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Great Issues To Present Black America Seminar

Examination of one of America's problems close to every citizen — social change advocated by the minority Negro — will be examined Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in a Black America Seminar here.

The Great Issues presentation will feature Congressman James C. Corman, California Democrat and riot commission member; Charles E. Fager, former assistant to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and Negro intellectual Daniel Watts, publisher-editor of the "Liberator" magazine.

SEMINAR sessions in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom will begin daily at 8 p.m., announced Tom Fitzhugh of Waco, seminar series chairman. A&M students, their wives and season ticketholders will be admitted free. Adult single admission will be \$1.50, faculty or community. High school student tickets are 75 cents.

The seminar, an intensive three-day study of efforts and activities of the Negro minority to obtain social changes for equality, will examine both violence and moderation as instruments of change.

CONG. CORMAN will discuss the controversial riot commission (Kerner) report in the first session.

"The report placed primary blame for internal disorder and racial tension on what it called 'white racism,'" Fitzhugh said. "We hope Cong. Corman will further explain commission findings and that a large, responsive audience will be present to discuss the report."

FAGER WILL discuss "White Reflections on Black Power," title of his first book. The Harvard Divinity School student has just finished the final draft of a new volume on the failure of the poor people's march. Jailed three times during the Selma, Ala., marches of 1965-66, he earlier spent more than a year with Dr. King's Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

Described by one columnist as "the real voice of the Negro ghetto," Watts is one of the nation's most vocal black intellectuals.

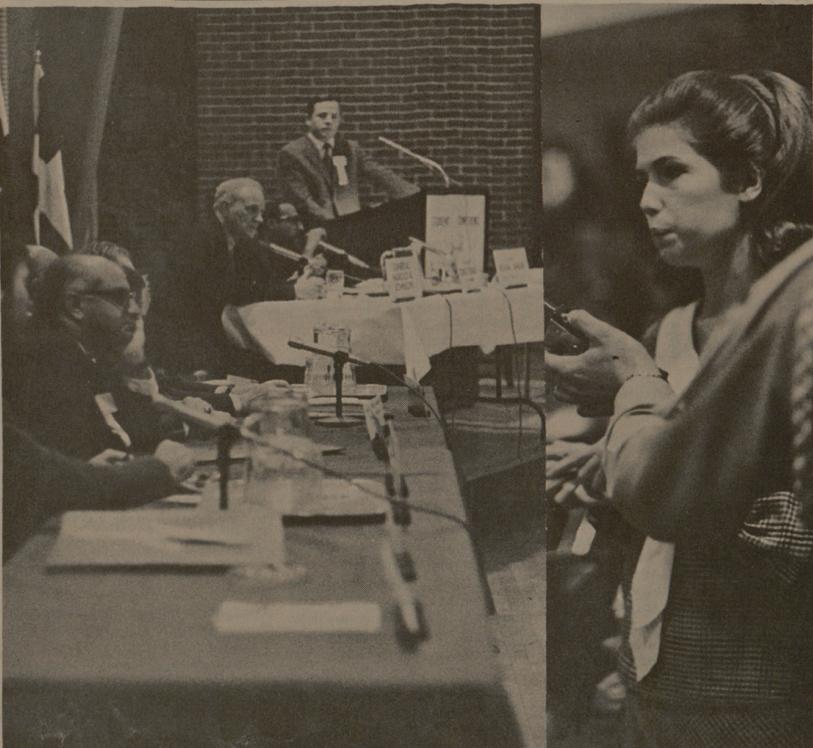
THE COLUMBIA architecture graduate gave up a promising career to found the Afro-American Research Institute and "Liberator," mouthpiece of the Negro intellectual.

The 15,000-circulation magazine has featured the work of many leading Negro authors, including poet-playwright Leroi Jones. Watts has lectured at colleges and universities across America and been the subject of articles in virtually all the nation's slick magazines.

"HE IS AN articulate, intelligent and intelligible man who realistically explores the various objectives, aspirations and ideologies of the many splinter Negro groups," Fitzhugh added. "His arguments are based on facts and logic. They give new insight and understanding to burning internal issues this nation must face up to now."

Representative Corman serves on the powerful House Ways and Means Committee and the Select Committee on Small Businesses. For his eight years work in Congress, Los Angeles city officials, the Marine Corps commandant, VFW, UCLA and Mexican-American Political Association honored Corman. He won the 1964 Human Rights Award and his citation for the Holzer Award cites "outstanding service in fostering good will and understanding among religious and racial groups."

Army Chief Opposes Dividing U.S. Power



General Harold K. Johnson, center, responds to a question put by pretty SCONA delegate at an informal session Thursday afternoon. Dr. William C. Gibbons, head of the Political Science Department, stands at the podium. (Photo by W. R. Wright)

Johnson Sees Military's Role As Stabilizer

By TIM SEARSON
Battalion Staff Writer
A grave error lies in separating elements of national power into political, economic and military sections, Gen. Harold K. Johnson (ret.), former Army chief of staff, warned delegates of the 14th Student Conference on National Affairs Thursday. "No single element can be discussed without involving another," he said.

