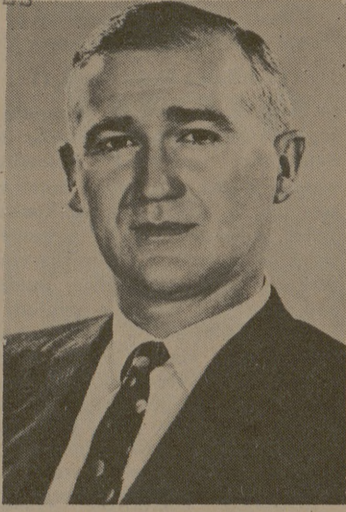
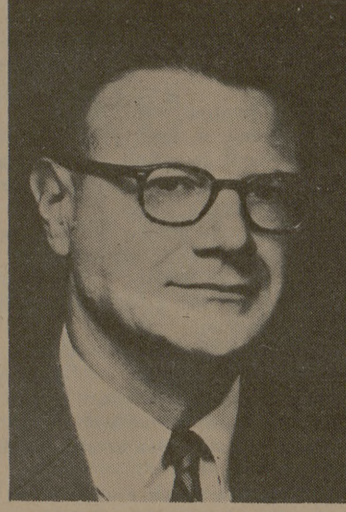




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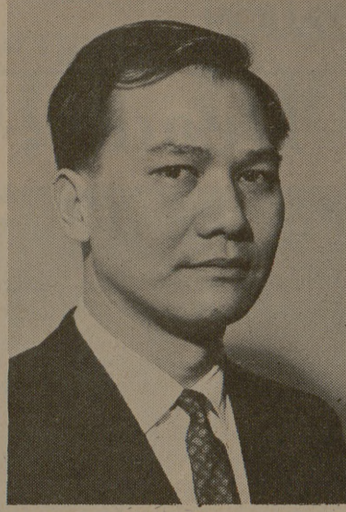
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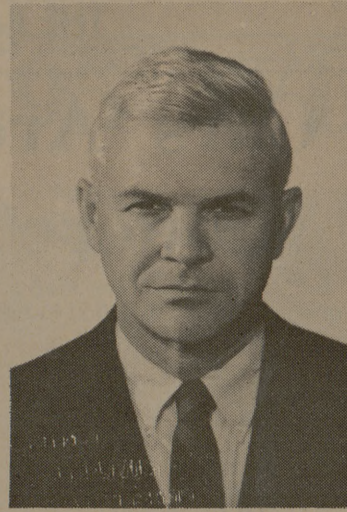
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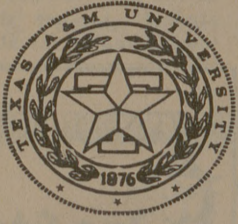
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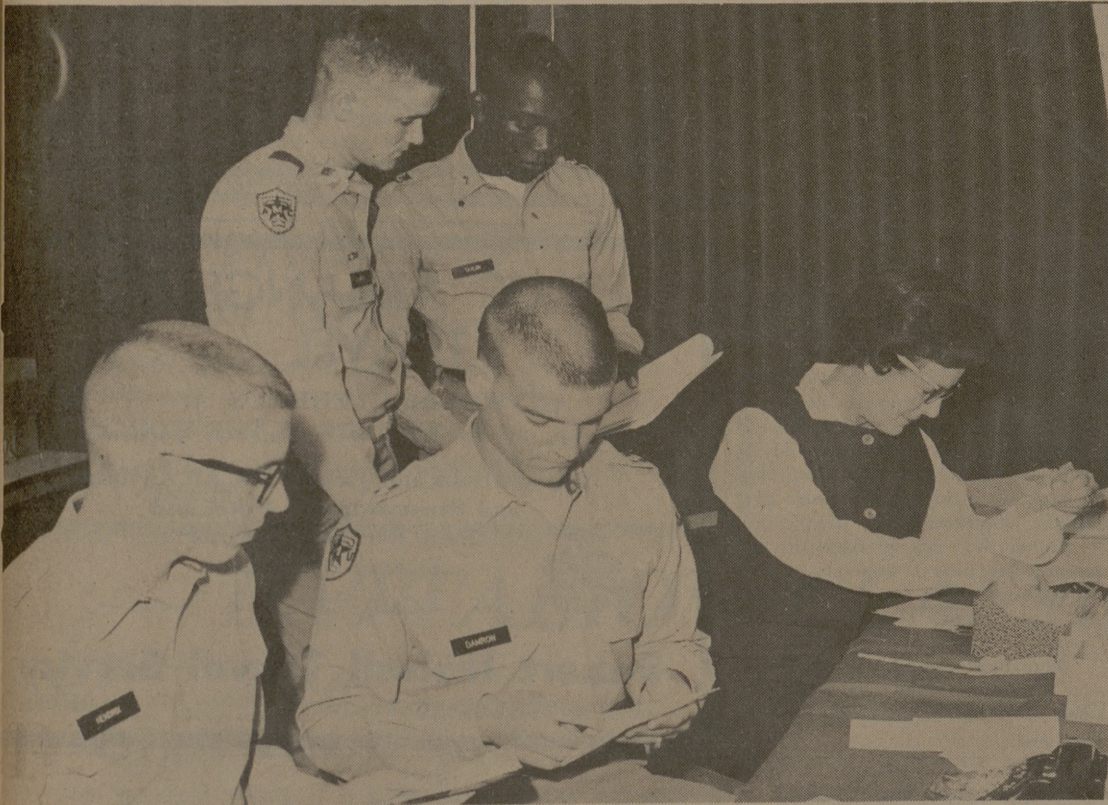
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Wednesday — Cloudy with intermittent rain showers, wind southerly 15-25. High 68, low 53.
Thursday — Cloudy, wind southwest 15-20. High 71, low 48.

