

# SCONA Sessions Begin Tomorrow

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### Program Boasts Vice President

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The eighth Student Conference on National Affairs, biggest and packed with more action than any of its predecessors, begins tomorrow. A program boasting the vice president of the United States and the president of the council of the Organization of American States gives the conference a towering stature.

Registration for an expected 150 delegates from universities throughout this country, Canada and Mexico begins at 8 a. m., with the first plenary session coming at 2 p. m. The overall theme for SCONA VIII is "Sources of World Tension."

Retired Gen. Frederic H. Smith, former vice chief of staff of the Air Force and commander of Air Force troops in Europe will speak in the Memorial Student Ballroom on "Arms in Europe—Source of Tension."

FOLLOWING THE address, the eight round-tables will hold orientation meetings with their chairmen.

The first food event of the conference will be at 6 p. m. with one of the MSC famous smorgasboards in the Ballroom.

The second keynote address, by Mason Willich, follows the dinner at 8 p. m. Willich, former delegate to the 18-nation disarmament talks in Geneva and presently an attorney-advisor to the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, will speak on "The Arms Race—A Source of World Tension."

According to Vic L. Donnell, senior from Dallas and general SCONA chairman, a question and answer session will follow both of Wednesday's plenary sessions.

Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson and OAS Council President Gonzalo J. Facio speak Thursday. Johnson's address is set for G. Rollie White Coliseum at 1:30 p. m. Facio, also Costa Rican ambassador to the U.S., speaks at 8 p. m. in the MSC Ballroom.

Johnson's speech is to be on U.S. policy.

Smith, 54, retired in June of this year as Air Force vice chief of staff. He also commanded Air Force units in Europe and in those capacities acquired a more than working knowledge with the free world's problems in that area.

SPECULATION among SCONA observers is that the former general will be in a position to take more of a concrete stand on the European situation now that he is not hindered with military censorship.

Smith is a West Point graduate who earned his wings at Kelly and Brooks Fields in San Antonio. During World War II he served in various theaters of operation, winning decorations including the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit and the Air Medal with oak leaf cluster.

Willrich, only 29, is a native of Los Angeles.

He is known as a specialist in the drafting of treaties and documents, and from July until September of this year he served as a delegate from the United States to the 18-nation disarmament talks in Geneva.

### Replies Coming In On LBJ Invites

Replies are beginning to pour into SCONA VIII headquarters from about 75 high schools invited to send students to hear Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson when he speaks here Thursday.

The vice president's address, to be on "U. S. policy," is scheduled for G. Rollie White Coliseum at 1:30 p. m.

SCONA leaders last week sent high schools within about a 75 mile radius invitations to hear the speech.

### Signal 30 Film Opens Safety Week

A capacity crowd filled Guion Hall Monday night to see the showing of "Signal 30," a safety film sponsored jointly by the Insurance Society and The Battalion.

Introducing the film was Floyd Tippit, area safety officer from the Texas Highway Patrol. "This film shows what can happen and what does happen as a result of minor traffic violations," said Tippit.

Similar to last year's movie, "Death on the Highways," the grisly film kicked-off Safety Week activities. Other safety efforts this week will include displays in the Memorial Student Center and near the highway entrances to the campus, sponsored by the Student Senate traffic committee.

"This year's program represents the first time that the Student Senate has joined in a co-ordinated effort with The Battalion and the Insurance Society to help in an all-out campaign against needless traffic fatalities," said Richard Moore, chairman of the traffic committee.

Moore is scheduled to appear on a special KBTX-TV panel discussion of traffic safety Saturday at 11:30 a. m.

Concluding this year's holiday safety program will be the annual traffic safety edition of The Battalion next Wednesday.

## Mrs. A&M, AF Sweetheart Named

### Winners Revealed At Weekend Dances

Two annual dances held last weekend were highlighted with the selection of beauties who were given the titles "Air Force Sweetheart" and "Mrs. Texas A&M."

Mrs. Billie Sue Williams, sponsored by the Aggie Flying Cadets, was named Mrs. Texas A&M Saturday night at a dance hosted by the Aggie Wives Council.

