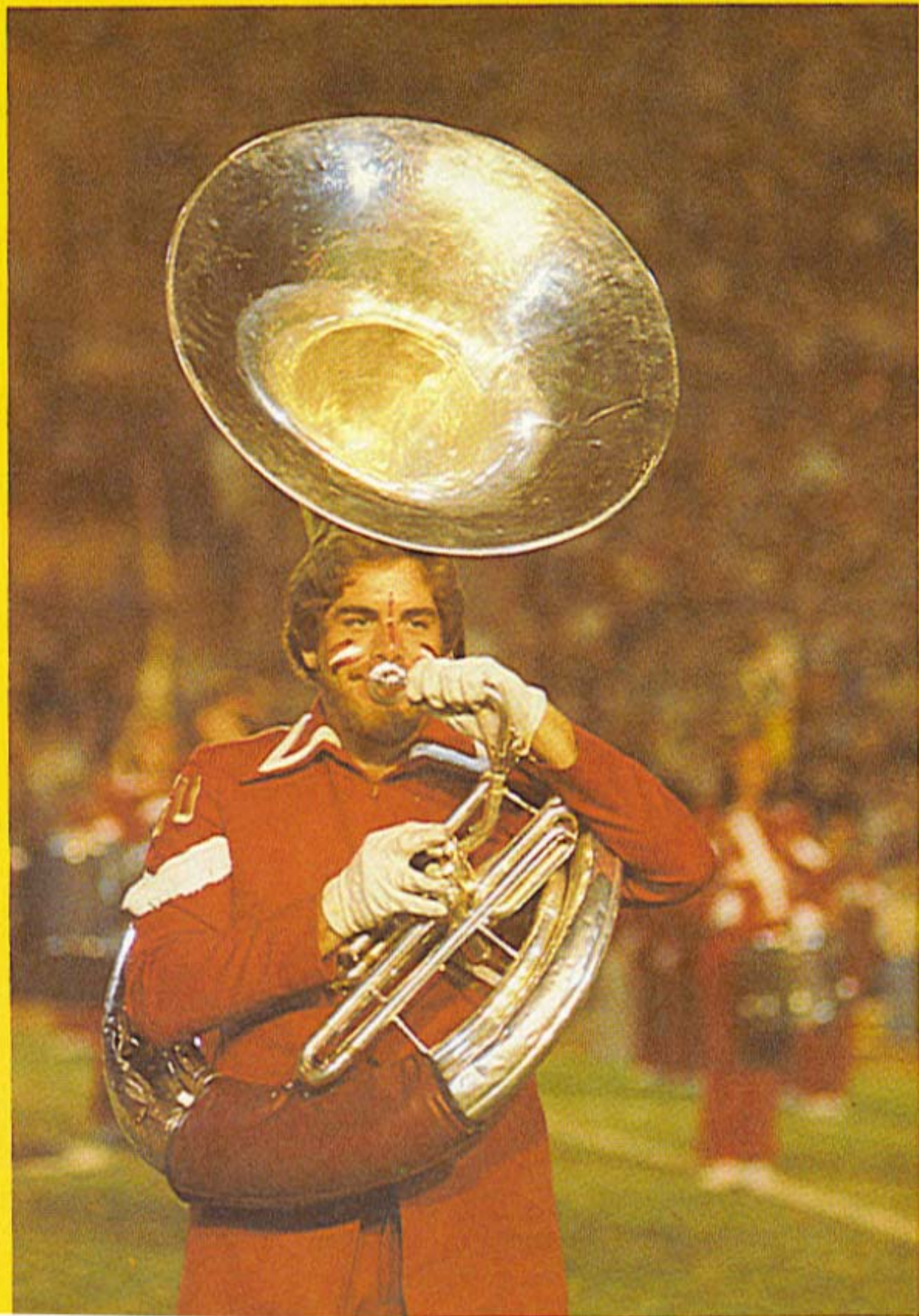


The University



THIS IS FLORIDA STATE

Florida State University—the home of more than 20,000 Seminoles—has a campus that starts at the top of one of Tallahassee's famed seven hills, and rolls gently downward and westward across 340-odd acres of pines, palms and pecan trees.