"The military's purpose is to provide order and stability under which the government can function effectively. "CHANGE must be orderly, controlled and deliberately patterned according to the laws of the particular country. Military power should be in the wings and used only by the political branch in times of turbulence."

He explained how the national policy since 1945 has been one of collective security. The dismantling process of the U. S. military after World War II proved to be a serious mistake when the Korean conflict started and cost 32,000 Americans their lives.

"In dealing with the security of our nation, we must be hard-nosed and practical," he said. "There comes a point when our ideal has to be set on a pedestal and we must stand in front to guard it."

JOHNSON called upon any member of the audience to name any nation more beneficent than the United States regardless of the amount of money, goods and services sent overseas. At this point he differed with keynote speaker Walt Rostow, who was vague in saying whether the U.S. dealt with governments or people.

"Our aid programs are directed toward the people of an undeveloped country," Johnson said. "However, we must work through the government of the specific country to improve the dignity of its people, which is our basic objective."

THE FORMER Army chief of staff told how U.S. military bases are situated in 99 countries over the world. The question of whether the U.S. is the police force of the world then arises, but Johnson countered that we must give our share as long as we depend on collective security.

"The American youth cannot escape involvement in the problems of his country," said Johnson. "He may not see the immediate threat to his way of living now, but our actions in Vietnam and other areas may affect how his son or his grandson will live."

JOHNSON mentioned how our national power is worthless without a solid and unanimous base of support. He called the employment of the regular Army troops on American streets "one of the tragedies of our time."

"Stop and think about what we have to back up the Army if it fails to bring order—a big nothing," said Johnson. "We must recognize that no freedom can exist in the absence of effective defense or if the people try to destroy the very base of freedom."

HE NAMED the number one area for defense as the U.S., followed closely by Latin America. The Southeast Asian combat zone is the third area because our past commitments make it impossible to throw away any future aid. "We must realize that each one of us is a captive of environment. Our emerging adults, the finest ever produced, are willing to stand up and be counted." "You may be called upon to preserve this nation with your life," he said. "We must put up our guard when danger appears, not when holocaust is evident."

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Gingrich Loses Presidency Of Junior Class

By JANIE WALLACE
Battalion Staff Writer

John R. Gingrich, president of the junior class, was removed from office Thursday, after being placed on conduct probation due to an incident in Duncan Dining Hall.

The action was taken by Malon J. Southerland, civilian advisor to the Corps and assistant advisor to the junior class. Southerland acted as spokesman for Dean of Students James P. Hannigan.

"Jimmy Dunham, vice-president of the junior class, will act as temporary president until the election commission decides on what to do," said Hannigan.

Gingrich was placed on probation because, according to Maj. George E. Strebeck, assistant to the Commandant, he "either initiated or escalated" a food-throwing incident in Duncan Dining Hall on Nov. 21 during Thanksgiving Dinner.

Gingrich refused to comment. The decision is based on regulations in the University handbook which state:

"Minimum requirements for students selected or elected in officially recognized student organizations or clubs, including classes, shall be as follows: . . . may not be on scholastic or conduct probation.

"If vacancies occur during the year in the positions listed in paragraphs 64 and 65 above (including class officers) filling must

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Red China Is Needed In UN, Pakistan Ambassador Says

By BOB PALMER
Battalion New Editor

In the interest of world peace, Red China must be admitted to the United Nations, Agaha Shahi, Pakistan ambassador to the U.N., declared Thursday.

The remarks came as part of a panel discussion including Shahi, Congressman Olin E. Teague and General Harold K. Johnson during the second day of the Student Conference on National Affairs.

"CHINA IS an original member of the UN and the security council," Shahi, giving the historical background for his stand, said, "She was expected to carry a large burden of the peacekeeping effort."

"Is the present government that we recognize capable of supplying a large force to stop aggression? Can Chiang Kai-Shek speak for all the people on mainland China?" Shahi asked.

SHAHI ARGUED that the Communist government on the mainland has controlled the people there for 19 years and meets the requirements for UN membership.

"We must get China to partici-

pate in the nuclear treaties," Shahi continued. "The only way to accomplish this is to have her discuss the terms of the treaty while it is being written in the UN."

A SHORT debate flared between the other two panelists to the closed meeting, Teague and Johnson. They differed on the proposed pay increase for congressmen, the president and vice president.

Both agreed that it was a first step toward getting better pay for the lower government officers, which Johnson considered essential to attract top personnel.

TEAGUE pointed out that with current inflation and high government spending, this increased expenditure would seriously worsen the inflationary trend.

The Congressman from the local district also argued that higher pay was not as essential as the general thought.

GEN. JOHNSON described for the delegates the military picture in South Vietnam.

"We have a progressively improving military situation, the enemy's capability is being reduced every day. As the South

Vietnamese become better able to defend themselves, we will be able to withdraw small amounts of men at a slow rate."