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SCONA WORKERS

SCONA XIII Chairman Pat Rehmet, upper left, supervises final preparations for the conference as Edward Taylor checks arrangements. Stuffing invitation envelopes are Lowell Hendrix, left, and Bruce Damron. Mrs. Beth Richmond lends a secretarial hand.

SCONA XIII Sessions To Begin Wednesday

SE Asia Is Topic Of 4-Day Meeting

By BOB PALMER
Battalion Staff Writer
Some 140 students from 50 schools began arriving on campus this afternoon, ready for four days of discussion on "The Price of Peace in Southeast Asia."
The students, delegates to the Thirteenth Student Conference on National Affairs, represent schools from the United States, Canada and Mexico.

Conference events will be highlighted by seven speakers, roundtable discussions and social activities.

Authoritative speakers, including Roger Hilsman, William J. Driver and Lucian W. Pye will address the delegates.

In the roundtable discussions, the delegates themselves exchange ideas and dissect the speaker's remarks under the guidance of experienced co-chairmen.

The conference's social calendar will feature the Town Hall presentation of Fred Waring and the Pennsylvanians at which the delegates will be the guests of Town Hall.

"We want to welcome all the delegates to SCONA XIII and hope that they will enjoy their stay here," SCONA Chairman Pat Rehmet said.

"I also want to remind all A&M students that the conference is open to the public and they are encouraged to attend as many of the roundtables and speeches as they can," Rehmet added. "Only the meals will be limited to the delegates."

Two speakers, Roger Hilsman and William Driver, will address the delegates before they break into their assigned roundtables

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Wednesday. The 6 p.m. dinner will be followed by the Fred Waring Town Hall Show in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

Thursday's activities include a 4:30 p.m. review of the Corps of Cadets, lunch in Duncan Dining Hall, a smorgasbord for dinner and a panel discussion of Southeast Asian stability that evening to be followed by a Singing Cadet concert.

Frank N. Trager's address on the nationalist independent will finalize Friday's activities which include several roundtable discussions and a Texas Barbecue.

On the final day of the conference, the roundtables will summarize their findings and Lucian W. Pye will wrap-up the conference at lunch.

Attending the conference as delegates from A&M are Mrs. Jean Marie Anderson, Thomas C. Gruber, John R. Hensley, Hugh Robert James, Arthur W. Jennings, David T. Maddox, John M. Menger and Wayne H. Prescott.

