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Outstanding Education Leaders Tabbed For Texas Junior College Conference

LIBERAL AND CONSERVATIVE

'Trends In Government' Topic For SCONA VII

"Trends In Government: The Liberal and the Conservative" will be the program topic for the seventh annual Student Conference on National Affairs meeting Dec. 6-9 in the Memorial Student Center, according to David Spencer, conference chairman.

In a general assembly meeting of SCONA VII held yesterday noon in the MSC, progress of the different committees was discussed giving all new members and sponsors of the organization a concept of its operation thus far this year.

Reports on confirmed speakers for the meet show that prominent liberal and conservative leaders will be on hand when the conference begins.

Letters of acceptance have been received from Sen. Hubert Humphrey, Congressman Olin E. Teague, and Congressman B. F. Sisk.

Other speakers accepting invitations are Congressman Phil Weaver from Nebraska; W. T. Bryan, Congressman from South Carolina and Congressman T. B. Curtiss from Missouri.

Spencer said delegates have been invited from 88 schools in the United States, Canada and Mexico. In roundtable discussions,

these delegates will investigate five major issues, four concerning the government in relation to the people and one relative to its handling of world affairs.

SCONA is an informal study group to survey the effect of world problems on the nation. Its purpose is to determine the nature of these problems rather than to solve them. The conference has 104 sponsors in the Southwest and Mexico and operates on an annual budget of about \$18,000.

The first SCONA met in December, 1955. It was inspired by the U.S. Military Academy's Student Conference on U.S. Affairs (SCUSA). The vice-president of the MSC Council flew to West Point in 1954 to represent A&M at SCUSA. He was so impressed that he returned and began to promote a similar conference for col-

lege and university students in the Southwest.

The MSC Council approved the idea and cadets solicited support from alumni, business men, industrial leaders and various foundations. By September, 1955, \$12,000 has been contributed and SCONA I was born.

For the past seven years the organization has been successful to the extent that it, like SCUSA, has inspired other schools to organize similar conferences.

English Society Designs Year, Plans Activities

Planning for the future, members of the A&M English Society met Tuesday night, in Room 308 of the Academic Building.

Purpose of the club is to provide a society for English majors and minors that will offer speakers and intellectual topics for general discussion. A second purpose is to develop student-faculty relations in the Department of English.

The meetings will be conducted twice a month, conducted on a seminar basis, with a professor talking on some aspect of the humanities followed by discussion and questions.

At the first meeting of the club, Bernard D. Trail of College Station was elected president of the society, with Richard Reiser, vice president; Jack Klug, secretary and Gary Underwood, treasurer, and Dr. Robert W. Barzak, sponsor.

All English majors are urged to participate in activities of the society, and great effort will be made to present fully worthwhile meetings during the year, according to Trail.

The next meeting will be Oct. 24 in Room 2A of the Memorial Student Center, with a talk on the graduate school followed by questions and discussions.

AAUW Tabs Workshop For MSC Ballroom

Members of the American Association of University Women will hold a one-day workshop at the Memorial Student Center Saturday. Theme for the workshop is to be "AAUW In Action On a Branch Level."

Guests of honor and consultants will be Mrs. Derrick A. Sherman, national second vice-president from Pittsburgh, Pa., and Mrs. Fay Brown of Dallas, newly elected Texas division president.

Mrs. Sherman will give the keynote address at the luncheon, to be held in the MSC Ballroom.

In addition to members from the Bryan-College Station branch, delegates will attend from Alvin, Baytown, Beaumont, Brenham, Brazosport, Galveston, Houston, Huntsville, Nacogdoches, Orange, Port Arthur, Spring Valley, Texas City, and Wharton.

Dick Withers Top Cowboy In Ag Rodeo

Dick Withers, '62, from Beaumont, was named the all-around cowboy at the completion of the All-Aggie Rodeo last weekend in the Aggie Arena.

Withers compiled a first place in the down calf roping and a fourth in ribbon roping to cop the championship. Four other events were held, with the championships divided among four persons.

These winners were E. M. Holt, bull riding; John Foster, steer dogging; Bobby Rheudasil, bareback riding; Ann Holiday, barrel race, and John Baker, ribbon roping.

Buckles were awarded each event winner and the all-around champion by the Saddle and Siroloin Club, rodeo sponsors. Prize money was also distributed after each go round in the individual events.

Withers, an agricultural engineering major, is the commanding officer of Squadron 11. He has been competing in rodeo events since his high school days in Beaumont.

The next scheduled rodeo for A&M enthusiasts is the NIRA rodeo in May.

Monday And Tuesday Set For Sessions, Discussions

Two outstanding figures in higher education will be featured at the 18th annual Junior College Conference to be held in the Memorial Student Center Oct. 16-17.

These are Dr. W. R. White, chancellor, Baylor University, and Dr. Homer D. Babbidge, assistant U. S. commissioner of education for higher education, Washington, D. C. The two men will deliver major addresses during the conference, speaking to more than 125 educators due to attend the event.

