

SCONA Informs

To be informed on current, national affairs is a vital part of a person's everyday education, therefore, a person should strive continuously to keep abreast of the current happenings in his time.

The Fifth Student Conference on National Affairs, better known as SCONA, which opened officially on the Texas A&M campus today, offers a person a golden opportunity to get "up" on affairs presently taking place in this fast moving, highly complex world today.

As in the past, SCONA has on its docket speeches to be delivered by some of the most important individuals in the world, learned individuals who are experts in their fields and men who are interested in the betterment of the world.

This year's line-up of men consists of Maj. Gen. John B. Medaris, chief of the United States Space Program; Sir Leslie Munro, United States Special Representative to the State of Hungary; Ambassador R. S. S. Gunewardene, Ambassador of Ceylon; Dr. Howard R. Bowen, president of Grinnell College, Iowa; and William H. Lawrence, president of the National Press Club and New York Times Correspondent in the Washington Bureau.

Each of these men will deliver addresses of major importance during the four day event—Medaris on "Facing the Challenges of the Space Age," Munro on "Effective Alliances Within the United Nations Framework," Gunewardene on "Coping with Crisis Areas in the Cold War," Bowen on "Expanding Our Economy in an Unstable World," and Lawrence with a final wrap-up talk on the week's events at SCONA.

By looking at the names of the speakers and the titles of their talks, one can readily see that SCONA is again this year an informative, educational event.

The public is invited to attend these talks and a person seeking to better himself will not miss them. The educated person is a person who can intelligently discuss the major issues of the day. By attending the SCONA addresses a person can receive first hand knowledge of world affairs.

Students at Texas A&M and people of this area should be thankful that they can receive this first hand knowledge of current issues. There are few events like SCONA to keep people informed on important issues of the day and it is events like SCONA that will keep people informed and keep people interested in the welfare of the United States and the world.

A Goal To Cross

"It's not quite what we expected."

These were the words of Marvin Schneider, chairman of the Student Senate Welfare Committee, commenting on the results of the first night collections of the 1959 Aggie Campus Chest Drive Monday night.

Although Aggies had another chance to contribute to the drive today (mostly through receptacles in the MSC and contacting members of Schneider's committee), their interest in the drive seemed lacking from the results of last night's major drive and it looks as if they will fall short of the "Dollar an Aggie, for an Aggie" theme.

Certainly a dollar is not too much to ask of an Aggie when it is for such a good cause. Sixty per cent of this year's Aggie Campus Chest will be returned directly to the student body. The remaining forty per cent will go to such organizations as the World University Service, the Brazos County Tuberculosis Assn., the College Station Community Chest and the March of Dimes, all deserving organizations.

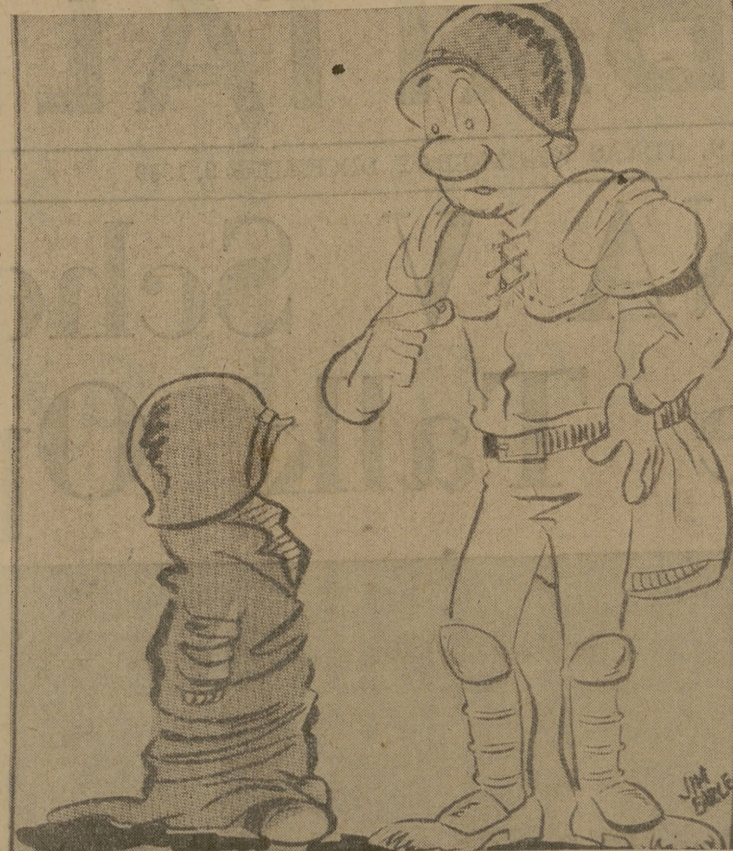
The reasons for the poor results of the first collection held Monday night are unknown. In the past Aggies have given generously to the Campus Chest and there are no reasons why Aggies should not give generously again this year.