Founded in 1857 as the Seminary West of the Suwannee, its heritage is evidenced in the wide range of architectural struggles to preserve history and keep up with modern times and air conditioning. Yet it still ranks as one of the South's last, few bastions of campus greenery—the kind that combines the blossoms of camellias, azaleas and dogwoods with moss-hung oaks that are, in some cases, as old as the University itself, if not older.

From the Gothic towers of Westcott at the eastern entrance to the campus, to the modern glass and steel structures of its Science Complex to the west, Florida State University has moved forward in time and growth more rapidly than many of its newer counterparts in the State University System. Its enrollment has quadrupled since it became coeducational in 1947, following nearly half a century as the Florida State College for Women.

Today, its 14 schools and colleges are spread through \$179 million worth of buildings, its annual budget exceeds \$100 million and it attracts more than \$17 million a year in research contracts and grants. Students can pick and choose from more than 100 career options offered in arts and sciences, business, communication, criminology, dance, education, home economics, law, library science, music, nursing, social sciences, social work, theater and visual arts programs.

The University is a member of the Academic Common Market and has overseas study centers in Florence, London and the Panama Canal Zone. Summer programs of study are offered in law at Oxford, in hotel and restaurant administration in Switzerland, and in comparative studies of economic and social systems in Yugoslavia.





The location of FSU in the Capital City of Florida offers unusual opportunities for study and research in the social and policy sciences, and an optimum environment for internships and on-the-job learning experiences for students in many fields of study.

The Center of Excellence in Policy Sciences is one such program at Florida State that combines teaching and research in politics, economics and other social sciences to provide information and analysis for state government leaders, including the Governor, the Legislature and agency staff members. Already achieving national prominence, the Center studies and evaluates such topics as taxation, economic development, population, land use, family planning and human resources. An annual survey conducted by the Center helps legislators to assess trends and changes in public opinion.

The University operates major laboratory facilities for nuclear, marine and computer research. The Florida State nuclear physics laboratory is ranked one of the top four in the nation by the National Science Foundation. Because of this ranking, it has been recommended for higher funding during the next five years.

Florida State is also the home of the Flying High Circus, the only collegiate circus in the United States. The Circus has delighted audiences the world over with breathtaking, highly-skilled performances that rival professional circuses. The student performers have earned a national reputation as a high-caliber student troupe. Their traveling show is primarily an aerial and stage presentation with approximately 90 students performing during a two-hour show.

A city within a city, Florida State has 1,200 faculty members, more than 6,000 additional employees and a construction program that will exceed \$50 million between now and 1981. The construction of a new civic center and a center for continuing education—both near the State Capitol—are destined for completion by the fall of 1980.

DR. BERNARD F. SLIGER
President
Florida State University



Dr. Bernard F. Sliger, Florida State University's president since 1977, is one of the most ardent fans in Seminole sports history.

Known as "Bernie" to nearly all of the student athletes, Dr. Sliger makes no secret of his sentiments about athletics at Florida State University. He says he wants a "spot in the Top Twenty" for every Seminole team, including those who compete in the arenas of academe. And there's no one on campus prouder than he is of the records set in honor of that tradition last year by more than one team in each category.

In the men's intercollegiate seasons last year, the football, basketball and baseball teams were definitely "up there" and track, cross country, golf and swimming teams won Metro Conference Championships. The Lady Seminoles proved to be state champions in basketball, volleyball, tennis and softball; won the regional championship in volleyball and tennis; and earned the national indoor championship in track.

Although President Sliger now classifies himself as "an energetic spectator," during his high school days in his hometown of Trout Creek, Mich., he was a member of the basketball, track and football teams. He later returned to coach the latter two teams and teach math there, following a three-year tour of duty with the Army during World War II.

Dr. Sliger, who came to FSU as its executive vice president in the late spring of 1972, was formerly executive director of the Louisiana Coordinating Council for Higher Education. His background as an educator includes 19 years as a faculty member and administrator and sports fan at Louisiana State University.

