Hannah defends ATL Dept.

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While denying future political plans, President John A. Hannah also discussed the ATL controversy, enrollment increase and ASMSU during a question and answer period at a Scabbard and Blade banquet in Cowles House last week.

Hannah said he only knew what he "read in the State News" concerning the controversy over the recent recommendation that three ATL instructors will not be rehired next fall.

"Evidently, ATL Dept. officials decided not to recommend the re-appointment of these nontenured instructors," commented Hannah, "and their recommendation, having been approved and processed through the necessary channels, now awaits final consideration by the Board of Trustees."

In reply to a query concerning his future political adventures, Hannah replied, "I have none. All I want to be is president of this university." Each year, according to Hannah, electioneers hint he may run for political office.

"The size of a university does not necessarily bare any condition on the quality of its educational standards," Hannah said in answer to the possibility of placing a ceiling on MSU student enrollment.

"Enrollment figures have soared upward in the last decade," said Hannah, "this year's freshman and sophomore classes are the largest in the history of the university." Projected enrollment figures show an increase, according to the president, however, "not as large an increase as in the past.

"The structure of ASMSU presents the best potential for the most successful student government we have ever had at Michigan State," said Hannah. Yet, if our student government is "going to amount to anything, it must have the interest of both the governed and the governors," he said.