

Candidates View New USG Interest

Campaigners for the top Undergraduate Student Government offices said last night that they have observed on campus a definite increase of interest in student government and new knowledge of its activities.

The two candidates for USG president, Dean Wharton, University party, and Allison Woodall, Campus-Liberal parties, noted the increased student interest over that encountered when they both ran in the fall 1960 elections.



DEAN WHARTON



ALLISON WOODALL



MORRIS BAKER



GEORGE GORDON

At that time, Wharton was running for sophomore class president and Miss Woodall was a candidate for student government assemblyman.

Wharton and Miss Woodall, plus the vice presidential candidates, Morris Baker, University party, and George Gordon, Campus-Liberal, discussed this and other election topics in an interview with Daily Collegian reporters last night.

"BACK THEN," Wharton said of the 1960 elections, "students asked questions such as 'What is student government?' and had the 'You can't do anything anyway' attitude. Now they seem to be assuming student government is doing something and want to know specifically what we will do."

Gordon said he believed this change in attitude is due to the candidates in recent campaigns stressing what student government has done rather than what it has failed to do.

The time spent by candidates meeting students, Miss Woodall said, is directly proportional to the voter turnout.

"If students see and hear you they have a basis on which to choose between the candidates," she said.

Baker said, "We will try to meet each student, but for the ones we don't talk to, our platform will have to speak for us." He stressed that this is a "campaign of issues rather than of personalities."

BOTH PRESIDENTIAL candidates discussed the need for better relations between administrators and student government leaders.

Wharton said, "The trouble in communications between student government and the administration is that the students are here for only four years and want to see things done immediately. The administration will be here much longer and isn't in such a hurry."

Miss Woodall said she believes that regardless of one's feelings, these relations can and must always be kept on a mature level.

Since one of the main functions of the vice president's office is to run a well-conducted Congress meeting, Baker and Gordon gave their ideas on the subject.

Baker said it is essential for the vice president to be well acquainted with parliamentary procedure and Robert's Rules of Order. It is a matter of educating the Congressmen in these rules so that the meeting can run smoothly, he added.

IN ORDER THAT the Congressmen know exactly what they are voting for, a bill must be restated before the vote is taken, Gordon said. "Once in awhile asking the simple question, 'Does everyone understand?' would also help in keeping complicated issues clear," he added.

As Dennis Foianini, incumbent USG president, will be at the University next year, Miss Woodall and Wharton explained what they thought his function as past president would be.

Both agreed that he would definitely be valuable as a resource person, but that he should have no official connection with student government.

For information about "behind the scene responsibilities, such as being a member of Senate sub-committees," Miss Woodall said Foianini would be a great help.

Wharton said that, if elected, he would definitely meet with Foianini to discuss problem areas to "gain from his experience."



Kennedy Proclaims Peace With Steel

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Kennedy proclaimed peace yesterday with big steel.

Pacified by victory last week in his battle on price-boosting steel manufacturers, Kennedy said there was no room for hostility or vindictiveness. What's more, he told a news conference exactly one week after fiercely attacking U.S. Steel and its followers, his administration and industry leaders "are in basic agreement on far more objectives than we are in disagreement."

AT HIS NEWS CONFERENCE, Kennedy also announced he was calling off the trial of one disgruntled Army reservist and ordering another released from confinement.

Feingold Rules Charge Against Party Unfounded

The charge that University party violated its constitution by ordering campaign materials before the campaign began is an unfounded accusation, Allen Feingold, Elections Commission chairman, said yesterday.

Ann Morris (North Halls) made the accusation at the Undergraduate Student Government meeting Tuesday night.

Investigating the charge, Feingold, Dennis Eisman, Campus party chairman, and Michael Dzvovnik, University party chairman, yesterday studied the constitution in question.

The constitution contained no provisions which would make the party's action a violation, Feingold said. He added that he hoped before further accusations were made, the charges would be thoroughly investigated.

In other business Tuesday night, the USG Congress allotted \$100 to the newly-created Transportation Agency. The allocation was proposed by USG President Dennis Foianini to provide initial working funds for the agency.

In his report on the Elections Commission, Feingold recommended to the Congress that a more complete elections code be set up for next year's campaign.

At the meeting's conclusion, Foianini urged the respective chairmen to conduct "tasteful campaigns."

"Students are flattered if you appeal to their intelligence rather than to their emotions," he said.

Their offenses, he said were "more misguided than criminal in intent."

During the conference carried nationally by radio and television, Kennedy indicated the United States was only a shade away from resuming nuclear weapons tests in the atmosphere. No date has been set, he said, but chances of negotiating an effective test-ban treaty with Russia are very negative.

LACKING AGREEMENT, he added, "of course we shall proceed" to resume tests as he announced last month.

At that time, Kennedy said the United States would start testing again in late April unless the Soviets accepted an agreement providing for international inspections.

The President also called attention to the latest U.S. blueprint for general disarmament, unveiled at Geneva Tuesday morning.

He described it as the most comprehensive and specific series of proposals any nation ever set forth on the subject. With it, he said, the United States was making a major effort to achieve a breakthrough on disarmament negotiations.

WHILE HE WAS forgiving, Kennedy wasn't wholly forgetting his administration's role in the sequence of events that led steel producers to rescind their \$6-a-ton price increases.

A grand jury investigation of whether major steel companies have violated antitrust laws will go on, Kennedy said, and the government will continue stressing its position against labor-management contracts that could breed inflation.

"Let me make it clear," he said in a prepared announcement, "that this administration harbors no ill will against any individual, any industry, corporation or segment of the American economy."

21,230 Enroll for Spring Term; University Park Total Hits 15,940

Figures released yesterday show that 21,230 persons have enrolled as full or part-time graduate or undergraduate students for the spring term at all divisions of the University.

Undergraduate students make up 19,080 of the total, Robert M. Koser, associate registrar, said. Of the 2,150 graduate students, he said, 43 are engaged in off-campus research.

THE TOTAL is composed of 2,111 persons enrolled as part-time continuing education students, Koser said, 3,108 students at the commonwealth campuses, 71 students enrolled in the Study

Abrond Program and 15,940 students taking courses in residence at the University Park campus.

For the winter term, official figures show that 2,022 persons were enrolled in part-time continuing education classes, 3,333 students were enrolled at commonwealth campuses, no students were engaged in foreign study programs and 16,480 persons were studying at University Park, Koser said.

In the graduate division, of the 2,076 students registered for the winter term, Koser added, 36 were engaged in off-campus research projects.



"LITTLE GENERAL": Barbara Elser, junior in elementary and kindergarten education from Springfield, was named national "Little General" Saturday. Miss Elser is shown receiving best wishes from President Walker before leaving for Los Angeles, where the competition

was held. The contest is sponsored by the Arnold Air Society, honorary society for advanced air force cadets. Miss Elser is a member of Angel Flight, the auxiliary branch of Arnold Air Society.