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School Conference ... Enjoyed a smorgasbord

Ellena Says Federal Aid Will Help Schools

500 Attend Public School Conference

A fair distribution of educational opportunity cannot be achieved except through federal support, some 500 school men and women from throughout Texas, were told Tuesday at Texas A&M.

"Every major study of school support in the last 20 years has developed support" for this, William J. Ellena, the speaker said. Ellena is assistant executive secretary, American Association of School Administrators, National Education Association, Washington, D. C. He spoke at the general assembly of the Texas Public School Conferences, held at A&M June 12-14.

"Federal control is not only not dangerous but some of it would be eminently desirable," Ellena said.

"The federal government could well establish minimum standards for teacher education, school building construction, length of the school term and many other physical aspects of the school program, at the same time recognizing that control of what children study and how they are taught must rest in the thousands of local school boards of education throughout the country."

The speaker held that "equalization of opportunity will not be achieved by treating all individuals alike. Education can be the vehicle for achieving equal opportunity only when it provides the special services through which teachers may be assisted in diagnosing individual differences, needs and talents."

Dr. Ralph Steen, also a speaker at the general assembly, told the school men and women that "it is sometimes assumed that the whole structure of American society was brought to America by the colonists and that Americans have done little more than guard the heritage which they received from Europe.

"Such an assumption," Dr. Steen president of Stephen F. Austin College of Nacogdoches, said, "is most unfair to American leaders who have in fact created a new tra-

dition to go with the ideas brought from Europe.

"Few countries have contributed more than America to the principles of political sciences—and no country has been so successful in operating a government dedicated to personal freedoms and the rights of the individual.

"The right of revolution was boldly proclaimed in the Declaration of Independence—the principles of federalism were given to the world by Americans; the Constitution does not provide for either a monarchy or a nobility, it provides that the chief executive and all members of the legislative body shall be elected; freedom of worship is an American contribution; public free school is American contribution; Americans have always displayed great technological skill; changes in our government and in our way of life have been the result of evolution rather than revolution."

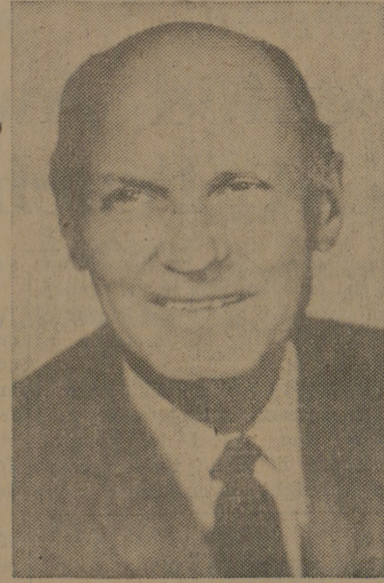
Tom Sealy of Midland, chairman of the Citizens for a Sales Tax Committee, urged the school men and women to make known their views on the state's tax structure, to the governor and legislature. He spoke at a group meeting of the Texas School Administrators Association.

Dr. Grady Parker, head of the College's Department of Education and Psychology and general chairman for the conferences, was given high praise by the assembly for his "untiring efforts in guiding the conferences" to progress each year for many years. Some 450 attendants gave him a standing ovation.

The conferences included the annual meetings of the Texas Association of County Superintendents, Texas School Administrators Association and the Texas Association for Instructional Supervisors.

Dr. E. L. Miller, head of the Biology Department at SFA, will serve as director. He will be assisted by two members of the department, Dr. J. H. Burr, associate professor, and A. F. Shinn, assistant professor.

The biology program is sponsored by Stephen F. Austin State College and supported by the National Science Foundation through a grant of \$8,000.



Dr. Grady Parker ... Given high praise

NSF Lecture To Be Given Monday Night

Dr. Richard M. Sutton will give a National Science Foundation Lecture at Texas A&M Monday, at 7:30 p.m. The lecture will be in the Lecture Room of the Biological Sciences Building, to which the public is invited.

The lecturer, Dr. Sutton, is professor of physics, California Institute of Technology. He received a BS degree from Haverford College in 1922 and the Ph.D. degree in physics from California Institute of Technology in 1931.

Dr. Sutton's talk is titled, "Demonstration in Physics."

He joined the staff of Haverford College in 1931, rising through the ranks and becoming head of the Department of Physics in 1944. Dr. Sutton left Haverford College to join California Institute of Technology in 1958.

Dr. Sutton has served as traveling lecturer at the University of Denver, University of Minnesota, University of Delaware, Columbia University and served as lecturer at Case Institute of Technology in the pioneer Institutes for Science Teachers, sponsored by General Electric.

He was the leader of a European Physics Tour in 1948. He is a fellow of the American Physical Society; past president of the American Association of Physics Teachers and recipient of that organization's Oersted Medal for distinguished teaching in 1953. Dr. Sutton is best known for his work on lecture demonstration, experiments in physics and is author of the book, "Demonstrations of Experiments in Physics."

Dr. Sutton's lecture Monday evening will be a demonstration of experiments that can be used in both the high school and college classrooms.

National Science Foundation Awards Research To A&M

The National Science Foundation has granted \$50,785 to the Texas A&M Research Foundation to support research studies of ocean currents off the southern tip of South America.

The project is entitled "Surface and Deep Current Measurement in the Drake Passage." It will be under the direction of Dale F. Leipper, head of the A&M Department of Oceanography and Meteorology, and Luis Capurro, research scientist in the department. Leipper said that the Drake Passage is directly south of South America's famed Cape Horn. The area is often turbulent, from the effects of both weather and currents from the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans.

The research is for a period of approximately two years, Leipper said, and should provide valuable information to oceanographers.

