

AFTER an auspicious beginning in 1913 as the Georgia Tech Evening School, the Atlanta Division of the University of Georgia has progressed through several "growing pain" stages and has had its name changed twice. The school became known as the University System of Georgia Center in 1932 and the present name was adopted in 1947.

The school was originally founded as the Georgia Tech Evening School of Commerce, under the directorship of the late W. S. Kell, a member of the Georgia Tech faculty. Approximately 700 students attended the Evening School during its first year of operation. When Mr. Kell resigned as director of the Evening College, he was followed by Mr. Watters, also a member of the Georgia Tech faculty, who in turn was succeeded by Mr. Fred B. Wenn. In 1928, Dr. George M. Sparks was appointed director of the school, a position which he has held since that time.

Regular students who successfully completed the course of study were given the degree of Bachelor of Commercial Science. Irregular and special students were given a certificate of proficiency. The main courses offered by the University System had reached a total of 109. The following year courses leading to the A.B. and B.S. degrees were added to the curriculum.

Women were first admitted to the Evening School of Commerce in 1920. The Day Division was added in 1935, three years after the name of the institution had been changed to the University System of Georgia Center.

The popularity of an Evening College and a Junior College in the city of Atlanta has necessitated the movement of the University eight times. The first home of the Evening College was located in three rooms on Walton street; then in 1917, the school moved to the Peachtree Arcade. In 1921 the Evening College occupied a building at the corner of Pryor street and Auburn avenue, and from there moved to Forsyth street in 1926. The steadily increasing enrollment necessitated even larger facilities, a separate school building on Walton street, in 1931. Outgrowing this location, the school moved in 1938 to the 162 Luckie Street Building. The present building, formerly known as the Bowling Jones Building and used in part as a garage, was acquired by the University System in 1946.

Before the University System could move into its present six story concrete dwelling, the building had to be completely remodeled. Rubber covering for the double automobile ramps, an elevator, an air-conditioning unit and other units necessary for the comfort of the large student body, made possible in part by the entrance of veterans under the G-I Bill of Rights, were installed.

In 1947, a modern auditorium-gymnasium, the largest such structure in the city, was erected behind the school. This building is used as the home court of both girls' and boys' basketball teams. The auditorium is also the scene of many dances, and plays by the dramatic club are presented on its spacious stage.



Yesterday

THE Atlanta Division of the University of Georgia presently is in the position of an offspring that has outgrown its parent. The combined enrollment figures for the Evening and Junior Divisions, the child, far exceed the total enrollment of the parent, Georgia Tech. The Atlanta Division had 6,800 students enrolled in 1946 while Georgia Tech had 5,800. The Atlanta Division of the University of Georgia now stands as the second largest school in the state of Georgia, the University of Georgia in Athens ranking first.

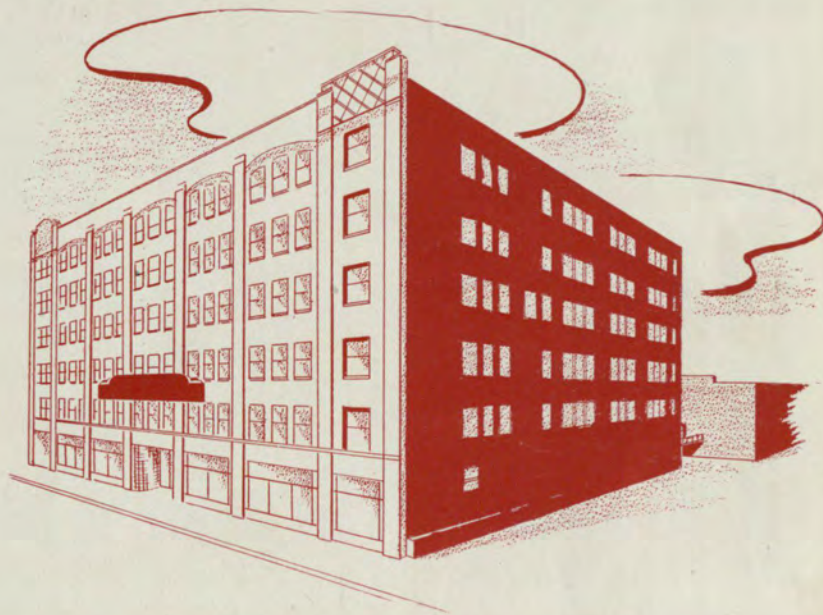
This University, from a humble beginning in the basement of Georgia Tech in 1913, has become one of the greatest "opportunity" schools in the United States. Although the school can boast of no campus, no fraternity or sorority houses, no monuments to great founders, no green lawns with winding paths, and no dormitories, students of the Atlanta Division of the University of Georgia, nevertheless, can look with pride upon its air-cooled building, its library stocked with over 30,000 books, a dining hall, a college grill, bowling alleys, and a new \$250,000 gymnasium-auditorium.

