Kiefer will replace John Hackworth to become the sixth men’s soccer coach in USF history.”\textsuperscript{6122}

Aramark beats out Sodexho as food provider on USF campus for the next 5 years. As part of the deal, Aramark promises to invest $7 million in upgrading the campus dining options.\textsuperscript{6123}

“The Tampa Tribune publishe[s] a front-page story accusing Al-Arian and his brother-in-law, former USF adjunct professor Mazen Al-Najjar, who is being held in prison for deportation, of having deep ties with the Palestinian Islamic militant group Jihad. The story, written by Michael Fechter, cites as its sources unnamed members of Israel’s intelligence service. Along with the story, the newspaper published an explanation of why sources were not identified. This explanation was titled, ‘Security Calls for Anonymity.’”\textsuperscript{6124}

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\textsuperscript{6123} O 24 June 2002, 1 July 2002.
\textsuperscript{6124} O 24 June 2002
When asked why she has not yet released a decision on Al-Arian, Genshaft, who has said for months she will announce her choice in August, responded with a laugh. “It’s a very complicated case,” Genshaft said. “One we always continue to get new information on, as we did last weekend in The Tampa Tribune.” When answering questions about her decision concerning Sami Al-Arian President “Genshaft referred to a Sunday article in The Tampa Tribune that cited unnamed sources in the Israeli secret service that linked Al-Arian to Palestinian Islamic Jihad, a militant terrorist organization.” She also said that it is a complicated case and that she is “constantly weighing new information on Al-Arian in order to make the most appropriate decision.”

“The H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute received its largest private donation ever Tuesday — $15 million from retired industrialist Vincent Stabile. The gift from 85-year-old Stabile, a significant benefactor for several other charitable causes, is intended to support future cancer research at Moffitt. In recognition of his contribution, Moffitt will name its new research tower, currently under construction, The Vincent A. Stabile Research Building. The facility will be used to develop anti-cancer drugs, recruit internationally renowned researchers and conduct research into genetic screening. For Jack Pledger, Moffitt interim director, the donation is a vindication of Moffitt’s research into cancer care and prevention.”

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The Moffitt Cancer and Research Institute is ranked among the top 10 best cancer research in the U.S. according to U.S. News and World Report. Moffitt has been in the top 50 for four years, and ranked number 22 last year.  

80 protesters demonstrate against “The Tampa Tribune’s coverage of Muslim issues Friday. The protesters, organized by SIPJ, [rally] on Parker Street outside the offices of The Tampa Tribune for more than an hour, chanting slogans calling for an end to what they perceive as biased coverage. Many protesters [carry] placards with comments such as ‘We want journalists, not propagandists’ and ‘The Tampa Fibune.’ Seven police officers maintained a close watch throughout the demonstration.”

“USF’s club water polo team went from last at the 2001 Sunshine State Games to third this year.”

USF grad and former baseball player Carlos Tosca worked with various teams at the managerial level trying to achieve his goal of becoming a Major League manager. He began his career as manager at King High School in Tampa and after 24 years of managing at every level, takes a job as manager of the Toronto Blue Jays.

“The case against controversial USF professor Sami Al-Arian [takes] an unexpected turn Wednesday. President Judy Genshaft [opts] to render no decision on whether to fire Al-Arian and instead will leave it up to a state judge to decide. The Board

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of Trustees [files] a complaint for declaratory relief, in which it [asks] a state judge to determine if Al-Arian’s rights would be violated should the university move to fire him. The ruling will be binding."\textsuperscript{6131}

“Lebanese officials will investigate how the United States managed to dump former USF adjunct professor Mazen Al-Najjar into their country before it decided whether to grant him a six-month tourist visa, the \textit{Agence France Presse} reported. Sami Al-Arian, Al-Najjar’s brother-in-law, was informed of the plans to leave the stateless Palestinian in Beirut Monday by the French news service."\textsuperscript{6132}

Although Board of Trustees chairman Dick Beard and Student Body President Mike Griffin disagree over the recently approved tuition increases at USF, they “can agree on [the] controversial professor Sami Al-Arian. Beard said he made a statement before the board in which he applauded Genshaft’s decision to take the case to court. Beard has been criticized by some and praised by others for statements in which he called Al-Arian a terrorist.” “Professor Roy Weatherford, who last week appeared on \textit{The O’Reilly Factor} to discuss the Al-Arian issue, said he spoke before the board about the situation and the threat it presents to university faculty. He said he is concerned about the implications the Al-Arian case has against the grievance process. Weatherford said he was intrigued by Genshaft’s surprise decision to take the case to court. He said Beard’s congratulatory statements to Genshaft in front of other board members does not make a difference to him. Beard said the rest of the board members and administration officials

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do not agree with Weatherford’s comments. ‘Roy Weatherford is the only one that’s come out wanting to keep this guy on campus,’ Beard said. Griffin said he agrees with Beard’s congratulatory statement. He said Genshaft handled the situation well.”

“Vietnamese refugee Tran Anh-Hung overcomes his search for freedom with a college degree.”

“Controversial USF professor Sami Al-Arian stood Tuesday behind a bank of microphones and in front of a large American flag, giving camera crews and photographers the perfect shot. But Al-Arian’s news conference was not called to discuss his now nationally famous case, but instead to provide reaction from Muslim community leaders upset about the media and government’s reaction to the arrest of Seminole podiatrist Robert Goldstein and his foiled plans to blow up Islamic landmarks in the Tampa Bay Area.”

“The Biosafety Institute at USF will submit an inventory of its research biological agents to the Center for Disease Control.”

“USF’s student population is increasing, and that means more cars on campus. However, construction for new residence halls has eliminated about 150 resident parking spaces. Greg Sylvester, director for Parking and Transportation Services, said although a parking lot was lost for residents, accommodations have been made to ensure that more spaces are available for residents’ vehicles. Sylvester said about 60 spaces were opened

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for residents by designating the lot in front of the varsity tennis courts along Maple Drive as a resident-only parking lot. Some, however, don’t think that’s enough.” Some students are so frustrated with the situation that they have created websites online for students to share their “horror stories.” Junior Joe Jordan is one of these students. His “site’s homepage greets users with ‘USF Parking: Extortion at its finest.’”

As a result of increased student enrollment at USF, “an excess of 230 students who were guaranteed housing by Residence Services had to be temporarily placed in study lounges in campus residence halls and at Fontana Hall, located off Fletcher, said Tom Kane, director for Residence Services. Kane said 20 students have been placed in rooms that generally serve as study lounges in Beta and Castor halls. The students were provided with beds, Ethernet connection and other amenities that they would receive if they were housed in traditional rooms in those halls, Kane said.”

The Oracle chronicles the history of Bright Futures (begun in 1997) and the reasons for its current problems. In order to fuel the Bright Futures Scholarship Program the Florida state government takes funds generated Florida Lottery and creates scholarships for Florida high school students who stay in-state. “At its peak, the program offered year-round tuition coverage for the best students. In the 2000-2001 school year, the program paid $164 million for 87,000 students. Of those students, 75 percent earned grades high enough to renew their status in Bright Futures.” Yet, “paralleling the rest of the state and the nation, the program suffered from the effects of Sept. 11 in the form of budget cutbacks. In addition, Bright Futures suffered in the court of public opinion, at

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least in the minds of some. According to David Foy, executive director for the Florida Student Association, the program faced federal lawsuits from Latin-American groups and from the NAACP for discrimination against minority groups. In addition, lack of funds forced Bright Futures to drop its summer coverage this year.\footnote{6139}

USF settles the women’s basketball lawsuit for $298,989.\footnote{6140}

USF’s football game against Oklahoma will mark the school’s first nationally televised game. It will be played on TBS at 7 p.m.\footnote{6141}

“New-look Marshall Center could cost more than $50M. After three years, plans are still in the works while the cost rises.”\footnote{6142}

“Before Sami Al-Arian learned that two planes crashed into the Twin Towers, Sept. 11 was supposed to be a day for representatives from the Muslim community to meet with President George W. Bush. It would have been a day that Muslim leaders could have made a difference for non-U.S. citizens, Al-Arian said. At the Islamic Community of Tampa Bay Civics Center, Al-Arian [tells] the Muslim community Sunday evening where he was when he learned about the terrorist attacks, and how it affected his life,” cutting short his long fight against the government’s secret evidence against him.\footnote{6143}
“A $48-million project to expand the Phyllis P. Marshall Center could cost more than expected, Student Body president Mike Griffin said. Griffin attributed the change in cost to the damaged economy following Sept. 11. Griffin said the project will be carried out in two stages. Phase I, he said, will cost between $20-30 million, $10 million of which will be needed to gut the existing building and prepare it for renovation. Phase II, would cost about $25 million. The total cost could now exceed $50 million, he said.”

According to an Oracle article, coaches report that, “team travel after Sept. 11 [is] not easy. Some sports teams were back in the air traveling shortly after the attacks. That’s something that was hard to get used to.”

John Esposito, founding director of the center for Muslim-Christian understanding at Georgetown University, cancels his lecture. Esposito cites President Genshaft’s handling of the Al-Arian case and Genshaft’s “clear violation” of academic freedom.

“Genshaft characterized Esposito’s statements as a case of misinformation. She said that, in fact, Al-Arian has not been fired but placed on administrative leave. ‘It’s unfortunate that (Esposito) didn’t understand the facts of this situation, which is that professor Al-Arian is not fired,’ Genshaft said. ‘Obviously, he doesn’t understand the situation and the case very well.’”

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The Oracle recounts the stories of two USF students who were within two miles of the World Trade Center on September 11\textsuperscript{th}. USF Students reflect on the September 11\textsuperscript{th} attacks a year later.

“In spite of a perfect 3-0-0 start to the season, coupled with three shutouts, the Bulls’ defensive displays are still a cause for concern for USF men’s soccer coach George Kiefer. Amid all plaudits, said Kiefer, no one wants to hear the story behind the stats. ‘I know I sound like a broken record,’ Kiefer said. ‘People laugh and say, ‘Well, you have three shutouts,’ but you have to evaluate it by how many chances you gave up, and right now we’ve given up too many chances.’ Accordingly, as the Bulls go into this weekend’s AmeriSuites/Reebok South Florida Soccer Classic with matches against UNC-Greensboro Friday and Stony Brook Sunday, Kiefer has made improved defensive displays a priority.”

“New facilities for USF’s athletes could take longer to establish than expected as the $15-million project waits for a final financial outline. Construction of the two-story athletic facility was scheduled to start during the summer; however, Corey Johnson, deputy athletic director, said the university is waiting on a financial proposal from the bond issue.”

Bob Fiallo, a member of USF community relations discusses the new program that will rename the area around the university’s campus “Bulls Country.” According to Fiallo, “We may be part of Tampa, but North Tampa, that’s our town.”

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Oracle [paraphrasing Fiallo], the Bulls Country task force wants to “turn the area surrounding the university’s campus into the equivalent of a small college town in the midst of a city” by spreading “the word among local merchants and to fill area streets with banners and billboards.” “Basically what we’re trying to do, there has been a need to try to get more interaction between (area merchants) and the university,” Fiallo said. “We want people to know they’re in Bulls Country.”

Starting Jan. 30, 2003, universities across the nation will be required to start tracking the enrollment of foreign students and professors through a new Internet database system, known as the Students and Exchange Visitor Information System. However, if the system is not installed at universities by the January deadline, students will be penalized and may have to face deportation. Following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, Immigration and Naturalization Services proposed that SEVIS would be more efficient to identify a potential terrorist acting under a student visa.

Sami Al-Arian believes that USF administrators are “trying to bankrupt me through the court system,” Al-Arian said. “They’re trying to make me feel the pinch.” He believes that the “university has engaged in ‘deep-pocket’ tactics. He also said he feels his rights were circumvented when the university chose not to enter into arbitration. For those reasons, Al-Arian said, he called on a judge Monday to dismiss the lawsuit.” Arbitration is my option, not theirs,” Al-Arian said. USF media relations director Michael Reich disagreed with Al-Arian. He said the process that will allow the case to go to arbitration cannot begin unless Genshaft decides to fire the professor, which she has not

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yet done.” “The USF Board of Trustees filed its response Monday to Sami Al-Arian’s request to have his case dismissed or moved from state to federal court. Al-Arian asked for federal jurisdiction two weeks ago, claiming that issues of academic freedom and the First Amendment do not follow under the jurisdiction of the state court. USF’s 15-page response cites several precedents, including a 1986 decision.”

Former USF Professor Sheldon Grebstein “returns to campus to speak for the first time since his ousting in 1962.” Grebstein had to leave the university over a “controversial” assignment which he gave to his English class. “Because of the USF faculty union’s concern about academic freedom, Ottanelli, a union member, said he invited Grebstein to speak at USF. Grebstein’s suspension sparked the attention of the American Association of University Professors, which, soon after, censured USF. Ottanelli said members of the union have been concerned with the situation at USF for almost a year.” “Unfortunately, the university does not have a good record,” Ottanelli said. “We are risking twice now being censured by the AAUP.”

“The Oracle profiles USF Soccer Coach George Kiefer. “According to players and staff, Kiefer brings the same dedication and results-orientated approach to every aspect of his new role as head coach. Five games and four wins into his new career, the former UConn assistant’s attention to detail and will-to-win has been more than evident. ‘He is a super-intense guy. He doesn’t let anything by,’ said senior midfielder Jeff

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Thwaites. ‘He concentrates on the little things more than anything. He works just as hard as any of us.’”

Sheldon Grebstein, fired from USF in 1962 because he assigned work by beatnik authors, returns to campus to discuss issues of academic freedom.

USF Graduate Student Mark Coty is working with Anatomy Professor Don Helbelink to create a “virtual human.” This project is meant to help medical students learning to perform surgery.

“Starting this semester, the Florida Studies Center, a division of USF’s Library, will offer graduate research stipends to students studying the Florida arts or humanities to allot funds to graduate students engaged in their thesis or dissertation research.”

“After winning two games in a row, the USF women’s soccer team was looking to extend its longest winning streak in two years this weekend. Not if DePaul or Florida State had anything to say about it. On Friday night, the Bulls lost a heartbreaker as they dropped a 1-0 decision to Depaul and then lost 3-2 to FSU Sunday.”

“USF President Judy Genshaft’s proposed plan to give an additional salary increase to faculty members is in the works. But when faculty members will receive their pay raise has yet to be established, said Michael Reich, director for media relations. Genshaft’s plan will reward an 8 to 10 percent increase to about 100 selected faculty

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members, Reich said. Provost David Stamps, along with the colleges’ deans, will review the criteria faculty members must meet and compile a list of eligible members for Genshaft to approve, Reich said. The criteria faculty must meet will be set throughout this semester, Reich said.”

“Lawyers are making money as USF administration and Sami Al-Arian have, combined, shelled out more than $70,000 in legal fees.”

“Edward S. Walker, former U. S. Ambassador to Israel and Egypt, “who is now president and CEO of the Middle East Institute, has been informing U.S. citizens about the perception of Americans in other regions. He will bring his discussion about the Israeli-Palestinian conflict to the Phyllis P. Marshall Center Wednesday. Abdelwahab Hechiche, professor of government and international affairs, said Walker can help correct the perceptions Americans have of people in the Arab world.”

