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Final Preparations On First SCONA Now Being Made

Finishing touches for A&M's first "Little Geneva," the Student Conference on National Affairs scheduled here Dec. 14-17, are being put on by workers on the SCONA Committee, headed by John W. Jenkins. The conference will draw to A&M delegates from colleges and universities in the Southwest with experts in foreign affairs from government, industry and education on hand to guide the discussions.

So far 105 delegates representing 44 schools in 15 states and Mexico have accepted invitations to attend the conference. Some of the delegates will have to come a long distance; for example, West Point, Air Force Academy, Mexico City College, Missouri University, Kentucky University, University of Mexico, and others.

Principal speakers for SCONA will be Lamar Fleming Jr., chairman of the Board, Anderson, Clayton & Co.; Thurston B. Morton, assistant Secretary of State; and, tentatively, Ogden Reid, publisher, New York Herald-Tribune.

The Conference Faculty will include State Department personnel, instructors from the Air War College and the Army War College, professors from five Southwestern universities, a foreign news analyst from a leading Texas newspaper, a university vice-president,

head of Social Sciences at West Point, a congressman on the House Foreign Affairs Committee, and a former assistant Secretary of State. A complete list of names will be announced later.

These men will be serving as round-table chairmen, advisor, panel speakers and roving observers. The conferees will divide into six round-tables which will meet four times during the conference.

Delegates from visiting schools will have all expenses paid while on the campus, and those traveling by air will have one-half of their air travel paid by the conference budget.

The cost of SCONA is approximately \$12,000, which was financed by 15 corporations, individuals, banks and foundations in Texas.

7:30 In Student Center

TIME Staffer To Speak

John Scott, assistant to the publisher of Time Magazine, will deliver an address here tonight based on his observations during a recent extended tour of South and Central America.

The talk, entitled "Prosperity and Poverty in Latin America," will be given at 7:30 in the ballroom of the Memorial Student Center. The distinguished speaker, correspondent and commentator, will speak under the auspices of the A&M Chapter of Sigma Delta Chi journalism fraternity.

Admission is free, and all A&M students, staff members and the public are invited to attend the program.

Scott has just recently returned from a four-month fact finding tour of South America and Europe. He brings to his listeners knowledge gained from many years abroad. He worked for more than eight years inside the Soviet Union, and for more than seven years in Germany, France, Britain, the Balkans and the Middle East.

He first joined Time in 1941, filing dispatches from Japan. A year later he became contributing editor for the magazine in New York. In 1943, he covered the State Department for Time in Washington, D.C., and later that year he was sent to London and then to Stockholm to be chief of the Time-Life bureaus there until 1945. He was in Europe until 1948 and then in New York. In 1951 he was editor for Time, Inc., on a secret Air Force project pro-



John Scott
Speaks Tonight On Latin America

duced by the March of Time. For the past four years, he has been in his present job doing assignments which have taken him all over the world.

Scott worked for five years in the Soviet Union in industrial plants there. In 1937, the year of the great purge in Russia, he, along with thousands of other foreigners, was forced from his job. He told about his life there in his first book (1942), "Beyond the Urals." He has written three other books, "Duel for Europe," "Europe in Revolution," and his most recent one published this year, "Political

Warfare." He remained on in Moscow as a correspondent for a news agency, and in 1940 and 1941 he took two long trips through the Balkans, the Middle East and Asiatic Russia, writing reports which attracted attention in many countries. Two weeks before the German attack on Russia, the Soviet authorities expelled him from the country for "slandering" Soviet foreign policy and "inventing" reports of Soviet-German friction. At this time he left the country for good, went to Japan, and shortly afterwards joined the staff of Time.

Next Tuesday Night

Town Hall Presents Pianists

A&M's fifth Town Hall attraction of the year will bring the Philharmonic Piano Quartet to White Coliseum Tuesday night at 8:30.

The Quartet consists of two women and two men, who in their own rights are piano virtuosos. They are Gisela Richter, Moreland Kortkamp, Emmet Vokes and Herbert Rogers.

They bring to A&M an especially prepared, varied program which will range through a program of classics and light music, arrangements of moderns and masters.

All four pianists studied at New York's Juilliard School of Music and have given successful individual concerts. As a Quartet they have recorded two albums for Columbia Masterworks. In addition to their recitals, they have played at New York's Lewisohn Stadium, Denver's Red Rocks, and the Roxy Theatre in New York.