Robert B. Stiles Jr., James T. Taylor, Elizabeth Marie Tynan, Jack M. Whiteside, Sam H. Coleman Jr., Ronald D. Hinds, William M. Jaqmeir, Donaldson D. McGinty, Steve Meaux, Clinton J. Mochann and Gary L. Moon.

John H. Moores, Randall R. Myers, Robert K. Nordhaus, Paschal E. Redding, William A. Seeker, Charles R. Stephan III, and Beatrice Lorrain Wehrly.

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Students who have not yet bought Cotton Bowl student and date tickets may buy them at the Athletic Business Office Wednesday beginning at 8 a.m., according to Wally Groff, athletic business director.

SCONA XIII Highlights

Here are the major speech events on the SCONA XIII schedule:

- 1:15 p. m. Wednesday
"The Price of Peace in Southeast Asia" (Keynote Address)—Dr. Roger Hilsman
- 3 p. m. Wednesday
"No Retreat From Tomorrow"—William J. Driver
- 8 p. m. Thursday
"Stability in Southeast Asia"—Panel Presentation—Dr. Lev Dobriansky, Anand Panyarachun, Tracy S. Park
- 8 p. m. Friday
"Nationalist Independent Southeast Asia"—Dr. Frank N. Trager
- 12 Noon Saturday
"Conference Round-Up"—Dr. Lucian W. Pye

Conference Speakers Include Diplomats, Profs, Economists

Principal speakers for SCONA XIII include a Washington administrator, a political science professor and a former assistant secretary of state.

Keynoting the conference with a Wednesday afternoon address on the conference topic, "The Price of Peace in Southeast Asia," will be Roger Hilsman, former assistant secretary of state for Far Eastern Affairs. A professor of government at Columbia University, Hilsman recently made national headlines with his statements on the conduct of the war in Vietnam.

Considered one of the nation's leading authorities on foreign affairs, Hilsman has personal experience in dealing with such problems as Vietnam, Cuba and Red China. He was one of President Kennedy's closest advisors on Southeast Asia.

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WILLIAM J. DRIVER, administrator for Veteran's Affairs in Washington, D. C., is scheduled for a conference address later Wednesday. His topic will be "No Retreat From Tomorrow."

Driver has made two trips to Vietnam in the past 18 months to secure information and advise President Johnson on possible solutions to the conflict.

Friday's speaker is Dr. Frank N. Trager, professor of international affairs in New York University's graduate school of public administration. His topic, "Nationalist Independent Southeast Asia," reflects his years of study of the region's problems as a member of the Southeast Asian Development Group, a division of the U. S. Agency for International Development.

A THREE-MAN panel, made up of Dr. Lev. Dobriansky, Anand Panyarachun and Tracy S. Park, will discuss "Stability in

Southeast Asia" Thursday evening. Dobriansky, professor of economics at Georgetown University and panel moderator, is also Economics Editor of the American Security Council's Washington Report.

Panyarachun, acting permanent representative of Thailand to the United Nations, has participated in numerous Southeast Asian peace conferences. Park is director of research for Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company and has worked with the Ford Foundation in India.

Dr. Lucian Pye, professor of political science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will be the conference "round-up" speaker at the final session Saturday. The author of studies on communism in Malaya and on emerging nations in Asia, Pye will summarize previous speeches and "round-table" discussion sessions in his address.

For Committee Members

Planning For SCONA Is Year-Round Student Project

By JOHN W. FULLER
Battalion Managing Editor

For delegates to Texas A&M's Thirteenth Student Conference on National Affairs, Wednesday will mark the beginning of four days of lively discussion and debate. For the A&M students who make up the SCONA XIII Committee, it will mean that 10 months of planning and hard work are drawing to a close.

And for students who will be on next year's committee, preliminary planning for SCONA XIV will be just around the corner.