“Faculty questions USF lawyers on Al-Arian. Bruce Rogow and R. B. Friedlander answer a wide range of questions at Wednesday’s Faculty Senate meeting.”

“More parking spots [are] imminent, but students will have to foot the bill, paying up to $125 for a spot by 2007.”

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“The Bulls went down to their first conference defeat of the season against Charlotte with the game winner coming from Mira Mupier, one of the players USF coach George Kiefer had identified prior to the game as a potential threat to his defense. Sunday’s 1-0 defeat at Transamerica Field in Charlotte, N.C., saw the first shutout of the Bulls’ potent offense, which is tied for 15th in the nation. Kiefer will hope that the defeat, USF’s first road loss of the season, will not scuttle their chances of qualifying for Conference USA tournament play at the end of the season.”

The new USF chemistry building, in planning for 9 years, will be begun this year and finished in 2005. It should cost over $27 million.

“After about nine years of planning and negotiations, USF will finally get a new chemistry building and new natural and environmental sciences building. The combined project budget is expected to exceed $27 million, with construction set to begin this year and finish in 2005. According to Mike Zaworotko, chairman of the chemistry department, the project is long overdue because the chemistry building is the second-oldest building on campus and hasn’t had renovations in 25 years.”

“Imagine it. A student is hungry and walks into the Phyllis P. Marshall Center. There are several choices. On the right is an Einstein’s Bagels. Downstairs, there is a sports bar. Across the street at the Argos Center, the Fresh Food Company prepares meals right before students’ eyes. Sounds like a far cry from the current situation. But, according to Tom Williamson, resident district manager for the food provider Aramark at USF, said such a reality may not be far away. Williamson said Aramark, which took
over as USF’s primary food service provider during the summer, has invested $7 million in campus-wide food renovations.\textsuperscript{6169}

The Bulls have signed a deal to play against the University of Florida at Gainesville on 13 September 2008 and 5 September 2009.\textsuperscript{6170}

“The Centre Gallery, located on the first floor of the Phyllis P. Marshall Center, is best known as an outlet for students to showcase their artistic styling with a paintbrush. Once a week, though, the employees of the gallery use it to showcase a batch of films they deem important for the USF student body to see. ‘There are not a lot of places for students to go to watch these kinds of films,’ said Sunni Barbera, artist relations director for the gallery. ‘Especially if they are stuck on campus without transportation.’”\textsuperscript{6171}

“Aramark, USF’s food service provider, is in the process of creating a Sports Grill on campus that would serve alcohol.”\textsuperscript{6172}

The Moffitt Center receives a $3.2 million grant from the Department of Defense.\textsuperscript{6173}

“The final round of layoffs at USF occurred last week, leaving four more employees without a job.” “Four Administrative and Professional employees were laid off, said Michael Reich, USF director for media relations. At least 149 vacant full-time employment positions were abolished this past year, Reich said, because there is more

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than one funding source needed for those positions. Reich said 90 percent of the positions are paid with grants and the remainder is paid by the state.” The future of next year’s layoffs is unknown. 6174

“A new $180-million addition to the H. Lee Moffitt Center could enhance more than research, said Project Coordinator Mark Miller. The Vincent A. Stabile Research Building, which is to be completed in April 2003, will add 350,000 square feet of research space that can be used as a recruitment tool and help USF gain national recognition as a Research I university. The Stabile building will be one of many additions made to the Moffitt Center over the next few years.” 6175

“Sami Al-Arian takes Al-Najjar's cause to the masses” by going “on a show broadcast throughout the Arab world to plead for Al-Najjar.” 6176

Panelists at a civil liberties forum said immigrants have become the target of racial profiling since the Sept. 11 attack.” 6177

Rock group the Stone Temple Pilots performs a free concert at USF. 6178

“Judge Melinda Morris chose not to hear arguments on a suit filed by two students against the University of Michigan, according to Deborah Schlussel, the students' lawyer. The students, who are affiliated with the Michigan Student Zionists, filed the suit in an attempt to keep Sami Al-Arian and other controversial speakers from

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participating in the Second National Student Conference on the Palestinian Solidarity Movement. The conference will be hosted by the group Students Allied for Freedom and Equality, known as SAFE, which has called for investors nationwide to stop doing business with Israel until Palestinian oppression ends."\textsuperscript{6179}

David Kerr, who has been the chairperson of the AAUP's Florida conference for several years “said the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, known as SACCS, which is the commission that visits and accredits universities, will ‘be concerned’ about a censure. In addition, Kerr said the Phi Beta Kappa Society, an elite academic honor society that USF has tried for decades to attract, will not allow a censured school entrance. Some universities, Kerr said, have been on the censure list for 40 years or more. As for where the process currently stands, a report about possible academic freedom violations in the Al-Arian case is being written. Kerr said the report will be edited several times before it goes to the national convention in June. It is at that convention that a vote for or against censure could be made.”\textsuperscript{6180}

Although President Genshaft avoids the issue, Faculty members at a Faculty Senate meeting worry about the current collective bargaining agreement and the lack of a new faculty contract, as the old contract will expire in on January 7\textsuperscript{th} 2003. According to the Oracle, Faculty Union President Roy Weatherford worries that once the collective bargaining agreement expires the advances that the union has made will be nullified and they will have to start over.\textsuperscript{6181}

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The new athletic facility has received enough funding and could be completed by next fall.\footnote{18 October 2002.}

NBA player Chucky Atkins plays an exhibition game at the St. Pete Times Forum. Atkins broke into the NBA with the Orlando Magic in 1999 after stints playing in Croatia and the CBA. He now plays for the Detroit Pistons and is the only former USF player in the NBA. Atkins, a 1996 graduate of USF, has one of just three retired jerseys hanging in the Sun Dome. On being a USF grad, Atkins comments, “Anytime you are the only guy in the program that's been around for a few years (it's special),” and that he is “proud to be an alumnus.”\footnote{22 October 2002.}

A 16-year old Brazilian hacks into a USF academic computing web site and replaces it with anime and written opposition to the possible U.S. invasion of Iraq.\footnote{23 October 2002.}

“A new program that will reward universities for excelling in research and creating area jobs could mean big bucks for USF. The program, signed into law in May, allocated $30 million in this year's state budget to be distributed to Florida universities that can convince the state Legislature that its on-campus research will provide a boon to Florida's economy. The state is looking to establish what it calls "centers of excellence" at one or more universities.”\footnote{23 October 2002.}

Prospects for USF’s budget situation look promising as the legislature considers Amendment 11. “Amendment 11 would take away decisions on budget allotment for
each school from the legislature and put it in the hands of a Board of Governors that, instead of playing politics and favorites, takes into account the needs of each university.”

“The first cycle of USF faculty and staff participating in a lucrative retirement program are retiring at the end of this year, leaving some university officials concerned about shortages. The Deferred Retirement Option Program, or D.R.O.P, implemented by the state Legislature in 1998, allows state employees to place their pension benefits in a trust fund while continuing to work for a period of five years. Their benefits gain interest during that period and are paid out at the end of those five years in one payment or in a combined sum and rollover payment.”

Sami Al-Arian leads a group of “hundreds gathered at MacDill Air Force Base to send the president a message about a possible war: It's not worth it. ‘Hey, hey, ho, ho, we won't fight for Texaco,’ Al-Arian shouted into a microphone as about 500 people slowly made their way down Dale Mabry Highway, positioning themselves just outside the base's main gate.”

“Senior Tia Opliger (10) was named to Conference USA's first team Tuesday for the second time in her career. The Bulls had three players earn All-Conference honors, with Katie Reed landing on the all-freshman team and goalie Breck Bankester making third-team All C-USA.”

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USF will get a new athletic facility within the next three years. The building will be over 100,000 square feet and will be located on what is now the home of intramural sports. It will cost $13.2 million. Construction will begin in 2004 and end in 2005.6190

“Beginning this fall, all freshmen on Bright Futures scholarships must make five attempts to accelerate graduation, according to a new mandatory state law. The purpose of the law is to cut the overall cost of education to the state of Florida and the taxpayers. Students can fulfill the requirement by earning college credit with additional courses in International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement or Dual Enrollment programs or by passing the College Level Examination Program (CLEP).”6191

“In an effort to break business barriers, USF’s alliance with the University of Central Florida could make the best of both institutes’ resources. USF President Judy Genshaft wants communication from both campuses to work together to improve business in Polk County. As a result, members of the East Polk Committee of 100 hope to see the USF Lakeland campus become an Information Technology institute in the near future. The committee is a coalition for economic development and focuses on developing its workforce. Ron Morrow, executive director for the East Polk Committee 100, said the relationships between business in Tampa and Polk County are gradually growing, since the county lies halfway between USF and UCF.”6192

The AAUP makes a statement regarding USF’s decision to take the Sami Al-Arian case to court. “”This extraordinary action (of taking the case to court) is predicated in part on

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the administration's expressed concern that it will be censured by the AAUP,’ the statement said. ‘Censure by the Association is imposed as a sanction for violations of its policies, which define principles of academic freedom. It is important to stress, however, that the constitutional and professional definitions of academic freedom are separate and distinct.’ The AAUP goes further, saying that academic freedom in the form that it will rule on when considering censure has evolved from its own policies, and not from the Constitution. The ruling on censorship, the group said, will come only if it feels its policies have been broken. Therefore, a judge's determination is moot.”

Construction will take place inside Cooper Hall. The $120,000 renovation will make the dean’s office “more visible to students on the first floor,” according to associate director for Facilities Planning Ron Hanke.  

“A federal court Tuesday denied USF’s motion to remand the case against professor Sami Al-Arian to state court. The ruling, handed down by District Judge Susan Bucklew, said, while maybe not the primary issue in the case, the First Amendment, which falls under federal jurisdiction, is an important aspect that will be addressed. And, had a state court ruled in favor of USF, Al-Arian's appeal would have been centered on Constitutional law. Therefore, the opinion said, a federal court should hear the case.”

The BOT will vote on whether or not to apply emergency rules and take over the faculty’s Collective Bargaining Agreement once it expires in January. Faculty Union President Roy Weatherford believes that allowing the administration too much control

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would set the union back on all the advances they’ve made for the faculty. According to Weatherford, the school’s administration and the BOT are “lying to us, and they’re going to screw us.” The BOT votes unanimously to take over the CBA.6196

“Fingerprints will be a requirement for some international students across the nation if they want to remain in the United States. A new registration system passed by Congress requires immigrants from selected Arab countries to comply with a new registration system that requires them to be photographed, fingerprinted and interviewed under oath. Those who fail to do this could be arrested, fined or removed from the United States. The mandate made effective by the Immigration and Naturalization Services on Nov. 6 is meant specifically for males who are 16 or older and are citizens of Iran, Iraq, Libya, Sudan or Syria.”6197

“An expansion to the USF Sarasota/Manatee campus will double its student enrollment in five years to almost 3,000, university officials say. In September, the USF Sarasota/Manatee Campus Board approved the expansion as part of the master plan that calls for the development of 28.5 acres of university-owned property next to the campus. Ellen Wile, public affairs coordinator for USF Sarasota/Manatee, said the total cost of the expansion is expected to be about $22 million and the enrollment increase will come in the first phase. "For phase one, the tentative plan is a three-floor building that will be approximately 95,000 square feet," Wile said. "The building would go up in August

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2005, so we could accommodate the student enrollment we have now and then double
figure we have for five years' time.”

USF’s honors class has created a game for children called “Pummelball.” The
game combines “elements of dodgeball, baseball, soccer and basketball.”

“Before allowing ELI (English Language Institute) student admittance into the
university, they must pass a three-hour exam called the Test of English as a Foreign
Language, or TOEFL. In order to give international students the opportunity to practice
skills they have learned, ELI is introducing a test called Cultural and Linguistic
Evaluation of Academic Readiness, or CLEAR, which raises concern among some
students as to which test would benefit them the most. Unlike the TOEFL, the CLEAR is
a one-week testing process consisting of various components, said Jeffra Flaitz, director
for the ELI.”

President Genshaft, who makes about $237,000 a year, may receive a pay raise
that could total over $1 million, include a $100,000 signing bonus and “equivalent
retention bonuses every year,” a car and driver, travel and entertainment compensation,
and “spousal recognition and compensation.” The BOT later approves another pay raise
of over $16,000 for Genshaft, and includes a performance incentive that exceeds
$30,000.

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Many members of the USF football and the community hope that this year’s squad will be the first to be invited to compete in a bowl game. They fall out of contention when East Carolina loses to Cincinnati.\textsuperscript{6202}

The Sarasota campus adds restaurant management to its curriculum.\textsuperscript{6203}

\textbf{2003:} “Faculty union president Roy “Weatherford announc[es] Monday that, as one of his final acts as faculty union president under the current collective bargaining agreement that expires today, he filed grievances for Al-Arian. The two appeared in the same law office during the same news conference in defiance of the same administration. Suddenly, for Genshaft, the stakes seem a lot higher. As Al-Arian's attorney, Robert McKee said he, the faculty union and his client are now on the offensive. In fact, the faculty union's move today seems well-calculated. It makes a defiant statement to the USF Board of Trustees, which Weatherford has blamed for not protecting the collective bargaining agreement. More importantly, it forces Genshaft's hand in the Al-Arian case, not allowing her to wait until the collective bargaining agreement has ended to decide whether to fire Al-Arian.”\textsuperscript{6204}

The faculty’s collective bargaining agreement runs out, meaning the faculty is left without a contract. This leads to problems between Genshaft and the faculty.\textsuperscript{6205}

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“The USF men's soccer team was the recipient of two sets of accolades over the holiday. In December, Bulls midfielder Jeff Thwaites, goalie Troy Perkins and forward Hunter West were included in the National Soccer Coaches Association of America All-South Third-Team. The men's soccer program received a second boost with the award of a NSCAA Team Academic Award Friday. For Thwaites and Perkins, the nomination was their second consecutive regional honor, while West's inclusion, following on his Conference USA Freshman of the Year award, is further acknowledgement of the impact the freshman made at collegiate level.”

Former track and field team member and USF alum Kissy Simmons comes to Tampa as the female lead (Nala) in the live action production of “The Lion King.” The Lion King has been one of the most successful shows on Broadway.

“Einstein Bros. Bagels held its grand opening Wednesday in the Phyllis P. Marshall Center, marking perhaps the most noticeable change in USF dining since Sodexho lost its contract to Aramark last year. The bagel shop replaces the MC Café, which was shut down in late November so construction of its replacement could begin. The addition of Einstein's follows last semester's installment of Natural Selection, a health food store in the Marshall Center and Pan Geos pasta in the Tampa Room. The Campus View Restaurant, which sits atop the Marshall Center, was supposed to re-open at the start of this semester as On Top of the Palms, boasting improved service and more comfortable seating. But delays have set back its opening to late January. In addition to renovating other eateries around campus, USF Dining Services will also open a Ben &

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Jerry's and a Burger King possibly in the next year. The cost of the dining improvement project is $7 million, said Robin Crouch, marketing manager for USF Dining Services.  

