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SCONA XIV Keynoter Rostow To Teach At Texas University

Walt W. Rostow, scheduled speaker at today's opening session of the Fourteenth Student Conference on National Affairs and special assistant to President Johnson, will join the University of Texas at Austin faculty Feb. 1, according to Associated Press reports.

Rostow's wife will also become a member of the faculty at that time, the AP reported.

Rostow will hold a joint appointment as professor of economics and history. Mrs. Rostow will become an associate professor of government. Texas-Austin announced the appointments Tuesday.

Rostow was appointed to the White House staff by the late President John Kennedy in 1961 as a deputy special assistant to the president for national security affairs. He has been special assistant to President Johnson since 1966.

A FORMER professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Rostow is the author of such books as "The Status of Economic Growth," and "The Dynamics of Soviet Society."

The 52-year-old professor also taught at Columbia University and worked with the Office of Strategic Services, Division of German-Austrian Economic af-

fairs, the State Department and as a special assistant on the Economic Commission for Europe.

MRS. ROSTOW has been conducting a graduate seminar at American University in Washington, D. C. She was the first woman to teach at MIT, serving on the faculty from 1952 until 1961.

Rostow, a staunch advocate of the U.S. involvement in the Vietnam war, has become one of President Johnson's closest advisers in recent years.

"He is the last man the President talks to at night and the first one he talks to in the morning," said J. Wayne Stark, director of the Memorial Student Center. "He and the President confer on many top secret items."

Rostow spent part of the Thanksgiving holidays with the President at the LBJ Ranch, west of Austin.

"He is really a very interesting man," Stark commented. "He is highly intelligent and very capable."

Trial Date Pending For SNCC Worker

The trial of an organizer for the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) will be scheduled for sometime after the first of January in Brazos County Court, County Atty. D. B. Cofer Jr. said Tuesday.

A county grand jury indicted Terry Lewis Ardrey last week on charges of carrying a prohibited weapon on licensed premises.

Ardrey, of Austin, was arrested Oct. 31 when he made a call from a telephone booth at a U-Tote-M store in College Station. Brazos County sheriff's officers had received a report from Houston police that an armed man was on a bus headed for College Station.

Ardrey told authorities at the time of his arrest that he had come here to speak to the local chapter of the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS).

Brian Foye, local SDS member, later said that Ardrey had come to speak to the Afro-American Society, an off-campus organization.

Ardrey had a piece of paper containing the names of Foye, Leon Greene (a member of the

Afro-American Society) and Rev. Wesley Seeliger, Episcopal pastor in College Station.

Rev. Seeliger said Tuesday night that he has never met Ardrey and had never heard of him until Dean of Students James P. Hannigan contacted him about the note found in Ardrey's possession.

"My guess is that the Episcopal chaplain at the University of Houston told him about me," Seeliger said. "He (the chaplain) has done a lot of work with Negro groups at Texas Southern University."

Ardrey was held in the Brazos County Jail overnight and released on \$1,000 bond the next day.

"I understand that he went to Austin after he was released, but I don't know where he is now," Seeliger remarked.

WEATHER

Thursday—Partly cloudy. Wind South 10 to 15 mph. High 68, low 42.

Friday—Partly cloudy to cloudy. Wind South 15 to 20 mph. Becoming cloudy in late afternoon. High 68, low 46.



REGISTRATION BEGINS

A&M SCONA delegate Buddy Mason registers with Mrs. Carl Shafer at SCONA Headquarters on the second floor of the Memorial Student Center. Mason beat the rush that started at 8 a. m. today as approximately 125 delegates from 60 schools began converging on the registration table. (Photo by W. R. Wright)

Year-Old Cyclotron Institute Sets Open House Saturday

Texas A&M's Cyclotron Institute will celebrate the first anniversary of operation of its giant "atom smasher" with a general open house Saturday.

Gilbert Witsell, associate director of the Institute, said doors to the facility will be open from 2 until 10 p.m.

"WE INVITE the entire general public out to see our facilities," Witsell noted, "but we especially hope high school science students from throughout the area will come visit us."

He noted the Saturday program will be the only time during the year the cyclotron will be open to the general public.

Institute personnel, Witsell

added, will be located at strategic points to explain operations. Each cyclotron experimenter will also establish a display and discuss his work.

THE \$6 million cyclotron installation, largest in the Southwest, was formally dedicated Dec. 4, 1967, by Atomic Energy Commission Chairman Glenn T. Seaborg.

Operating time for the machine has continually been increased and is now set at 24 hours per day, Monday through Friday, Witsell said.

He pointed out several top space and medical research institutions have expressed interest in utilizing the cyclotron for research purposes. Its first off-

campus users was a University of Pennsylvania scientific team engaged in cancer research. The group, headed by Dr. James T. Brennan, internationally recognized radiologist, has been here twice and will be back for another experiment early next year.

