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Study Begins For Possible Senate Change

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The possibility of changing the "Student Senate President" to "Student Body President" was discussed before the Student Senate last night and will be further discussed at a called meeting being held now and the beginning of the Christmas holidays.

Gabriel Navar, representative of the sophomore class in the School of Veterinary Medicine, proposed a study of the possibility of making the change to "unite" the student body.

He said it was his impression that the majority of the student body did not consider the Senate president the actual head of the student body, but that the discussion was divided between the Senate commander and president of the Civilian Student Council.

Navar also cited several examples of student bodies elsewhere that use the student-body-president system.

After discussion following Navar's move included the possibility of changing the name of the Student Senate.

Head Yell Leader Jim Davis said the senators he felt most of the students were misled as to the function of the Senate because of its title. Davis did not propose a name as such, but said, something along the line of Student Congress probably would be discussed also led to the possibility of allocating a salary to a student body president. Other proposals that do allocate a salary are cited as examples.

The Senate's executive committee

tee, in a meeting Monday night, will set a date for the called session and take steps to have the question placed on the called meeting's agenda.

Also on the docket for the called meeting is further discussion of A&M's possible participation in the Graduate Record Examination program.

Dean of Instruction Dr. William Graff has outlined the program's steps to the senators. The discussion was originally scheduled last night, but Graff was out of town and unable to attend.

In other business last night \$2,776.90 in Campus Chest money was allocated after the official completion of this year's drive.

Ten per cent of the total was allocated to the Tuberculosis Association, March of Dimes and College Station United Fund. The remaining 70 per cent will remain in chest coffers, for student use.

The Senate's Issues Committee, headed by Bill Snead, presented a resolution and told of future plans to publicize state voting laws and procedures for newly eligible student voters.

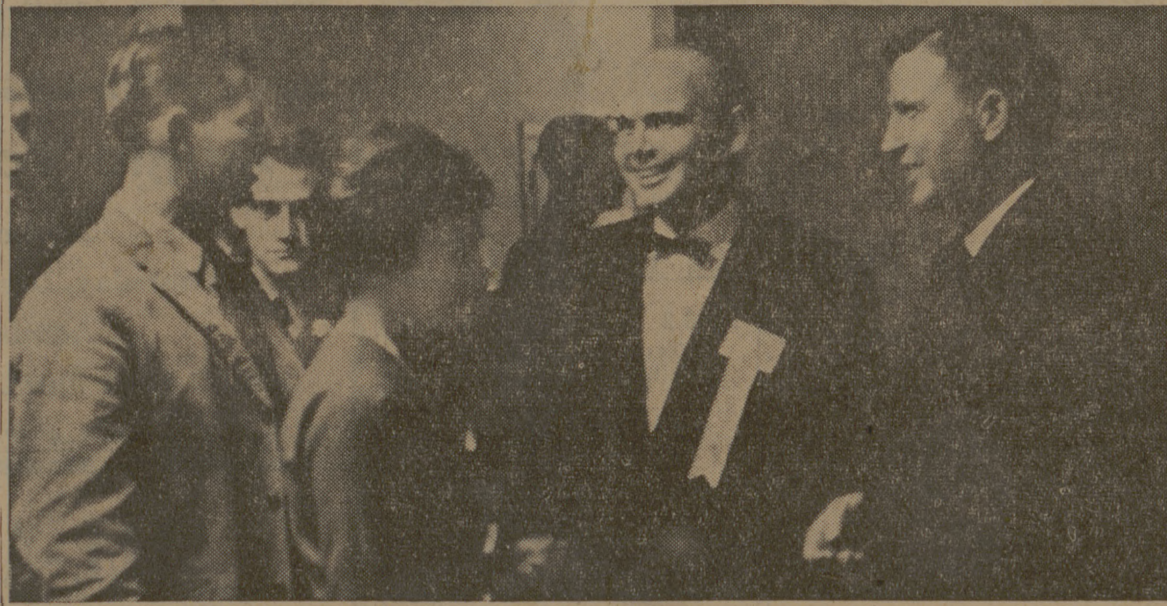
The resolution, approved unanimously by the Senate, read:

"Realizing that a citizen's most powerful voice in his government is his vote, the Student Senate urges newly eligible voters to familiarize themselves with the voting laws of the State of Texas, and for all to exercise their voting privilege at every opportunity."