The Day and Evening Divisions, modern in all respects, contain laboratories for chemistry, physics, biology, zoology, microbiology and biochemistry. The University also features an outstanding physical education department, student activity rooms, student lounges, and a music room. The school has a faculty staff of 125 teachers, an administrative staff including the director and three deans, three librarians, a complete veterans council, and a clinic with a registered nurse.

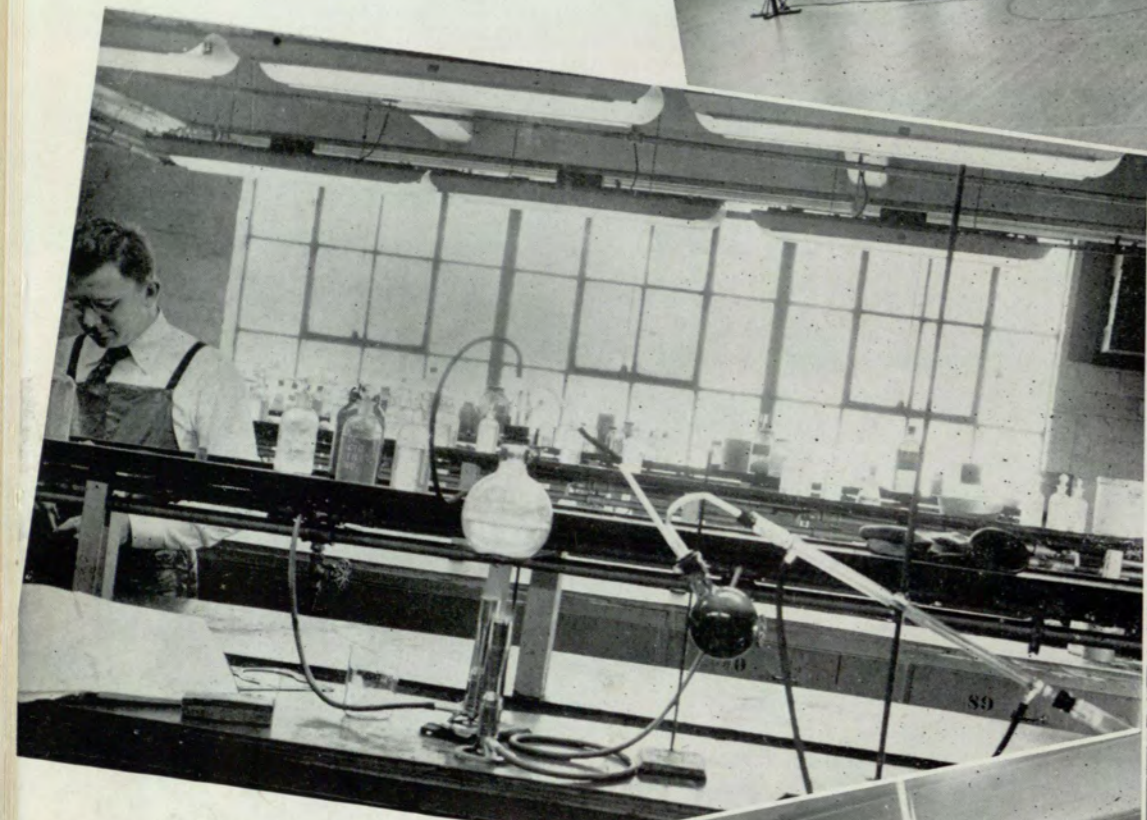
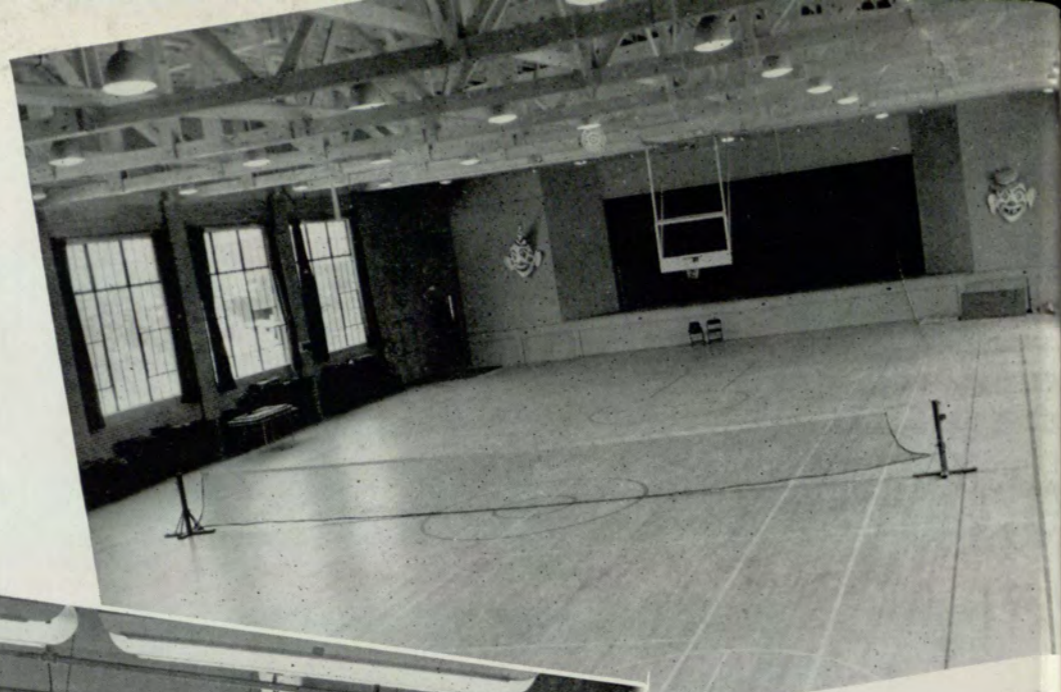
The University currently offers the Bachelor of Commercial Science Degree with majors in the following fields: Social Science, Accounting, Economics, Business Administration, Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, Industrial Relations, Marketing, Personnel Administration, Merchandising, and Secretarial Studies.