Gisela Richter was born in Berlin, Germany, and began her musical studies at the age of five in Basle, Switzerland. She was a scholarship student at De Paul University in Chicago where she studied with Katja Andj and Sergei Tamowsky. She was a three-time recipient of G. Schirmer scholarships and twice won the Leopold Schepp Foundation Award while attending Juilliard School in New

York. Moreland Kortkamp was born in Alton, Ill., but reared in California where she began her piano studies at the age of nine. She won the Southern California Allied Arts Contest two times and a six-year scholarship at the Juilliard Graduate School. After graduation she toured North Africa and Italy as a member of a concert group.

Emmet Vokes is a former student of Anton Rovinsky in New Jersey, his home, and Frances Mann while at the Juilliard School. Recently he worked with Beveridge Webster and Sascha Gorodnitzky. He won the Olga Samaroff Award and Frank Damrosch Award at Juilliard.

Herbert Rogers also studied at Juilliard and is a native Texan. He has been a soloist with the symphony orchestras of Houston, Dallas, SMU, Wichita Falls and Juilliard. He won the famous Dealey Award while in Dallas and holds the International Recording Prize of the National Guild of Piano Teachers.

Moritz Bomhard is the official musical arranger for the Quartet and at present is director of the Kentucky Opera Association in

Russian Movie Set For Guion Friday

A Russian movie of the agricultural exposition now being held in Moscow, will be shown at 4 p.m. tomorrow in Guion hall.

Congressman Olin Teague of College Station, who recently returned from a tour of Europe and the U.S.S.R., obtained the color picture with English narration.

"I, personally, had the opportunity to see the exposition within the past month and thought everyone interested in seeing what Russia is doing in the agricultural field," said D. W. Williams, vice-chancellor for agriculture of the A & M System.

Teague and Williams will be available for any questions following the film. The public is invited.

Federal Education Aid 'Indicated,' Says Labor

Trend Not Reflection Of Conference Views

Washington, (AP)—A caucus of labor delegates to the White House Education Conference said last night that the indicated trend among conference participants was "for general federal aid to education."

However, Joseph Kusaila, conference press chief, immediately declared that, "This expression of labor views in no way reflects the views of the White House Conference."

General aid would include assistance for school operating costs, including teachers' salaries and purchase of text books as well as for school construction.

The school aid question came up after the conference accepted a report saying few states seem ready to meet their school building needs for the five years ahead.

This is true even though no state has demonstrated it couldn't raise the money, said a report drafted after discussions among the delegates.

Forty-eight labor representatives, members of the AFL, CIO railroad brotherhoods and United Mine Workers, said in a statement after the caucus that polls of the 48 discussion tables they attended showed 250 delegates-favored general federal aid and 169 opposed it. The labor group is plugging for such aid.

Conference participants total about 1,800. They sit at 166 round-tables. There are about 100 labor delegates in all. Carl Mege, president of the AFL American Federation of Teachers, told reporters the labor delegates have "no procedure outlined at the moment" to push for a conference declaration in favor of federal aid.

(From our area two men are attending the conference — A&M Chancellor M. T. Harrington and George Adams of Bryan.)

Weather Today

RAIN

Forecast for College Station area is continued cloudy and rain with possible fog. No change in temperature foreseen. Yesterday's high of 42 degrees dropped to 37 degrees early this morning. Temperature at 10:30 a.m. was 41.

Election Filings Running Slow; End Wednesday

Filings for freshman class officers and the student senator from the senior class have been going slow according to the Office of Student Activities.

Only seven students have filed for office, so far, and of these all were from the freshman class. So far no senior has filed for the senator's office.

The filings will close at 5 p.m. Dec. 7. Interested students may file any time between the hours of 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Office of Student Activities on the second floor of Goodwin Hall.

Offices open for filing are president, vice-president, recording secretary, social secretary, reporter, treasurer and parliamentarian, and five members of the election commission. These are all open to the freshman class. One senator from the senior class will also be chosen in this election.

Qualifications are that the student be a member of the freshman class in the case of freshman officers and a member of the senior class in the case of the senator. All students filing must have a 1.0 grade point ratio.

These elections will be held Dec. 14 in the MSC election booth.

Dr. Banks Speaks For Symposium

Dr. W. C. Banks, professor of veterinary radiology, A&M College was to speak today at a one-day symposium sponsored by the American Veterinary Radiology Society at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago.

