

SCONA To Feature UN Ambassador

A man that skillfully answered Russian Premier Nikita Khrushchev's shoe-ponding charges in the United Nations will be on the campus this fall to tell his experiences to a group of serious-minded college students.

James J. Wadsworth, former U. S. Ambassador to the United Nations and now president of the Peace Research Institute, will be just one of the top-flight speakers of national and international fame to appear at the Eighth Annual Student Conference on National Affairs.

Slated for Dec. 14 this year, SCONA VIII, as it is known, will bring students from all over the United States to hear speakers and discussion on the theme "Sources of World Tensions."

SCONA's objective is to provide an informal atmosphere for the student delegates to debate, hear

and reject or accept discussion on topics of major importance.

Planned By Students
The conference is student planned, financed and operated. From the start of the idea for the next year's conference, the students take over and plan the complete meeting.

Students raise money to defray the expenses of bringing the delegates to A&M from other schools, expected to be about \$16,500 this year. They contact interested persons all over the Southwest and Mexico, persons who are willing and ready to help college students debate and discuss more important problems than which movie to see tonight.

Other committees begin their work at the same time the Finance Committee is making its rounds.

The transportation committee must make arrangements for many

delegates, speakers and round-table leaders to get to and from the college. They use buses, airplanes and autos as necessary.

The publicity committee begins to get the support of the press in the area, and to draw interest to the conference.

The secretariat committee handles the enormous amount of correspondence necessary to get any undertaking of this size started and keep it going smoothly.

Other Visitors
In addition to the major speakers, well-known individuals serve as round-table chairmen during panel discussion groups.

One SCONA leader described the conference as "not the place where questions are answered, but where

questions of importance are brought to light so the individual can work out the answer himself.

Roundtable chairmen for the 1962 conference include Howard A. Cutler, assistant to the president of Pennsylvania State University, Mrs. Alice Pratt of Houston, director of the Southern Region Institute of International Education; Rocco M. Paone, director of U. S. Naval Academy Foreign Affairs Conference.

Also William S. Livingston, University of Texas government professor; Harrison E. Hierth, English professor at A&M; J. T. Faubion, Dow Chemical Company official; and representatives of two other service schools, West Point and the Air Force Academy.



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Predoctoral Traineeships Awarded By Space Agency

Ten young men from colleges and universities in four states have been awarded National Aeronautics and Space Administration predoctoral traineeships at A&M.

Names of the successful applicants, whose appointments are effective Sept. 1, were announced by Dean Wayne C. Hall, Dean of the Graduate School.

Trainees Selected
The trainees were selected by a faculty evaluation committee which considered such matters as academic records, scores on the Graduate Record Examinations, letters of recommendation and the proposed research problems. The successful applicants had grade point ratios, on a scale of 3.0, ranging from 2.60 to 3.0.

The appointments are renewable and carry a basic annual stipend of \$2,400 on a full year (12-month) basis.

The predoctoral trainees plan to specialize in a variety of space and engineering fields related to space technology, and should complete their doctoral programs in three years.

Names of the trainees, their

home addresses, undergraduate college or university, and field of specialty, are listed as follows:

Two A&M students are among the 10 winners. They are Robert D. Purrington of Magnolia, a physics-math major, and Eugen E. Rozacky of Becker, a biochemistry-chemistry student.

Marshall Plan Scholarship Information Now Available

Details concerning the Marshall Scholarships program for 1963-65 now are available at the office of the Dean of the Graduate School for tenure commencing in October. The program provides for two years of study for degrees at British universities.

Applications for scholarships of 1963 must be received not later than Oct. 22, 1962.

The British Government established the Marshall Scholarships in 1953, as a gesture of thanks for Marshall Plan aid.

The program enables 24 American graduates to study in a wide range of subjects including the sciences and the humanities. Each award has a basic value of 550 British pounds a year, plus fares and tuition fees.

Named To Board

A&M System Chancellor Tom Harrington was named recently as one of Texas' 15 advisory board members to assist the Southern Interstate Nuclear Board.

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