President Theron E. Montgomery, Jr., changed offices in Bibb Graves Hall on July 1, 1981. Although his thirty-one years at Jacksonville State University — the last eleven as vice president for academic affairs — brought with them many promotions, this move was, nevertheless, momentous.

As had eight other presidents before him, this president faced challenges, traditional issues as well as the more diversified needs of students in meeting the changing job market and economic uncertainties. Realizing the leadership he would have to provide, President Montgomery settled into his chair and faced the critical problems of the 1980s.

Upon the recommendation of the Council of Deans, James Reaves was appointed acting vice president for academic affairs. Dean of the College of Graduate Studies since 1967, this Jacksonville alumnus holds a master’s degree in school administration and a doctorate from the University of Alabama. His appointment, effective July 1, 1981, was confirmed at the annual meeting of the board of trustees on October 19, 1981. In March of 1982, Roland A. Thornburg, Ed.D., University of Alabama, was appointed interim dean of the College of Graduate Studies.

The remodeling of the president’s home on the campus required several months; changes included a new driveway and a portico. The use of the Classic Revival design in the columns makes this lovely residence a future landmark in keeping with the nineteenth century mansions of Jacksonville.

President Montgomery and staff members began to explore the possibilities of expanding the role of Jacksonville State University in cooperation with business and industry in Northeast Alabama, especially in the area of computer science. Computers for academic instruction were installed on the third floor of Bibb Graves Hall, to provide one of the foremost computer science programs in Alabama. The center has twenty-five video consoles and two line printers, and another printer and twenty additional video consoles will be added.

Ronald White, associate professor of engineering and computer science, and a faculty member since 1978, has been appointed interim coordinator of the academic computer program.

Under review by the Alabama Commission on Higher Education was the proposal of Jacksonville State University for an applied technology program.

“This unique program will provide opportunities to a population not previously served,” said James A. Reaves, vice-president for academic affairs.

This new degree in occupational technology will prepare graduates for jobs in management, supervision, sales, retailing, and related positions, and with additional credentials, will qualify them to teach.

The degree will open the door to many highly intelligent individuals with technical backgrounds and will provide them with the opportunity to complete a college degree. Twelve credit hours will be offered to occupational technology students in January 1983.

After twenty-five years, Dean Greene Y. Taylor retired on June 30, 1981. Appointed to succeed him as dean of the College of Education was Robert Charles Hymer, holding a B.A. degree from Rockhurst college, an M.A. from the University of Missouri, Kansas City, and an Ed.D. from the University of Northern Colorado.

Following the five-year Advanced Institutional Development Program, a $400,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education was received in the summer of 1981 for strengthening development and instructional programs. A self-study was underway with the dual purpose of reviewing accreditation standards and identifying other pertinent issues of the new decade.

In the history of Jacksonville State University, 1981-82 was the most productive athletic year. The university recently received the prestigious "All Sports" award, which singles out the outstanding program in the Gulf South Conference.

Athletic Director Jerry Cole has announced that individual honors for men and women for the year include one national champion, five All-Americans, twenty-three All-Conference recipients and four selected to academic All-Conference teams. The Alabama sportswriters named Ed Lett as the Outstanding Amateur Athlete in Alabama, and Dieter Brock, an alumnus, as the professional honoree. Football Coach Jim Fuller received the
Dr. and Mrs. Theron E. Montgomery, Jr., are shown with their family. Standing are Katherine Anne “Kam” and Theron E. “Tem” Montgomery III. In May 1982, Kam Montgomery was graduated from Converse College with majors in psychology and sociology. Tem Montgomery completed his doctorate in creative writing at the University of Southern Mississippi also in May 1982.
The "new look" of the president's home on campus.
The Vice Presidents

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Vice President for Academic Affairs

Charles C. Rowe, B.S.
Vice President for Business Affairs

H. Bascom Woodward III, Ed.D.
Vice President for University Services
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Thomas Barker, Ph.D.
Dean of the College of Criminal Justice

Reuben B. Boozer, Ph.D.
Dean of the College of Science and Mathematics

William D. Carr, Ph.D.
Dean of the College of Graduate Studies and Continuing and Extending Education
The Academic Deans

Robert C. Hymer, Ed.D.
Dean of the College of Education

William E. Loftin, D.B.A.
Acting Dean, College of Commerce
and Business Administration

John D. Marsengill, D.M.
Dean of College of Music and Fine Arts
The Academic Deans

Alta Millican, Ed.D.
Dean of the College of Library Science, Communications and Instructional Media

T. Allen Smith, Ph.D.
Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Science

Roberta O. Watts, M.N.
Acting Dean, Lurleen B. Wallace College of Nursing
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Ashford

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Jacksonville

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Ashland

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Tuscaloosa

Graves Musgrove
Birmingham

C. W. Daugette, Jr.
Gadsden

James D. Thornton
Huntsville
The academic computer center in Bibb Graves. The computer program is now one of the fastest growing departments within the university.
Scene from "Barefoot in the Park," a play in the Ernest Stone Performing Arts Center in July 1981. John Musk, Valerie Hurst, Dr. Steve Whitton are shown.
The first inauguration of a president of Jacksonville State University was held on April 30, 1982. Shown above is the investiture of President Theron E. Montgomery, Jr., by Governor Fob James.
OFFICIAL KICKOFF — July 8, 1982 — news media, resolutions from Calhoun County Commission and city of Jacksonville.

