

# Powell Named Frosh Head

Raleigh Powell of Atlanta has won the presidency of the 1958 freshman class by downing Chuck Meeks of Toccoa in a run-off election.

The final returns last week gave Powell 137 votes and Meeks, 116. Ginger Jones of Macon took the secretary-treasurer post for the freshmen, topping Beth Herrin of Waycross, 137, to 127. That position also required a run-off election.

Elected on the first ballot was Charles Williams of Millen, freshman vice-president. He got 149 votes to top his nearest opponent by over a hundred votes.

Powell said "I wish to thank those who supported me in the elections and those who assisted me so well in campaigning. I hope I can fulfill my responsibility to the freshman class to the best of my ability."

New vicep, Charles Williams, an Alpha Tau Omega pledge from Moultrie, let it be known that he was ready to work as he stated.

"We are planning to make this the best freshman class yet. The class has the capabilities. All we have to do is use them. Also, I'd like to thank everyone who supported me and I shall certainly do my best to carry out my responsibilities."

An Alpha Delta Pi pledge from Macon, new secretary Ginger Jones said, "I'd like to thank my supporters in the election, and I hope I can carry out the wishes of the freshman class."

BOX SCORE		
Here is a box score report by classes on the vote on the proposed Second Amendment:		
	Yes	No
Freshman	124	139
Sophomore	107	93
Junior	122	73
Senior	69	71
Graduate	1	00
Totals	423	376

# Amendment Downed In Special Student Vote

Supporters of the proposed (and defeated) Second Amendment can take small comfort in the final returns of last week's election.

The amendment, which would have bound all students to report academic cheating, received a popular majority but fell far short of the two-third's approval necessary for passage.

Thus it has been defeated twice in seven months, the first defeat coming in general elections last spring.

The final vote was 423 for the amendment, and 376 against. It would have taken 533 "yes" votes to pass the amendment.

(All amendments to the Student Constitution must receive a two-third's majority of a quorum to pass. A quorum is at least one-half plus one of the qualified voters.)

In general, the election was a disappointment and a real defeat for the Honor Council and other supporters of the amendment.

The disappointments can be summarized:

1. There was only a two-third's margin at the poll, despite pleas for a runoff.

2. Not one academic class gave the amendment a two-third's majority. The junior class voted heaviest for it, and the juniors only gave it a 49 vote majority.

3. Two academic classes voted the amendment down. These were the seniors, surprisingly enough, and the freshmen. The senior vote was 69 "yes" and 71 "no."

4. The freshman voted against the amendment, with a count of 137 against, 124 for. This was despite an orientation program in the Honor System at the beginning of the year, and Honor Council statements then on the necessity of reporting academic cheating.

5. The amendment fared far worse last week than it did last spring, when it fell only 16 votes shy of passing. The vote then was 417 "yes" and 232 "no." So the amendment has, with the passage of time, picked up 114 more opponents and no appreciable increase in supporters. It would have taken 110 opposed voters to have changed their ballot to pass the

amendment this time.

This brings up the almost unanswerable and certainly controversial question: Why did the amendment fail?

Those who are opposed to the amendment quickly interpreted the vote as a sign of the independence of the student body and the "derailment" of a "railroaded election."

Honor Council Chief Justice Jim Holliday said the reason was that "many people voted in the heat of emotion without giving it a thought to the issues."

Certainly the heated and lengthy discussion session in chapel just prior to the election did the proposed amendment no good. Just where and why the debate went sour is a matter of conjecture, but it is certain that sour it went.

It should be noted that the point was made again and again that the Honor System itself was on trial in the election. The students who voted against the amendment did so having heard this and the statement by SGA President Barry Moore that he "would take steps toward having the Honor System removed" if the amendment did not pass.

It is a moot question, therefore, as to just how many of the 376 "no" voters can be interpreted as being votes against the Honor System.

There is also the obvious. Some students are honestly opposed to the Honor System itself and therefore to the amendment.

"And some who want the Honor System are completely unwilling to turn in a fellow student who is cheating and are adamant in their position."

All in all, the election boiled down to this. The Honor Council and others had told the student body that to have a real Honor System they must take the responsibility for enforcing it. The vote showed that 376 students were not convinced. Buddy Hurt.

# Law Day . . .

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man "has always been very bad," he said.

At other Law Day activities, a surgeon-dentist-lawyer from Washington, D. C., urged the study of "forensic science" in graduate education.

Dr. Murdoch Head defined forensic medicine as "that science which teaches the application of medical knowledge to the purposes of the law; hence its limits are on the one hand, the requirements of the law, and on the other the whole range of medicine."

Dr. Head said that "exposure to a single, able, articulate lawyer, physician, physicist or social scientist could conceivably open entire new fields of understanding to the student in the course of a single hour."

Forensic medicine, the speaker said, is divided into four divisions. They are personal injury, medical malpractice, medical legislation and the medical examiner.

# Here Are Paper-back Titles Now Stocked At Book Store

The Mercer book store has received a supply of paper-back books which range in price from \$1.25 to \$2.35. Following is a list of the books.

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- United States to 1865
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- German Grammar
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- Grammar Rhetoric and Composition
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- Bridge
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- Dictionary of Economics
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