At present the University does not sponsor a football team, but girls' and boys' basketball teams represent the school in competition with other junior colleges throughout Georgia and the Southeast.

The Atlanta Division also operates a peaceful retreat, known as Indian Creek Lodge, for the use of students in their off-hours. The Lodge, only a few minutes drive from the heart of Atlanta, is the scene of collegiate picnics, dances, swimming parties, and many other diversions during the school year.



Today





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Crimson Key was founded at Georgia Evening College in January, 1934. The purpose of the organization is to promote a closer understanding between Evening College students and the Administration, and to cooperate with the faculty and other organizations in the interest of scholarship, social activities, and moral ideals.



WITH a growing demand for simplified college education, and a rapidly expanding building program, the present enrollment of nearly 6,000 students is expected to rise to 10,000 within the next few years. This increased enrollment will make the Atlanta Division of The University of Georgia one of the largest metropolitan colleges in the country.

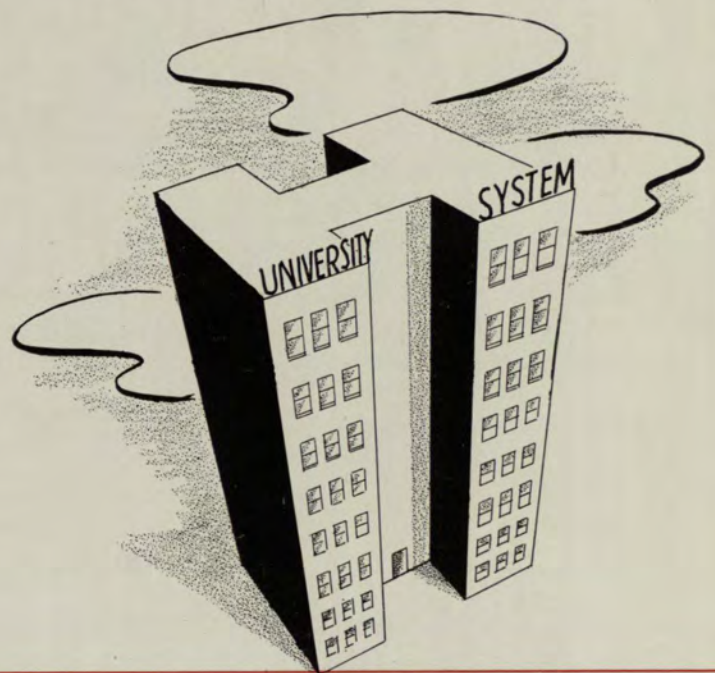
At present the University is beginning work on the roof of its six story building to provide for a "campus" with tennis courts, badminton, shuffle-board, and dancing space. In the summer this "acre campus in the sky" can be turned into a beach by spreading sand over the new plastic dancing floor to provide the students with sun-bathing. A small war surplus building will be erected on the roof of the present building to protect students from adverse weather conditions. The roof terrace should be completed by the 1948 Fall Quarter.

Plans are also being drawn for an additional ten-story building for the Atlanta Division; complete with a large library, an auditorium and a swimming pool. The building will be situated on a 253 foot lot facing Hurt Park at the southwest corner of Courtland and Gilmer Streets. The Atlanta Division will gradually move into the new building over a several year span and the present school building will be rented out in order to secure revenue for the many improvements projected for the University.