Union President Roy Weatherford expresses his desire that faculty members be active in the bargaining process. President Genshaft apologizes to members of the faculty for failing to consult them about the emergency rules that took effect when the CBA expired. Faculty Senate president Greg Paveza discusses a “crisis of confidence” regarding the faculty’s dealings with the BOT. This situation revolves around the “lack of consultation” regarding the rules changes. The board then votes to change the rule back to the status it held in November. According to the Oracle, “BOT chairman Dick Beard and USF President Judy Genshaft were both apologetic for not attempting the proper consultations. Beard said he did not know how important the rules were for the faculty.” President Genshaft understands that many members of the faculty are angry with her, but hopes to work through the differences. But, according to the Oracle, “with the possibility that the administration will extend the temporary emergency rules for an additional 90 days and the union's refusal to assign the BOT as a bargaining agent, it may be difficult for both parties to put their differences aside any time soon.”

“University Police are investigating the theft of a tractor from USF Friday. The $40,000 piece of equipment was stolen from the construction site near the H. Lee Moffitt Center at about 4 p.m., according to a police report. Sgt. Mike Klingebiel, spokesman for University Police, said officials are reviewing surveillance videos taken from inside the

Moffitt Center to assist them in finding suspects. The video, Klingebiel said, shows the tractor being driven away from the site but no identification could be determined from the tape yet.  

USF Basketball player Jimmy Baxter rescues two people from an overturned car on I-275.

“Late last year, Al-Arian's lawyers moved to have the case dismissed, and on Dec. 13, U.S. District Court Judge Susan Bucklew did just that, leaving the university in the same position it was in August when it took its case to court in an effort to seek outside counsel. Bucklew said the court was not the proper venue for the case. University spokesman Michael Reich said there is no timetable for when USF President Judy Genshaft will render a decision on the professor's fate.”

“USF’s Florida-Caribbean AIDS Education and Training Center (AETC) received a $3.225-million grant by the U.S. Health Resources and Services administration this past summer. The AETC’s mission is to ensure that physicians, nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, dentists, pharmacists and other health professionals receive training on new and emerging drugs and health treatments for HIV and AIDS.”

“Al-Arian's near 480-day exile from USF will come to an end Friday afternoon. The professor will come onto campus to participate in a grievance hearing scheduled for Friday afternoon in Phyllis P. Marshall Center, Room 129. The grievance proceeding was

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forced on the university as a result of a legal maneuver by the faculty union and Al-Arian's attorney. On Jan. 6, one day before the collective bargaining agreement expired, union president Roy Weatherford filed a grievance on behalf of Al-Arian.”

“At about 2 p.m., university media relations sent out an announcement that Al-Arian's grievance proceeding had been moved to the Embassy Suites on Fowler Avenue. In addition, protesters who had planned to march throughout campus would be provided with a "designated area ... for those who wish to express their opinions." By all appearances, this area will be similar to the controversial "free speech zones" set up outside the Sun Dome during the visit of President George W. Bush. USF media relations coordinator Michelle Carlyon said the university's decision to move the proceeding was not an effort to keep Al-Arian and his supporters out of the heart of campus. "We just want the opportunity for them to have as much space as they need to express their opinions," Carlyon said.”

The USF women’s indoor track team breaks four school records and sets nine personal bests at a meet at Northeastern University in Boston. The Bulls won the meet, despite the fact that the entire team did not make the trip.

Administrators at the St. Petersburg campus hope to close the east-west runway of the Albert Whitted Memorial Airport. The airport, next to the campus, could be a potential danger to the school and the land could be used for campus expansion.

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“If one concrete conclusion could be taken from Tuesday's USF Board of Trustees executive committee meeting, it's that the Board is concerned about the financial future of the university. The committee spent about an hour and 15 minutes of its morning meeting discussing the 2003-2004 budget and USF's legislative priorities with executive vice president, Carl Carlucci. At the heart of the Board's concerns are how to handle the roughly $111-million cut from the state university budget this year. According to USF's budget highlight report, USF's share in the cuts will be more than $20 million.” Part of the problem is the passing of Amendment 9, the expensive class-size amendment.\textsuperscript{6218}

“Just a day after the Board of Trustees met to discuss the financial future of USF, Provost S. David Stamps expressed his concern about drastic budget cuts. The proposed state budget would cut $148.8 million from higher education. Stamps said the budget at USF’s Tampa campus would be reduced by $16.6 million and an additional $4.8 million reduction in the Health Sciences Center.” Additionally, “USF over-enrolled by 1,200 students Stamps said, but because of the budget recommended by Education Secretary Jim Horne, Stamps said this year USF will not receive any enrollment enhancement funds, which rolls the budget reduction up to $21 million for USF. An additional loss in funds will also come with the recommendations for the reduction of issued awards, such as Bright Futures scholarships.”\textsuperscript{6219}

“As the strike of oil workers in Venezuela continues, USF invites two visiting scholars from Venezuela to speak on the political crisis of the strike and the reasons

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behind this crisis. Omar Astorga and Ani Martinez will discuss the ongoing crisis with students today in CPR Room 459 at 12 noon."

Salman Rushdie, controversial author of *The Satanic Verses*, will come to USF and speak at the Embassy Suites Hotel. Sami Al-Arian claims he doesn’t care for Rushdie’s work, but supports his right to free speech. More broadly, Al-Arian wonders why he has been placed on leave because of death threats, while Rushdie, who has a death edict from the Iranian government and a $1 million bounty on his head is allowed on the campus.

“When budget cuts threatened the Bright Futures Scholarship program, Student Government [goes] to bat for USF students. Gov. Jeb Bush's initial budget plans significantly limited the amount of money available for Bright Futures. His new plan includes money for Bright Futures. However, the state will only pay a certain amount and wants the universities to cover the extra amounts that will result from next year's tuition increases. SG placed ads asking for support in The Oracle, and along with those in their offices and on the SG Web site, they received more than 10,000 signed petitions.”

“Showing their dismay about the possible cutbacks to the program, students from all the state universities will be rallying outside the state capitol on Thursday. SG will provide bus transportation to Tallahassee, memos excusing students from missing class and ‘Save Bright Futures’ T-shirts.”

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“Management decisions and a tight budget led to sacrifices for USF’s radio and television station. WUSF released eight employees last week because of budget cuts the department is expected to suffer after the legislative session in March. Two employees were laid off while six contracts will not be renewed by WUSF-Ch. 16 and WUSF-FM 89.7. Joann Urofsky, general manager for WUSF, said the stations may have to reduce their budgets by $600,000 because of Gov. Jeb Bush's state budget proposal. Urofsky said she had to release some employees in order to allow for more local programming.”

“Since his book Endgame was published, Scott Ritter has been considered an expert on American foreign policy and the Persian Gulf region. Ritter has frequently questioned the decisions of President George W. Bush's administration concerning Iraq. Ritter, also a former U.N. chief weapons inspector, has been on several cable news networks, discussing the possible alternative to war with Iraq. Tonight he will speak on the subject in the Special Events Center.”

“USF St. Petersburg as it endeavors to reach its goal of autonomy and separate accreditation. It is this goal that has been a focal point of faculty and student discussions on the waterfront campus for months. Those desires were reflected Wednesday when the Task Force on Campus Planning unveiled its planning statement during a town meeting.”

Faculty member Mike “Killenberg gave the audience of faculty, students and community leaders an update on the accreditation process. According to Killenberg, a detailed application was sent in August 2001 to the Southern Association of Colleges and

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Schools. In February 2002, SACS asked USF St. Petersburg to answer a series of ‘detailed questions.’

Alexis McGaffagan finishes second in the pentathalon at the Cannon IV Classic. Her finish makes her the first USF track and field athlete to ever qualify for the U.S. Track and Field National Championships. She had never before competed in the pentathalon.

“The funds needed to construct a new athletic facility were approved Tuesday at the Board of Education meeting in Jacksonville. USF will receive $13.2 million of the funds needed to finance the construction of the $15-million facility from the franchise fees of a beverage-pouring contract and student-paid athletic fees. According to the project summary from the meeting, the franchise fee is $900,000, which was received for the execution of a 15-year pouring contract. Under that franchise agreement, USF will also collect $450,000 per year for 15 years.”

With current state budget woes “in mind, government auditors were given the daunting task of finding a way to help settle Florida's budget troubles and implement Amendment 9 as mandated by Florida voters. They responded with a rather startling revelation. According to the auditors, about $12 billion in unspent state funds is currently sitting dormant in bank accounts. That figure is equal to more than 20 percent of the state's $54-billion budget.”

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Sami Al-Arian is arrested after having been under federal investigation. His incitement is sealed and will be until a hearing later in the week. In addition, Sameeh Hammoude, a USF Arabic instructor is also arrested for “allegedly funneled money between Tampa and the Middle East to fund suicide bombings.” Judy Genshaft says that the arrest will not determine whether or not he will be fired. The Muslin Student Association plans a protest at the courthouse.6229

While most of the national media focused on the high-profile arrest of USF professor Sami Al-Arian Thursday, another of the men arrested also has ties to the university. Sameeh Hammoudeh, a USF graduate student and instructor, was arrested and also charged with racketeering and conspiracy to murder. The 42-year-old teaches Arabic and is also seeking a master’s degree in religious studies.6230

“U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft [makes] a statement about Al-Arian’s case. He said the Justice Department had indicted Al-Arian on racketeering and terrorist charges because of his association with Palestinian Islamic Jihad, which operates in and around Israel. Ashcroft labeled Al-Arian as ‘the North American leader of the Palestinian Islamic Jihad,’ a claim that his 120-page indictment also asserts.”6231

After three accusations of sexual harassment, Alzheimer’s researcher Michael Mullan leaves campus and takes two institutes and a large grant with him. Mullan claims the move is over money, and that USF has not been forthcoming with support funds and

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facilities. The new home of one of his institutes alone will be 43,000 sq. ft. facility. At USF he had 5,000 sq. ft. of space, the largest in the College of Medicine. 6232

“The Oracle takes a glance at the events that led up to Sami Al-Arian's arrest Thursday.” 6233

“A couple dozen students gathered at the MLK Plaza with BSU to discuss the recent issue of vandalism to the MLK bust. Another issue was the arrest of two Haitian student protesters during President George W. Bush's on-campus visit. Student Thristene Edwards questioned security at the MLK Plaza that could have possibly prevented the destruction. "Why don't they have some kind of video surveillance?” Edwards said. The bust was removed from its pedestal on Feb. 7, currently housed in USF's Contemporary Art Museum. Genshaft, who arrived at the rally with her administrative assistant, said University Police are examining ways to prevent such incidents in the future. "I have to tell you I think it is deplorable that there is any destruction on such a valuable image and such a role model," said Genshaft. "This kind of destruction is inexcusable." Students continued to explain to Genshaft they have long been waiting for answers regarding the arrests of two Haitian students at a Nov. 2 Republican rally held at the Sun Dome for Gov. Jeb Bush. However, Genshaft remained silent on the issue.” 6234

“Renowned columnist Thomas Friedman [says] Sunday he [is] "52-49" in favor of a U.S. war with Iraq. Friedman, a three-time Pulitzer Prize winner and New York Times columnist for foreign policy, addresse[s] an audience in the USF Special Events

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Center.’ It is the right thing to do if we can do it right,’ Friedman said. ‘I hope there is a peaceful solution, but if not, I hope we can do the right thing.’”

“The Muslim Student Association held a news conference Friday afternoon to express its reaction to the arrests of USF professor Sami Al-Arian and Arabic instructor Sameeh Hammoudeh. The conference, which was held in the Phyllis P. Marshall Center, included USF student associations such as the Campus Greens and the Alliance of Concerned Students. MSA Vice President Aliyah O’Keeffe began the conference by reading a statement that expressed the group’s disbelief and called for a fair trial with the arrests of the two men indicted Thursday with two others on conspiracy to commit murder and racketeering.”

Despite hopes that both sides would be able to meet and work out their differences, a month later the two sides had still not met. The two sides “inch closer,” but slowly, toward a resolution.

“As protesters marched outside the Federal Courthouse Tuesday, the only person they said should be considered a terrorist is President George W. Bush. For an hour, about 50 demonstrators marched, calling for justice in Thursday's arrest of Sami Al-Arian. Among supporters were members of the Florida Alliance for Peace and Social Justice, which has taken a stand across the state against a possible war with Iraq.”

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“Judy Genshaft announces the termination of Sami Al-Arian Wednesday afternoon in the Special Events Center. Genshaft said in December 2001 she would seek to terminate him but mulled over the decision for 18 months.” “An official from the American Association of University Professors” responds stating that “the arrest and indictment of Sami Al-Arian doesn’t excuse the poor way it says the university has handled the situation since September 2001.”

“Bhagavan Das, a widely known American yogi, comes to Tampa again during Spring Break as part of a USF Religious Studies Club event.”

Brutal budget cuts mean USF will have to do without $31 million in fiscal year 2003-2004. The SUS takes a hit of $148 million. Governor Bush proposes a 7.5% tuition hike, but educators balk. Betancourt says, “The budget is bad because tuition is increased but the money doesn’t come to the university. Students ought to see the services they are buying.” Salary increases for state workers freeze. Large layoffs loom at USF. Expecting $5 million, USF overenrolled by 1,229 students. The state will keep the money.

“In the annual state address Tuesday, Gov. Jeb Bush urged voters to repeal two amendments that are harming Florida’s budget. Tuesday also began the first meeting of a 60-day legislative session for funding decisions that Bush said are "extremely painful" because of the class-size and high-speed rail amendments. Bush said he wants voters to

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make another decision on whether the amendments should be kept, according to his speech, which was provided by myflorida.com.”

“At Wednesday's Faculty Senate executive committee meeting, Provost S. David Stamps said he wants to make sure USF is able to offer the same amount of summer courses as last year. In order to do that, Stamps said, USF will have to find a way to pay the expenses. ‘We are suffering from possible budget cuts,’ Stamps said. ‘It doesn't seem that the state legislature is willing to increase taxes. The primary concern of summer school is faculty salaries.’”

Telephone registration, begun almost 15 years ago, will be replaced for the spring 2004 semester. Students will only be able to register online after the fall of 2003 semester is over. USF was one of the first schools to institute telephone registration.

Sami Al-Arian goes on a hunger strike at the Orient Road Jail. “Al-Arian's hunger strike is now more than three weeks old. During the first five days, Al-Arian lost 10 pounds. On Feb. 28, Al-Arian was taken to Tampa General Hospital and placed on 24-hour health surveillance.” Jail officials plan to seek a court order to intervene and force feed him. He is later moved to a federal prison. In July Arian ends his hunger strike to be in "full capacity" for self representation.

“New proposals for the Bright Futures program could come at a cost to Florida universities. A draft submitted by the Higher Education Finance Proposal Committee in

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6245 O 7 March 2003; 31 March 2003; 14 July 2003.
the Legislative Session requests Bright Futures to be "decoupled" from tuition by 2007. That would restructure the scholarship, which pays 75 to 100 percent of in-state tuition, to be set at a constant dollar amount, said Kathy Betancourt, associate vice president for government relations at USF. ‘Decoupled puts a little bit of control on the cost,’ Betancourt said. ‘Now is the time to get some terms on what the Bright Futures may cost.’ If the scholarship were decoupled, recipients would have to pick up the extra cost for tuition increases and fees."

