

Nuclear Tests to Begin

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U.S. to Resume Testings In April, Kennedy Says

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Kennedy announced last night that the United States will go ahead with atomic tests in the air by the latter part of April, unless "a firm agreement" with the Soviet Union to halt nuclear blasts has been reached by then.

Kennedy made his long-awaited announcement in a nationwide, 30-minute radio and television speech.

The President coupled his notice of intent to go ahead with atmospheric shots—the first time for the United States since November 1958—with a promise to Soviet Premier Khrushchev of a summit meeting at Geneva if the Soviet Union should accept a test ban treaty in the first month of the 18-nation general disarmament talks, slated to start in the Swiss city March 14.

He pinned the choice directly on Khrushchev. "It is the leaders of the Soviet Union who must bear the heavy responsibility of choosing, in the weeks that lie ahead, whether we proceed with these disarmament steps—or proceed with new tests," Kennedy said.

THE PRESIDENT told the nation "in all candor," however, that last fall's Soviet test series, "in the absence of further Western progress, could well provide the Soviet Union with a nuclear attack and defense capability so powerful as to encourage aggressive designs."

Should the United States not protect its security by resuming atmospheric tests, Kennedy con-

tended, the Soviets would see this as a sign of weakness and fear.

So by resuming tests, the President said, he hopes actually to strengthen peace prospects because the Red leaders will realize then "that the West will no longer stand still" while Russia tests.

KENNEDY GAVE a detailed defense of his decision to resume tests in the wake of the Soviet action in breaking the atomic test moratorium last fall. Most of the modern U.S. missile arsenal relies on atomic warheads which have never been operationally tested. And weaponers are searching for a breakthrough toward an antimissile missile to shoot down attacking intercontinental rockets.

Kennedy declared that U.S. security requirements, and those of the free world, demand that the United States proceed with its testing. At the same time, he blamed the Russians for U.S. resumption and deplored the step-up in the arms race.

Spring Election Dates Suggested by Feingold

The tentative dates for the spring elections are April 25, 26 and 27, Allen Feingold, Elections Commission chairman, said last night.

If the proposed Election Code is accepted by the USG Congress, Feingold said, candidates will be running for USG president, vice president and secretary-treasurer and the sophomore, junior and senior class presidencies in the spring.

THE ELECTION CODE was proposed by the USG By-Laws committee headed by Anne Morris, North Halls representative. The USG Congress discussed the code at their last meeting and will vote on it this Thursday.

In announcing his calendar for elections, Feingold said these dates are subject to approval by the Congress. He will go before Congress on Thursday to present the calendar.

His proposal calls for the first political party registrations to be held on April 1, the first Sunday in the spring term. The second and final party registrations would

be a week later on April 8, Feingold said. At this time the parties would also hold primary nominations, he added.

THE FINAL nominations and voting in the political parties would take place the following Sunday, April 15, he said. At midnight the campaigning would begin and continue until Wednesday of the next week which would be the first day of the three-day election period, he said.

"These dates were selected so we could have elections as early as possible," Feingold said. "Early elections will give the new officers a good start on taking over their duties."

"Although the election dates fall during Spring Week, I don't think this will interfere with elections since Spring Week won't be as much work with the float parade eliminated," he said.

Feingold said that he plans on having a large Elections Commission of about 100 members.

Applications for the Commission will be out early next term, he said. The present Elections Commission has about 70 mem-

bers who, if they are still interested, will retain their positions, he said. Interviews will be held to select the new members, Feingold added.

Feingold said that he thought the proposed Election Code was "quite fair," but that more qualifications should be added for students running for the executive offices and the class presidencies.

THE CODE does not set an average requirement except the 1.7 previous term average requirement set by the University for participation in extra-curricular activities. Feingold said that he thinks a minimum 2.4 or 2.5 requirement should be added to the code for these positions. A 2.4 requirement was written into the previous Election Code, he added.

Feingold said that he was not a member of the committee which drew up the proposed Election Code, but that they had asked him for suggestions.

