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T HIS YEAR the University of the Philippines is 50 years old.

For half a century this only state-supported institution of higher learning in the country has trained leaders in government and the various professions. It has set high academic standards recognized by many great universities abroad.

The University at present counts with an average enrollment of about 15,000 distributed on the main campus in Quezon City, in Manila, in Los Baños, in Iloilo and at Clark Air Base. It has more than 1,000 faculty members teaching in more than 20 different colleges and units. Most of these academic units are located in 489 hectares of rolling terrain in Quezon City, about 16 kilometers north of downton Manila.

Fifty years is a long time in a man's life; but to a university 50 years may well be the period of infancy or childhood in an indefinite journey to greatness.

The University has achieved a reputation for thorough scholarship in an atmosphere of academic freedom during its half century of existence. But it is only a beginning. There are no great expectations, no hopes for easy success. It will continue moving forward, without fanfare, on that indefinite journey to greatness.

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Passers-by view arch across Administration building proclaiming Golden Jubilee Fete.

Symbolic "Oblation" in new bronze casting awaits unveiling.





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