Data obtained from the project are expected to provide factual information on the field of motion in the Drake Passage region; shed more light on the deep water circulation of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, and drainage of Antarctic water along the South American coasts; give information for a typical study of the western boundary currents. The Brazil Current (counterpart of the Gulf Stream) and antarctic cold water create a strong oceanic front in the South Atlantic.

Results of the study will be prepared for publication in one of the recognized journals of marine science.

Leipper described Capurro as an

outstanding scientist in the field of oceanography. He has been with A&M since early 1959 and is associate director of the World Data Center in Oceanography.

Capurro, a captain in the Argentine Navy, will leave the College in September to start the project in the Drake Passage. Work will be conducted on an Argentine naval vessel.

Leipper emphasized that the project is a co-operative venture with another country and is an example of A&M Oceanography Department research reaching to distant regions of the world.

Capurro was born at Buenos Aires and was graduated from the Argentine Naval School in 1940. He attended a school for post-graduate naval officers in 1945, majoring in ordnance and submarine weapons. He received his master of science degree from the Scripps Institution of Oceanography in California in 1949 and attended the Argentine Naval War College in 1951.

His experience includes the following: Regular officer in naval warships, 1940-46; commanding officer of oceanographic vessel, 1949; executive officer and chief of operations of hydrographic vessel, 1950; commanding officer of hydrographic and oceanographic vessel, 1952-53; chief of the Department of Oceanography of the Argentine Hydrographic Service, 1954-57.

Also, commanding officer of an icebreaker, 1957-58; oceanographer professor, University of Buenos Aires, 1953-55; oceanography pro-

fessor, School for Postgraduate Naval Officers in Argentina, 1954-56; chief of the staff of the Argentine Antarctic Task Group, 1958.

Capurro is a member of the American Geophysical Union, International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics, International Council of Scientific Unions, Advisory Committee on Marine Sciences for UNESCO, Pan American Institute of Geography and History, and Sociedad Cientifica Argentina.

D. H. Kimberling Accepts Position At Univ. of Ceylon

D. H. Kimberling of the Department of Physics, Texas A&M, has accepted an appointment as a technical advisor to the University of Ceylon. He will leave about June 20.

He is a 1937 graduate of Nebraska State Teachers College at Kearney. He taught in the public schools at Pleasanton and Minden City and later worked as consulting engineer for Allmond Bros. Mfg. Co., at Holdrege.

Kimberling is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Kimberling of Huntley, Neb.

He will be accompanied to Ceylon by his wife and two young sons. Mrs. Kimberling's mother is Mrs. H. C. Delano of 1931 Eighth Ave., Kearney.

Faculty, Staff Evaluate A&M

More than 4,000 Texas A&M faculty and staff members are being asked this week to evaluate the school's four basic educational program areas in connection with the new Century Study program.

Questionnaires have been sent to each member of the faculty and staff inviting constructive suggestions and personal participation in the A&M Century Study long range planning effort. Faculty and staff members are being asked to evaluate the College's programs of resident instruction, research, extension and services.

A&M's Century Study project is a long range planning effort for the institution. Bob Hunf, Jr., formerly with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, is director. Goal of the study is to evolve recommendations for the board of directors' consideration in guiding the College through the next 15 years of its first century of service to Texas, the nation and the world.

The over-all objective of the College Board of Directors is the development of A&M to the fullest in line with needs of the state between now (its 85th year) and its 100th anniversary in 1976. About two years will be devoted to developing long range plans. The Century Study will initially

proceed along two approaches. A faculty citizen 100-member Century Council will spearhead the planning effort, supported by the faculty-staff Study Committee on Aspirations, which begins an internal evaluation of College programs this week. Wayne C. Hall, Dean of the Graduate School, chairmans the faculty-staff study.

The questionnaire sent to faculty and staff members will provide general information on which the later scheduled study groups will base their studies and recommendations.

Three basic questions are being asked the faculty:

"In your opinion, what policies, characteristics, traditions and other features which presently prevail at A&M are beneficial to Texas and the College and should be continued during the next 15 years of A&M's operation?"

"In your opinion what specific policies, programs, or other features of the College might be strengthened or changed to better assist Texans in meeting world and domestic challenges expected to arise during the next 15 years?"

"What specific steps should the College take to strengthen or improve any of its program areas?"

The three questions are asked

relative to four basic College program areas—resident instruction, research, extension, and services.

A chairman and a nucleus committee, drawn from faculty, staff and students, have been appointed by Chairman Hall to each of the four College program study areas. Every faculty and staff member is being invited to sit as a conferee on at least one of the four study groups. Faculty and staff members also are being asked to indicate the study group on which they would prefer to serve.

Study groups will hold several

UN Club Prexy Attending Leadership Institute in Bronxville, New York

Chandra K. Parekh, president of the United Nations Club on the campus of Texas A&M, left Tuesday for Bronxville, N. Y. to attend the Intercollegiate Leadership Institute on the United Nations.

Students from throughout the United States will attend the Institute to be held in Bronxville, June 14-22. It will mark the 16th annual meeting of the Collegiate Council for the United Nations In-

tercollegiate Leadership Institute on the United Nations.

Chandra Parekh, one of the most active foreign students on the A&M campus, was president of the Indian Student Association, 1958-61; secretary of the U. N. club, 1959-60 and a representative to the Student Conference on National Affairs held in 1960.

At the CCUN meeting Parekh will take an active part in the discussion on "Human Rights."



MSC Dance

The first Memorial Student Center sponsored dance was held last Monday night in the lower level. From the looks of this picture, conversation seemed to be more invit-

ing than dancing. There will be a dance every Monday night until summer school is over.