

Silva Still Predicts Kennedy as Victor

Reiterating the prediction she made several weeks ago, Dr. Ruth E. Silva, professor of political science, said yesterday at the Faculty Luncheon Club meeting that Sen. John F. Kennedy will win the presidential election next week.

Dr. Silva's prediction is based on the tendency of Democratic presidential candidates to be carried to victory by the strength of local and state Democratic candidates.

However, Dr. Silva warned her audience that her predictions are not infallible. She reminded them that she had picked Dewey to win the presidential race in 1948. She said, though, that she should have realized then that the Democrats would get a large majority in the House, and as a Republican, Dewey could not have won the election.

Dr. Silva explained that her study of the relationship between party affiliation and the road to success has led her to the conclusion that a Republican presidential candidate usually leads the ticket while a Democratic candidate rides to victory on the "coat tails" of his congressional and gubernatorial running mates.

In relating this study to the present election, Dr. Silva noted that the present distribution of parties in the House is 283 Democrats to 153 Republicans. Of the Democrats, 45 are marginal (they may change their votes) while 61 Republicans are marginal.

This indicates that the minimum strength of both parties in the House is 238 Democrats to

92 Republicans. With a few exceptions, Kennedy will ride to victory on this strength of his state running mates, Dr. Silva said.

The Democratic majority strength in the Senate will also provide Kennedy with a measure of support. The assured Democratic seats in the Senate total 42 while the Republicans are guaranteed 23 seats. Twenty-two Democratic and 11 Republican seats are at stake in the present elections.

Dr. Silva also quoted figures predicting a Democratic gubernatorial majority of 36 to 14 in explaining her prediction of a "coat tail" victory.

Another factor in the predicted Kennedy victory, Dr. Silva said, is his popularity in the marginal states with large electoral vote strength. These states are not decisively Democratic nor Republican.

In a Gallup poll, the political preference of all potential voters including union members, Catholics, Jews and Negroes showed an edge for the Democrats. However, the balance lies with the independent vote. If these voters allied with the Republicans, it could mean a GOP victory, Dr. Silva added.

Miss Silva said that the tendency of the independent voter in this election seems to be toward the Democratic ticket.

The religious issue will be an asset to the Democratic candidate, Miss Silva predicted. She said the Catholic vote will rally for Kennedy faster than the anti-Catholic vote will unite against him. The tolerance taught in the public schools will be a factor in the decision of many non-Catholics to vote without consideration of the religious issue.

Panhel Workshop To Study Rushing Under 4-Terms

The second annual Panhellenic workshop will be held from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Nov. 13 in the Nittany Lion Inn.

The general theme of the workshop will be the interrelationship of the Panhellenic Council and the individual sororities. This theme will be broken down and studied in four areas—the restructure of Panhellenic Council, the rush period under the four term plan, junior Panhellenic and public relations.

Each sorority will send its president, rush chairman, alumni advisor, pledge trainer, activities chairman and an alternate delegate to participate in the workshop discussions.

The discussion groups will be held in a rotating system. The sorority delegates, with the exception of the pledge trainer and activities chairman, will rotate to each of the four area discussion groups.

Mrs. Joseph Grigsby, national Panhellenic chairman, will address the group at a banquet held at 1 p.m. A buffet in the evening will be followed by a general meeting of all delegates at which time reports from all discussion groups will be presented.

After the banquet, specialized workshops will be held for the pledge trainers and the activities chairmen.

Petroleum Engineering Society Meeting
Wed., Nov. 2, 7:00 p.m.
M.S. Auditorium

Casual PSU Shocks Russian Professors

By JERRIE MARKOS

Football, field hockey, research in solid state mechanics, and a college boy with his feet propped on a chair in the tradition of American informality were some of the events greeting two Russian professors during a two-day stay at the University last week.

Professors S. V. Serensen and G. V. Uzhik of the University of Moscow got more than was stated in their itinerary when they visited the University as part of a nation-wide tour of prominent institutions. The professors were doing research on the mechanical properties of materials.

Both men were shocked by the informality of our classes remarking that 'that'—a student with his feet on the seat in front of him—never happens in Russian schools.

Serensen and Uzhik both commented in English freely, if not fluently, when asked to compare some points of difference between Russian and American higher education.

A Russian student attending a technical school spends one-half of his first year in the classroom and the other half in a factory as

a common worker. The reason for this "on the job" experience is to learn the purpose of the theory studied in class, they said.

The professors smiled when they recalled seeing coeds playing field hockey during a physical education class. They said they didn't expect American women to be partaking in such sports.

According to the two Soviets, marriages among students are extremely rare. "They (the students) don't have time to think about marriage while they are studying."

An afternoon of football highlighted their second day at the University. At the close of the interview, both men extended their greetings to the students and administration.

Delta Sigma Pi Rushing Smoker

For all male Business Administration students who have at least a 2.5 All-University average and who are of a 3rd semester standing or better.

Time: November 1, 7 p.m.

Place: Phi Mu Delta
500 S. Allen St.

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8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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