Miss Carolyn Fish, escorted by David Minaldi, was awarded the title of Air Force Sweetheart at Friday night's Air Force Ball.

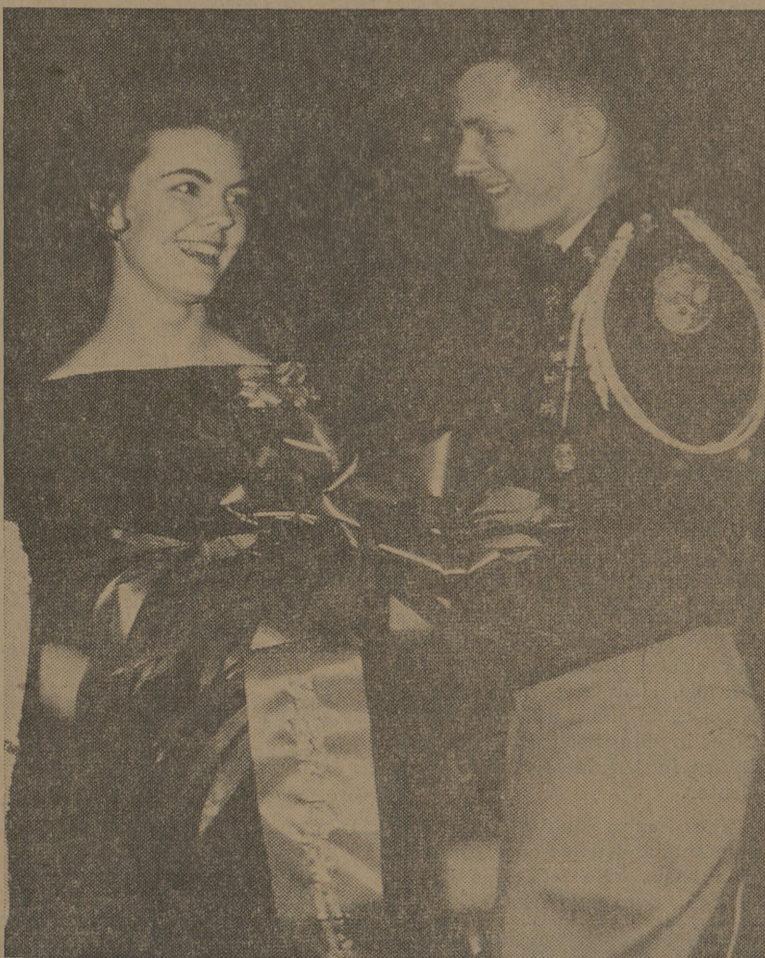
Finalists in the Air Force sweetheart selection, Suzanne Harper, Ginger Lewis, Lynn Addison and Jan Sharp, were given engraved charms.

Mrs. Williams won 50 silver dollars, a cup from the Bryan-College Station Chamber of Commerce and a bouquet of roses from the Aggie Florist.

Runner-up in the Mrs. Texas A&M contest was Mrs. Linda Oliver, who received 30 silver dollars and a gift certificate from the Lady Fair Beauty Salon.

Second runner-up, Mrs. Nancy Gore, was given 20 silver dollars and a gift certificate from the Beverley Braley fashion store.

Finalists in the selection of Mrs. A&M were Cherry Cockburn, Tracy Lewis, Shirley Porter, Jo Ann Fields, Sydney Gillis, Karen Jones and Joan Harrison.



Flowers For The Sweetheart  
Carolyn Fish, Air Force Sweetheart, 1962, is presented a bouquet of roses by Robert Thornton at Friday night's Air Force Ball. Miss Fish was escorted by David Minaldi.



### Mrs. A&M

Billie Sue Williams, Mrs. A&M of 1962, clutches the symbol of victory, a cup presented by the Bryan-College Station Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. Williams was sponsored in the contest by the Aggie Flying Cadets.

### MENU VARIATION SOUGHT

## Senate Dining Hall Study Opens In Thursday Meet

A representative of the Student Senate will attend a dining hall meal-planning session Thursday and present Senate suggestions for improved food services.