“USF students take their concerns to Tallahassee today to speak with legislators about a possible $31-million budget cut the university could face. USF President Judy Genshaft, along with about 80 USF supporters, including faculty and Board of Trustee members, will act as lobbyists at the Legislative Session for USF Day at the Capitol. Student body President Mike Griffin said Capitol Day puts a "face to the university" in that students will act as lobbyists to express their concerns with budget cuts in attempt to bring back more funds to USF.”

“If the allegations are true, why would Sami Al-Arian align himself with a group like the Palestinian Islamic Jihad? The answer may lie in the history of his homeland.” The Oracle investigates the PIJ in order to understand why the controversial professor would have aided in terrorist acts, if the allegations are true.

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“Sami Al-Arian's bail hearing Thursday was anything but typical, as rowdy crowds and external disruptions caused delays in the proceeding.”

Although the USF basketball team did not make the NCAA tournament, the school’s logo will be displayed on the floor of the St. Pete Times Forum on national television this weekend. USF is the host school for the event.

“Gov. Jeb Bush on Monday morning described, as simply as he could, Florida's budget problems. ‘It's like making sausage,’ Bush said to a panel of university student body presidents at a meeting in the Phyllis P. Marshall Center. ‘It's ugly. But it gets pretty in the end.’ Among the ingredients of the "sausage" is the Florida Bright Futures scholarship, which stands to suffer from the proposed $111-million cut to higher education. Bush is proposing higher standards for the award. Specifically, graduates in the class of 2004 would need SAT scores of at least 1,050. The current requirement is 970. Critics argue the new requirements could reduce by 30 percent the number of students, many minorities, who receive the scholarship.”

“In late February, members of Student Government and two buses full of USF students traveled to Tallahassee to deliver to the governor 30,000 signatures in a petition for the preservation of the Florida Bright Futures scholarship program. SG thought that would be enough, but the battle is not over. Some students and members of SG gathered outside Cooper Hall Wednesday afternoon to continue rallying for the scholarship threatened by budget cuts. ‘Our goals (of the rally) are obviously to engage awareness

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and participation. We've done a lot with the media and advertisements, but I think a lot of students still don't know what is going on,' said student body president Mike Griffin, who is also a member of the Board of Trustees. ‘Two days ago, Representative David Simmons from Central Florida more or less wrote an amendment dismantling this program,’”6252

“A day after police searched for a man who may have been a suspected al-Qaida terrorist miles from MacDill Air Force Base, the Secret Service took extra alert precautions for President George W. Bush's visit Wednesday. Dozens of Secret Service representatives were stationed at every corner of the hangar at the Air Force base as Bush approached the stage to rally support for the war in Iraq. Police searched for suspect Adnan G. El Shukrijumah on Tuesday, after a customer and an employee at a Subway sandwich shop at 3402 S. Dale Mabry said the man purchased a sandwich just before 5 p.m.”6253

Dimitris Avramopoulos speaks “at the Library on Wednesday night about his eight-year term as mayor of Athens during which he helped rebuild an airport, remodeled buildings and reduced congestion in the city by constructing new streets. ‘In 2004, (Athens) will be a totally new city,’ Avramopoulos said. ‘It will be an attraction for tourists and investors.’ The former mayor, who has been a politician for three decades, [says] Athens will be in ‘the public eye’ and that it is now ‘one of the ultimate European

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destinations.’” He also advocates the use of the term “glocal” to create a more united global community. 6254

The race for Student Body President will come down to a runoff between the tickets of Mike Berman/Ronda Bostick and Omar Khan/Ryan Morris. Both tickets are briefly disqualified, but Khan eventually wins the race. 6255

“As a psychologist in Israel, Yitzhak Irwin Mansdorf works with terrorist victims in Israel and the United States. When he is not counseling victims, Mansdorf lends his experience with Middle Eastern conflicts to those in the United States. Mansdorf speaks tonight in the Phyllis P. Marshall Center Ballroom at 5:30 to discuss the shared values of the United States and Israel pertaining to freedom and democracy.” 6256

“Sami Al-Arian needs $2 million to retain the services of defense attorney Nicholas Matassini throughout his trial on terrorism charges. As of Tuesday, Al-Arian had not raised enough money. That, said federal judge Thomas McCoun III, was all he needed to know to move forward with Tuesday's arraignment hearing. McCoun denied Al-Arian's request for more time to raise defense funds, appointed public defenders and entered a plea of not guilty on Al-Arian's behalf. ‘Frankly, I'm not interested (in having) court-appointed counsel,’ Al-Arian said.” 6257

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The USF baseball team sweeps St. Louis to give Eddie Cardieri his 700th win. A few years later, Eddie Cardieri gains his 700th victory as USF coach in a win over Stetson.  

The Society of Automotive Engineers designs, builds, and competes with mini-baja cars.

“If the state House of Representative's budget proposal is approved in May, Florida universities could face more than $115 million in budget cuts. The House and Senate submitted proposals last week with budget cuts for state universities starting at $36 million. The Senate proposed a $36.6-million cut, while the House sees a $118.6-million cut for universities. USF estimated in early March that it could face a $31-million cut according to the Governor's current budget. In Gov. Jeb Bush's proposed budget for higher education, Florida universities share a $148.8-million budget reduction.”

Rather than let the Public Employee Relations Commission certify the faculty union, Faculty Union President Roy Weatherford claims that they will let the Board of Trustees recognize it voluntarily. Weatherford comments that he is “no longer requesting that the university agree with us in amended certification.”

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The Dean of Arts and Sciences believes that budget cuts may force some students to graduate later than anticipated because there will be fewer classes and TAs available.  

“A year ago…two bouts of budget cuts saw nearly $4.3 million trimmed from the college's $53-million budget. The cuts led to reduced faculty research, less advising and a slimmed class schedule.” “But Khator and the college chairs made it a priority to keep the effect on students as low as possible. A year later, however, she may no longer be able to make that happen. The college has begun to brace for what could be a "very severe" 7 percent, $3.7-million cut in the budget. Khator said if the cut is that large, a noticeable effect on the nearly 15,000 students in the college may be unavoidable. ‘The unfortunate fact of the matter is (students) may not get the classes (they need),’ Khator said. ‘Students may have a delay in their graduation.’”

“A group representing the Sikh faith has a problem with Eddie Griffin's new movie, which equates a common Arab headdress with Osama bin Laden.” “About 10 students, practitioners of Sikhism, organized a Sikh Awareness Day in front of Cooper Hall Thursday afternoon to protest the film. The students affiliated with SMART, the Sikh Mediawatch and Resource Task force based in Washington D.C., came together to educate people about Sikhism and inform them about the "dysfunction" of Griffin's new comedy, Dysfunktional Family.”

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In an article entitled “Genshaft Avoids Issues,” an Oracle columnist claims that
the president did not touch on the possible AAUP censure, the Sami Al-Arian case, the
loss of adjuncts because of budgetary problems, or the “slim summer schedule.”  

After being removed because it had been vandalized twice recently, the bust of
Martin Luther King Jr. on the MLK plaza has returned.  

“As steep budget cuts stand to diminish the quality of public education in Florida,
state university presidents, including USF president Judy Genshaft, speak out across the
state.”  

“Four days into a special legislative session, the Senate and the House continued
to try to avoid a drastic cut in education. And with the recent lobbying efforts of six state
university presidents, the budget cuts could be reduced significantly. When the regular
session ended May 2, universities were looking at more than a $110 million in cuts. Now,
presidents foresee about a $40-million cut from the House's proposal and about a $60-
million cut from the Senate's proposal. Carl Carlucci, chief financial officer and executive
vice president of USF, said a more definite answer concerning USF's budget will be
available at the end of the special session, which concludes May 27. But the $26-million
cut that USF was expecting will most likely be less.”  

“The worldwide panic resulting from the deadly spread of Severe Acute
Respiratory Syndrome has caused USF to cancel its study-abroad program in China.

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Universities across the country are now scrambling to ensure their communities remain SARS-free. Some are even banning students who have been to SARS-infected countries from attending their schools. USF isn't one of them.\textsuperscript{6269}

Devin Ivany, the catcher on the USF baseball team, is one of 10 semifinalists for the Johnny Bench Award, given to the best catcher in college baseball. Ivany is later named to Baseball USA’s Golden Spike Award watch list. Thirty college students are named to the list, which is cut to five later in the year. The award is given to the best amateur baseball player in the U.S.\textsuperscript{6270}

“USF men’s soccer star Hunter West will undergo at least two months of rehab before he can resume full training.”\textsuperscript{6271}

“The H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center is expanding its technology for the fight against cancer by adding three new cell therapy labs to its facility.”\textsuperscript{6272}

“Florida universities will not face a massive $100-million-plus cut this year after all. Instead, higher education will receive a $40-million cut, which is less than state officials expected. As the 12-day special session came to a close Tuesday, the Senate and the House were looking at about a $40-million cut in higher education. While legislators left the Bright Futures scholarship untouched, tuition will increase by 8.5 percent for undergraduate students who are Florida residents for next year. Carl Carlucci, chief financial officer and executive vice president of USF, said USF and other state

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universities will not receive funding for incoming freshmen. Carlucci said that almost $5 million from USF's base budget is cut due to a lack of funding for student enrollment.”

Former USF soccer coach Dan Holcomb resigns after working at USF for 38 years. The 68 year-old Holcomb came to USF in 1965 and started the soccer team. He coached the team for 22 seasons before leaving and accepting a position in Campus Recreation, where he stayed for 16 more years.

“USF officials are exploring the possibility of leasing classroom space in the Clearwater area to shorten the commute for students, especially those traveling from Pinellas County. Although plans to expand and provide a more extensive set of courses farther north of the USF St. Petersburg campus are not yet concrete, officials said they are finding ways to create more classroom space for students in the Clearwater area.”

“In [Philo] Hutcheson's lecture regarding academic freedom at USF St. Petersburg's Davis Hall on Friday, he [says] most faculty members and those that govern education in the United States, misconstrue the concept of academic freedom. Hutcheson, who is the author of A Professional Professorate: Unionization, Bureaucratization and the American Association of University Professors, said lawmakers often disregard the ability for scholars to inquire about issues they deem important. Instead, he said,
academic freedom in U.S. universities is limited by barriers such as what is appropriate for reaffirming the political, civic and economic order of society.”  

USF will get a new logo to replace the “curvy S” logo that it has had for years and a new slogan, ‘Touching Lives, Improving the World.’ Students have mixed feelings about the logo and slogan. The USF alumni association is working with the Department of Motor Vehicles to design a new license plate that will incorporate the school’s green and gold colors and the new logo which replaces the “iconic bull” that has been the logo for years. Twelve designs are considered for the new license plate.

Sami “Al-Arian has complained that he is having trouble communicating with his lawyers from the Coleman Correctional Facility, a federal prison 70 miles north of Tampa in Sumter County.”

USF Track and Field athletes Dayana Octavien, Jimmy Baxter, Alexis McGaffagan and Chandra Brewer will compete in the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships in Sacramento, California. Brewer finishes 7th in the shot put, making her the first USF thrower to ever become an All-American.

Former USF president Betty Castor forms a fundraising team for a bid for U.S. Senate. Castor has said that if incumbent Bob Graham decides to stay in the Senate she will not run. Graham opts to retire.
Rock duo the White Stripes plays at the Sun Dome.\footnote{O 16 June 2003.}

“The American Association of University Professors on Saturday made what appears to have been unprecedented decision on a no doubt unprecedented case. The group, widely recognized as the purveyor of academic standards in higher education, voted to condemn USF for its actions against former professor and alleged terrorist Sami Al-Arian. The condemnation falls short of a censure, the group's gravest punishment. The vote is unprecedented because it is believed USF is the first institution to ever be condemned.”\footnote{O 16 June 2003.}

“New businesses and research partners will possibly be relocating to USF in August. A plan, dubbed the Center of Excellence for Bioengineering and Life Science at a Board of Trustees meeting in January, could provide economic prosperity to the Tampa Bay area. Michael Reich, media relations director for USF, said there will be two buildings that will make up this new technology park They are designed to house several interdisciplinary labs, an incubator (office spaces) and several of USF's research partners. The buildings are expected to take 15 months to complete, Reich said.”\footnote{O 16 June 2003.}

USF’s College of Medicine begins a Master's Program in Bioethics and Medical Humanities. This is the first and only such program in the United States.\footnote{O 16 June 2003.}

“The Board of Trustees approves an increase in students' tuition, but says the Legislature's $40-million cut in higher education is to blame.”\footnote{O 23 June 2003.}
The BOT blames an increase in tuition on a cut in higher education funding of $40 million by the State Legislature.  

Bookstore chain Barnes and Noble takes over control of the USF Bookstore.

“USF student Sharath Gottimukkula died June 1 when he drowned in the pool at his apartment complex. Two unnamed witnesses found Gottimukkula, who was from India, in the bottom of the pool at Campus Walk Apartments, said Lt. Rod Reder, spokesman for the Hillsborough Dr. Bernard. “Adams said the only thing he found unusual was that Gottimukkula didn’t know how to swim. A service for Gottimukkula was held June 10 and was organized by International Student Services, along with the International Students from India.”

The Moffit Center will get a tower to house medical equipment and research areas. The tower will cost $186 million.

Library patrons can now pay their fines by check, cash, or credit card, and can pay through OASIS.