The fact is, a meeting of 140 or more students from more than 50 colleges in the South and Southwest, Mexico and Canada, to discuss topics ranging from the Common Market to the Vietnam war, and featuring speeches by top-ranking government officials and their top-rank critics, doesn't just happen. It takes a year-round schedule, including

fund drives during holiday periods, to insure a well-organized meeting of the minds.

"THE RESPONSIBILITY of students in SCONA is almost frightening one," says J. Wayne Stark, director of the Memorial Student Center and foremost SCONA advisor. "The job is so big that it takes a part-time, professional stenographer 12 months a year to support the correspondence and paperwork."

Of the five such conferences sponsored by American colleges, Stark noted, SCONA is the only one in which students raise the entire amount of operating funds, which this year totals \$18,000. A&M students also secure speakers, panelists and chairmen for "Round-Table" discussion groups, with help from Congressman Olin E. Teague of the Bryan-College Station district.

TEAGUE, WHOM Stark has called "the godfather of SCONA," suggests names of possible speak-

ers on conference topics and encourages Washington authorities to accept SCONA invitations. For several conferences, he has compiled research from the Library of Congress as guides to conference discussion. For this year's topic, "The Price of Peace in Southeast Asia," he had a 65-page background paper drawn up by an Asian affairs analyst at the library.

A&M students began planning for this year's conference in February, when the SCONA Committee met to evaluate SCONA XII and offer suggestions for improvement. At that point, SCONA XIII Chairman-Elect Pat Rehmet of Alice took over leadership of the committee, organizing a new membership drive and calling for suggested themes and topics for SCONA XIII. This planning continued through March, when the Easter Finance Drive was organized.

"THE EASTER Drive is a major operation in itself," Rehmet noted. "Students have to be trained in proper interviewing procedures, and of course they must be thoroughly familiar with the topics to be covered in the conference."

The SCONA Finance Committee sends out letters early in March to past sponsors and prospective sponsors in Texas metropolitan areas, requesting appointments for the SCONA workers. Training sessions begin soon after for the students, who will give up Easter holidays to contact the potential donors in their area, armed with packets of SCONA information.

The drive is organized by cities, with temporary headquarters in each city to keep the interviews running smoothly. Each two-man SCONA team files a complete report form on its contacts for future reference. Once the pledge contributions are totaled up, the SCONA Finance Chairman is able

to report a tentative budget for the conference.

BUT AS complex an operation as the drive is, it isn't the only activity for SCONA leaders during March. Interviews for new SCONA members are conducted, and a list of new committee members is announced before the drive starts. Executive positions are filled by late March, and orientation sessions for new members begin almost immediately.

Basic planning for the conference itself begins at this point. Meeting rooms in the Memorial Student Center must be reserved for the discussion and lecture sessions, dates must be placed on the official University calendar, and a list of schools to be invited must be drawn up. Letters are then sent to the chief administrators of each school, explaining the conference and asking that a given number of delegates be selected.

NEXT BEGINS the big job of

inviting speakers. The Program chairman contacts experts on the conference topic by mail, telegrams and sometimes direct long-distance telephone calls, asking some to speak to the assembled delegates and others to lead the smaller "Round-Table" groups. This year's list of Round-Table co-chairmen is typically varied, including embassy representatives from five Southeast Asian nations, a leading American economist, and representatives of the U. S. State Department, the Agency for International Development and the Post Office Department.

The second major step toward financing the conference begins as soon as the spring semester ends. SCONA volunteers give up a week of summer vacation to make calls on potential sponsors who were not contacted during the Easter drive. In recent years, these included American and Mexican businessmen in Monter-

rey and other major cities in Mexico, where Mexican college students who had been SCONA delegates in past years returned with enthusiastic reports on the conference.

"I THINK the summer finance drive is one of the best indications of students' dedication to SCONA," Rehmet noted. "Many of the workers have to get special permission to start summer jobs a week late because of this activity, and of course they give up a week's salary to help with the drive."

For students who attend summer sessions at A&M, work continues through July and August as correspondents with prospective speakers increases and planning for pre-conference publications begins. For the remainder of the 80 to 100 committee members, back-to-school becomes back-to-SCONA. Planning of every detail, from menus for meal events

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