An economist and scholar in the special fields of economic theory and public finance, he frequently serves as a consultant to private and public commissions, most recently as chairman of Gov. Reubin Askew's Economic Advisory Council. He was a member and chief consultant of the Governor of Louisiana's tax study committee in 1968, and served a year as Louisiana Commissioner of Administration and Chief Budget Officer. In the latter capacity, he had to oversee the costs of constructing Louisiana's Superdome.

Dr. Sliger is the author of a text on "Public Finance," first issued in 1964 and revised in 1970, and presently used in a number of colleges and universities.

He and his wife, Greta, have two sons, Paul and Sten, and two daughters, Nan and Greta.

JOHN BRIDGERS **Athletic Director**



Since John Bridgers took over as Florida State's athletic director in the spring of 1973, the program has been on a constant upward trend.

That fact has not only been recognized in Florida and the southeast, but across the entire nation. Bridgers was recently named to the prestigious NCAA Division I-A Steering Committee, which serves as an advisory board for the NCAA Council. It is the first time Florida State has been represented on the steering committee.

Although the Florida State football program has received most of the publicity for the way it has come back from near disaster, the other athletic programs, both men's and women's, have also attained new heights since Bridgers took over.

The 1977-78 season was the most significant. The Seminole football, basketball and baseball teams all received post-season invitations. Only one other school could make claim during the 77-78 academic year.

The Seminole teams continued the winning trend during the most recent academic year. Although only the baseball team received a post-season invitation, the cross country, indoor track, outdoor track and field, golf and cross country teams all won Metro Conference championships as the Seminoles won the league's all-sports trophy for the second consecutive year. Those championship teams were supported by a young basketball team that took a surprising second place in the regular season standings and post-season tournament.

Outside the arena of competition, Bridgers is considered a strong administrator. He has...

(1) instigated and worked to conclusion the cancellation of a \$370,000 debt on Doak S. Campbell Stadium;

(2) been primarily responsible for Florida State's admission to the Metropolitan (Metro) Athletic Conference through his personal friendship with league athletic directors;

(3) made the decision to schedule night home football games which has increased attendance to the record-breaking 42,237 per game in 1978;

(4) scheduled Auburn, Georgia Tech, South Carolina and Tulane for football dates giving future Seminole ledgers a more regional flavor;

A native of Birmingham, Ala., Bridgers came to Florida State from South Carolina. Previously he had spent 10 years as athletic director and head football coach at Baylor University, a period during which the Bears participated in three bowl games.

MARK CARLSON **Sports Information** **Director**

As sports information director, Mark Carlson is responsible for all publicity and public relations matters concerning the Florida State athletic department.

The sports information office distributes information on all intercollegiate sports. Carlson also supervises the football press box operations at home games and serves as editor for brochures distributed by the athletic department.

Carlson joined the Seminole administrative staff just prior to the 1976 season after a one year tour at the University of Tennessee—Chattanooga. His previous SID assignments included the University of Tampa (1972-75) and Tennessee Tech (1975). He was at Tampa when that school dropped its football program in 1975.

The Hibbing, Minn., native earned a bachelor's degree in political science from St. Leo (Fla.) College in 1969. Following graduation he joined the staff of the Fremont (Ohio) News-Messenger where he was sports editor for three years before assuming the Tampa position.

Carlson is a bachelor.



MIKE PARSONS **Asst. Sports Information** **Director**

Mike Parsons is in his third year as assistant sports information director at Florida State.

As an aide to sports information director Mark Carlson, Parsons works with promoting the FSU athletic teams through the media as well as editing TRIBE, the award-winning football game program, and the Seminole Sportsnews, a booster publication.

Parsons, a native of Charleston, W. Va., and a graduate of West Virginia University, came to Florida State after working three years as a sports information assistant for the Mountaineers. Previously he served as SID at Morris Harvey College in Charleston for two years and worked with several local newspapers and radio stations.

He took a temporary leave from his duties at WVU during 1976 to serve as publicity assistant for the Baltimore Colts of the National Football League during their summer training camp.

Parsons is married to the former Julie Brawley.