The USF police are ranked best in the state of Florida in terms of traffic safety.
“After traveling overseas for 16 days, the USF Chamber Singers returned to the United States with several awards. The choir sang at the 38th International Choral Song Festival in Miedzydroje, Poland. But in addition to awards, Zielinski said the choir returned with an extended knowledge of music from Germany and Poland.” 6292

“USF men's soccer coach, George Kiefer, draws one of the nation's best recruiting classes.” 6293

“Former USF professor Sami Al-Arian's court appointed lawyers filed a motion Wednesday to be dismissed from the terrorism related case. The motion filed with Judge James Moody would allow Al-Arian to represent himself, at his request, on the 50-count indictment unless he is successful in hiring another lawyer, according to a Tampa Bay Coalition for Peace and Justice news release.” Although he wants to represent himself, Al-Arien is seeking the advice of William B. Moffitt. 6294

“As Renu Khator moves to the position of interim provost, she remains confident she will be able to handle the upcoming challenges. Khator said her family has always been her support and inspiration through her accomplishments. When Khator was 18, she and her husband moved from New Dehli, India to the United States.” 6295
Members of fraternities and sororities move into USF’s Greek housing for the first time in the history of the campus.\footnote{25 August 2003.}

“While trying to cope with current budget cuts, the Board of Trustees has already submitted legislative budget requests for the subsequent year. As requested by the Florida Board of Education, state universities compiled a wish list of operating requests needed from the state to restore funding. Among USF’s requests were restoring enrollment-growth funding, funding special units, such as Health Sciences, and funding campus enhancement projects. The list was submitted by the Board on July 25 and approved by the Board of Governors on Aug. 7. USF President Judy Genshaft said all university presidents agreed that the No. 1 priority for budget requests is to restore funding for enrollment growth. The Florida Legislature announced when passing a $40-million budget cut that enrollment growth would not be funded at state universities due to a lack of funds.”\footnote{25 August 2003.}

“Out of 11 games this season, USF will be televised live in six, including three nationally televised games on ESPN or ESPN2. Also, USF will have three home games televised, two nationally, for the first time in the program’s history.”\footnote{26 August 2003.}

“Greek Village isn't the only constructional addition to campus this year-- the first phase of Maple Suites has already opened its doors to students. Maple Suites, located on the corner of Maple and Holly Drives, has added 230 additional beds on campus and consists of two buildings. Tom Kane, director of residence services, said the first phase
of Maple Suites was originally designed for freshmen, but ironically, when the room assignments began in March, about 210 returning students signed up for the new housing. "I think a lot of those students were Beta residents and were looking to move into suite-style housing and Maple is brand new," Kane said. Kane said the second phase of Maple will house 600 students, 300 will be suite style bedrooms where four students share one bathroom with no kitchen or living room, and the other 300 will be apartment-style living similar to Magnolia. Kane said Phase II of Maple, which will be located across from the current Maple suites, should be completed by fall 2004, along with the completion of the Beta renovations. "The renovations for Beta are going to be the same as Castor," Kane said. "Leave the rooms the way they are, but the carpeting, windows, paint, doors, electricity, Ethernet, cable TV and everything that makes the building work will be replaced." In addition, when Beta reopens it will be co-ed by wing so the building won't be divided by an elevator lobby. Instead, the women will have a wing with their own bathroom and the men vice versa. The additional housing is a necessity to accommodate the demand for on-campus housing. Kane said this year USF has filled 3,520 beds on campus and leased out Fontana Hall, which is located off campus, to add room for another 750 students. However, USF still turned away 300 students due to lack of beds. "With the new projects, 900 beds will be added next year so that we will have 4,400 beds on campus for fall 2004, but I anticipate turning away a couple of hundred next year," Kane said.

“At $254.8 million, USF received the largest contracts and most grants statewide in the 2002-03 school year, surpassing its goal of $230 million and breaking its own

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record in research funding for the seventh consecutive year…The Health Sciences Center brought in the largest amount at $119.6-million, followed by the College of Medicine with $87.7 million. Genshaft said the College of Nursing had an astonishing increase of 83 percent for last year's total with $2.4 million. USF is No. 2 in the state, following the University of Florida, in the amount of federal funding given.”

“The USF College of Nursing recently received its largest donation ever. Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida gave the college a $750,000 gift, which was matched by Florida's Facility Enhancement Challenge Grant Program. The $1.5 million contributed to the college will help fund the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida Center for Advanced Nursing Education. The Center will be built on the second floor of the new USF Healthcare and Education Center, which will have its ground-breaking ceremony Sept. 16.”

The USF faculty will have new personnel rules by October. New Faculty Senate President Elizabeth Bird says in their new session that their problems with the administration are over because the new rules will be written in October. Faculty Union President Roy Weatherford goes before a BOT meeting in late November and complains that the new rules have not been written and no one has complained to the administration because of faculty intimidation. He hopes that, since the faculty has worked without a contract for almost a year, they can bring the issue to a resolution.

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After the unveiling of the school’s new logo, local stores and the campus bookstore report a great increase and sales of USF merchandise.\footnote{6303}

Stand-up comedian and USF alum Leo Gallagher intends to run for governor of California in the recall election which ousts governor Gray Davis.\footnote{6304}

“USF students have a variety of opinions about the new slogan "Touching Lives, Improving the World." The old slogan "Discovering USF" was officially replaced at the Board of Trustees meeting Aug. 21.”\footnote{6305}

USF junior Carolynn Nath is struck by lightning on her way to class. Without realizing what happened, Nath went to her class out of fear that she would be dropped from the roll. After returning to her dorm and suffering from stomach cramps and convulsions, her friends take her to the University Community Hospital, where she recovers for three days.\footnote{6306}

“An Internet-based tracking system has international students paying a new fee with registration”. Because of the new system, 2,200 international students at USF must pay an extra $50 dollars in addition to the regular tuition and fees.\footnote{6307}

“The USF women's cross-country team has created a "B" squad -- essentially a junior varsity team -- as an offshoot to the cross-country program for the 2003 season to

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give more young women an opportunity to continue in competitive running while also helping the university comply with Title IX. “

“One way that allows so many students to participate in the [Study Abroad] program each year is the Joan Newcomb Scholarship Fund. Newcomb, a program assistant in the International Studies office, said she wants every student to have the opportunity to study abroad. As the Study Abroad Program grows so does its scholarship fund. The money gives students from all majors the opportunity to travel and study abroad, Newcomb said. Just last year, the fund was able to assist 11 students to study abroad in comparison to only three students the previous year. Newcomb added that the more money raised for the fund, the more likely it is a larger number of students will want to study abroad.”

“USF women's soccer coach Logan Fleck can find talent. In 1996, he lured midfielder Kristine Edner to Tampa from her native Norway to play for the Bulls. In three seasons, she became USF's all-time single-season leader in shots and goals, while earning her first-team All Conference USA recognition each year. Edner received another accolade on Monday when she was selected to be a member of Norway's World Cup team, the sixth USF player under Fleck to do so. The United States is hosting this year’s World Cup, with Norway playing its first match against France on Sept. 20 in Philadelphia.”

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The Center for Urban Transportation Research received a grant for about $2 million that will provide additional funding for a continued study of urban transportation planning.6311

“Edward Mierzejewski, director of CUTR, said the grant would be used for research on a variety of programs that have been in development for several years. Mierzejewski added that the Federal Transportation Administration, which has worked with CUTR on past projects, is providing funding from the grant.”6312

“In an attempt to improve the quality of undergraduate research and be reaffirmed from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), USF is currently working on renewing its accreditation for 2005. Kathleen Moore, associate vice president of academic affairs and educational outreach at USF, said university accreditation involves comparing one institution to another to see if they meet the same standards of higher education.”6313

USF mishandled $4 million in grant funds from the federal government, an audit reveals. USF might have wasted $8 million over the last 4 years. USF owes the state of Florida another $1.44 million for violations.6314

WUSF celebrates its 40th anniversary.6315

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Because of the large “demand for elderly research,” a school of Aging Studies has been recognized by the College of Arts and Sciences.6316

Ground is broken on a new College of Nursing building. This is part of the renovation of the Health Sciences Center.6317

“USF's Health Sciences Center is getting a facelift, and it starts with the College of Nursing. The new building project will integrate the college with the College of Medicine and College of Public Health.”6318

As part of an ongoing effort to make campus more safe, the UP has acquired a BMW motorcycle for patrolling the area.6319

Confluences, a musical group founded in 2001 and comprised of some USF professors, will perform at Carnegie Hall in New York.6320

Christy Haubegger, founder of Latina Magazine comes to USF to speak as part of the University Lecture Series and Hispanic Heritage Month. Haubegger’s various honors and awards include being chosen by Newsweek as one of the “Women of the New Century,” being named one of Hispanic Business Magazine’s “100 Most Influential

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Hispanics,” and being featured on NBC Nightly News’s “Ten Most Inspirational Women” in 2001.6321

A group of homosexual men at USF attempt to have their fraternity, Delta Lambda Phi, officially recognized by the school. This would make it the first homosexual fraternity on campus. Some members of other Greek organizations express some trepidation at the prospect.6322

USF student Hashim Ahmed speaks with deans and directors of the library “to create some information tools for” Ethiopian students who lack a digital library. “Together, they presented the plan to the Ethiopian government and Richard Bernard, computer specialist of the USF Library, and are now in the process of developing a computer system for faculty, staff and students of Addis Ababa University to navigate.”6323

“After an unbeaten opening last weekend in Conference USA, the USF women’s soccer team won twice this weekend to remain unbeaten in C-USA.”6324

“After living in Europe for the past few years, Robert Kagan, senior associate at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and writer for The Washington Post, has educated himself about the war with Iraq.” “Kagan has said he believes that the United States appears to overlook diplomacy for the chance to reveal its superior armed forces,
whereas European countries attempt diplomacy first. Tonight, Kagan will speak at USF to address the different solutions countries take when solving conflict.”

“In response to students’ fears about NSEERS, a program that the government uses to keep tabs on international students, student body president Omar Khan and vice president Ryan Morris have initiated a campaign to convince the federal government that the enforcement of NSEERS is unjust. The pair seeks to gain USF administration and state support to have NSEERS procedures overturned. Since the [September 11th] attacks, NSEERS singles out legal aliens from Afghanistan, Algeria, Bahrain, Eritrea, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, North Korea, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Sudan, Syria and Yemen to attend a special registration where they are fingerprinted and interviewed by Department of Homeland Security immigration officials.”

Student Tatyana Zukhov receives a $300,000 grant to study lung cancer.

For the first time in school history the USF football team is ranked ahead of one of the three big football schools in the state (Florida, Miami, Florida State). The Bulls rank ahead of the University of Florida Gators in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll.

“A $2-billion budget request for the 2004-05 school year -- including $80-million in new enrollment growth funding -- was requested by the State University System and approved by the Board of Governors on Sept. 24. Although the budget request is pending

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approval by Gov. Jeb Bush and then the State Legislature, if it passes USF will get some of that money for its operating budget and tuition might not be increased next year.”

“Latin American food festivals, dance classes and a lecture from a Nobel-Prize-winner are among the highlights of the Hispanic Heritage Celebration "Fiesta 2003” being at USF throughout October and November. A celebration dating back to the late 1980s, has united members of the Tampa Bay community as well as the USF population in an effort to expose other cultures to the Latino Heritage traditions.”

Wake Up Wednesday, a tradition at USF, has led to the registration of 500 new voters. USF leads all Florida Universities in voter registration.

Researchers in the chemistry department create “a new drug-release system that is one-millionth the size of a pinhead.”

Boston College becomes the third school in the Big East Conference to leave and join the Atlantic Coast Conference. The Big East will need to add three schools to stay in the NCAA and they may be looking to Conference USA, meaning USF might move to the Big East Conference. Because some teams have left the Big East Conference in recently, the schools in the conference will have to add three schools with football programs, and there is discussion that these schools will come from Conference USA. There is a chance that USF will be one of the schools that moves, although Athletic

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Director Lee Roy Selmon claims the school is not in contact with Big East officials. If the move is possible, the BOT votes to support it. USF joins the Big East Conference.

“Palestinian rights activist Adam Shapiro speaks in the Phyllis P. Marshall Center Ballroom on Tuesday night about Palestinians fighting Israeli oppression.”

“USF must find new ways to generate revenue and cut fat, President Judy Genshaft said in her fall address Wednesday.”

Groundbreaking occurs on the site of the future Nanotechnology Building at the College of Engineering. The groundbreaking coincides with the re-opening of the Kopp Engineering Building, which has gone through renovations.

“A federal grant has been given to USF and the James A. Haley Veterans’ Hospital in order to help train the next generation of medical specialists in the area of geriatric mental health….The Health Resources and Services Administration is providing the three-year grant of $667,000. The grant will be jointly used by the USF Department of Aging and Mental Health at the Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute, the USF School of Aging Studies and the Veterans' Hospital.”

USF’s Lakeland campus begins its own lecture series.
The Moffitt Research Center and the Vincent A. Stabile Research Building, two units of the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center, will soon be connected by a bridge. The bridge, currently being designed by HOK Architects to span about 200 feet, will be indoor and air-conditioned.  

“Universities and community colleges will be getting their slice of the unclaimed lottery jackpot after the Legislature voted unanimously in favor of the measure Thursday. The Legislature approved Gov. Jeb Bush's recommendation that lawmakers use the unclaimed $30.1 million to match private donations to the universities. Bush had originally recommended that the money be spread among the state's 67 school districts, but changed his mind.”

“Sami Al-Arian will no longer represent himself against charges of conspiracy to murder and racketeering in a 50-count indictment. William B. Moffitt, a prominent attorney from Washington, D.C., submitted a notice of appearance Wednesday at the Federal District Court in Tampa to represent Al-Arian, according to the Tampa Bay Coalition for Justice and Peace.” Moffitt will seek to center his defense around issues of civil rights.

With the help of the H. Lee Moffitt Center and Cancer Research Institute and three county health departments, more high-risk women are finding it easier to detect breast and cervical cancer before it's too late. A federal grant provided by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control has allowed Moffitt to work in conjunction with
Hillsborough, Polk and Highlands counties to provide free screening procedures for breast and cervical cancer to underserved women in the community, said Carol Roberts, the Human Services Program Manager at the Hillsborough County Health Department.”

The BOT meets to discuss the possibility of USF changing conferences and votes to in approval of the change.

“Months of speculation finally came to an end Tuesday when USF was officially extended, and subsequently accepted, an invitation to join the Big East Conference beginning in 2005. In a pep-rally style atmosphere, complete with cheerleaders, the Sun Dolls, athletes and Rocky the Bull, USF president Judy Genshaft and Athletic Director Lee Roy Selmon addressed the amassed media on their collective decision to leave Conference USA for the re-established Big East.”

“A partnership with a new Pasco-Hernando Community College may be in the works for USF, pending a vote from the Florida Legislature. Ken Littlefield, state representative from Wesley Chapel, said in the Oct. 8 issue of The Laker, Land O' Lakes' local newspaper, that he plans to recommend the building of a new campus shared by USF and PHCC. The new $16.7 million facility has been proposed already by PHCC, and the school is still searching for 40-100 acres of land in the Wesley Chapel area for the construction. Littlefield cited a similar arrangement between USF and Polk Community College. PCC and USF opened the Lakeland Center in 1983 to assist students in Polk,
Highlands, Hardee and Hillsborough counties. Littlefield said the proposed PHCC campus would focus on medical education and services to students in the Wesley Chapel area.  

“Florida Sen. Ken Pruitt, R-Port St. Lucie, is riding his "Bright Futures Express" to all 11 state universities and 28 community colleges in hopes to overturn some lawmakers’ plans to cut the programs. Student body president Omar Khan and Student Government have been working with Pruitt’s office in order to arrange his visit to campus. ‘Student Government wanted Pruitt to come to help get students involved and even though Bright Futures was saved this year they need to be pro-active,’ Khan said.”

While in Tampa for a concert, Olivia Newton John takes the opportunity to visit breast cancer patients at the Moffitt Center.

