

# FAMU Gets Kellogg Grant

Florida A&M University's School of Pharmacy has received a \$298,000 grant from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation, to be funded over a three-year period, it was announced

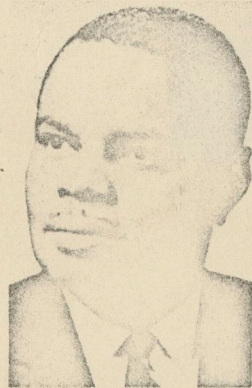
## Perry Discusses FAMU's Future

"Survival is the name of the game," Florida A & M University President B. L. Perry told a standing-room-only audience at FAMU's fall faculty-student convocation Tuesday.

"I have every belief that FAMU will remain an independent and autonomous institution within the Florida State University system for many years to come," Perry declared, urging students and faculty to pledge their efforts to this end.

Perry called attention to the public demand for accountability from higher education, particularly those efforts in Florida to have state institutions demonstrate their effectiveness.

Through a "joint enterprise" of faculty, administration and students, and the "development of an intellectual atmosphere," Perry said FAMU could meet



Dr. B.L. Perry

... 'remain independent'

the challenge of accountability.

Perry said students could play their role in meeting that challenge through developing the "art of self discipline."

Although 45 new faculty members were introduced Tuesday, Perry pointed out that these did not represent an increase in faculty members. In fact, Perry said, reduced state funding had cut FAMU's faculty by four members and whereas funds for an additional 79 positions had been requested.

Prior to his speech, Perry was formally presented with Florida A&M's first official university flag, an orange and green banner designed by FAMU alumnus John White of Albany, Ga. The flag was presented by FAMU

Tuesday.

Approval of the grant — one of the largest gifts from a private donor or corporation made to the university — came during FAMU's observance of National Pharmacy Week.

Yearly payments, designed to assist FAMU in strengthening its pharmacy programs, will be made in amounts of \$125,000, \$100,000 and \$72,000.

The largest single amount, \$75,000, will be used to purchase equipment over a two-year period, according to Pharmacy Dean Ira Robinson.

Another \$55,000 will be expended over the three-year

period for securing new faculty, Robinson said. Remainder of the funds will go for administrative support personnel, faculty study and scholarship aid for students.

Robinson said the grant came at a "timely period," since the School of Pharmacy has just embarked upon a number of new programs and curriculum innovations that have set precedents in pharmaceutical education.

"This grant will help us overcome some of the accumulated deficiencies resulting from long-standing gross underfunding by the public sector," Robinson said.