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President of the State Board of Regents

Remarks

HAVE THE HONOR to bring you greetings from the Board of Regents on this very special occasion — the Centennial of Iowa State College — which marks 100 years of distinguished service to the state of Iowa, to the nation, and to the world.

There are reasons to rejoice and be grateful for what has been achieved without forgetting the needs ahead.

Iowa State now has an enrollment of 9,000 to 10,000, and by 1970 the enrollment will exceed 16,000. Now is the time to take inventory, to take a good look around, and see where we are and where we are going.

The big question is: Will Iowa meet the challenge and continue to provide opportunity for higher education regardless of social and economic status? There are no easy solutions and there are many critical needs.

A few of these needs are:

1. The library of Iowa State College was built in the '20's

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to accommodate an enrollment of less than half of the present enrollment.

- 2. Even now the present classroom space is over-taxed.
- 3. Wartime temporary barracks have worn out.
- 4. Buildings for research are urgently needed.

And there are many other pressing needs.

This is your College — an excellent faculty, a fine student body, a generous alumni body — all interested in this College. The future of Iowa State College depends upon you — your continued support and interest and your aggressive leadership.

I congratulate all of you on this Iowa State Centennial.