Banks, president of the A.V.R.S., will be one of eight medical authorities describing how atomic radiology, X-ray and roentgen therapy are used in veterinary medicine. He will speak on the use of radioactive cobalt in cancer treatment.

Lederle Veterinary Awards Announced

The 1955 Lederle Veterinary Medical Students Research Scholarships have been awarded to James R. Pearce and Beryl Cline, according to Dr. Mark Welch, Animal Industry Consultant for Lederle Laboratories.

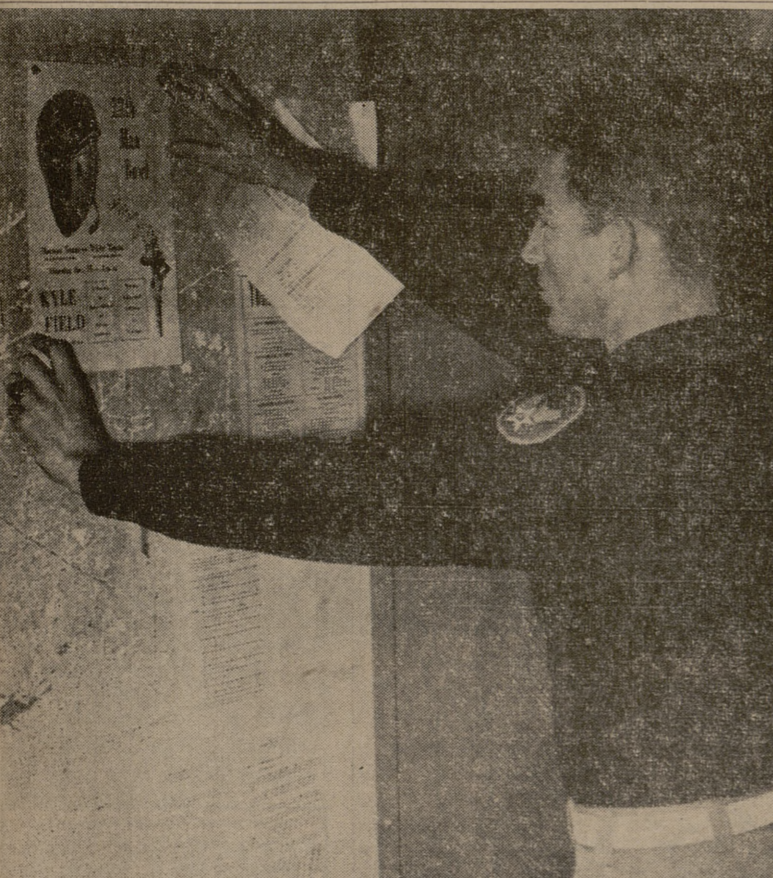
The scholarships, amounting to \$1,000 for each accredited veterinary school in the United States and Canada, are designed to combat a shortage of well-trained research workers in the field.

Pearce and Cline are both senior veterinary medicine students at A&M and both are from Bryan.

Student Senate To Meet Tonight

The Student Senate will meet in the Senate Chamber of the MSC tonight at 7:30 p.m.

Included on the agenda of the meeting will be a discussion on the partial refund of physical education fees and the 12th Man Bowl Scholarship.



MORE FOOTBALL—Steve Long, commanding officer of Squadron 2, mashes in a tack on a poster advertising the 12th Man Bowl Football game which will be played on Kyle Field Dec. 15. Tickets are 50 cents and can be purchased from outfit and dormitory athletic officers. Profits support the 12th Man Scholarship fund and the Student Aid Fund.

Work-Out Rooms Open To Students

Several of the work-out rooms in the new addition to G. Rollie White Coliseum are now open to students other than those now taking physical education, according to C. E. Tishler, head of the Physical Education Department.

Any student who pays the required P.E. fee may use the P.E. uniforms, which are provided by the department, any time the locker room is open. The locker room and work-out rooms are open from 8 a.m. until 9:30 p.m., Monday through Friday; 8 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. on Saturday; and 1 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. on Sunday.



PHILHARMONIC PIANO QUARTET — The stars who will appear on the Town Hall presentation Tuesday night are, top, left to right, Moreland Kortkamp and Gisella Richter; bottom, left to right, Emmet Vokes and Herbert Rogers.