

Administration



OTIS A. SINGLETARY
University President

The University of Kentucky has become one of the major institutions of higher learning in the United States under the leadership of Dr. Otis Singletary, the eighth president of the University. His tenure has been marked by rapid growth and a commitment to excellence.

"The University, with all its problems, is still the single most important institution in the state," Dr. Singletary has said. "Its network of influence is felt throughout the state, not just in the instruction of the state's young people but in the great pattern of research, the things we are doing to improve the quality of human life and the wide range of services we are providing throughout the state.

"Contrary to popular opinion, our institutions of higher education are not operated exclusively for students, or for faculty members, or for administrators, or for trustees — or, for that matter, for all of these. Historically speaking, universities have been created and supported by our society to perform important functions for the common good of society. This is the larger meaning of the term, 'the public interest,' as it applies to institutions of higher education."

Before being named UK president in 1969, Dr. Singletary served as executive vice chancellor for academic affairs in the University of Texas system and as director of the Job Corps program for the Office of Economic Opportunity.

The Gulfport, Miss., native holds degrees from Millsaps College and Louisiana State University. He is a nationally recognized history scholar and is the author of two books and several monographs.

In the 12 years he has been president, the University has grown to where there are now more than 23,000 students on the Lexington campus and more than 19,000 students in UK's 13 community colleges. UK has gained an international reputation in such diverse fields as medicine, business, engineering, law and agriculture. The University also is noted for its research in the fields of energy, tobacco and cancer. The Sanders-Brown Research Center on Aging is one of the first facilities of its kind.

The UK Alumni Association has

recognized Dr. Singletary's special service by presenting him its Alumni Service Award. It is an honor rarely bestowed upon a non-alumnus of the University.

Dr. Singletary is in the second year of his two-year term as president of the Southeastern Conference. As University President, he serves as chairman of the board of directors of the UK Athletic Association, the body which maintains overall policy supervision of the athletic program.

A Navy veteran of World War II and the Korean conflict, he is commander in the U. S. Naval Reserve. He and Mrs. Singletary, the former Gloria Walton, have three children: Bonnie, Scot and Kendall.

The Singletarys live at Maxwell Place, traditional home of UK presidents.

Athletics Director



CLIFFORD O. HAGAN
Director

The story of Cliff Hagan's reign as chief of the UK Athletics Department has been one of fine attendance at the two big revenue-producing sports, increased attendance in Lady Kat basketball and men's baseball, and a steady upgrading of facilities.

The University will be host to the SEC Basketball Tournament in March of 1982 and the NCAA Championship Finals in 1985. The UK Relays were renewed this past

spring.

Hagan, who has seen and overseen vast improvements in all phases of the UK athletics program since returning to his alma mater as assistant athletics director in 1972, has under his command a total of 20 sports ranging from football and men's basketball in Level I, to women's basketball in Level II, and a baker's dozen sports in Level III.

He was named in 1972, assistant to Harry C. Lancaster and given the task of implementing the Blue & White Fund for 57,600-seat Commonwealth Stadium and later for Rupp Arena. Hagan replaced Lancaster as athletics director in July, 1975.

Hagan received one of his highest individual honors three years ago when he became the first University of Kentucky basketball player to be installed in the Naismith Memorial National Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Mass. At UK, he played on teams that won 86 of 91 games and an NCAA championship (1951). He went on to star in the NBA with the St. Louis Hawks and in the ABA with the Dallas Chaparrals as player-coach.