John G. Peniston, dining hall food manager, extended an invitation in last week's Student Senate meeting for a Senate committee or member to sit in with his staff as it makes menus and discusses dining hall operations.

The head of dining hall service, who was asked to attend the Senate meeting to explain the dining hall staff's functions, spoke of major changes which may be made to dining operations in the future.

Senator Shelly Veselka will be at Thursday's planning session and ask for more variety in menu arrangements.

KEN STANTON, chairman of the welfare committee, said that Veselka will not ask for different dishes but will suggest a more random meal arrangement rather than regular occurrences of particular meals.

At the senate meeting, Peniston explained that the only money source for Duncan and Sbisla dining halls is the \$1.50-per-day fee paid by students who buy board.

## Fish Run-Off Election Rally Scheduled Tonight In Guion

The Election Commission will sponsor a freshman election rally in Guion Hall Tuesday at 7 p. m., according to Sheldon Best, president of the student body.

Run-off candidates for freshman class offices will give campaign speeches at the rally. In the run-off for president of the freshman class will be Michael D. Ashworth and Charles W. Millikin III.

Three candidates are competing for the position of class vice president. They are Ellis C. Gill, Michael E. Denny and Richard M. Dooley.

Running for freshman class se-

cretary are Harris J. Pappas and Miro Pavelka. Competing in the run-off for social secretary are Early B. Denison.

Run-offs are scheduled Friday from 8 a. m.-5 p. m. Voting will be conducted under the supervision of the election commission on voting machines located in the Memorial Student Center's bowling alley breezeway.

If the election campaign rally Tuesday night proves to be successful and draws a good turn-out, this event might be repeated for the spring general elections, stated Best.

Used at many colleges, this system permits students to select their lunch hour as they make out class schedules.

Explaining the advantages of a cafeteria system, Peniston said that two or three hours would be available for serving rather than the 15 minutes allowed by the present mass serving method.

He predicted better-tasting and better-looking food with cafeteria-style serving.

## Club Conducts Third Annual Sale Of Pine Cones

Range and Forestry Club students are conducting their third annual sale of pine cones for Christmas decorations.

Business has been brisk so far this season, according to Ernest Nimitz of Eldorado, a senior in the Department of Range and Forestry and head of the cone sales committee.

More than \$400 in orders have been wholesaled to retail marketing points in such cities as Lubbock, San Antonio, Austin, Dallas and Bryan. Retail outlets are usually A&M Mothers Clubs in those cities and grocery supermarkets.

The students raise money through the sales to help pay club and judging team expenses. They select East Texas and Louisiana pine cones and package three to six to the unit, depending on cone size. Some of the cones are left in their natural brown color and others are dipped in aluminum paint to produce a silvery sheen.

Nimitz said the silver cones are by far the best sellers.

Bob Rhodes, associate professor, is club sponsor, and Dr. Omer Sperry works with the cone sales group. Both are faculty members in the Department of Range and Forestry.

### Faculty Fellowship Topic Is 'Nihilism'

"Nihilism" will be the topic of a talk to be presented by Carl Shafer of the Department of Agricultural Economics and Sociology at the Wednesday morning Faculty Christian Fellowship in the All Faiths Chapel at 7 a. m.

Music for meditation will precede the program at 6:50. Donuts will be served at the YMCA Building after the program.

## Talent Show Will Feature Nine Acts

The Aggie Talent Show, featuring nine acts with Tom Martin of Houston as master of ceremonies, will be presented Friday night in Guion Hall at 7:30.

The program, with the "best talent on campus," Ed Duncan chairman of the program said, will present entertainment ranging from folk singing to a piano solo.

The acts listed on the program: the Avantes, a group of four, one artist on the drums and three on guitars, who, Duncan added, played for the after-game party for the Aggies at Baylor during the football season.

The second place winner last year will be back, he added. They are the Wayfarers, who will present folk songs.

Also appearing will be Eddie Bale and Larry Ewers, in a guitar duet, Darrell Carr will be the lone piano soloist on the program.

Others acts include Jose Antonio Maher playing the flamenco guitar, Melvin Beyer and his combo singing and playing the blues, and Sal Marquez, a solo trumpet player, who plays in the Aggie Band, as well as the Aggie Band.