Gen. Johnson, in response to a question by an A&M Maritime Academy cadet, maintained that a large merchant fleet is vital to the defense of the United States.

"AT PRESENT we ship 98 per cent of our supplies to Vietnam by sea," the former Army chief of staff said. "Our military effectiveness would be severely hampered if we did not have a large merchant fleet."

The retired four star general attacked the effectiveness of the proposed nuclear non-proliferation treaty.

"I don't believe the treaty can halt the spread of nuclear weapons," Johnson said. "The technology of some advanced countries is such that they could produce nuclear weapons if they feel it in their interest to do so."

"I ALSO question the motives of our opponents," Johnson continued. "I don't believe a treaty would stop them from supplying nuclear weapons to another nation if they wanted to."

Shahi ended the meeting with an appeal to the major powers to let principle and justice guide their use of power.

"Power cannot be divorced from principle," Shahi said. "If (See Pakistan, Page 3)



DANIEL WATTS



JAMES CORMAN

A&M Fish Drill Team To March In Houston, Here This Weekend

The Fish Drill Team will march in two places at the same time this weekend, the 6th Gulf States competition in Houston and the annual Bryan - College Station Christmas Parade.

Senior Adviser Mike Casey of Washington, D. C., said 84 members will be divided into three units for the team's first competition of the year.

George Barrientos of San Antonio will command the 34-cadet unit to march in the 12-team University of Houston meet. Entries will come from Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas. The fish will be among the competition's four top contenders, including St. Mary's University's Marion Guard, the Lowman Rifles of Sam Houston State and U-H's Cougar Rifles.

"This will be the team's first taste of competition and first appearance as the defending national champs," Casey noted. "We're confident the team can place high. I know they'll do their best."

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A&M's team in the Houston meet will be the same group that appeared in home football game march-ins and before the A&M-TU freshman game. Team sponsor Malon Southerland will accompany the unit.

Twenty and 31-cadet units will march in the 10 a.m. Saturday parade in downtown Bryan.

Commanders will be Arthur Eng of San Antonio and Kenneth A. Black of Abilene. Junior advisor Steve Nichols of Crystal Lake, Ill., and Army Lt. Col. Gerald J. Harber will be with the units.

Last year's Fish Drill Team won the national championship at the National Intercollegiate ROTC Drill competition at the Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington, D. C.

SCONA
Tomorrow
Round-Up Speech
William S. White
12 noon, MSC Ballroom

But Mexicans Make It To SCONA

Student Strife Almost Deters Delegation

Student strikes in Mexico almost torpedoed attendance of the largest delegation to the Fourteenth Student Conference on National Affairs this week.

The energetic efforts of an internationally-minded senora, however, saved the day and helped provide the Latin influence for the four-day conference which has attracted delegates from 60 North American colleges and universities. Mexico has 10 delegates at the A&M meeting, compared to two from Canada.

GUIDING light in bringing the Mexican students up was Mrs. Arturo Gomez, former New Yorker who moved to Mexico City 20 years ago and serves as a free-lance interpreter.

She headed a 90-member interpreter corps for the recent Olympics and has participated in some 200 international conferences, including several sponsored by the United Nations and the Organization of American States (OAS).

MRS. GOMEZ also is in charge of Mexico's "Experiment in International Living" program, a student-exchange program through which she became involved with SCONA at Texas A&M.

In previous years, Mexican students had little difficulty coming to SCONA because it coincided with their university holidays, Mrs. Gomez explained. THIS YEAR, there are no holi-

days, she added, because there is no school — at least there wasn't when she and the SCONA delegates departed.

Student unrest in Mexico came to a head shortly before the start of the Olympics in October, Mrs. Gomez noted, and resulted in formation of the National Strike Committee which is making demands that the government cannot meet.

WEATHER

Saturday—Partly cloudy, winds, Southerly 10 to 12 mph. High 68, low 38.

Sunday — Partly cloudy to cloudy. Winds Northerly 10 to 15 mph. High 64, low 33.

"THINGS ARE in a sort of crisis now, as far as the school calendar is concerned," she observed.

Many of the students who might originally have come to SCONA declined this year because they were afraid school might start while they are away.

MRS. GOMEZ was slightly apprehensive about her delegates, since they represented a cross-section of backgrounds, rather than emphasizing economics and politics. She discovered, however, the U. S. students also had varied backgrounds.

She said all the Mexican students — eight youths and two coeds — were willing to take their chances on missing the

start of school to have the opportunity to participate in SCONA.

"ALTHOUGH they have a slight language problem," Mrs. Gomez observed, "they are all contributing to the discussions."

IN ADDITION to helping bring students to A&M for the conference, Mrs. Gomez helps the Aggies when they make their annual SCONA fund-raising trip to Mexico. She operates a mini-version of "Experiment in International Living" for them, arranging for them to be guests of Mexican families, rather than staying in hotels.

The last venture worked out so well that one Aggie is unofficially engaged to the daughter of the family in whose home he visited.