“The topics were just like any other town hall meeting. But with a candid approach, Peter Jennings, anchor of ABC World News Tonight, made a near capacity audience comfortable by cracking a few jokes and encouraging them to ask questions. Jennings hosted a town hall meeting in the College of Public Health Auditorium at USF on Wednesday night which featured local Tampa journalists and a USF professor” and covered topics relating to terrorism.
Starbucks and Burger will be opening on campus in the near future, with Starbucks going into the lobby of the library and Burger Building a facility behind the ULH building.6349

“Looking to give students a platform to voice their concerns, Student Government held a meeting where, for a couple of hours on Tuesday, students sat down with SG senators to get involved in dialogues to improve certain issues on campus, such as scholarship programs. SG senators raised awareness about Bright Futures and Florida Prepaid scholarship programs from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and in that time, about 300 students signed petitions to save both scholarship programs from the chopping blocks of the state legislature, according to SG senator Brandon Faza. Ryan Caruso, SG senate president, said BullSit allows SG senators to sit and talk to students so they can know the issues and improve the campus.”6350

Both SI.com and Collegefootballnews.com have pegged Bulls senior safety J.R. Reed as the NCAA Player of the Week after his two-touchdown, three-interception game.6351

Although the USF Women’s soccer team had only been competing above the club level since 1997, they quickly became a very good team, posing a 35-5 record at home, a 29-2 record at Raymond James Stadium, and entered the 2003 season with a 19-game home win streak. Only Miami’s streak of 22 is longer in NCAA I-A competition.6352

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6350 O 26 November 2003
6351 O 2 December 2003.
6352 USF Women’s Soccer Media Guide 2003, USF Athletic Department, 2.
Volleyball player Michelle Collier finishes her career with 2,729 kills, making her the all-time leader at USF and in Conference USA. Collier is also named the first all-American in the history of USF Volleyball.\textsuperscript{6353}

University of Connecticut Assistant Coach George Kiefer is hired to coach the USF men’s soccer team. Kiefer’s UCONN Huskies won the 2000 NCAA championship. Kiefer’s team includes former high school All-American and Florida Player of the year Hunter West.\textsuperscript{6354}

Former USF soccer player Jeff Cunningham finishes the Major League Soccer season with the Columbus Crew as the third leading scorer in the league.\textsuperscript{6355}

During Greg Thiel’s tenure as coach the USF Track and Field Team has had two Olympians, Kemel Thompson, who competed in hurdles, and Llewelyn Bredwood, who ran the 100 meters. Both athletes competed for Jamaica in the 2000 Olympics and Thompson finished 9\textsuperscript{th} at the 1999 World Championships. The team has also had 10 All Americans, 46 Conference Champions, and the 4x100 team ranked in the top eight during the 2000 season.\textsuperscript{6356}

Since Stephanie Doyle took over as head coach in 2000, the USF women’s sailing team “has won four SAISA women’s championships and has finished in the top five at the ICSA Women’s Singlehanded North Americans and in the top 10 at the Women’s Atlantic Coast Championship.”\textsuperscript{6357}

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\textsuperscript{6353} USF Volleyball Media Guide 2003, USF Athletic Department, 28, 35 and 92.
\textsuperscript{6354} USF Men’s Soccer Media Guide 2003, USF Athletic Department, 25 and 14.
\textsuperscript{6355} USF Men’s Soccer Media Guide 2003, USF Athletic Department, 26.
\textsuperscript{6356} USF Track and Field/Cross Country Media Guide 2003, USF Athletic Department, 3.
\textsuperscript{6357} USF Sailing Media Guide 2003-2004, USF Athletic Department, 1.
“A $446,593 grant will help put engineering theories into classrooms by educating teachers in a five-week program.”6358

“In an effort to expand its student housing grounds and ultimately attract more students to USF, a new residence hall is under construction while an older dorm is getting a face-lift. The corner of Holly and Maple is the location for the newest student dormitory, Cypress Hall. Beta Hall, after a year of being closed for renovation, will re-open its doors in August. With the growing population of freshmen at USF, the Department of Residence Services has focused its efforts on constructing the Cypress Residence Halls. According to Tom Kane, director of Residence Services, the new residence hall is mainly intended for freshmen. The hall features two different building styles: Cypress Suites and Cypress Apartments, both with unique floor plans designed for student comfort. "Cypress Suites will be double-loaded quarters with four students to a suite," Kane said. Each suite is comprised of two bedrooms with two beds in each room, which will serve to house four students. The shower room and lavatory are both outside of the bedrooms, accessible by a small lobby. Cypress Apartments are modeled similar to Magnolia Apartments, Kane said. The entrance is through the kitchen, which leads to a living area. On either side of the living area are two bedrooms and their corresponding restrooms. Once reopened, Beta Hall will provide about 300 beds, and will accommodate both men and women. According to Kane, two communal bathrooms will be available on each wing of the co-ed building. Between the renovation of Beta and the opening of Cypress Hall, USF will offer 900 new beds this August.”6359

6359 O 7 January 2004.
President Genshaft visits USF’s Learning and Retirement Institute in honor of its 10th anniversary. In her speech, “USF – Better Every Day,” Genshaft touts USF’s status as a Research 1 University and its focus on health and human services.\textsuperscript{6360}

The Alliance of Concerned Students worries about the corporate presence at USF, particularly Starbucks and Burger King, and they organize a formal protest.\textsuperscript{6361}

Writer Antwone Fisher comes to USF as part of the 17th annual celebration of Martin Luther King Junior’s life.\textsuperscript{6362}

“USF moved ahead in six of the nine categories in the 2003 report on The Top American Research Universities published by The Center at the University of Florida in early December.”\textsuperscript{6363}

Renu Khator meets with “six representatives of the Minority Faculty and Staff Association to discuss what they all agreed to call "imperative issues" affecting minorities at USF and beyond. Khator [is] able to utilize her Indian background to highlight the importance of the different minorities’ involvement with education, particularly USF.”\textsuperscript{6364}

“After last year's budget cuts, Governor Jeb Bush announced Tuesday afternoon budget proposals for the 2004-2005 fiscal year, recommending a substantial increase in higher education funding. In 2003, Bush recommended a $111-million budget cut in...
higher education, a move which drew heavy criticism from students and administration members from across the state.

Team USA and the USF softball team will both take part in an eight team round robin tournament. USF coach Ken Eriksen is also an assistant for the USA team, so he will sit on the benches for both teams during the tournament, but has decided that when USA plays USF, he is “going to be in the United States’ dugout,” meaning the head coach will be coaching against the USF team. Associate head coach Stacey Heintz will coach the bulls in Eriksen’s absence. She will also coach a few games he must miss during the season because of team USA commitments.

Sami Al-Arian returned to federal court Wednesday when his lawyers contested some of the charges he has faced, which they say violated his First Amendment rights. Al-Arian, a former USF professor, has said he and his co-defendants, including a former USF graduate student and Arabic instructor Sammeeh Hammoudeh, were exercising their right to free speech when raising money through a Palestinian charity, according to an Associated Press report. However, prosecutors said the issue of free speech crossed the line and became a criminal act when money that was raised by Al-Arian and Hammoudeh was sent to the Palestinian Islamic Jihad.

The USF men’s basketball team has lost five players in the past year for various reasons. Because of the drop in players available, the team is starting senior walk-on
Brian Graham, who hadn’t considered playing basketball when he first transferred here from UCF.6368

“USF will break ground for the construction of two buildings at a new Research Park on campus today. Carl Carlucci, chief financial officer for USF, said the new 230,000 square-foot park will encourage interaction between USF’s Center for Entrepreneurship and local industry. "A lot of major universities have built parks like these. USF is a major research institute, generating more than $250 million in research, second only to (the University of Florida) in the state," Carlucci said. "When you've got that amount of research, you need an outlet to allow the community and businesses around the university to get in touch with the school." According to Carlucci, the two new buildings will include one facility primarily for faculty research -- which will be run almost entirely by USF -- and one that will include offices for both the Center for Entrepreneurship and local businesses. The two new buildings will cost about $40 million and will be paid for by state and federal education and research grants in addition to the revenue obtained through rent from businesses with offices in the buildings, Carlucci said."6369

“If the budget proposal announced by Gov. Jeb Bush on Jan. 20 is passed, students can expect yet another tuition increase next fall, even though the proposal included increased funding for higher education. Bush recommended that for the 2004-05

fiscal year an additional $144 million be allocated within the state's public universities, an increase of 5.7 percent from last year."6370

“The Department of Residence Services will recommend to USF's Board of Trustees a 6 percent increase from this year's housing rates, which would be the largest increase since 1997. USF raises its housing rates each year to account for cost of living increases, utility charges and to fund maintenance to the residence halls. The average increase during the last five years has been a little more than 3 percent. Tom Kane, director of Residence Services, said the reasons for the increased hike are beyond USF's control.”6371

“Faculty want salary increases to meet the standards set forth in USF’s Strategic Plan. But some fear lack of funding from the Legislature means that goal is unattainable.”6372

“At her USF lecture "My Writing Journey," award winning author and poet Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni read excerpts from two of her books, "Leaving Yuba City" and "The Unknown Errors of Our Lives," and also told listeners that she never thought she would grow up to be a writer. Divakaruni's lecture, sponsored by the USF Humanities Institute and co-sponsored by the Florida Suncoast Writers' Conference, touched upon her personal experiences, such as immigrating to the U.S. as a young woman, and said such an event inspired her to become a writer.”6373

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Students, faculty, and administrators discuss the discovery of a noose tied to a tree near the Magnolia Apartments. President Genshaft promises that the person responsible will be “swiftly dealt with.” The situation is turned over to Student Judicial Services when it is discovered that the perpetrator merely saw a rope hanging, had a background in sailing and knot-tying, and decided to tie a knot. He did not have any “malicious intent.”

Pulitzer Prize winner Norman Mailer is one of the writers to attend the Suncoast Writer’s Workshop at the St. Petersburg Campus.

“Despite the BOG member [Steve Uhlfeder]'s explanation of his proposal [to implement a testing component to measure accountability of Florida’s public universities], USF leaders are still not swayed. Testing tied to funding in any form is unacceptable, they say.”

Two female students are frightened by a young man impersonating a police officer. When they walked away from the man he tried to run them over. Police are looking for the suspect and stress the need for campus safety.

Researchers in the Moffitt Cancer Center will work in conjunction with researchers at FAMU to study prostate cancer among African Americans.
Representative bargaining teams from the administration and the faculty union get together to begin the process of collective bargaining. By the end of the summer there is still no contract between the faculty union and the school, which leaves faculty members displeased. The two sides reach an agreement almost two months later. The BOT later ratifies the new contract.6379

“Administrators at USF St. Petersburg are awaiting the "green light" from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), an accrediting agency in Atlanta, for separate accreditation from that of USF Tampa. Karen White, regional chancellor of USF St. Petersburg, said the school will seek accreditation after the announcement by USF President Judy Genshaft on Feb. 10 that the campus is granted new powers over its operations. They sent in an institutional report on Feb. 13 to the SACS board to see if separate accreditation was a viable option, White said. Genshaft delegated authority to USF St. Petersburg's operations and to White, whose title changed from campus executive officer to regional chancellor, allowing the campus to award its own degrees, select its own students in admissions and create new courses and programs, among other new responsibilities.”6380

“Former Bulls captain Troy Perkins will return to USF hoping to cement a permanent contract with MLS club D.C. United. Perkins, who is on trial with the MLS side, said recent negotiations between his agent and the D.C. United president Kevin Payne had been positive.”6381

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The Oracle editor in chief believes that one year after the arrest of Sami Al-Arian, the “black cloud is no longer hanging” over the school.6382

At a Faculty Senate meeting, some faculty register complaints that retired General Tommy Franks will be receiving an honorary degree.6383

The Oracle editor feels the need to respond to a statement made by Betty Castor’s Republican opponent Mel Martinez. The editorialist claims that during a televised commercial Martinez “misquote[ed]” the Oracle and claimed Castor did nothing about the Sami Al-Arian situation when, in reality, she put him on leave until he was cleared to return to USF by the FBI. Castor loses a close Senate race.6384

“In one of the biggest advances to come from the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute in its 16-year history, researchers have identified a key protein in tumors that allows them to flourish undetected by keeping their presence a secret from the body's immune system.”6385

“Two employees at USF and the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute have published a book that received the American Journal of Nursing "Book of the Year" Award for 2003. The American Journal of Nursing was founded in the year 1900 and, according to its Web site, is the oldest and largest circulating nursing journal in the world. The book, which was published in 2003 by the Springer Publishing company,
is titled The Older Cancer Patient: A Guide for Nurses and Related Professionals. It was written by Lodovico Balducci, the program leader for Senior Adult Oncology at Moffitt, and Janine Overcash, a registered nurse in the senior adult oncology program at Moffitt and a professor in the college of nursing at USF."  

“A group of USF students will be making their way to the Florida state capital early today in order to let legislators know about their concerns to keep university funding, among other things, as their top priority. The group of about 25 students will drive to Tallahassee for a rally organized by the Brighter Futures Foundation, an organization that fights to keep the scholarship fund, the pre-paid program and the university enrollment fund alive.”

“After the proposal attracted statewide scrutiny, Florida's Board of Governors declined to vote Thursday on introducing a test for all graduates of the state's 11 public universities. While early speculation compared the proposed test to the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test used in public high schools, the man behind the proposal, Board member Steve Uhlfelder, maintains the test would not be "an all-encompassing standardized test," but rather a yet-to-be-determined method of measuring student achievement as the state searches for a way to measure university accountability. Uhlfelder said the Board would garner feedback from state education leaders before deciding if another accountability measure is necessary.”

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“The Board of Trustees approved a $50 fee per semester on Monday for international students that will be used to administer provisions included in the USA Patriot Act. The Board also voted to change the name of the fee from Student and Exchange Visitor Information System, or SEVIS fee, to the International Student Administrative Charge. The fee has been in place for two semesters, but BOT approval was not deemed necessary when former Provost S. David Stamps introduced the expense. The Board's vote was necessary now, however, because the cost of implementing the fee has become clearer.”

Bruce “Lindsey, chairman of physiology and biophysics at USF's College of Medicine, is the first researcher at USF to receive the Javits Investigator Award from the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke. The grant is regarded as a prestigious award given to only those who have conducted extensive research in neurological disorders and are likely to continue the research for at least seven years.” The award is worth $3.5 million.

“Carl Carlucci, chief financial officer and executive vice president for USF, said the recommendations the Senate made is new funding that the universities did not have last year. The Senate is recommending $5,403 for FTE freshman and sophomores (lower level) and $8,241 for FTE juniors and seniors (upper level). Carlucci said the Senate is basing those dollar amounts on the 2002-03 planned enrollment growth, which were 820

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for lower-level students and 838 for upper-level students. Carlucci said the Senate’s recommendation is definitely an action taken in the right direction.”

“Yvonne Ridley, a freelance journalist captured by the Taliban in 2001, is coming to USF on Tuesday night to talk about media manipulation and the power of propaganda, with specific references to the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq. ‘I want to make people aware about what is exactly happening in the Western media and how to recognize fact from fiction,’ Ridley said. In addition to discussing the power of propaganda, Ridley will also talk about her capture by the Taliban and the treatment she received while in captivity. ‘I will be making a contrast between my treatment at the hands of the most evil, brutal regime of the world and the treatment of the men in Guantanamo Bay (Cuba) at the hands of America,’ Ridley said.”