Dr. William Graff, dean of instruction at A&M, will give the welcome address, and Raymond Caveness, president, San Angelo College, will deliver the invocation.

The Monday morning session will feature Babbidge as speaker, with White presenting the dinner session address Monday evening.

A tour of the campus will be held Monday morning; in the afternoon the conference will be divided into three interest groups, including teacher education, counseling and testing and teachers of agriculture and biological sciences.

Dr. Milo Kearney, director, division of teacher education and certification, Texas Education Agency, will introduce the subject, "The Role of the Junior College in Teacher Education in Light of the New Certification Requirements," at the teacher education group meeting, Monday afternoon.

Members for the panel discussion include Dr. Clyde Nail, academic vice president, San Antonio College, Dr. Walter Rundell, dean, Lee College and Dr. Glen Barney, University of Texas.

Consultants for the counseling and testing group meet include Dr. Joe V. West, director, counseling and testing, Baylor University and Dr. Lannis H. Hope, counseling and testing center, A&M College.

This group will discuss the use of summer counseling and testing clinics as a means of recruitment, orientation, course placement and the active use of data from standard statewide testing programs for student placement.

The program for teachers of agriculture and biological sciences will be outlined at a meeting Monday afternoon, which will include a short discussion and orientation for a tour of the campus.

The dinner session will get under way at 6:30 p.m., Oct. 16, in the MSC Assembly Room. J. W. Dillard, president, Frank Phillips College, will give the invocation and entertainment will be arranged by Robert L. Boone, director, The Singing Cadets of A&M.

Tuesday morning sessions will get under way at 8:30. Grady St. Clair, president, Del Mar College, will give the invocation. Reports will be given by group leaders, and Dr. Lee Wilborn, assistant commissioner for instruction, Texas Education Agency, will lead the discussion on "Effective Usages of Various Instructional Media."

OAS To Hold First Meeting For Students

Celebrating Columbus Day, Oct. 12, the first meeting of the Student Organization of American States on the A&M campus will be conducted tonight in the Assembly Room of the Memorial Student Center, starting at 8 p.m.

Purpose of the meeting is to provide opportunity for discussion among students from 17 countries concerning agrarian reform, education and communism. These topics and others will be presented, according to Jose L. Zaragoza, president-elect for the first session.

Sponsored by the Pan American Club, the fest will become an annual event if a successful reaction is shown, said Zaragoza. He added that the public is invited.

'Engineer' Cops First In Contest

The A&M Engineer, a magazine written by engineering students here, has been awarded first place in the "Best Layout—Single Issue" category in the 1961 Engineering College Magazines Associated Awards event.

The winning magazine, the December, 1960 issue, was selected during the Engineering College Magazines Associated national convention at the University of Michigan.

Editor of the Engineer last year was Paul York of Marshall. Faculty advisors at the time were Karl, Koenig, J. W. Amyx and W. I. Truettner, all of the School of Engineering.

The Engineer is published six times a year.



Stacked Sack

These Aggies, living three deep in their Mitchell Hall room, claimed a little more space by stacking their bunks like stacks. On top is John Cole, sandwiched in next is Jerry Hillwell, and low man on the totem pole is William Kessler. Housing officials are opening Hensel Apartments for occupancy by bachelor students to ease the number of students living in crowded dorms. (Photo by Johnny Herrin)

Mustangs Plan Trip To A&M

Northern Methodist University Mustangs are exploring the possibility of an all-school trip here for the Aggie-SMU football game Oct. 11.

The "SMU Campus," school newspaper, reported the 180-mile trip to College Station will be made either by train or bus. A committee is currently studying possibilities of making the

Trucks Needed For Bonfire

An appeal for trucks to be used on the Thanksgiving bonfire has been made by bonfire Transportation Committee Chairman Thomas Ralph.

Ralph asked for volunteers to drive the trucks and promised the vehicles will be carefully driven and cared for.

Either flat-bed or semi-trailer trucks are being sought for use in both the cutting and stacking areas. They will be used from Friday, Nov. 17 to Monday, Nov. 20.

Interested persons can contact Ralph in Room 328 of Dorm 1 or by writing Box 6073. The phone number in Dorm 1 is VI 6-9987.

Employee Holidays Announced Here

President Earl Rudder has announced 12 effective holidays for employees effective with the beginning of the new fiscal year Oct. 1.

In addition to the 12 holidays, some employees are also given two weeks annual leave, Rudder said.

The holidays are: Sept. 4—Labor Day; Oct. 23-24—Thanksgiving; Nov. 23-Jan. 1—Christmas; April 20-23—Easter; July 4—Independence Day.



Ride 'em Aggie ... familiar sight at the All-Aggie Rodeo



Agronomy Exhibit

Mrs. Mozelle N. Holland, guest rooms manager at the Memorial Student Center, shows Jim Hamilton, sophomore liberal arts major from San Antonio, the Department of Agronomy exhibit in the MSC windows this week. (Photo by Johnny Herrin)