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PERHAPS THE GREATEST DAY in the history of the University's progress thus far arrived on December 11, when the formal dedication of the campus took place and the president, Dr. Warren J. Winstead, was able to announce a tremendously significant gift of \$1 million.

Since then, however, we have been able to announce two other gifts of much importance: \$300,000 from Mr. Edwin M. Rosenthal of Hollywood, for a student activity center, and a significant gift from Mr. George W. English, chairman of the board of the First National Bank in Fort Lauderdale and a University trustee.

The \$1 million donor remains anonymous, as most of the University's friends are aware by now, but his gift assures the construction of the Physical Science Center next year. Ground will be broken on April 16. The architect, Mr. James Hartley, already is at work on the drawings. The building will house apparatus involving the most modern electronics instrumentation.

The University is much indebted to Mr. Philip Cheaney of Fort Lauderdale, an ardent supporter, who is the intermediary in the donation.

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AS WAS REPORTED at the dedication, the people of Davie have moved rapidly toward their goal of \$1.25 million for the first residence hall; and substantial gifts from Chairman James Farquhar, Trustee William C. Mather, the Robert O. Law Foundation and others have brought us to a most encouraging position.

Soon after the dedication, there was communicated to us the intention of Mr. Edwin M. Rosenthal of Hollywood to make a gift of \$300,000 to the university. At the urging of Mr. Rosenthal himself, the details were completed with the utmost speed and the gift was made official on December 23 in a heart-warming ceremony in the Hollywood law offices of Mr. Sherwood Spencer and Mr. W. Tinsley Ellis.

The gift is to be used for the construction of a memorial to Mr. Rosenthal's late wife, Esther. Mr. Stanley Beckerman, attorney for the donor, charged the university officials present with responsibility for proceeding at once with the planning, commenting, "Mr. Rosenthal would like to see the completed building next Christmas."

The present schedule provides for completion of the working drawings about the end of May and a ground-breaking soon thereafter.

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THE GIFT OF MR. ENGLISH, a pioneer in land development as well as legal circles in the Fort Lauderdale area, consists of an annual income from property and other benefits, and is to be utilized for operating expenses.

The Law Foundation has aided the university movement substantially with grants of \$15,000 in 1964 and the same amount for 1965. In December the trustees voted an expanded grant of \$35,000 per year for three years for the establishment of the University's first endowed professorship — a chair in physics. Occupying the chair will be our noted research professor of physics and chemistry, Dr. Ray Pepinsky.

Such support by Mr. Robert O. Law III and the Foundation trustees will be vital to our future, since it demonstrates to foundations and corporations on the national level the enthusiastic support of our local community.

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THE DEDICATION CEREMONY, held before an audience of some 500 persons, was a most successful occasion, marked by the appearance of a distinguished member of our Advisory Board, Dr. Frederick Seitz of Washington, and Congressman Paul Rogers, a strong advocate of the University in the national capital.

Dr. Seitz, who is president of the National Academy of Sciences, declared in a significant address on current trends in higher education that Nova University "represents a remarkable new venture in education in the southeastern section of the country.

"Granting money, aspiration and inspiration," he asserted, "Nova University can go far rapidly. We join in wishing it great success."

The site of the dedication now presents a vista of broad lawn, graceful palms and lovely shade trees, encircling a reflecting pond and a wall bearing the name of the University. This is a permanent installation which will be part of the main entranceway to the University off Nova Drive, fronting the administration center. It was made possible through the generosity of two individuals to whom we are greatly indebted — Mr. A. D. Griffin, Sr., who is chairman of the Davie Fund Campaign, and Mr. Charles S. Serianni of Hollywood. Their companies contributed both materials and labor for the construction of the mall, and the encircling drive, and pressed hard to have it all complete for the important moment of the dedication.

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ANOTHER SIGNIFICANT ADDITION to the University faculty has been announced, effective July 1 of this year. Dr. William S. Richardson has been appointed Professor of Oceanography. At the same time, the trustees have taken steps toward obtaining a parcel of waterfront property here in the area where oceanography research can be conducted, and the matter of obtaining both government and private research contracts in this field is being vigorously explored.

Dr. Richardson currently is an associate professor at the Institute of Marine Science at the University of Miami, and spent a period of 11 years at the famous Woods Hole Institute of Oceanography in Massachusetts. He holds a doctorate in chemistry from Harvard and a bachelor's degree in the same field from Brown University.

Dr. Richardson is considered one of the foremost young oceanographers in America, and declined a position on the faculty of a world famous technological institution in order to remain in South Florida with Nova.