LARRY PENDLETON **Assistant** **to the Director**

Larry Pendleton is responsible for special events within the Florida State athletic department as assistant to athletic director John Bridgers.

Pendleton also oversees the guidance and counseling of all Seminole athletes throughout the year.

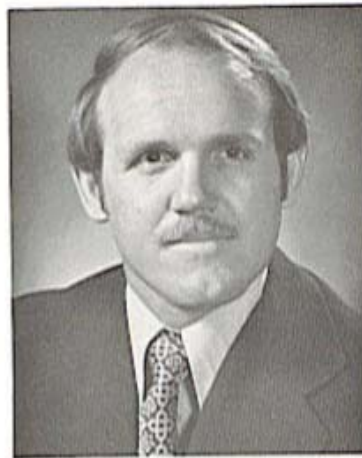
This is Pendleton's sixth season as a full-time member of the FSU athletic staff and his third at his present post. He returned to his alma mater in 1973 as a graduate assistant and spent the '74 campaign as an assistant football coach.

During the 1975 and 1976 seasons he served solely as academic advisor to football players.

A native of Winter Haven, Fla., Pendleton attended Florida State after earning 10 athletic letters at Lakeview High School. He played both linebacker and offensive line for the Seminoles where he was twice selected to the Florida collegiate all-star team, started 33 consecutive games and played in three bowl games.

Following his graduation from FSU in 1969, he was an assistant coach for three years at Colonial High School in Orlando.

Larry is married to the former Carolyn Chalk.



CLAUDE THIGPEN **Assistant** **to the Director**

Claude Thigpen has been a member of the Florida State athletic department for 25 years. He assumed his current position as an assistant to athletic director John Bridgers in 1978.

Prior to taking his present role in the athletic department, Thigpen served as athletic business manager, accountant and ticket manager for the Seminoles. He currently supervises the complete ticket operation in addition to ticket promotions and stadium operations.

Through the years, Thigpen and his staff have organized the entire FSU ticket operation. He directs the season ticket drives for four sports-football, basketball, baseball, and track and field.

Thigpen also has the added responsibilities of coordinating the team travel operations for the Seminole football squad. This includes making motel and transportation arrangements for the official party of nearly 100 that regularly travels with Florida State.

Thigpen, a native of Greenville, Fla., is married to the former Carleen Lindley.



JOE LABAT

Athletic Business Manager



The newest number of the Florida State athletic staff is Joe Labat who serves as the Seminoles' athletic business manager.

Labat's duties include overseeing the planning and directing of the fiscal portion of the intercollegiate athletic program. His responsibilities entail the overall supervision of accounting, budgeting, financial reporting, internal control, payroll, purchasing, and individual travel. He also serves as the athletic department representative in these areas of the University and external organizations.

Labat joined the athletic department in November 1978, taking over many of the duties previously handled by Claude Thigpen. He worked for nearly two years in the accounts payable section of the University's comptroller's office.

A 1967 graduate of Florida State, Labat coached football and track at Rickards High School in Tallahassee for two years.

SEMINOLE TRAVEL ITINERARY

ARIZONA STATE: Bus. Depart Tallahassee via Trailways charter Friday, September 14, at 1 p.m., arriving Tampa at 5 p.m. Team headquarters—Bay Harbor Inn, 7700 Courtney Campbell Causeway (813/885-2541). Return Saturday, September 15, 11:30 p.m., via Trailways charter, arriving Tallahassee at 3:30 a.m.

VIRGINIA TECH: Fly. Depart Tallahassee via Piedmont charter Friday, September 28, at 11 a.m., arriving Roanoke, Virginia, at 12:30 p.m. Team headquarters—Holiday Inn of Blacksburg, Route 460 (703/951-1330). Return Saturday, September 29, via Piedmont charter at time to be determined.

LOUISVILLE: Fly. Depart Tallahassee via Piedmont charter Friday, October 5, at 3:30 p.m., arriving Louisville at 5 p.m. Team headquarters—Louisville Marriott Inn, 505 Marriott Drive, Clarksville, Ind. (812/283-4411). Return Saturday, October 6, at 11:30 p.m. via Piedmont charter, arriving Tallahassee at 1 a.m.