The Battalion will print Texas' voting laws in one of next week's issues.

Snead's committee was also authorized to conduct a study of portrait costs for the Aggieband. It was brought up that numerous students have registered complaints over the cost of having a picture made for the Aggieband.

Battle, Showalter Clash At Third SCONA Plenary



Opponents Meet With Students
Following the two speeches presented at the third SCONA plenary session last night, students gathered with Ralph Showalter and Laurie Battle for brief questions. Joan Sebell of Southwestern University and Jerry Maters of South West Texas State College talk with the two men. (Photo by Johnny Herrin)

Speakers Spark Heated Debate

Laurie Battle, representative of the National Association of Manufacturers, and Ralph Showalter of the United Auto Workers' Union, AFL-CIO, sparred off last night in the third plenary session of SCONA VII taking side polks at topics ranging from Federal Government spending to segregation at A&M.

Taking the stage first with the conservative view of "The Role of the Federal Government in the Affairs of the Economy," Battle said, "There is no short cut to a sound economy except hard work, and the role of the Federal Government should be one of guidance and education."

"We are not too stupid to spend our own money wisely, and I don't believe anyone in Washington can tell us how to spend it better," he added.

Answering his talk, the liberal Showalter attempted to show why this spending is necessary.

The labor leader said, "We have grave problems to solve, and the old political ruts will not lead to solutions."

Continuing, he said, "Who are we kidding by opposing federal aid to education on the grounds that the communities can do the whole jobs themselves? They are not doing it!"

Prefacing his remarks, Showalter said he was sorry to hear Negroes were not allowed to eat in the Memorial Student Center and therefore not invited to SCONA.

"This is a terrible abridgement of educational opportunity. It is un-American," he said.

The labor leader said that had he known the restrictions, he would not have accepted the invitation to speak.

"When I found out, I felt like packing up and leaving, but didn't want to seem like a sorehead," he said.

Later, during a brief question and answer period following the talks, Battle said, "I hope none of you were embarrassed by the gentleman's (Showalter's) remarks concerning segregation. You are not alone in this. Some labor unions haven't been able to solve that problem either." (Battle didn't indicate which unions he was referring to.)

"Even if I had known this was to be a segregated meeting, I would have championed it," the NAM representative added.

In a conversation at a reception following the two talks, President Earl Rudder said Showalter was wrong in his assumption.

The president said that Negroes were not restricted; invitations were sent to each participating school, and the administration of that school chose the delegates. (See PLENARY on Page 3)

Pool has edited newspapers in Texas, has been a frequent contributor to numerous publications including The Atlantic Monthly, and is presently editor of East (See ROUNDTABLES On Page 3)

SCONA Speaker Conducts Stephens Class From A&M

Even though located over 800 miles from Columbia, Ralph L. Showalter, representative of the United Auto Workers and speaker at the third plenary session of SCONA VII, addressed a class in American government there through the efforts of two Stephens College delegates yesterday evening.

Misses Lynn Kramer and Joy Olson arranged for the class to interview Showalter by telephone using a special voice amplification mechanism located in the college classroom.

The interview was monitored by James Burkhart, professor of government at Stephens College. Conducted at this end of the line in the office of J. Wayne Stark, director of the Memorial Student Center, a smaller amplification box was also used, enabling the girls, Showalter and Burkhart to talk freely in conference.

These are the questions submitted by the class of approximately 60 girls, and Showalter answers:

1. "How do you define liberalism?"
"It is not difficult to define liberalism in giving examples, like pointing to Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey as a liberal; but a problem of semantics exists in trying to accurately define liberalism adequately. Basically, I believe it is simply that liberals believe in more government assistance for the welfare of the people, and conservatives believe in less," said Showalter.

2. "Do you think welfare programs in the United States have gone far enough, or have gone too far?"
"The Federal Government has a role in assisting the modern economy to adjust to the changes taking place, and obviously we aren't rendering this aid fast enough," said Showalter.

3. "Will our welfare program eventually lead to totalitarianism?"
His reply, "Obviously, this is a rhetorical question, and I can definitely say it will not! Conservatives sometimes say this, but they have been saying it for the past 30 years and it definitely hasn't happened and won't in the future."

