

THE BATTALION

BATTALION EDITORIALS

What Can It Do?

As delegates from three countries gather on the Texas A&M campus for the Sixth Annual Student Conference on National Affairs, one question holds precedence: "What will be accomplished by this conference?"

The topic for SCONA VI is "The Task For The Free World: Problems and Opportunities in the 60's."

Through a series of informative round-table discussions on this topic, an appreciation of the complexities of the foreign policies of the United States should be gained by the college student conferees present.

Long range effects of SCONA involve helping to promote a generation of responsible leaders in national and international affairs, by a serious exchange of ideas over a period of years.

The tremendous response to the SCONA program speaks for itself. In six years of growth, it has developed into an event in which 63 colleges and universities from the United States, Canada, and Mexico take part.

To stimulate and guide the discussions throughout the conference, eminent authorities on foreign affairs will deliver keynote addresses, and distinguished educators, industrial leaders, journalists and government officials will serve as discussion chairmen and advisers.

In this environment of guidance and association, the student delegates will have an opportunity to receive a dynamic learning experience, in academic surroundings.

INTERPRETING

U. N. May Not Support U. S.

By J. M. ROBERTS

Associated Press News Analyst
The National Council of Churches has started warning people that the United States should prepare itself psychologically for the time when it cannot always count on majority support in the United Nations.

The Council's idea appears to be to preserve the United Nations against a public downgrading when that occurs.
Observers at the United Nations have had this thought in mind for some time, and especially since the United States has been placing more emphasis on the organization as providing the machinery for doing things, as in the Congo, as well as supplying a forum where world opinion can be focused.

The major vote of the assembly this year—70-0 against the Soviet Union attempt to block U.N. action in the Congo in September—suggests that the time when the West will lose its so-called automatic majority on cold war issues is not in sight.

There are at least two issues, however where the majority may be put to a test relatively soon.
One of them is colonialism, which arises in many guises, on which the United States is frequently embarrassed by her traditional leaning toward self-determination of peoples as against the immediacy of her relations with colonial powers of Europe.

There are now 46 Asian-African members of the United Nations, all arrayed, in degree ranging from moderate to radical, against colonialism. There are 10 Communist members, including Yugoslavia, which are always trying to identify themselves with the Afro-Asian bloc. Some issues which arise in this field can be expected to attract some of the Latin-American countries.

There is the immediate question of Algeria, on which the United States could be maneuvered into an abstention or a beating because she is handcuffed by her relations with France.

The first major setback for the

United States may come within a year on the procedural question of adding a Red China debate to the assembly agenda. This does not necessarily mean a tendency toward admission of Peiping to membership. It's just that a lot of delegations support the idea that all such things should at least be discussed.

Social Calendar

Thur. Dec. 8
The Hill Country Hometown Club will meet in the Upper Lounge of the MSC at 7:30. Club picture will be taken and the club sweetheart will be elected.

The El Paso Hometown Club will meet in Room 308 of the Academic Building at 7:30. Plans for the Christmas party will be discussed.

The Rio Grande Valley Hometown Club will meet at 7:30 in the second floor of the new addition of the Chemistry Building. All members are urged to attend as a hometown queen will be chosen.

The Texarkana Hometown Club will meet in Room 305 of the Academic Building at 7:00.

The Oklahoma Hometown Club will meet in the basement of the YMCA at 8:00.

The Guadalupe Valley Hometown Club will meet at 7:30 in Room 127 of the Academic Building.

The Angelina County Hometown Club will meet in the front of the MSC at 6:00

The Red River Valley Hometown Club will meet at 7:30 in Room 208 of the Academic Building.

The Odessa Hometown Club will meet in Room 224 in the Academic Building at 7:30.

The San Angelo-West Texas Hometown Club will meet in Room 104 of the Agriculture Building at 7:30.

The Abilene Hometown Club will meet in Room 206 of the Academic Building at 7:30.

The Athens Hometown Club will meet in Room 85 in Leggett Hall at 7:30.

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Uneasy Quiet Creeps Over New Orleans

By The Associated Press
NEW ORLEANS — An uneasy quiet-broken briefly now and again by stones, threats, insults and police clubs—fell over the front lines of public school integration in New Orleans Wednesday.

Underlining the explosive nature of the half-calm, 25 teen-age youths drifted up to police barricades at integrated William Frantz School. Police broke up the youths into scattered segments, which faded away without demonstration.

A police officer at the scene said: "That's what we've got to watch out for. Those kids could really cause trouble."

Teen-agers led the riotous street demonstrations of the first week of token integration that began Nov. 14.

Vandals tossed two stones thru the kitchen windows of an apartment occupied by Mr. and Mrs. James Gabrielle near William Frantz.

And, the Rev. Lloyd Foreman, a Methodist minister, reported being threatened twice—first by mail and later by an unidentified person who touched his shoulder and said: "I'm going to get you."

The Gabrielles and Foreman have defied the segregation boycott, taking their daughters to school through blockading pickets.

The church-owned house formerly occupied by the minister was the object of vandals.

A policeman who didn't want his picture taken while talking to Foreman damaged a news photographer's camera.

Photographer Frank Beatty of United Press International stood in an area assigned to news media as he snapped the picture.

Police Supt. Joseph Giarrusso had said that policemen could be pictured at will.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation has begun checking into the general situation surrounding Foreman, Wade Brownwell, agent-in-charge at New Orleans, said. Since the outset, the appearance of any of the four Negro girls chosen for token integration or of any of the white children who have broken the boycott at William Frantz has brought forth prolonged and raucous catcalls. Silence greeted the 19 white children and one Negro girl at William Frantz Wednesday. Boos marked the entrance of three Negro girls and U. S. marshals at the city's other integrate school, McDonogh No. 19. No white children entered.

CADET SLOUCH by Jim Farle



"... I told you to stay on th' sidewalk!"

Sound Off

Editor, The Battalion:

We share the disappointment of the final result of the game Thanksgiving with you, your staff and our team. However, we are equally proud of the spirit displayed not only Thursday but all season. The second half Thursday gained for A&M many new friends and supporters from the TV audience.

Losing to Texas is a hard pill to swallow anytime but the pain is eased considerably when the team battles them down to the wire as they have the past two seasons. Too often in the past the Thanksgiving game has been one of the easiest of the season for Texas.

Considering the fine progress made by our sophomores and

juniors plus prospects from a fine freshman squad it appears that happy days are just around the corner.

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- 1st Lt. Robert D. Smith, '56
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