



Joy juice

W. T. Williams, newly-elected Undergraduate Student Government president, dodges champagne moments after results were announced early Friday morning. The Williams-Hickton ticket swept all voting areas except fraternities in elections last week.

Photo by Ed Palia

Williams to be sworn in

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W. T. Williams and Dave Hickton will be sworn in as president and vice president of the Undergraduate Student Government at tonight's USG Senate meeting.

Williams polled 2,932 votes in last week's election, while his closest opponents, Rick Glazier and Al Leard, received 1,986 votes. The 1,000-vote margin was the largest in three years.

Finishing third in the race was Joe Augustine and Ron Kelley with 385 votes and finishing fourth were write-in candidates Sharon Kelly and Audrey Weinberg with 174 votes.

Williams and Hickton swept all areas except the fraternities, which they lost 90-83, mostly because of the endorsement Glazier and Leard received from the Interfraternity Council.

Their biggest margin of victory came in the town area, as expected, where they won by 350 votes.

The announcement came from Elections Commissioner Randy Oppenheimer at 3:30 a.m. Friday to the crowd that gathered in the HUB awaiting the outcome.

Emotions ran high with the announcement of senatorial victories, and tear-streaked faces were common even before the final announcement was made.

With the announcement of the second-place finishers, Williams' supporters erupted into celebration, lifting W. T. onto their shoulders and soaking him with champagne.

As the announcement was made, firecrackers exploded, chairs were thrown and ceiling tiles were torn down. One Williams supporter shouted, "We smashed 'em! We smashed 'em!" as the total vote count was announced.

"This is the happiest moment of my life," Williams said in his short victory speech. "The elections are over and we

won it, but we have a lot of fences to mend and it's time to get to work."

Williams also expressed the hope that the other candidates would continue to work with USG in the coming year and would help him support the students.



Also on the ballot was a referendum on faculty unionization, which showed student reaction was running about 3 to 1 against unionization. Three thousand nine-hundred and three students voted against the unionization of the faculty, while only 1,294 voted in favor of it.

Rick Glazier said that he misjudged the strength and depth of the Williams organization.

"They were better prepared than I thought they would be," he said. "Their issues had a lot more student appeal. We talked over the students' heads," he said, while Williams and Hickton "addressed themselves to issues students are familiar with."

Glazier said that he was expecting no more than a 300-vote margin either way, and that he was expecting a 50-vote win. The victory margin was unexpected by all the candidates, he said.

"The people in my campaign were fantastic. I'll never be able to repay them enough," he said. "The experience was great, but the people made it all worthwhile."

Joe Augustine said he achieved his goals.

"People that I didn't talk to personally got a chance to hear what I had to say. I hope the president will just take the time and consider my approaches to the different problems," he said.

Sharon Kelly was pleased with her support in the election.

"I think we ran well considering we were write-in candidates. I'm glad we ran, because it was good experience and

we had a lot of fun doing it," she said.

She also said she wants to continue working with USG and the new administration in the coming year.

In the senatorial races, the outcome was:

—Town: Judy Johnson, Scott McCaffrey, Dave Manly, Susan Borowsky, Dennis Rupert, Martha Shostak, Donna Kabay, William Finerfrock, James Hoffman, Ronald Tarquino, Stephen Kochanski, William Walker, Joe Aloia, Jim Scarantino, Erwin Moritz, and Michael Tingue.

—East II: Nancy Kent, Linda Williams

—East III: Pam Mayer, Jeff Goldsmith

—East I: Colleen Decourcy, Michael Bahry

—Centre: Pam Strosser, Daniel Weber

—North: Anthony Floyd, Karen Shanoski

—Fraternities: William T. Heidig, Jeff Tempest

—Pollock: John McGuigan, Lisa Kino, Gretchen Ernest

—West: Bernie Campbell, Steve Van Eck

—South: Thomas Heitzenrater, John Locks

Final voter turnout was 5,984 this year, as compared to 6,670 last year.

Truckers strike ends

By United Press International

Thousands of truck drivers put their rigs back in gear yesterday, ending the first nationwide Teamsters strike in history and calming worries about its economic impact.