USF’s St. Petersburg Campus holds its first official football rally in support of the Spring game, an intrasquad scrimmage, to be played at Raymond James Stadium the following weekend. The pep rally “will feature speakers such as football coach Jim Leavitt, Regional Chancellor Karen A. White, assistant athletic director Jim Louk and Bob Foster, a St. Petersburg City Council member” the school’s marching band, the Sun Dolls, and the team’s cheerleaders.
The 2004 election for SG President comes down to a runoff between the tickets of Bijal Chhadva/Andrew Aubery and Brandon Faza/J.P. Murphy. They were separated by just 18 votes in the first election. Chhadva wins the runoff.  

“Phillip Sipiora has resigned as chairman of USF's English Department amid a storm of allegations regarding the department's financial responsibility. According to a report by USF's Office of University Audit and Compliance, the department is guilty of four charges: 1. The report found a faculty member had selected a textbook from a book publisher with whom he/she was negotiating a contract. 2. According to the report, a conflict of interest occurred when a faculty member's spouse was hired to provide services for the department. 3. A faculty member failed to properly disclose book contracts as an outside compensated activity, the report said. 4. A faculty member utilized university funds to purchase personal-use equipment.”  

Lee Roy Selmon takes a six-week sabbatical as head of USF athletics. He later resigns as Athletic Director at USF and Doug Woolard is named his replacement soon after. “USF President Judy Genshaft eased the minds of those involved when she decided former Saint Louis University AD Doug Woolard was the right man for the job.”

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6394 O 12 April 2004.
6395 O 23 April 2004
6397 O 13 May 2004
USF changed its logo last year, and plans on moving into the Big East Conference next year. Now, the Athletics department will move into a $15 million, athletic facility that is over 100,000 square feet and has been almost a year and a half in the making.\(^{6398}\)

“According to Sami Al-Arian's lawyer, the FBI contradicted itself by holding the former USF professor after using Al-Arian as an FBI informant more than a decade ago. William Moffitt said in federal court on Monday that the FBI talked to Al-Arian at least five times in the late 1980s and early 1990s about Al-Arian's knowledge of a variety of Middle East happenings. ‘The FBI can't talk about Dr. Al-Arian from both sides of its mouth,’ Moffitt said according to The Tampa Tribune. ‘Obviously providing information to the FBI puts Dr. Al-Arian in a different category than that of a terrorist.’”\(^{6399}\)

USF’s non-renewal of English Professor James Inman’s contract has worried many students in the department. Inman, Gary Olsen, and Lynn Warsham have been credited with much of the success of the department’s Rhetoric and Composition Program, recently rated one of the best in the country. Olsen is leaving to join the faculty at Illinois State University and Warsham may soon be joining him. This is just one in a series of problems that plague the English Department over the summer.\(^{6400}\)

USF’s St. Petersburg campus holds discussion panels and shows documentaries in celebration of the 50\(^{th}\) anniversary of the Brown vs. Board of Education de-segregation court ruling.\(^{6401}\)

\(^{6398}\) O 17 May 2004.
\(^{6399}\) O 20 May 2004
\(^{6400}\) O 27 May 2004, see also 12 July 2004.
\(^{6401}\) O 2 June 2004.
President Genshaft proposes a 12% increase in faculty salaries.\footnote{6402}

USF’s Division of Continuing Education offers the school’s first flight class. Students can learn to fly through the Private Pilot Ground School training.\footnote{6403}

“The USF Bookstore Café will open for business on the third floor of the USF Bookstore. The café will serve Starbucks products and has wireless Internet so students can go online in the café. Jeff Mack, director of auxiliary services, said Barnes & Noble, the owners of the USF Bookstore, included the café as part of its proposal to manage the Bookstore last fall. Mack added that although the costs for this café are not finalized yet, Barnes & Noble is paying for the café and the USF Bookstore will operate it.”\footnote{6404}

A new parking garage, named the Collins Boulevard Parking Facility, will open on August 23, 2004. The planning goes back to the fall of 2001. The opening is deemed a success.\footnote{6405}

Jimmy Baxter and Dayana Octavien earn All-American honors at the NCAA track and field championships.\footnote{6406}

“Several major departments at USF are being asked to reallocate money for instruction, which, if approved, will help pay for the proposed 12 percent faculty salary increase.”\footnote{6407}
“According to a pair of reports last week from the university's office of audit and compliance, USF English professor Joe Moxley is guilty of misusing nearly $75,000. However, Moxley said he is a victim in a series of misunderstandings. In 1999, Moxley received a $55,000 gift from Microsoft Corp. to go with nearly $50,000 worth of software, all to support his research in writing and its relation to technology. That money, a report released Thursday stated, was used to reimburse Moxley for meals and fare on trips to, among other places, New York, London and Paris, which the auditors said is in violation of university policy because they were for personal benefit and were not valid business expenditures. However, according to Moxley, the money was intended as a gift to him to further his research and writing, leaving the spending up to his discretion.”

“After a disappointing 2003 campaign, USF men's soccer coach George Kiefer has brought in some of the nations best soccer hopefuls -- and a few from outside the nation -- to help propel the 2004 squad's strength ... and championship chances.”

Former USF track and field star Kemel Thompson is ranked second in the world by *Track and Field News* in the 400m hurdles. Thompson will represent Jamaica in the 2004 Olympics. Thompson misses the Olympic finals by one hundredth of a second.

There is a debate in the Oracle regarding the use of large, sexually suggestive posters to advertise for rooms for rent in Fontana Hall.

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6411 The issue is discussed in a 15 July 2004 *St. Petersburg Times* article by Oracle writer Stephanie Oliveira. For a response to the column see O 24 August 2004.
“The Beta residence hall's renovation will be coming to an end this year. Students will be able to move in this fall. The project will add 296 beds. New commons spaces will be built on each floor of the residence hall. A new portal for access through the building will be constructed to allow for easy access to the pedestrian paths and the Greenway. The renovation allows for a much-needed overhaul of the oldest dorm on campus, according to Residence Services. Cypress Hall, according to the Residence Services Web site, has been completed and is ready for fall move-ins. These new residence halls consist of a total of 602 beds and will offer apartment-style living. The complex will share a joint community building with a life and learning center located in the middle. In order to help with ever-increasing traffic on campus, the Collins Boulevard Parking Facility opens today. The structure adds 1,500 parking spaces and is located in front of the USF library. It was designed to be a signature building at a prime campus location. The College of Business Administration is also under heavy construction. The designs call for an expansion in the number of classrooms and offices to better serve the students and staff. "It is on schedule for completion and occupancy for (the) spring 2005 term," [Ronald] Hanke [Director of facilities planning and construction] said. The new expansion for the college will provide 28,000 net square feet of offices and classrooms. This will serve the Executive MBA Program, Physicians MBA, Entrepreneurial Studies and future executive educational spaces. The Natural and Environmental Sciences facility will be under construction until January of 2005. The construction will provide for a new 37,000 square-foot science facility. The additional space will allow for more research opportunities as well as offering increased class and office space. The Chemistry Building's renovations will allow for more classrooms and updated equipment.
According to Hanke, it is on schedule for occupancy in fall of 2005. Finally, The College of Nursing is going through renovations and expansions, resulting in more classrooms and office space. Much of the current construction is scheduled for completion in the fall of 2005.\textsuperscript{6412}

After going a year and a half without a contract, Roy Weatherford promises that the faculty union members, while putting student’s needs first, were still willing to find outlets for protest. The contract would remain much like the former contract, but there were points of contention. According to the Oracle, these include “summer pay, low salary increases and merit-based raises.”\textsuperscript{6413}

Stephen Klasko is named dean of USF’s College of Medicine in July. He will begin the job in September. “Klasko takes over a dean spot made vacant when Robert Daugherty was forced to resign by university President Judy Genshaft. Daugherty stepped down last November after Genshaft found out he had told members of his staff to make donations to Johnnie Byrd's U.S. Senate campaign.”\textsuperscript{6414}

USF closes down because of the incoming hurricane Frances.\textsuperscript{6415}

“There didn't seem to be many good moods as the USF football team walked off the practice field Tuesday. Hurricane Frances had that effect on many across the state this weekend and it did not spare USF's fall sports programs. Weeks of practice and preparation for USF's season opener against Pittsburgh were all for naught, as Saturday's
game was canceled. Instead of opening the season against a future Big East rival on ESPN, the Bulls will have to begin with Division 1AA opponent Tennessee Tech, which won't get national attention." 

“As the third anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks on the World Trade Center approaches, USF is still feeling the effects in enrollment. The university finds itself recruiting overseas students for the first time, but, like colleges nationwide, it finds itself struggling to draw international students.” 

The University of Tampa and public schools in Hillsborough County decided before the weekend to cancel classes on Monday because of the coming of Hurricane Ivan. The hurricane, which was predicted to come over Tampa, shifted to the west over the weekend and USF’s delayed decision allowed the school to be open on Monday for classes. When Hurricane Frances came a few weeks ago, the school was closed for two days. Hurricane Charley came too early in August to threaten classes. 

The SG chooses Barron Hall and Aimee Font-Sanborn two students in the College of Visual and Performing Arts to design a model for a memorial of the September 11th attacks to be erected on campus. There is much debate regarding the issue in the Oracle. The SG eventually rejects the proposed memorial.

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“An interactive education helps international students during their time at USF. The English Language Institute has helped thousands of non-English speakers communicate and adjust to life in the United States.”\textsuperscript{6420}

The Union and the administration come to a verbal agreement on a new contract. They later finalize the contract and it is approved by the BOT.\textsuperscript{6421}

“The hoops season officially kicked off at the Sun Dome on Friday evening with the fifth annual Midnight Mania, an event that marks the start of practice for the basketball teams. A large gathering crowded the entrance of the Sun Dome to listen to hip-hop music and watch as students squared off in a battle of raps. With an equal blend of crazy skits and raucous prize giveaways, the student government put on a show for the crowd at the Sun Dome. The festivities began with a skit performed by the men's and women's basketball team that involved cross-dressing and a workout routine.”\textsuperscript{6422}

Sami Al-Arian becomes the center of a debate within the 2004 Senate race between Castor and Martinez. “After showing an ad by the Martinez campaign suggesting that Castor, while president of USF, knowingly allowed an Islamic terrorist cell to operate at the university under former professor Sami al-Arian and defended it under academic freedom, Russert asked Castor what she would say to Martinez about the commercial. Castor quickly defended herself by calling the ads unfair, dishonest and hypocritical. ‘When news reports first surfaced about possible activities of Mr. al-Arian, I went to the FBI,’” Castor said. ‘I am the person that shut down the think tank, I ensured

\textsuperscript{6420} O 6 October 2004
\textsuperscript{6421} O 15 October 2004, 1 November 2004, 3 December 2004.
\textsuperscript{6422} O 18 October 2004.
the safety of the campus and I ultimately put him on administrative leave or suspension. I am the only person that took action,’ she said. She continued to suggest that Sami al-Arian, while under suspicion by the FBI, campaigned for George W. Bush, then governor of Texas, and was invited to the White House three months prior to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Martinez responded by saying this issue was first introduced by Castor, who suggested that she had suspended al-Arian when in fact she had not.”

Actor Leonardo DiCaprio speaks at USF while campaigning for presidential hopeful John Kerry. Kerry had appeared on campus a few months earlier.

“One of the USF women's soccer team's most dominant offensive players was arrested and shocked with a Taser gun Saturday outside of Raymond James Stadium after she became violent with police officers. Starting midfielder Erica Lewis, 20, was taken into custody around a half-hour prior to USF's football game versus Army Oct. 16 and charged with resisting arrest with violence.”

Many USF students have fallen “victim to a scam tricking college students into registering to vote as Republicans.” The Oracle reports that this “ploy has been uncovered on several college campuses across the country,” when representatives of the Republican party ask students to sign a petition requesting stricter Child Molestation laws. Signers are unwittingly registering as Republicans, but do not realize until they receive their new voter registration card a few weeks later.
“While many programs exist to help minority and low-income students succeed in education, Latino advocates contend there are not enough programs that address problems particular to Latino students. USF will take one such program under its wing when it takes over the funding of the Engaging Latino Communities for Education, or ENLAC... program, although it will ask the program to broaden its scope to support low-income students of all backgrounds. ENLAC... started in 2000 as one of 13 programs funded by grants from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. With money from the grant due to run out in January, the Latin American Student Association said they were concerned that the 4-year-old program would disappear.”

“Three USF women's soccer players were recognized for their outstanding play when Conference USA announced its 2004 all-league teams earlier this week. Midfielder Katie Reed received second-team honors while seniors Staci Sastre and Breck Bankester earned third-team spots.”

A sidewalk on 50th street that runs all the way from Fowler Avenue to Fletcher Avenue is almost complete.

“Battling the weather, an arrest and losing streaks, a late surge by the women's soccer team wasn't enough to receive a postseason berth.”

“Arabic speakers are in demand, and one class at USF tries to meet that demand by teaching language and culture.”
Bradley Mosley, senior point guard on the Basketball team, must leave the team when he discovers he has “renal medullary carcinoma, a rare form of cancer with very few survivors.” He returns to the bench after undergoing treatments at the Moffitt Center. Mosley’s body responded to chemotherapy, although his normally 189 lbs deteriorated to 139 lbs at one point. Mosley is back up to 155 lbs and cheers for his teammates from the team bench.\textsuperscript{6432}

“USF students make a difference with the Peace Corps. The Peace Corps is a volunteer organization that sends U.S. citizens to work in different countries to change the lives of people around the world. But some USF students describe the Peace Corps as a 'life-changing experience' for them.”\textsuperscript{6433}

Historian Howard Zinn speaks to students at USF.\textsuperscript{6434}

The 2003-2004 Men’s Tennis team, who almost made the Sweet 16 for three years in a row, also has the highest GPA among USF athletes for the third consecutive year. They are chosen as an All-Academic team, joining just 23 other teams around the country.\textsuperscript{6435}

The USF Women’s Tennis team recruits Haiti native Neyessa Etienne. Ranked number 397 by the WTA, head coach Gigi Fernandez describes Etienne as “the best tennis player to ever come to USF.”\textsuperscript{6436}

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\textsuperscript{6432} O 15 November 2004, “renal” quote and information on his return come from O 24 January 2005.
\textsuperscript{6433} O 29 November 2004
\textsuperscript{6434} O 30 November 2004.
\textsuperscript{6435} USF Men’s Tennis Media Guide 2004, USF Athletic Department, 3.
\textsuperscript{6436} USF Women’s Tennis Media Guide 2004, USF Athletic Department, 10.
When the USF Football team begins play in the Big East Conference in 2005, it will mean the team has gone from being a brand new Division I-AA program to a I-A member of a BCS conference in eight years.  

2003 saw the first year of the USF Golden Belles, a “recruiting hostess organization” meant to help show potential football recruits around the campus.

The new, $15 million athletic facility opens in May 2004.

USF Football Coach Jim Leavitt reaches the 50-win plateau faster than all but 6 active Division I-A coaches.

Drafted in the second round by the Kansas City Chiefs, USF linebacker Kawika Mitchell is the highest draftee in USF history.

In a ranking of GPA’s for college softball teams, USF is ranked 21st in the nation, just behind Harvard.

