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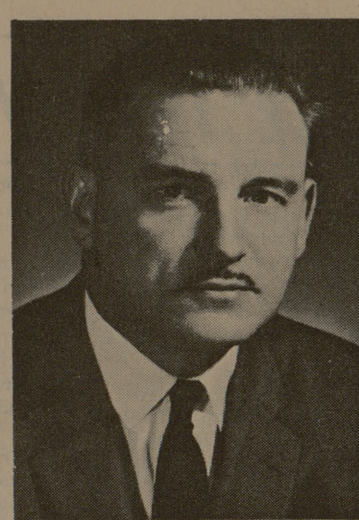
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## SCONA XIV Highlights

Here are the major speech events on the SCONA XIV schedule (all to be held in the MSC Ballroom):

**1:30 p. m. Wednesday**  
"The American Commitment Abroad" (Keynote Address)—Walt Rostow

**8 p. m. Wednesday**  
"The United States and World Economy" (Panel Presentation)—Dr. James M. Buchanan, Dr. William R. Kintner, Edward S. Marcus

**8 p. m. Thursday**  
"U. S. Military Programs in Foreign Countries"—Gen. Harold K. Johnson

**12 Noon Saturday**  
Conference Round-Up—William S. White

# SCONA XIV Opening Set For 1:30 p.m. Wednesday

## Rostow To Make Keynote Address

By DAVID MIDDLEBROOKE  
Battalion Staff Writer

An expected 122 delegates from 61 schools in Canada, Mexico, and the United States will arrive tonight and tomorrow morning for the Fourteenth Student Conference on National Affairs. Twenty-five delegates from Texas A&M will also participate in the conference.

Delegates will register Wednesday morning and begin the conference that afternoon.

SCONA XIV will officially begin at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday. The topic for this year's conference is "The Limits and Responsibilities of U.S. Power."

THREE MAIN speakers at the conference will be Walt W. Rostow, special assistant to President Johnson; Gen. Harold K. Johnson, former army chief of staff; and William S. White, syndicated newspaper columnist.

The general format of the conference calls for one main speaker each day. Following the speaker's address, delegates will form into 14 roundtable discussion groups, each headed by two or more co-chairmen.

THE PURPOSE of the roundtable discussion is to give the delegates themselves a chance to exchange views. They will also analyze, with the aid of the co-chairmen, the remarks made by the speaker.

Wednesday evening, following a barbecue in the Grove, a panel discussion will be presented. Dr. James M. Buchanan, Dr. William R. Kintner, and Edward S. Marcus will make up the panel, which will discuss "The United States and World Economy."

THURSDAY, the delegates will have two more roundtable discussions sandwiched around

lunch at Sbis Dining Hall. At 3 p.m., the delegates will meet informally with His Excellency Agha Shahi, Pakistan Mission to the United Nations, Gen. Johnson, and Cong. Olin E. Teague.

Following the meeting at 5 p.m., the Corps of Cadets will pass in review for the SCONA delegates. The review will be in honor of Shahi, Gen. Johnson, reviewing officer, Cong. Teague, and all SCONA XIV participants.

THAT EVENING, following a smorgasbord in the MSC Ballroom, delegates will hear Gen. Johnson speak on "U.S. Military Programs in Foreign Countries." A reception for the General and a concert by the Singing Cadets will round out the day.

Friday will be the same as Thursday up to dinner time, when the delegates will dine at Duncan Dining Hall. Following the meal, they will see the Town Hall presentation of The Romanian Folk Ballet as guests of Town Hall.

FOLLOWING roundtable discussions on Saturday, delegates will eat lunch and hear White deliver the closing address of the conference.

The public is invited to all speeches and roundtable discussions during the conference, noted SCONA Publicity Chairman Dave Mayfield. All speeches will be given in the Ballroom of the Memorial Student Center.

Delegates will be housed in the MSC and in local motels during their stay here. If any student desires information on the conference, or any delegate needs assistance, a SCONA office will be manned at all times in the Serpentine Lounge on the second floor of the MSC.

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# SCONA Speakers Show Variety

Principal speakers for SCONA XIV include a special assistant to the President, an economics professor, a department store chain head, a distinguished writer and a former Army chief of staff.

The conference will begin with a keynote address by Walt Rostow, special assistant to President Johnson on State Department affairs, who will address the conference on "The American Commitment Abroad." Rostow has served as special assistant since April, 1966. He was appointed in Dec. 1961 as counselor for the Department of State and chairman of the policy planning council, where he served until his appointment as a presidential assistant.

ROSTOW, considered by many political observers as one of the nation's leading authorities on State Department policy, has advised both President Johnson and the late President Kennedy on foreign affairs in Vietnam, Cuba, and the rest of the trouble spots of the world.

A panel discussion will be held later Wednesday on "The United States and World Economy." Panel members are Dr. James Buchanan, professor of economics at the University of California at Los Angeles; Edward S. Marcus, executive vice-president of the Neiman-Marcus department store chain, and Dr. William R. Kintner, deputy director of the Foreign Policy Research Institute of the University

of Pennsylvania. Dr. Buchanan's main fields of research and writing are public finance and collective decision-making. He is a former president of the Southern Economic Association, and is currently on the Executive Committee of the American Economic Association.

MARCUS HAS been actively involved in inter-American affairs for 25 years in addition to his duties with Neiman-Marcus, and is the first president of the newly-formed Association of the Partners of the Alliance. The U.S. State Department recently presented the Department's Special Award for Leadership to Marcus.

Dr. Kintner's major areas of competence are international political and military affairs of the United States and Communist countries. Kintner serves as deputy director of the Foreign Policy Research Institute, professor of Political Science at the University of Pennsylvania and as a consultant to Stanford Research Institute.