JSU PICNIC — August 27, 1982 — for faculty and staff and their families.

"A CENTENNIAL SALUTE," by Shelt and Elene Sparks Chastain — September 10, 1982

STUDENT APPRECIATION DAY — October 16, 1982

SOUTHERNERS ALUMNI RECEIPTION — October 23, 1982


CENTENNIAL WEEK — February 21-16, 1983

DEDICATION OF COURTYARD — February 23, 1983

CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE
Dr. John Stewart, Chairman
Dr. Ralph Brannen
Mr. Jerry Cole
Mr. Jack Hopper

Mr. Larry Smith
Dr. Shelby Starling
Mr. Marc Angle, SGA
Mr. Bill Morris, SGA

CENTENNIAL ATHLETE HONOR ROLL

DAVID ROBINSON
TODD SMYLY
ARNOLD VEASLEY
GARY WAGNER

1946-1970
GARY ANGEL
BILL BRANTLEY
HAROLD BROOKS
RAY BURGESS
MITCHELL COLDWELL
ARDLAND CARTER
IRBY CASH
JIMMY CHAMPION
JODIE CORNELL
BUDDY CORNELL
RICHARD DRAWDY
ANTHONY EMANUEL
BOB FORD
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JIM GLASGOW
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BILLY HICKS
TERRY HODGES
BILL JONES
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BILL KINZY
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BILLY JACK LANEY
TOM LANGSTON
ROGER "BUBBA" LONG
FRED LOVVORN
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JEFF MccOOL
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JIM DAVIS
BARTO HUGHES
JIM JOHNSON
JAMES KEMP
LOUIS MACHEN
WILLIE NICHOLS
RICHARD WATERS
EMERSON WHITESIDE

1981-1982
LYNN BRUCE
DREW CAMPBELL
CORLISS COLLINS
GARY ERWIN
MARK LEE
ED LETT
GREGG LOWERY
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SIMON SHEPHARD

1971-1980
JESSE BAKER
BUTCH BARKER
LARRY BARNES
TED BARNICLE
TOMMY BONDS
DIETER BROCK
EDDIE BUTLER
BOYCE CALLAHAN
ROBERT CLEMENTS
SAMMY DAVIS
EVAN EDGE
LARRY FOSTER
MIKE GALLOWAY
LARRY GINN
BOBBY RAY GREEN
JERRY JAMES
MIKE LAMB
BUTCH LANIER
AL LANKFORD
KEN "DOC" LETT
RON MONEY
BRUCE NICHOLS
WAYNE PASEUR
SUSAN PUCKETT
The Centennial Cake, built in the design of Bibb Graves Hall. Mrs. Montgomery and the president of the university are shown cutting the cake.
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Alumnus of the Year

1956 Houston Cole
1957 Harry Mell Ayers
1958 Frank Stewart
1959 Malcolm Street
1960 Austin R. Meadows
1961 D. P. Culp
1962 Katharine and Ernest Stone
1963 Charles "Pete" Mathews
1964 Albert Rains
1965 C. W. Daugette, Jr.
1966 LeRoy Brown
1967 Mattie Lois Snow
1968 Louise Tredaway
Percy Pylar
1969 Beulah Allen
R. P. Steed

Teacher Hall of Fame

Elementary

Year | Name | School System
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1969-70 | Mrs. Jessie Freeman | Tuscaloosa County
1970-71 | Mrs. Mary H. Barron | Tallapoosa County
1971-72 | Mrs. Ethel McDonald | Huntsville City
1972-73 | Mrs. Mamie Dothard | Talladega County
1973-74 | Mrs. Eugenia Shurbet | Birmingham City
1974-75 | Mrs. Linell Orr | Morgan County
1975-76 | Mrs. Vera Hitson | Tuscaloosa City
1976-77 | Sister Adrian McLean | Cullman City
1977-78 | Mrs. Marie Freeman | Cullman City
1978-79 | Mrs. Margie Wingard | Sylacauga City
1979-80 | Mrs. Hazel R. Buckner | Enterprise City
1980-81 | Mr. Marlin Raney | Cullman City
1981-82 | Mrs. Onita B. Archie | Coffee County

Secondary

Year | Name | School System
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1969-70 | Mrs. Dora Gene Hill | Gadsden City
1970-71 | Mrs. Dody Jennings | Piedmont City
1971-72 | Mrs. Ruth Brown | Oxford City
1972-73 | Mrs. Martha Taylor | Haleyville City
1973-74 | Mrs. Kathryn Reeder | Enterprise City
1974-75 | Mrs. Myra Wilson | Pike County
1975-76 | Mrs. Sallie Cook | Tuscaloosa County
1976-77 | Mrs. Dora Perryman | Sylacauga City
1977-78 | Mrs. Rosie Cofield | Randolph County
1978-79 | Mr. Edwin R. Watkins | Tallahassee City
1979-80 | Mrs. Fay Simpkins | Sylacauga City
1980-81 | Mr. William Merriweather, Jr. | Birmingham City
1981-82 | Miss Annie Evelyn Nichols | Bibb County