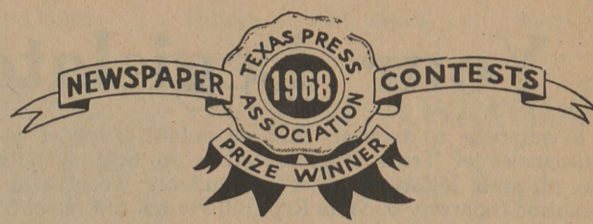




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Great Issues Dedicates Urban Forum To 'Ike'

The Great Issues Committee has dedicated its April 15-18 Urban Affairs Conference to the memory of Gen. Dwight Eisenhower, Tom Fitzhugh, chairman-elect, announced Tuesday.

"I wish all the participants in the... conference great success in this very promising and inspiring enterprise," Nixon said. "Your group includes many of the leaders whose energy and imagination will be the key to solving our urban problems..."

of Engineering and the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Foundation, has already received praise by telegram from President Richard Nixon.

The issues committee is sponsoring two keynote speakers during the opening and closing sessions of the four-day meeting, working jointly with the college and foundation on Reddin's appearance.

One of the committee's speakers will be Dr. Scott Greer of Northwestern University. The sociology professor will address the closing session April 16 on "Urban Revitalization."

A second Great Issues speaker is John D. Duba, a city planner for New York City and one-time deputy mayor of Chicago. He will speak on "The Future of the Cities—Can They Survive?"

Another will be Dr. Nathan Glazer, a visiting professor of sociology at Harvard University, who will speak on "Man and the Megalopolis."

Engineering Dean Fred J. Benson explained the conference will be presented in two parts, one featuring the two keynote speakers and the second, a symposium April 15-16.

The theme paper will be presented by A&M's Charles H. Samson Jr. and Charles Pinnell of civil engineering.

Five individual panels will be in session April 16 from 10:30 a.m. until noon, Benson said.

Panelists will discuss various aspects of urban affairs including public works, public development, public health, public protection and urban administration, Benson said.

"We hope to examine the major problems of urban areas," he emphasized, "and consider the use of new technology and the systems approach."

He said agencies participating will also examine the use of "a multi-disciplinary (team approach)" and study the role of engineering education in preparing engineers for service in urban areas.

The 26 A&M student delegates elected last week to the more than 200-delegate conference are William G. Holt, Robert A. Sikes, George W. Ingram, Gloria Shone, Marco A. Lugo, Mrs. Wajeda J. Rab, John Compton, Jim C. Richardson, and Abraham H. Awabdy.

Also, Khamdker Shahidur Rab, Michael Ward, Gerald Rapp, Kirby Brown, Don B. McCrory, Jim Finane, Thomas R. Kohler, Al Reinert, Donald Branson, Garry Mauro, Tommy Henderson, Bill Mahomes, Jr., Doanid L. White, David Zoelner, William Dubel, Jr., Jess B. Rhoden and Allen E. Giles.

Applications Due For Travel Posts

Applications for leadership positions in the Memorial Student Center Travel Committee are available until Friday at the MSC Student Program office, according to Paul Scopel, chairman-elect.

Teamwork Key To Space Effort, NASA Official Tells Pledges

By TONY HUDDLESTON
Battalion Staff Writer

A joint effort by all professions in the five areas of a space project is needed if it is to succeed, a National Aeronautics and Space Administration official said Tuesday.

Paul Purser, special assistant to the director of the Manned Spacecraft Center at Houston, addressed 196 Phi Eta Sigma pledges and their guests.

"Each space project is divided into five areas, the Louisiana native said. "They are the individuals who make the flights, the construction of the spacecraft, the propulsion capabilities needed

for the flight, the mission and the spacecraft operation."

"The construction of the spacecraft is the first step in a space project," Purser said. "It is the responsibility of structural engineers and other scientists to plan and build a spacecraft that will be protected from meteorites and the sun's rays and also provide it with adequate power and control measures."

"The propulsion capabilities of the spacecraft next must be calculated by chemists and chemical engineers before the flight because the capability of each of the craft's rockets must be known to successfully plan the number of orbits the craft will make," Purser said.

The next step is the selection of the individuals who will make the flight, Purser said. The people selected for these flights are already trained in their areas of the space project, so that no basic scientific knowledge is needed.

The mission is the most important area because the times for launching, the environmental conditions of the area where the spacecraft will travel, and the weather conditions must be calculated before the flight, Purser added.

"It is the job of mathematicians, computer programmers, astronomers, and other scientists at NASA to prepare data about these conditions," he noted. "Without this data, space flight would be virtually impossible because man couldn't survive if these conditions were unknown."

The operation of the spacecraft is basically the responsibility of the electronic technicians who plan the tracking and flight path of the spacecraft, and the armed forces who recover the craft, after it has completed its flight, Purser noted.

Purser concluded by showing slides and a film of the recent Apollo 9 flight.

