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 . . . counting the model parliament ballots

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Conservatives win election

Tories form minority government in this year's model parliament

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The campus Progressive Conservative party will form a minority government in model parliament this year.

The Progressive Conservative party holds 30 of the 65 parliamentary seats. Last year they formed a minority government with 20 seats. The Liberal party holds 21 seats compared with last year's 19. The Social Credit party and independent candidates each hold 7 seats.

In the last election the Social Credit party held 11 seats and independent candidates held 2 seats.

The New Democratic party did not participate in this year's election.

Total number of votes was 2,147. Last year's total was around 2,300, said Inter-Party Committee chairman Tom Hirst.

Prime Minister will be Conservative leader Murray Sigler. Speaker of the House and Governor-General have not been appointed yet.

SHOWS APATHY

"The election was illustrative of student apathy," said Conservative leader Murray Sigler. "This is largely the fault of campus political parties. Their concentration should lie in issues which are of more interest to students."

"A debate on Canada's role in the Viet Nam war would probably create more participation," he said. "As it now stands, model parliament is somewhat wasteful."

Social Credit leader Earl Scoville had no comment regarding the campaign itself. He said it was unlikely a coalition would be formed. A coalition of parties against the Conservatives would work to the detriment of parliament, he said.

"The Social Credit party would like to increase stability and work for the benefit of the people."

NOT AVAILABLE

Liberal party leader Gerald Ohlsen was not available for comment.

The seven independent members are representatives of the Faculty of Engineering. Their campaign manager, Malcolm Palmer, stated

the purpose of their entry into the campaign: "Model parliament campaigning is poorly organized", he said. "There is not enough publicity for the election."

"The engineers would like to help remove student apathy and make model parliament a healthy and representative institution", he said.

The seven engineers will operate as a "coalition of independents." A coalition with one of the other parties is quite unlikely, he said.

"It has been somewhat of a tradition for engineers to run in model parliament" said Palmer. In 1965 the engineers sponsored the "National Existentialist" party and received a minority in parliament.

Attendance poor for reform film

"Most students of this campus are apathetic because they know they have it good," says students' union president Al Anderson.

Anderson was leading a seminar on the film Semester of Discontent, after it was shown in the SUB theatre Thursday.

The film dealt with the student revolt at Berkeley, California.

Following the film and seminar 16 students were to be selected to discuss university problems with members of the U of A senate.

The meeting was requested by the senate after the election of several new members who had been away from the university for several years.

The film suffered from a lack of publicity and only 19 students were in attendance. It will be shown again Thursday at 2 p.m. in the SUB theatre when the students will be selected.

When Semester of Discontent was shown last year it attracted four hundred viewers.

Opposition to war in Vietnam theme of international Toronto teach-in

TORONTO (CUP) — Opposition to American intervention in Vietnam and the necessity for political action as an expression of sincere religious commitment were the recurring themes last weekend during sessions of the third international teach-in.

The teach-in, under co-chairmen Micheal Ignatieff and Jeffrey Rose, was devoted to a discussion of religion and international affairs.

During the closing session former Indian Defense Minister V. K. Krishna Menon suggested the Vietnam war was actually a case of imperialistic American aggression.

"If we cannot stop a great country from committing war crimes then we can do nothing at all."

The next speaker Thich Nhat Hanh, a Vietnamese Buddhist Monk now living in exile, said the U.S. was in Vietnam "due to its paranoid fear of Communist China."

In reality the Americans are destroying Vietnam, he charged.

In an earlier session Dr. Ralph Abernathy, a U.S. Civil Rights leader, said Christianity not only justified revolution but actually commanded it. "Everything I know about my faith teaches me to work for social reform," he added. Garfield Todd, the former Prime

Minister of Southern Rhodesia, said men of true faith will adopt all possible action short of outright violence to combat racial segregation.

Attendance at the five sessions varying from 2,200 to 3,100 was slightly below expectations.

U of A Radio once again without director

U of A Radio has lost its second director since the end of the last term.

Chris England, who was appointed by Students' Council last Monday, resigned from the position on Thursday.

"My personal commitments began to build up after I had sent in my application and before my appointment," he said. England is manager of an ad-

vertising agency.

England said he thought he was selected because Radio wanted a new image.

"There is the idea that the Radio studio is a place to cut classes and fool around but it should be there for members to enjoy themselves between and after classes."

England was formerly director of the University of Saskatchewan Radio and has worked for CFRN.

Don Spence is acting director until another is appointed.

Applications for director of U of A radio must be sent to the personnel board of the students union in care of Val Blakely by 5 p.m. Nov. 3.