THE UNIVERSITY STAFF is looking forward with much anticipation to the first annual meeting of our Advisory Board — the group of internationally eminent scientists and educators whom President Winstead and the Trustees depend upon for guidance in planning the curriculum and the campus, selecting the faculty and building the image of a university dedicated to the highest standard of excellence.

The Advisory Board members are to meet in Fort Lauderdale February 21-22.

The first of the Nova Days benefits to be held during the winter at the pari-mutuel establishments in Broward County took place on January 1 at the Hollywood Kennel Club. Attendance was good, and it is expected that the result will be a substantial amount of money for faculty salaries and operating expenses.

Nova Day at the Dania Jai-Alai Palace has been scheduled for April 7, and Nova Day at Gulfstream Park Race Track for April 23.

We have strong hopes that this series of benefits will produce in the neighborhood of \$200,000 to \$300,000 annually for the University, to be used largely for academic salaries.

A QUITE IMPORTANT conference of scientists-educators was held in Fort Lauderdale during the week before the dedication for discussion of our science program. Men of national reputation from MIT, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the Brookhaven National Laboratory, the Franklin Institute and such universities as California, Chicago, Yale, Arizona, Yeshiva, Miami and Florida Atlantic were present at the invitation of Nova's Dr. Pepinsky. Here were professors of chemistry geology, education, planetary physics, solid-state physics and chemistry and oceanography, specialists in cosmic rays, high energy, nuclear fission, even volcanology — all assembled for the purpose of helping Nova plan its science curriculum.

The sessions, in the words of Dr. Pepinsky, were all that could have been hoped — highly stimulating, thoughtful and challenging.

The full range of discussion was recorded and will be of invaluable aid to us as we move toward the opening of our Physical Sciences Center.

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THE UNIVERSITY is beginning acquisition of a library collection. Current and back copies of scientific and technical journals and scholarly and literary quarterlies are badly needed. Any friend of the University who has files of these that he could contribute to the collection is strongly urged to help us by doing so. The value of such contributions constitutes a tax deductible item for the donor.



FIRST CEREMONY ever held by the University became an event of signal importance as the campus was dedicated, a \$1 million gift for the Physical Sciences Center was announced and Dr. Frederick Seitz, right, president of the National Academy of Sciences, delivered the address. Shown with him here at the site, left to right, are Board Chairman James Farquhar, Congressman Paul Rogers, who also addressed the throng, and Dr. Winstead.



\$300,000 gift to the University was formalized on this occasion by Mr. Edwin M. Rosenthal of Hollywood, seated at right, and Dr. Warren J. Winstead, president of the University. Standing are attorneys Sherwood Spencer, left, and Stanley Beckerman. The ceremony took place in the law offices of Ellis, Spencer and Butler.



Three-year endowment of \$105,000 from the Robert O. Law Foundation was recognized by the presentation of a suitable plaque to the Foundation president, Robert O. Law III, left, from President Winstead. Observing are other Foundation officers, William Thacher, administrator and Thomas O. Berryhill, trustee, at right.

— Board of Trustees —

GEORGE W. ENGLISH

Mr. English is one of Broward County's foremost business and professional figures, being senior partner in the Fort Lauderdale law firm of English, McCaughan and O'Bryan, and chairman of the Board of Directors of the First National Bank in Fort Lauderdale, the Guaranty National Bank and the Plantation First National.



George W. English

He has practiced law in Florida since 1925, was city attorney of Fort Lauderdale from 1948 until 1955, and for nine years was chairman of the city Planning and Zoning Board. He has been a member of the State Board of Control and remains a trustee of the University of Florida Foundation. His business affiliations include directorships on the Florida Power and Light Co., the First National Bank of North Broward County and the First Federal Savings and Loan Association.

Born in Illinois, Mr. English earned a Bachelor of Science degree at the University of Illinois and his law degree at Harvard. He served as an officer in both World Wars. George English Park in Fort Lauderdale is named for him in recognition of his civic contributions. He is married to the former Alma Witt and has one son.

W. TINSLEY ELLIS

One of the earliest supporters of Nova University, Mr. Ellis is a prominent Hollywood attorney with the firm of Ellis, Spencer and Butler, and active in a variety of civic affairs in the South Broward community.



W. Tinsley Ellis

Born in Fort Lauderdale, he attended public schools in this county, graduated from the Choate School, Wallingford, Conn., and took his Bachelor of Arts degree as well as his law degree at Emory University in Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. Ellis has been chairman of the Board of Trustees of Hollywood Temple Methodist Church and chairman of the Young Men's Christian Association of South Broward. He has long been a member of the Kiwanis Club of Hollywood.

Strongly devoted to the advancement of education at all levels, Mr. Ellis has taken a deep interest in developing wide support in the South Broward community for the Nova University plan.

He is married to the former Judith Williams and they have three children.

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