Debaters' Congress Names 'Gavel Girl'

By STEVE CIMBALA

Miss Carol Claire, Oswego College was named Official Gavel Girl for the 1962 Joseph F. O'Brien Inter-State Debater's Congress at last night's Congress banquet in the Hetzel Union.

The Congress, a convention of 150 delegates from 22 colleges and universities, acts as a legislative body in the manner of the U.S. Congress. The delegates propose legislation, through the use of a "civil rights" committee and an "anti-trust" committee, on two

major legislative topics dealing with the subjects of these committees.

GAVEL GIRL finalists deliver humorous speeches at the Congress banquet, and the gavel girl is selected on the basis of content and presentation of her speech.

The congress' opening committee sessions began yesterday after a welcoming address by Dr. Harold J. O'Brien, associate dean of liberal arts.

Congress Manager Edgar Snyder said that the committee sessions were largely successful in developing legislation for today's session, and added that the committees had compiled a formal speaking agenda for their upcoming assembly sessions.

LAST NIGHT, the "civil rights" committee in its assembly session, read the final committee reports and debated the proposed legislation, after which the bills were amended and voted upon.

Tomorrow the "anti-trust" committee will conduct its assembly session to formulate and vote on the final drafts of its proposed legislation.

Following this, Professor Clayton H. Schug, head of the University speech department, will address a general assembly of the delegates and present awards to those delegates who have been judged best "parliamentary speakers" during the Congress.

Fraternity Goals Publicized by IFC

The first of a series of annual reports on the major activities, accomplishments and goals of the 53 fraternities on campus was recently published by the Inter-Fraternity Council.

The report, entitled "Fraternities at Penn State," is aimed primarily at the faculty and administration, Richard Meyer, IFC vice president, said. The purpose of the report is to show that fraternities do have a valuable function here, he said.

Divided into three sections, the report discusses services which the fraternities render to each other, the University and the community, future plans and continuity of the fraternity system.

Johnson to Speak at Career Day

Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson will speak at the College of Business Administration Career Day April 10, a spokesman told the University yesterday.

Col. W. F. Jackson, military aide to the vice president, confirmed the speaking engagement by telephone late yesterday afternoon. Robert Barraclough, Career Day chairman, said.

Tentative plans call for Vice President Johnson to speak on equal employment opportunities, Barraclough said. Johnson is chairman of the President's Com-

mittee on Equal Employment Opportunities.

The speech is scheduled for 8 p.m., April 10 in Schwab. Ticket distribution should begin April 2, Barraclough said.

Career Day will include panel discussions on job opportunities by representatives of industry, labor and government.

The program is also designed for students to learn from leaders of American industry the qualities of character and education essential to successful business and public service," Barraclough said.

'No Comment' on Library Issue

By ROCHELLE MICHAELS

"No comment" was the general response of the administration yesterday when the question of an announced but refused \$75,000 allocation to the University Library was raised.

RALPH J. McCOMB, University Librarian, released an announcement Thursday to the Liberal Arts faculty that President Eric A. Walker had provided for the allotment so departments which had exhausted their book funds could continue purchasing

this year. The grant was a temporary one, he said at the time, and was to be spent before May 1.

Walker said later that night, however, that he had no knowledge of such a grant. McComb then reported that he had received a "budget amendment" from Howard A. Cutler, special assistant to the President, concerning the allotment.

Both McComb and Cutler today responded "no comment" to questions about the apparent misunderstanding about the grant. Included in the questions was, "Is

there an additional allocation to the library or not?"

WILMER E. KENWORTHY, executive assistant to the president, said yesterday there was an "obvious mix-up" between the parties concerned. He declined to give any further information on the matter until next week.

At that time, Kenworthy said, the three parties involved—Walker, McComb and Cutler—will have met to try to determine what happened.

Walker could not be reached for comment last night.



SURPRISED DEBATER—Carol Claire of Oswego College flashes an exuberant smile at the announcement of her selection as Debate Congress "Gavel Girl" at last night's congress ban-

quet. The Congress ends today after more debating and presentation of parliamentary speakers' awards.

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