A lot of last minute contributing will have to take place in order to reach this year's goal of a dollar an Aggie. It can be done when Aggies wake up and realize the importance of the Campus Chest—realize that they are helping not only their Aggie buddies but themselves.

There is still time but time is running out. Final results will be tabulated Friday of this week. Members of the Student Senate Welfare Committee will continue to take money and receptacles will remain in the MSC until then.

The goal is still a long way off—Will Aggies cross that goal?

CADET SLOUCH by Jim Earle



"I'm Gonna' Wear This When I Drive Home For The Christmas Holidays! I've Survived Two Corps Trips And Thanksgiving, But I'm Not Gonna' Press My Luck On Those Highways!"

Letters To The Editor

The Battalion welcomes letters to the editor but reserves the right to edit letters for brevity, clarity and accuracy. Short letters stand a better chance for publication since space is at a premium. Unsigned letters will not be published.

Editor,

The Battalion:

For several days after the Thanksgiving game with T.U. there appeared in the papers many expressions of praise for the men who played such a wonderful game. The performance of the team certainly merited all of these compliments. The only accomplishment of these men known to the majority of the people is the general performance demonstrated on the football field. The general public knows very little of their performance in the game of securing an education.

When I saw the pictures of the seniors in the Battalion a few days before the game, I was reminded of the classroom performance of four of them, the only ones I had had in class. Roy Angermiller, Charley Milstead, Joe Munson and Gale Oliver have all completed their required work in physics and, as a group, finished their courses with a grade point ratio of 2.2. Joe Munson was top man, out of a group of 60 students, on the final exam in engineering physics. When men can spend several hours a day, plus all day Saturday, on the football field, and at the same time maintain a "B" average or better in engineering physics, they are also due some praise for their performance as a college student. How many of you students, not involved in athletics, are doing as well in physics?

Sincerely,
C. H. Bernard
Associate Professor of Physics

Alpha Zeta Views Slides on Europe

Dr. I. W. Rupel, head of the Department of Dairy Science, presented slides of Europe at the annual Alpha Zeta Banquet Monday night in the Assembly Room of the Memorial Student Center.

Approximately 70 members and guests of Alpha Zeta were present to view the slides which pictured many European dairy cattle breeds.

Alpha Zeta is the honorary agricultural fraternity on the campus and this year is under the leadership of Ken McGee, chancellor; Allen Marburger, censor; Henry Blazek, scribe; Charles Bell, treasurer; and Johnny Watts, chronicler.

Job Interviews

The following companies will interview graduating seniors Thursday in the Placement Office on the second floor of the YMCA Building:

San Bernardino Air Materiel Area (Norton Air Force Base, Calif.) will interview aeronautical, electrical, industrial and mechanical engineering BS and MS degree candidates for positions in repairing, modifying, and overhauling of aircraft.

Immigration and Naturalization Service, U. S. Department of Justice, El Paso, will interview agricultural economics, business administration and industrial education degree candidates for positions in the Naturalization and

Immigration Services.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service, U. S. Department of Justice, will interview all degree candidates interested in positions as Immigration Patrol Inspectors in the Border Patrol of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice.

What's Cooking

Thursday

The Modern Language Society will meet at 5 p.m. in the Brooks Room of the YMCA Building. SCONA speaker, Alfred Blair, a Britisher currently from Mexico, will be the guest speaker. Everyone is invited.

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PEANUTS By Charles M. Schulz



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