To round off the program will be Glen Barrows, a solo folk singer who took third place last year at the talent show.

The nine acts were selected from 16 which tried out for the show. Auditions for the show were completed Monday.

Tickets to the show will be 25¢ at the door.

## Wire Review

By The Associated Press  
U. S. NEWS

WASHINGTON — Four men suspected of taking part in the \$1.5-million Plymouth Mass., mail robbery are under constant surveillance in a cat-and-mouse game which federal authorities hope will lead to recovery of the loot.

James F. Kelleher, special assistant to the postmaster general, told newsmen Monday that federal officials have asked all police agencies in Massachusetts to help keep a close check on the four suspects.

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NEW YORK — Secretary of labor W. Willard Wirtz stepped into the three-day-old printers' strike Monday night in an effort to get New York's nine major newspapers back on the street. He called a closed meeting with both sides for Tuesday.

Wirtz, who was credited with settling a strike a few weeks ago against The New York Daily News, said he will bring the head of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, William E. Simkin, with him.

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WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court agreed Monday to hear a new school segregation case which poses the question of whether minority groups must exhaust all administrative remedies before appealing to the courts.

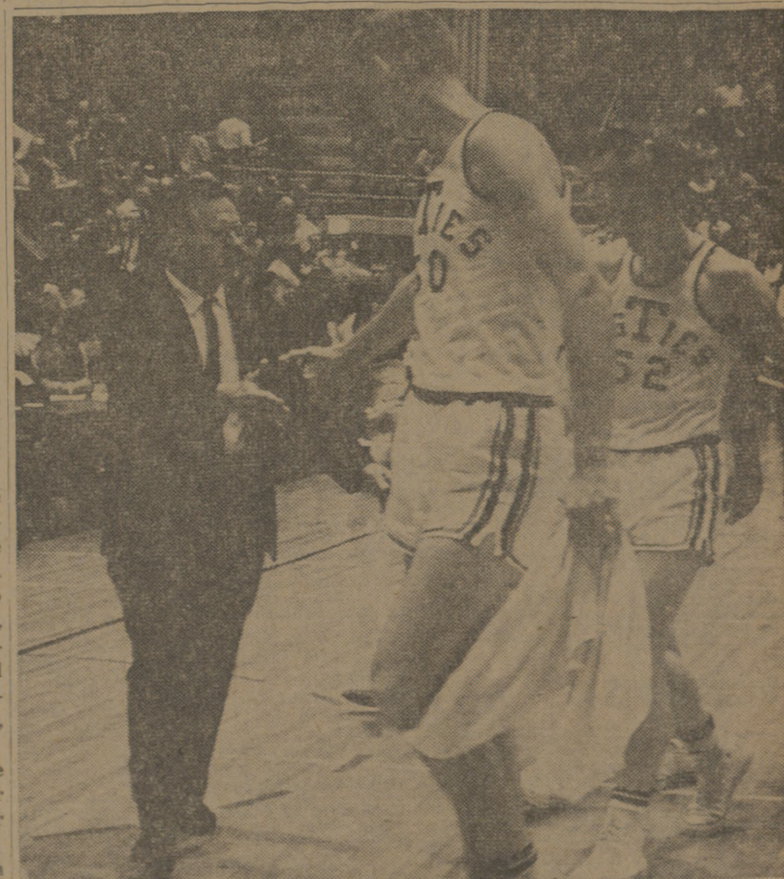
Unlike most school segregation appeals, this one involves a Northern community, Centreville in Southern Illinois.

The case is only the third the court has agreed to hear on the subject since its historic school integration decisions of 1954-55.

TEXAS NEWS

AUSTIN — Atty. Gen. Will Wilson held Monday that a Texas law requiring an election prior to integration of a public school system is unconstitutional.

The opinion went to Duval County-the Benavides Independent School District — that the law was first used recently to withhold funds for a district's integrating without an election.



### 'Good Game Lewis'

Coach Bob Rogers congratulates Lewis Qualls on his efforts in assisting the Aggie basketball team grab a 78-67 win Saturday night from the cagers of Memphis State.