LSU: Fly. Depart Tallahassee via Texas International charter Friday, October 26, at 6:30 p.m., arriving Baton Rouge at 6:45 p.m. CDT. Team headquarters—Bellemont Motor Hotel, 7370 Airline Highway (504/357-8612). Return via Piedmont charter Saturday, October 27, at 11:30 p.m., arriving Tallahassee at 1:45 a.m. EDT.

CINCINNATI: Fly. Depart Tallahassee via Eastern Airline Flight #662 Friday, November 2, at 10:09 a.m. Depart Atlanta via Delta Flight #720 at 12:11 p.m., arriving Cincinnati at 1:27 p.m. Team headquarters—Holiday Inn Cincinnati-South, I-75 @ Dixie Highway and North Fort Mitchell Exit, Fort Mitchell, Ky. (606/331-1500). Return via Piedmont charter Saturday, November 3, at times to be determined.

FLORIDA: Bus. Depart Tallahassee via Trailways charter Friday, November 23, at 12 noon, arriving Gainesville at 2:35 p.m. for workout. Following workout bus to Holiday Inn, Silver Springs (904/236-2575) for overnight stay. Return via Trailways charter Saturday following game, arriving Tallahassee at approximately 7:30 p.m.

FLORIDA STATE OPPONENTS WEEK-BY-WEEK

	Sept. 8	Sept. 15	Sept. 22	Sept. 29	Oct. 6	Oct. 13	Oct. 20	Oct. 27	Nov. 3	Nov. 10	Nov. 17	Nov. 24
Southern Mississippi	at Florida State*	Cincinnati*	at Auburn	Ole Miss*	N. Texas State*	Tulane*	Memphis State	at Mississippi State	at Louisville	at Bowling Green	Arkansas State	
Arizona State	California	Florida State* in Tampa	Toledo*	at Oregon State	Open	Washington State*	Washington State*	Utah State*	at Stanford	at UCLA	West Virginia*	Arizona* (Nov. 25)
Miami	Open	Louisville	at Florida State*	La. Tech*	at Florida A&M	San Diego State*	Boston College*	at Syracuse	at Penn State	Open	at Alabama	Notre Dame Tokyo
Virginia Tech	at Louisville*	Appalachian State	William & Mary	Florida State	Wake Forest	Clemson	Richmond	at Alabama	at West Virginia	at Virginia	VMI	
Louisville	Virginia Tech*	at Miami	Cincinnati*	at Drake	Florida State*	Tulsa	Indiana State	Open	Southern Mississippi	at Memphis State	at Maryland	Rutgers
Mississippi State	Memphis State* in Jackson, Miss.	Open	at Maryland	Florida in Jackson, Miss.	Tennessee in Memphis	at Florida State*	Marshall	Southern Mississippi	at Alabama	at Auburn	at LSU*	Ole Miss in Jackson
LSU	Open	at Colorado	Rice*	Southern California*	Florida*	at Georgia	Kentucky*	Florida State*	at Ole Miss	Alabama*	Mississippi State*	at Tulane*
Cincinnati	Open	at Southern Mississippi	at Louisville*	Villanova*	at North Carolina	at Pittsburgh	at Temple	Richmond	Florida State	Ohio University	at Miami, O.	Memphis State
South Carolina	at North Carolina	Western Michigan*	Duke*	at Georgia	Oklahoma State*	Open	Ole Miss*	at North Texas	North Carolina State*	at Florida State*	Wake Forest	(Nov. 23) Clemson
Memphis State	Mississippi State* in Jackson	at Ole Miss*	Wichita State*	Texas A&M*	Open	N.E. Louisiana*	at Southern Mississippi	North Texas State*	at Vanderbilt	Louisville	at Florida State*	Cincinnati
Florida	Open	at Houston*	Georgia Tech*	Mississippi State in Jackson	at LSU*	Alabama	Open	Tulsa	at Auburn	Georgia in Jacksonville, Fla.	Kentucky	Florida State

*Night Game