Government Gives \$800,000 For A&M Engineer Center

The first grant toward construction of a \$9 million engineering center to house undergraduate and graduate instruction and research here has been announced by the U. S. Office of Education. A&M officials received word of the \$800,000 grant under Title II of the Higher Education Facilities Act of 1963 through Congressman Olin E. Teague.

The building, to consist of 317,575 gross square feet in a basement, four floors and penthouse, will be located across Spence Street and facing the Cyclotron Center, noted President Earl Rudder.

Physical Plants manager Howard Badgett said plans call for taking bids at the April meeting of the Board of Directors, starting construction later next year and proposed completion by September, 1970.

Total development cost of the structure located next to the Graduate Research Center is \$9,314,568.

Badgett said other funds in the form of Title I grant are expected. A&M will supply an additional third.

Architects Plan Art Exhibition

A Ferdinand Roten Galleries exhibition of original prints by classic and contemporary artists will be displayed Dec. 12 in the Architecture Building.

Edward J. Romieniec, School of Architecture chairman, said the exhibition will be open for free public viewing from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The exhibition will be located in the first floor gallery. More than 1,000 original etchings, lithographs and woodcuts by such artists as Picasso, Chagall, Miro, Goya, Renoir, Baskin and Kollwitz are included in the exhibition. Also on display will be manuscript pages of Western and Oriental works of the 13th to 20th centuries.

Prints will range in value from \$5 to \$1,000, with most under \$100. A Roten Galleries representative, H. Westlund, will answer questions about graphic art and printmaking.

SCONA Tonight

Panel Presentation, 8:00 p. m.

"The United States and World Economy"

Dr. James M. Buchanan
Dr. William R. Kintner
Edward S. Marcus



HERE FRIDAY

The high-stepping Romanian Folk Ballet will set the G. Rollie White Coliseum stage trembling with their fast-paced dancing at 8 p. m. Friday. Admission to the Town Hall performance is by season ticket, student activity card or Bryan Rotary Community Series pass.

Placement Office Wants 'Qualified' Santa For Xmas

How's your "ho, ho, ho?" The Student Placement Office has a job opening for a qualified student.

"We need somebody with the right attitude, aptitude and girth," remarked Robert M. Logan, office director.

The office's job call list includes a position as a stand-in Santa Claus requested by a Bryan department store. The seasonal-type job requiring patience, appropriate size and ability to get along with youngsters is the first such opening placed with the office.

"But we have some unusual ones," Logan added.

The typical opening available to A&M students desiring part-time work is from architectural drafting to auto mechanic and sales personnel. Area firms, businessmen and individuals also ask for caretakers, music lessons, baby sitters, drummers and guitar players for musical groups and funeral home drivers.

"If you stay here long enough, you get all kinds," Logan remarked, then mused, "Now let's see, where do we find someone to wear a size 60 belt . . ."

For Committee Members

Planning For SCONA Is Year-Round Student Project

For delegates to Texas A&M's Fourteenth Student Conference on National Affairs, today will mark the beginning of four days of lively discussion and debate. For the A&M students who make up the SCONA XIV Committee, it will mean the beginning of the end of 10 months of planning and hard work.

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

THE FACT is, a meeting of over 140 students from more than 60 colleges in the South and Southwest, Mexico and Canada, to discuss topics ranging from the American commitment abroad to the exercise of American political power, and featuring speeches by top-ranking government officials and their top-ranking 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 an almost frightening one," commented J. Wayne Stark, director of the Memorial Student Center and foremost SCONA adviser.

"The job is so big that it takes a part-time professional stenographer 12 months a year to support the correspondence and the paperwork."

OF THE FIVE such conferences sponsored by American colleges, Stark pointed out, SCONA is the only one in which students raise the entire amount of operating funds, which this year totals over \$20,000. 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 speakers 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 Limits and Responsibilities of U. S. Power," he had an 80 page background paper drawn up by members of the library staff.

A&M STUDENTS began planning for this year's conference in February, when the SCONA Committee met to evaluate SCONA XIII and offer suggestions for improvement. At that point, SCONA XIV chairman-elect Don McCrory of College Station, took over leadership of the committee, organizing a new membership drive and calling for suggested themes and topics for SCONA XIV. This planning continued through March, when the Easter Finance Drive was organized.

"The Easter Drive is a major operation in itself," McCrory 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."

BUT AS complex an operation as the drive is, it isn't the only activity for SCONA leaders during March. Interviews for 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.

IN RECENT YEARS, these have included American and Mexican businessmen in Monterrey 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.

For students who attend summer sessions at A&M, work continues through July and August as correspondence 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.

NEXT BEGINS the big job of inviting speakers. The Program chairman contacts experts in the conference topic by mail, telegram, and sometimes by 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 chairmen is typically varied, including embassy representatives

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