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USF will move to the Big East Conference after just two years in Conference USA. The teams will begin to compete in the new conference in Fall 2005.

The Board of Trustees is considering giving President Genshaft a pay raise, but student government leaders think the money should go to other areas of the university in greater need.
The James and Martha Porter Charitable Lead Annuity Trust gives $2.85 million to the College of Medicine at USF and the Johnnie B. Byrd Sr. Alzheimer’s Center and Research Institute.\footnote{On 12 January 2005.}

“Deciding whether USF President Judy Genshaft should receive a more-than-$16,000 raise, some students aren't quick to make a judgment. "It's not that I don't think she deserves a raise. It's that if she is already making a good amount of money, it should go to students," said junior Jess Wissmann. "She isn't suffering." Genshaft’s current salary is $326,400. Only two years ago Genshaft received an $88,600 raise. The proposed raise would be paid with private funds from the USF Foundation.”\footnote{On 13 January 2005.}

“French Ambassador Jean-David Levitte visited USF to discuss the war on terror and efforts to rebuild relations between Americans and the French. The visit sparks a desire to improve exchange programs.”\footnote{On 18 January 2005.}

“Gov. Jeb Bush made his budget recommendations to the state Legislature Tuesday. Most areas may see increase in spending for 2005-06.”\footnote{On 19 January 2005.}

Student Government leaders discuss the positives and negatives of a plus/minus grading scale. The SG passes Resolution 8, which supports the use of an “A+” grade, but provides that the total grade cannot go past 4.0 on a 4.0 scale.\footnote{On 19 January 2005, 26 January 2005.}
USF students will now find anywhere on campus will provide wireless internet access from their personal computers.\textsuperscript{6450}

Construction will conclude this semester on the new USF research park.\textsuperscript{6451}

“With Gov. Jeb Bush's budget released, the prospect of block tuition in the state of Florida grows nearer. The USF Board of Trustees met Monday afternoon to discuss the fiscal budget. The BOT touched on the growing concern of block tuition throughout state universities. If forced to follow the plan proposed to the state Board of Trustees, in-state universities would charge a block rate for students who sign up for nine or more hours.”\textsuperscript{6452}

“The National Institute of Health awarded a grant -- the largest grant of its kind, at $10 million -- to Dr. Anna Giuliano, to facilitate her upcoming research on men's role in the transmission of the human papilloma virus (HPV).”\textsuperscript{6453}

Richard Gilbert, a member of the engineering department, in one of a crew working on “the newest edition of a video series designed to supplement high school math and science curriculums.” Gilbert maintains that they hope to “connect the everyday with the high-tech,” and “want students to be interested in school and see the relevance of science and math.” “The program producing these modules is called the

\textsuperscript{6450} O 20 January 2005.
\textsuperscript{6451} O 24 January 2005.
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\textsuperscript{6453} O 1 February 2005.
High School Technology Initiative and is funded by the National Science Foundation.\(^{6454}\)

“The Students of India Association, or SIA, was founded in 1986 with a charter membership of only three students. Now, over 15 years later, SIA has grown to become the second-largest organization on campus. This organization has worked to support not only international students, but also those interested in learning about different cultures. "We encourage all walks of life to participate, because by learning about one another, we can all learn to live together," said USF student and SIA Publicity Coordinator Naveen Jayachandran, who came to USF from his hometown of Coimbapore, India two years ago to pursue his master’s in computer sciences.\(^{6455}\)

Phyllis Marshall arrived at USF in 1960 as head of the Women’s dorm and served as head of the University Center from 1975 to her retirement in 1994. The Marshall Center’s namesake dies in her sleep at age 78. The school holds a memorial for Marshall a couple months after her death.\(^{6456}\)

“Hugo and Nebula Award-winning authors Harry Harrison, Joe Haldeman and Piers Anthony participated in a two-hour discussion panel at the Phyllis P. Marshall Center Ballroom on Wednesday, where they discussed their writing process and answered questions from the audience."\(^{6457}\)

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\(^{6457}\) O 10 February 2005.
John Polyani, winner of the 1986 Nobel Prize in science, speaks at USF.\textsuperscript{6458}

USF athletics director Doug Woolard makes a presentation on the future of the school’s athletics to the BOT. The “Athletic Land Use Plan” will “realign the ‘athletics district’ in the southeast corner of campus. As it is now, the land allocated to Campus Recreation (such as the intramural fields) and the land used by athletics make a sort of checkerboard. The plan would reorganize the Campus Recreation land into more of a block and place it closer to the residence halls, and would group the athletics land together in the southeast corner of campus.” The plan will also provide for the building of other facilities in the "athletic district," including a new stadium for softball, a new soccer field and a new soccer practice facility, and renovations to the Sun Dome. Woolard also hopes to renovate the baseball field, the baseball and football practice facilities, a new tennis area, and “a new artificial surface surrounded by a 400-meter track. The BOT conceptually approved the Athletic Land Use Plan, which gives the Athletics Department the go ahead to do internal feasibility analyses and begin fundraising.”\textsuperscript{6459}

“Two years ago, Sami Al-Arian was accused for involvement with terrorist organizations. Monday, those on Al-Arian's side spoke out.”\textsuperscript{6460}

Project Upward Bound’s “continuation is financially threatened by President George W. Bush's proposed 2006 fiscal budget. The proposal reduces funds for TRIO programs in order to provide more funds for No Child Left Behind and Pell Grants. This

\textsuperscript{6458} O 17 February 2005, 18 February 2005.
\textsuperscript{6459} O 18 February 2005.
\textsuperscript{6460} O 22 February 2005.
leaves Glover worried and disappointed.” “In Bush’s proposed 2006 budget, education funding is lowered from $71.5 billion to $68.8 billion. TRIO programs such as Upward Bound received reduced requests for funding. For 2004 and 2006, $279.7 billion was requested for Upward Bound programs.”

“Dance Marathon,” is “the nation’s largest student-run philanthropic event.” Working with All Children’s Hospital and Children’s Miracle Network, the marathon raises money at the USF Rec Center by getting people to dance and play games. The Dance Marathon was a great success the previous year.

“USF took another step toward becoming a top research university Monday when members of the Board of Trustees and the dean of Arts and Sciences attended the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Natural and Environmental Sciences building.”

Election for SG President in 2005 results in a runoff between Maxon Victor/Sameer Ahmed and Andrew Aubery/Jessica Asuncion. Victor wins the runoff.

“Representing USF in her newly appointed position to the Florida Board of Governors on Feb. 21, former Board of Trustees member Ann Duncan will now be part of the decision-making process for the state's entire public university system. ‘I think (Ann Duncan's position with the BOG) will be positive,’ Chairman of the BOT Dick Beard said. ‘It will give (USF) a voice, and that's the big thing. It also puts someone on

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the Board of Governors who has actually served for four years in a BOT capacity, which is experience that is important to have because she knows the issues.”  

Chester Ferguson Hall, constructed in 1979, has gotten a 45,000 square foot addition to better serve the many business students at USF.

The Campus Activities Board presents the third annual Bullstock, a free events which features “food, t-shirts, and local and regional bands.”

International MBA student Kofi Kumako details his experiences with USF and how the Friends of Internationals Organization helped him to develop a social network within the university community.

“After the Sept. 11 attacks, U.S. immigration rules have become more strict. The government now requires all universities to track international students through a Student and Exchange Visitor Information System. This SEVIS fee is placed on all international students entering the United States in order to pursue a degree and "is payable one time for each single educational program which an F-1 student participates," according to the University of Central Florida’s home page. Both UCF and the University of Florida charge their international students a one-time fee of $100. However, at USF, the Web site states that ‘all international students enrolled at USF will be charged $50 per semester of enrollment.’”

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USF’s golf course, the Claw, is in financial trouble and is draining the funds of Sun Dome Inc., of which it is a part. Administrators hope to set up a partnership with USF and the Florida State Golf Association that would improve the course. 6470

Jonathan Rottenberg is one of the USF professors studying “the relationship between depression and heart rate variability (HRV). Heart rate variability is the increase and decrease in the length of intervals between individual heartbeats.” This research makes USF one of the leaders in researching depression. 6471

“Students of the University of South Florida St. Petersburg campus will soon have beds to come home to on campus. Scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2006, a 354-bed complex will feature apartment-style living for students while carrying a price tag of $18.3 million. The official groundbreaking took place Wednesday. ‘The character of the campus is going to change dramatically,’ Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Mark Durand said. "Currently all of our students are commuter students and this will provide a residential atmosphere we have never had before." 6472

“Former Republican Congressman Bob Barr [speaks] candidly Monday night about the importance of fighting the U.S. Patriot Act's most intrusive infringements on civil liberties to an audience of about 50 people. Barr, who at first voted in favor of the legislation, reluctantly [admits] that he realized his error when the government began to

6470 O 7 March 2005.
6472 O 31 March 2005.
broaden its powers beyond the scope of fighting terrorism. ‘If we continue on the same path, the Fourth Amendment will be rendered meaningless,’ Barr said.”

USF puts on a production of Denis Calandra’s play, Cuban Bread, the play “tells the story of a young Ybor City where liberal Latin culture meets the Deep South.”

Marc Karimi, a 2004 graduate of USF, opens The Meridian Hookah Lounge just off campus, which “offers a place for students to relax after a strenuous day. This new entertainment venue presents a variety of activities, including hookah smoking, music and a fully equipped coffee shop.” Karimi got the idea from his senior thesis and his desire to “attract young adults because there is no place to hang out when you're too young to drink without those embarrassing 'x's on your hands.”

“Cancer survivors will be walking the first lap at the Relay for Life, hosted at USF Soccer Stadium on April 8. Cancer survivors, caregivers and supporters will participate in an 18-hour walkathon. "It is a celebration that symbolizes someone's journey going through cancer," said Jason Brzosowicz, a community representative from American Cancer Society. This is the second relay hosted at USF. It begins at 6 p.m. on Friday and ends at noon on Saturday. "The first lap will be only for survivors and everyone else will gather around and support them,” said Brzosowicz.”

“The Student Government senate is expected to pass the Activity and Services Fee Recommendation Committee (ASRC) 2005-06 budget proposal tonight. It outlines

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where the $8,552,000 of A&S fees students pay as part of their tuition will be allocated. Last year ASRC had $8,012,964 to distribute. A&S funds go to seven main categories: Student Affairs ($5,228,460), Student Government ($1,787,411), the unallocated reserve ($783,559), student organizations ($334,479), interim funding ($265,000), the critical reserve ($106,000) and the College Councils ($47,091). Each would receive more than last year except for the unallocated reserve and the critical reserve. The reserves are money kept for unforeseen expenses that may come up in the next year. The critical reserve, as the name implies, is more specifically kept for emergency situations.”

USF’s Hillel Jewish Student Center holds its first annual Israel Day.

Students’ evaluations of teachers will be posted on the Student Government Website, allowing prospective students to see what others have said about professors they are considering. Evaluations have been available at the reference desk at the library for some time.

“With hopes of drawing attention to the victims of genocidal atrocities in Darfur, Sudan, the USF Black Student Union organized a "Sit In for Darfur" from 2 -- 4 p.m. at the University Area Community Center on Sunday.”

According to a report by the AAUP women are paid much less than men and those in tenure track positions are paid much more than those not in tenure track positions.
Sara Newton, a USF student, and Jackie Gugliotto, an alumna, co-host the Palestine Awareness Day event after having visited Palestine in March.6482

“If passed, House Bill 21, sponsored by Rep. Dick Kravitz (R--Duval), would forbid state funds from being awarded to international students and would redirect them to in-state students. The bill, it seems, would eliminate scholarships directed solely at international students not offered by private donations. It would also affect more than just those scholarships; since no funds would be allowed to go to international students, they would not be eligible for any merit-based scholarships offered by the university.” Many fear that it would further deter international students from attending state universities in Florida.6483

Renovations are completed on Chester Ferguson Hall.6484

“Researchers at USF’s College of Marine Science Center for Ocean Technology have developed a sensor that is capable of detecting the common explosive 2,4,6-trinitrotoluene (TNT).” Researchers at USF St. Pete have been instrumental in research involving the detection of explosives underwater.6485

“In an effort to bring global issues to the forefront at USF, physicians Kiran C. and Pallavi Patel have given USF an $18.5 million donation to finance a Global Solutions
Center. With state-matching funds, the donation is worth $34.5 million to USF, the largest gift from a single donor USF has ever received."

“If recent years are any guide, proposals of $7 million for land expansion, $1.8 million for renovation of the HMS building for the School of Architecture and Community Design and a $1-million proposal for a visual/performing arts teaching facility may well be axed. Tallahassee watchdog group Florida Taxwatch has included the three proposals among those it is recommending that the governor veto. According to a report in the St. Petersburg Times, Bush has vetoed up to 80 percent of items identified by the group.” “Two USF projects were among those vetoed by Gov. Jeb Bush Thursday, leaving administrators back at square one in their bid to obtain funding. The two axed projects were a $1-million proposal for a visual/performing arts teaching facility and $1.8 million for renovating the HMS building for the School of Architecture and Community Design.”

Construction has begun on an elevated walkway over Fowler Avenue connecting the USF campus and the Museum of Science and Industry.

“The USF Library is seeking membership in the Association of Research Libraries, a non-profit organization that includes libraries at Harvard, Yale, UF and FSU. The possibility of joining a network of the best research libraries in the country comes at

6486 O 23 May 2005.
6487 O 26 May 2005; 2 June 2005
6488 O 1 June 2005
a time when the Library is approaching the milestone of acquiring its two-millionth book.”

“USF's international community will face a significant loss on July 15 when Director of International Student and Scholar Services David Austell transfers to Wayne State University, where he will become the new executive director of international programs. 'It's a huge loss for us. It's a huge loss for USF since he's been here for 12 years,’ Interim Dean of International Affairs Maria Crummett said. 'International Student and Scholar Services is the office that it is because of David Austell.’

St. Louis Cardinals Manager and USF alum Tony La Russa discusses his time at the school and his regret that he never played college baseball. La Russa knows USF athletic director Doug Woolard from Woolard’s time as AD at St. Louis University and believes Woolard is “doing a great job.” La Russa is excited about the move to the Big East conference. He has also met with football coach Jim Leavitt, President Genshaft, and baseball coach Eddie Cardieri. He believes that Cardieri is “a very solid guy.”

“WUSF gained but still lost on Thursday when the U.S. House of Representatives voted in favor of reinstating $100 million of the nearly $200 million in proposed public broadcasting cuts, leaving the station relieved but still concerned. The House voted 284-140 on Thursday in favor of an amendment that will restore $100 million to the Corporation for Public Broadcasting that was originally cut in a budget proposed by an appropriations subcommittee. The amendment restores the total funds for the CPB to last

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year’s level of $400 million. Funding for digital conversion and other necessary technological upgrades remain cut, along with funds for PBS-related education initiatives such as the ready-to-learn program.  

The Athletic Department holds a flag-raising event at the Administration building. Athletic Director Doug Woolard and President Genshaft will run the Big East flag up in front of the building and celebrate the school’s official entry into its new conference.

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