Only four stories of the new structure will be erected at first and in this original space will be located the largest and finest commerce library in the Southeast. The University has already set aside a \$64,000 budget for commerce research work next year and experts will be brought to Atlanta from Yale, Harvard and other leading institutions throughout the nation to help build up the Atlanta Division Commerce Department.

Ramps in the present school building have been so successful that plans have been laid to incorporate ramps in the new, modern structure. This new building will be constructed in the form of a huge H, with the auditorium in the rear of the cross bar and a landscaped plaza in the front section of the building. A new parking lot will be built on the present parking site, and it is hoped that a two ledge lot can be constructed. The second tier will have an entrance on the Washington Street viaduct. This lot should have a capacity of 300 cars.

The Atlanta Division of the University of Georgia has developed by leaps and bounds since it first opened its doors way back in 1913. It has progressed despite the retarding effects of two World Wars and if past history can be used as a gauge, the Atlanta Division some day will be recognized as one of the outstanding Universities in the South.



Tomorrow

• *Three Minutes from Five Points*

. . . THE STATE OF GEORGIA is now operating one of the outstanding COLLEGE CENTERS in the country, where VETERAN-STUDENTS may work in the day and receive government benefits for doing college work in the evening.

. . . Day Division—9 to 5, each day, Monday through Friday. Schedules arranged so students may work in the morning or in the afternoon. New Music and Art Department to begin September, 1948.

. . . Evening Division—Workers in GREATER ATLANTA AREA attend classes from 5:15 to 9:00 Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

• *New Facilities*

. . . GYMNASIUM AUDITORIUM, the second unit in the building program, now provides an enlarged recreational program for the more than 5,000 students and their friends . . . this in addition to the six-story reinforced concrete building, with its 64 classrooms, 6 laboratories, cafeteria, library, clinic, snack shops, and parking lot.

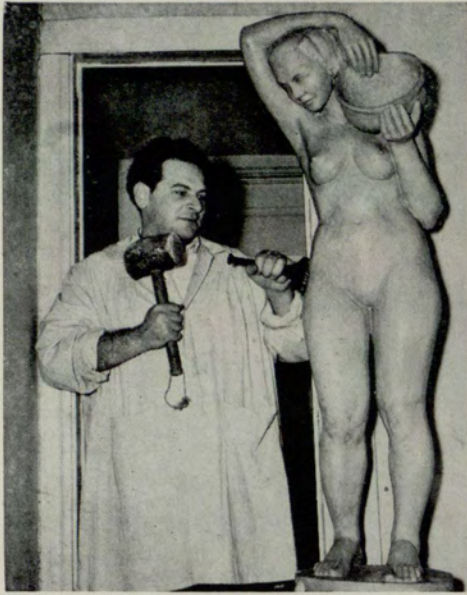
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