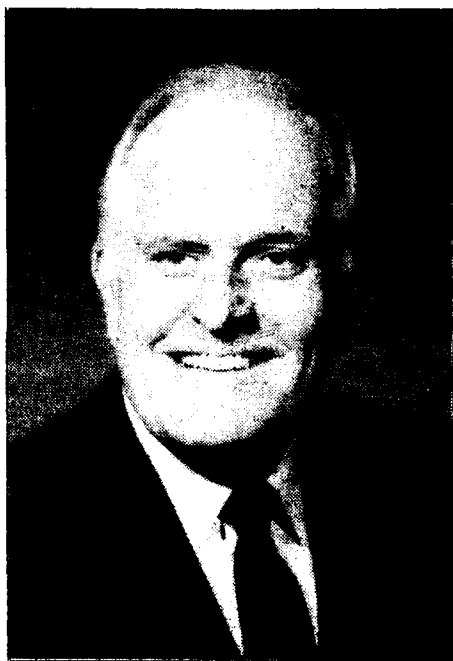


Jordan to replace Oswald as University president



By Pat Wenger

Dr. Bryce Jordan, newly elected president of The Pennsylvania State University, granted an exclusive telephone interview with the CAPITOL TIMES this week. Here's what he had to say:

"Capitol Campus holds a special affinity for me," Dr. Jordan said. "Because I founded an upper-division school I have insight into your unique opportunities and problems."

Jordan founded the University of Texas at Dallas (UTD) in 1971 and in the ten years following it grew from an institution

with 50 faculty and 40 students, housed in a single building, to a university with 250 faculty and more than 7,000 students, housed in 14 buildings.

While there are many similarities with his Texas experience, there are also distinct differences. UTD is 50 percent graduate school and offers 11 Ph.D. programs, mainly focused on the natural sciences. Possibly because of his own background in historical musicology and comparative literature, Jordan hastened to mention that he feels "we should not forget the humanistic end of education."

According to Jordan, "Capitol Campus' graduate studies in

political science and public administration are appropriate" because of our proximity to the state capitol.

When asked if he might be more responsive to our campus because of its upper-level status, he said, "I will be responsive to all the commonwealth campuses."

Jordan, 58, and his wife, Jonelle, have two daughters who recently graduated from the University of Texas at Austin (UTA) where Jordan himself earned his bachelor and master degrees after World War II.

Jordan taught music at Hardin-Simmons, the University of Maryland, and was chairman of the department of music at the University of Kentucky at the same time John Oswald became president of that university in 1963.

Asked if he felt Oswald helped him in the selection process for the PSU presidency, Jordan said: "I doubt it very much because I didn't see him very much. I knew him for the two years I was there but our relationship was only that of a

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Build strength, then negotiate

By Donna Kirker

U.S. Senator Arlen Specter spoke to a small Capitol Campus audience last week, on the issue of nuclear disarmament, resounding the Reagan ideology—first, build strength then "talk turkey."

"We have to be strong to be able to negotiate," Specter said.

"Carter was perceived as weak and vacillating," but President Reagan has "shown strength" and this has given the U.S. more power to negotiate on equal terms with the Soviet Union the Senator explained.

After personally speaking with the President, Specter believes "the President is dedicated to arms reductions," and Reagan "has good instincts" on the sensitivity of the subject.

When asked how much defensive deterrent is too much, Specter replied, "What we're (the government) is doing now is updating the process, we're paying for future decade's technology and defense."

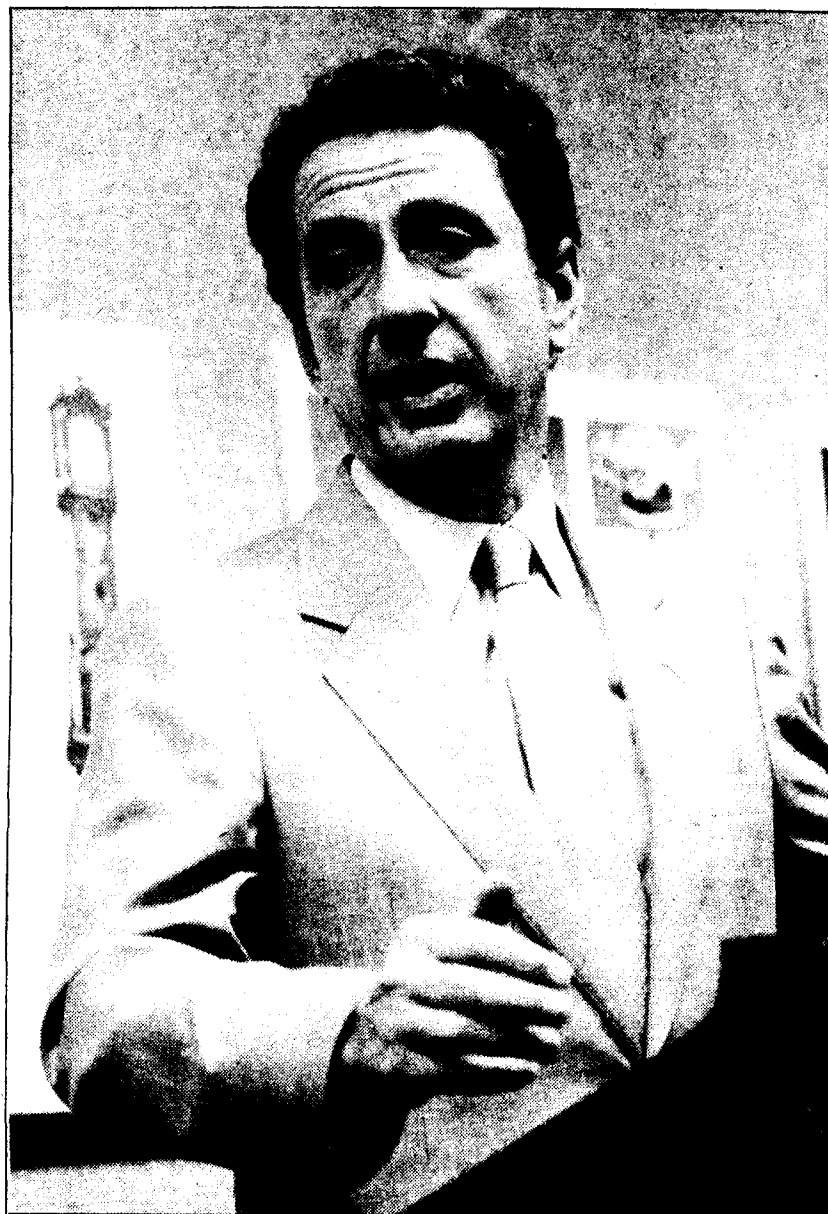
Actively involved with the issue of arms reduction, Specter announced, "I'm prepared to take a leadership role on this issue, and you (the audience) should also be prepared to voice an opinion."

"I do this because I believe we need a dialogue in the nation on this issue, and I hope to generate one here," he told the audience. "I have been meeting at different colleges to stimulate interest and awareness."

Jokingly but with an edge of seriousness, the Senator added that this issue is too serious an issue to leave just in the government's hands.

Specter's personal involvement includes a successful campaign last May to persuade the Senate to adopt a resolution calling on President Reagan to meet personally with Soviet President Brezhnev to discuss nuclear arms reductions. Plus, to force a vote on the proposal, Specter

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