"It would seem the majority of the drivers are back on the road," a spokesman for Trucking Employers, Inc. said in Arlington Heights, Ill. "But there are pockets that are still out."

More than half of the 400,000 striking truckers and dock workers settled Friday, the second day of the strike, for a tentative three-year contract calling for a 30 per cent pay increase and unlimited cost of living raises.

TEI, the largest employers group, held out until Saturday before reaching tentative accord with the final 175,000 Teamsters.

The settlements, mediated in marathon bargaining by Labor Secretary W.J. Usery, enabled President Ford to avoid invoking the Taft-Hartley Act. The law would have ordered the truckers back to work for an 80-day cooling off period because of the strike's severe impact on the economy.

During the strike, U.S. automakers announced plans to lay off nearly 20,000 workers because of parts shortages on assembly lines. Had the strike stretched

late into this week, the auto industry faced a near total shutdown with some 500,000 workers idled.

Even with the settlement, industry spokesmen said yesterday that the strike could have a ripple effect for at least another week. Some 5,600 workers will be laid off at least through today at General Motors' truck and coach plant in Pontiac, Mich., but other planned plant closings were canceled with the settlement.

The Dubuque Packing Co. in Dubuque, Iowa, Sunday called off plans to lay off 2,000 workers this morning. Pickets at the warehouse that supplies the packing plant had prevented transport of materials needed for operation.

In eastern Iowa, 550 upholsterers who had refused to cross Teamster picket lines at Flexsteel Industries, Inc., agreed to return to work.

Some over-the-road truckers began returning to work on Saturday and most were on the job Sunday, pending a nationwide ratification vote on the agreements, Vern Milton, director of the freight division for the Western Conference Teamsters, said. He said local drivers would report to work today.

In St. Louis, some of the 6,200 drivers and dock workers belonging to Teamsters Local 600 returned to work

Saturday evening.

"We're starting back immediately," said local president Theodore Welch.

Commercial Moton Freight Inc., one of Ohio's larger freight haulers, said it was "rounding up drivers and they will be back on the road right away."

Dissident Teamsters said they would launch a drive to reject the contract. Kenneth Paff, head of Teamsters for a Decent Contract, said in Cleveland that his members would do everything possible to get the agreement rejected.

But a spokesman for Teamsters Joint Council 41, representing locals with 150,000 Ohio Teamsters, predicted the rank-and-file members would back Teamsters President Frank Fitzsimmons and ratify the agreement.

Usery refused to call the agreement inflationary, saying only that a quick settlement was "in the best interests of the nation, the Teamsters and the industry."

Two representatives from each Teamsters local — more than 750 in all — are scheduled to meet in Arlington Heights on Wednesday to formally approve the actions of the Teamsters negotiators. Then a mail ratification vote will be supervised by Usery and his staff. It is expected to take about two weeks.

Senate race — East vs. West

Heinz, Specter head race

By the Associated Press

The battle for the Republican nomination for the U.S. Senate in Pennsylvania is shaping up as a match between the East and West.

The name of Pittsburgh's H. John Heinz III still has a strong tie to pickles and ketchup in the Philadelphia area despite his 4½ years in Congress, and when Arlen Specter signs in at motels west of the Susquehanna River it seldom raises eyebrows.

Specter was district attorney of Philadelphia for eight years.

They're the front-runners in the race, according to a recent Republican poll. Victory or defeat will depend on their ability to bring out the vote in their home camps where about half the state's Republicans are located, and in attracting support in what appears to be a political no-man's land between the two cities.

At last count there were 800,000 registered Republicans in the five-county Philadelphia area, constituting 35 per cent of the 2.3 million Republicans statewide.

Specter has the endorsement of the Republican City Committee in Philadelphia and his exposure as district attorney gives him good visibility in the bedroom counties of Bucks, Montgomery, Chester and Delaware.

Heinz, heir to the Pittsburgh food processing fortune that bears his name, was endorsed by the Republican machine in Allegheny County. Pittsburgh is the county seat.

He also has been endorsed by the neighboring counties of Beaver and Washington, and is expected to carry the two other adjoining counties — Butler and Westmoreland.

Some 380,000, or 16 per cent, of Pennsylvania's Republicans, live in the five-county area. Heinz also has the support of the Republican committees in Fayette and Union counties, also both in western Pennsylvania.