He has served as chief of long-range plans to the Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army, and has been a member of the planning staff of the National Security Council. On Thursday, Gen. Harold K. Johnson, retired Chief of Staff of (See SCONA, Page 2)

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'DREAM' SCENE

Kathleen Klein, as Hermia, is restrained from attacking her romantic rival Helena to prove a famous line of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream," to be presented at 8 p. m. tonight at the Bryan Civic Auditorium by The National Players as a Town Hall special. Holding Hermia are Lysander (William Watson, left) and Demetrius (Michael Evans, right).

## Directors Approve Board, Room Increases For Fall

The A&M board of directors has approved room and board increase plans previously endorsed by student leaders here.

The new rates, which go into effect next September, increase room, board and laundry assessments \$39 to \$52 per semester, depending on whether the student chooses the five- or seven-day meal plan and air-conditioned room.

BOARD MEMBERS also authorized an increase in room deposits and a plan whereby students might be charged a premium for the privilege of having a private dormitory room.

University officials outlined the proposed rate increases for members of the Student Senate last week and gained their approval.

STUDENTS residing in non-air-conditioned rooms will have room, board and laundry rates increased \$39 per semester if they select the five-day meal

plan and \$43 if they choose the full seven-day plan. Students living in air-conditioned rooms will have an increase of \$48 under the five-day plan and \$52 for the seven-day plan.

The room deposit will be increased next year from \$30 to \$75 for new students, but university officials explained the additional \$45 will be applied toward the first payment for room, board and laundry. In effect, students will continue to pay only a \$30 deposit.

THE THIRD provision establishes procedures for the university to offer students private rooms at one and one-half times

the per-person rate during summer sessions and the second semester of the regular school year.

Cherry said the new policy would not mean every student who resided alone would be charged the higher rate — only if the student asked to be moved to a private room.

Despite the increases, rates here will continue to be among the lowest in the nation, Cherry pointed out. A recent survey of the 100 members of the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges showed A&M ranked 93rd in cost of tuition, fees, room and board.

## Liberal Arts Council To Study Scheduling 90-Minute Classes

The Liberal Arts Council appointed a four-man committee Monday night to investigate the possibility of starting a program for classes to last an hour and a half after an informal discussion with H. L. Heaton, university registrar.

Members of the council had raised the question at a previous meeting and asked Heaton to discuss the practicality of scheduling hour and a half class periods on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

"In building a schedule of classes we must account for the best possible use of limited facilities, the professors, the courses that must be taken and the need of the students," said Heaton.

"Right now we are spending approximately 400 man hours preparing the class schedules for the fall of 1969. Our purpose is to get students classes that they need, but not necessarily when they want them."

Heaton mentioned that the problem of finding a working class schedule started around 15 years ago when Saturday classes were abolished at A&M so that cadets would have Saturday mornings for drills instead of Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

"The class schedules for each week are now staggered. For example, the third meeting of a Tuesday and Thursday 8 o'clock class is on Friday at 1 p.m.," said Heaton. "We have tried twice in the past to schedule extended class periods but the Academic Council turned us down."

Dr. Charles McCandless, assistant dean of Liberal Arts, told members that extended class periods would cause a difficulty in the scheduling of lab periods.

## Filing Deadline Nears For Fish CSC Position

Freshmen interested in representing their class on the Civilian Student Council should apply this week, said Paul Ammons, Council assistant.

Freshmen may pick up applications at the Memorial Student Center Student Programs office. They must be completed and turned in to Howard Perry, residence hall programs adviser, room 8, YMCA, by noon Friday. Ammons noted that applicants must be full-time students and have a 1.25 g.p.r. at mid-semester.

The Council Executive Committee will interview applicants next week. The freshman selected will be presented to the Council Dec. 12.

Freshmen with questions should contact Ammons at 845-2057.

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an hour of activity such as intramurals during the evening disrupts the studying for the whole night," said McCandless. "Therefore, they dislike the idea of night classes, though they would ease the current problem. We will be forced to schedule them in the future, however."

Bob Peek, chairman of the Council, appointed four members to study class scheduling problems and, possibly, correspond with other schools now using extended class periods in their schedules. If enough interest is generated the question might be brought to the attention of the Student Senate.

Peek also told councilmen the new Liberal Arts suggestion box to be placed in the Academic Building is for any ideas that Liberal Arts majors or any student taking a Liberal Arts course might have in improving the program.

## Fish To Elect Class Officers, Four Senators

Freshman class elections will be held Wednesday with one additional candidate for Student Senate representative, announced Tommy Henderson, election commission vice-president for publicity.

Louis B. Ullrich will be listed as a candidate for student senator now, said Henderson. His name was not included earlier due to an error in determining eligibility. The addition of Ullrich brings to 93 the number of people seeking 13 positions.

The election will be in the basement of the Memorial Student Center from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Activity and identification cards will be needed to vote.

Students will be voting to fill four class offices: president, vice-president, social secretary, and secretary-treasurer. They will also elect four representatives to the Student Senate and five members to the election commission.

The Senators and election commissioners will be elected by plurality, Henderson noted. Other offices, to be decided by a majority vote, will be decided, if necessary, by a run-off on Dec. 12.

Henderson also noted that new election rules will be in effect, and urged all freshmen to "get out and vote for your representatives."

**WEATHER**  
Wednesday — Cloudy. Winds Northerly 10 to 15 mph. High 61, low 31.  
Thursday — Cloudy to partly cloudy. Winds Southerly 10 to 15 mph. High 68, low 28.