4. "We have noticed that the union movement is slowing down; what accounts for this?"
"This is definitely because jobs have simply been disappearing with the advent of automation on such large-scale. The Federal Government has not done enough to study and analyze the problems automation is creating today. The Department of Labor and several other factions are conducting research in this area, but the government so far hasn't met the problem," said Showalter.

Following the interview, the two Stephens College delegates gave a full report to their government class on conditions and experiences at the SCONA conference thus far.

Their chief message was, "Wish all of you were here!"

More Individual Counseling Due For Future Students

A&M will give even greater emphasis to individual student counseling in the future, Dean of Instruction William J. Graff announced this week.

High school teachers and officials throughout Texas are receiving information about the new testing program.

The college has adopted the College Entrance Examination Board Testing program as part of its testing and placement procedure effective in the fall of 1963.

"These tests will serve as a vital part of the counseling of freshmen," Graff said.

"Although we are not requiring the entrance board tests until 1963, we are strongly urging freshmen to take these tests for entrance in the fall of 1962," the Dean of Instruction pointed out.

The special tests include a scholastic aptitude test, achievement test in mathematics, and achievement test in English composition. These tests may be taken by college-bound students throughout Texas at places easily accessible to their homes.

The prospective student must request the College Board to forward his test scores to A&M following the examinations. The CEEB scores will be used as part of the testing and placement activities.

The tests will help the Counseling and Testing Center in counseling with each individual student. The Center conducts personalized counseling and testing clinics during each summer on the campus at no cost to the new students. At these sessions, the CEEB test scores are interpreted. Additional tests in other subject areas are administered.

From these tests and with available expert vocational counseling the freshman student has the assurance of being placed in academic work which will be both challenging and productive and consistent with his background and preparation.

The tests not only recognize the superior student, but also provide a basis upon which each student can do his course planning. A&M is unique in offering this individual, personalized counseling and guidance to its students, S. Austin Kerley, Director of Counseling and Testing Center, said.

Information concerning the CEEB testing dates and locations may be obtained from the College Entrance Examination Board, Box 592, Princeton, New Jersey. Information concerning A&M's testing clinics may be secured by writing the Counseling and Testing Center.

SCONA Schedule

- Friday**
4:15 to 5:15 p.m. — Review of the Corps of Cadets, main drill field, across from the Memorial Student Center.
6 to 7:30 p.m. — Buffet Supper in the MSC Ballroom.
8 to 10 p.m. — Fourth plenary session, featuring a panel of four congressmen, Olin E. Teague of Texas; B. F. Sisk of California; W. J. B. Dorn of South Carolina and Thomas B. Curtis of Missouri. A reception for all participants will follow the panel in the MSC Main Lounge.
Saturday
7:30 to 8:25 a.m. — Coffee and informal discussion among speakers, delegates and chairman. Serpentine Lounge, second floor, MSC.
8:30 to 11:15 a.m. — Sixth roundtable meetings.
12:15 to 1:45 p.m. — Luncheon and final plenary session, featuring an address by William S. White, Washington bureau of the New York Times.

Runoff Candidates Campaign Monday

Run-off candidates for the four freshman class officer positions will address their classmates Monday night in Guion Hall as a prelude to Tuesday's run-off voting in the Memorial Student Center.

Eight candidates will speak on their own behalf at the 7 p.m. assembly sponsored by the Election Commission.

Commission President John Anthis explained today campaign speeches have not been given before an A&M election since the 1958-59 school year. Then candidates for the junior class head positions spoke unexpectedly at a class meeting called for other purposes.

Candidates for the four freshman positions are Joe J. Allen and William P. Matthews, president; Bill K. Altman and James Love, vice president; Tucker Fuchs and Thomas W. Wright, secretary; and Louis F. Anderson and Dennis B. Barr, social secretary.

YMCA Offers Gift Wrapping Service

The YMCA is offering a free gift-wrapping service to all students from now until Christmas, according to an announcement made by J. Gordon Gay, coordinator of religious life and YMCA general secretary.

Any student desiring to have gifts wrapped should bring them to the main desk of the YMCA as soon as possible because of the last-minute rush that occurs every year, Gay noted. Gifts can also be wrapped for mailing.

"The YMCA has been offering this service to students for almost 20 years," Gay said, "and averages about 450 wrapped gifts per year."

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