In third spot, according to the poll, is George Packard, former executive editor of the Philadelphia Bulletin, who lives in Montgomery County. Voters were not polled on three other Republican candidates seeking the Senate seat.

A political unknown when he entered the race last fall, Packard has conducted a folksy campaign, hiking around the state in a lumberjack shirt.

He should pick up support in the hinterlands where his anti-Washington stance "I'm going to rattle the cages when I get to Washington" appears to have had an impact, and in the Philadelphia area where he grew up and later worked.

The poll, commissioned by the State Republican Committee and released to a newsmagazine on March 15, showed Heinz was favored by 35 per cent of the randomly-selected 481 registered Republicans telephoned between Feb. 13 and 23.

Twenty-seven per cent favored Specter, 5 per cent Packard, and 33 per cent were undecided. The margin of error listed in the poll was about 4 per cent either way.

The Senate seat being contested belongs to Minority Leader Hugh Scott, who at age 77 has announced his retirement.

The three other Republican candidates are Francis Worley, a former state legislator from Adams County; Mary Foltz, a real estate broker from

the Gettysburg area; and C. Homer Brown, a retired chemical engineer from Lafayette Hill in Montgomery County.

Political observers consider them underdogs due to a shortage of money and fledgling campaign organizations.

Worley, for instance, phoned The Associated Press on March 24 to talk about his campaign. Asked how much money he had raised he replied: "I just haven't had time to bother with that."

When pressed, he replied: "Around \$1,000. And that's the real problem — getting the money to get my message across."

In comparison, the coffers of Packard, Specter and Heinz are nearing the \$100,000 mark each. One or more may have topped that already.

Candidates for federal office must file campaign expense reports by April 17, ten days before the primary election and a final report 30 days after the election.

The sagging economy, unemployment in particular, is an overriding issue in the race. The candidates agree jobless Americans must be put back to work, and offer plans to do so. They also agree there's a credibility gap in Washington that has to be shored up.

Specter is running as a law-and-order candidate. He claims Washington is riddled with corruption and predicts two-bit crooks will be wearing white collars if the courts don't crack down on dishonest politicians and businessmen.

Weather

Clearing skies today, but cool. High 50. Tonight mostly clear and cool. Low 33. Tomorrow skies will be partly sunny with milder temperatures. High 58.

Syrian troops seize key Lebanese sites

BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI) — Leftist leader Kamal Jumblatt charged yesterday Syrian army troops have secretly infiltrated Lebanon and seized an oil refinery and several other key facilities in an effort to cut off supplies to the leftists and force them to accept a settlement.

The nation's 27th truce failed to take hold in the countryside where fighting claimed 20 dead in the past 24 hours. In Beirut, another 28 bodies were found, including three Christians burned alive when they tried to smuggle fuel across Moslem lines to an uptown Christian district, witnesses said.

Nearly 200 persons have died in Lebanon since a 10-day truce supposedly went into effect Friday, adding to an 11-month toll of 16,000 dead and more than 33,000 wounded.

Jumblatt charged that many of the pro-Syrian Saiga guerrillas in Lebanon

were actually Syrian army troops in disguise. They included Saiga elements who seized the Zahrani oil refinery at Sidon 30 miles south of Beirut yesterday, cutting off the leftists' main source of fuel, Jumblatt said.

"Some sections of the Syrian army have entered Lebanon as Saiga forces without the permission of the Lebanese government," Jumblatt told reporters following a meeting with Palestinian guerrilla leader Yasser Arafat.

"Today we received the news that the Syrian army has seized some sea terminals. Why? Is it to prevent the arrival of weapons, foodstuffs and fuel?" Jumblatt said.

Indiscriminate shootings in the capital threatened parliament's attempts to convene and meet the leftists' key demand for extending the truce — the election of a successor to Christian President Suleiman Franjeh.



Look who's no. 1!

The 1976 NCAA Gymnastic Champions celebrate their victory Saturday on the victory stand. Penn State won the three-day event with a team score of 432.075. Co-captains Paul Fagan (left) and Ira Stolzer hold aloft the championship trophy. See story page 7.

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