The 196 Phi Eta Sigma initiates represented an increase of 50 percent over last year, according to junior adviser Mike Welsh. Phi Eta Sigma is an honor fraternity for freshmen who rank in the top five per cent of their class.

Reapportioning Plan Approved By Execs

Panel Tacks On 3 Recommendations

By DAVID MIDDLEBROOKE
Battalion Staff Writer

Student Senate reapportionment, passed by the Senate March 20, was approved Tuesday by the University Executive Committee and will be sent to the Academic Council for final action.

The committee also recommended three changes in the plan to the Senate, said Dean of Students James P. Hannigan as he made the announcement.

"The Senate may adopt these suggestions or not, as it sees fit," Hannigan explained. "They are just comments made by the Executive Committee."

Hannigan also said that the recommendations will be forwarded to the Academic Council along with the plan for reapportionment.

ONE recommendation, "in order to answer complaints from some of the smaller colleges," is a recommendation that each college have at least one representative per class. Under the proposed plan, the College of Geosciences has only one at-large representative.

Another recommendation is that, due to its size, the freshman class should have 10 representatives instead of the proposed five.

The third recommendation, Hannigan said, was a change in wording to make it clear that third, second, and first year veterinary medicine students are distinct from classified seniors, juniors, and sophomores.

"The Committee believes that freshmen are frequently the ones who see things they think ought to be changed," Hannigan explained. "The easiest way for them to voice their opinions is through the Senate."

"I AM pleased that reapportionment passed this morning," remarked Bill Carter, Senate president, Tuesday. "I will take their recommendations to the Senate, but I doubt the Senate will change the original plan. Changes require a two-thirds vote, and I don't think we will get it."

"If the Senate sustains the original plan, I will strongly oppose the recommendations," Carter added. "I believe the Senate is a student organization, and if it wants to reapportion, it is its decision and not the Executive Committee's."

In a memorandum to the Committee, the Geosciences Student Council claims that the plan is not a proportional one, that Geosciences is the only college to suffer a cut in representation,

and that Geosciences is the only college electing senators at-large.

THE MEMORANDUM also charges that two classes will go unrepresented, that Geosciences is denied representation, and that the proposal was passed by the Senate with "flaunting of adopted parliamentary procedure, the blatant disregard of the rights of the members of the assembly, and the acceptance by the chair of five illegal... votes to secure a one-vote winning margin."

"I don't agree with any point in it (the memorandum)," remarked Carter. "It's a minority group interest and not worth the trouble to comment."

"All the points raised by the Geosciences people were considered by the Senate," commented Bill Holt, Civilian Student Council Senate representative and originator of the plan. "I hope the Academic Council doesn't try to reform the plan. The entire matter should be handled through student government. The Academic Council should leave our government alone."



WINNING MARGIN
A&M sprinter Curtis Mills turns on a final burst of speed to edge ace Dave Morton for second place in the mile relay in a triangular meet at Kyle Field Thursday. Rice won the event with a 3:10.5 clocking, compared to A&M's 3:13.9. See story, page 4 (Photo by Mike Wright)

SCONA Solicitors Round Up \$12,000

Texas Aggies scored a new victory over the Easter holidays, netting \$12,000 for their December Student Conference on National Affairs (SCONA).

The funds exceeded the announced \$9,000 goal with drives in Midland-Odessa and Bryan-College Station to be made in June, announced Harry Lesser of Brenham, SCONA XV chairman.

The fund drive was part of an overall effort to raise \$12,000 for the university's fifteenth SCONA Dec. 11-13.

SCONA is the only student conference that depends solely on outside funds for support. The conference annually features outstanding personalities discussing world issues.

Although early reports were not complete from 30 Aggies who gave up part of their spring recess to participate in the fund raising, Lesser said he is "sure it will be right at \$12,000."

"We were able to see nearly all of our old sponsors and in several instances, obtain some new ones," he continued.

"Matter of fact," Lesser said, "we've already got some checks in from new sponsors."

Students To Give 'Manners' Panel

Five Texas A&M students will wrap-up a three-part YMCA "Man Your Manners" program at Texas Woman's University in Denton April 10.

The final session will be held in the Academic Center Building at 7:30 p.m. Earlier sessions were held in TWU's Student Center.

The Aggies are David Howard, Houston; Ross Oliver, San Antonio; Monty Goff, Corpus Christi; David Goreyca, Texas City, and Michael Portie, Vidor.

The Aggies were the first to kick off the six-week exchange program which will send the Tesses to Aggieland April 16, 23 and 30.

The students are swapping dating and mating ideas in a Christian context, Howard said. "Man Your Manners" is one of several programs sponsored by the Aggie YMCA Student Cabinet.

Target areas included Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth, Tyler, Longview, Corpus Christi and San Antonio.

Lesser said fund drives will be made for the first time in Midland and Odessa June 2-6, and in the Bryan-College Station area.

"We've got quite a few leads we need to follow up as well," he emphasized.

A third drive will be held again this year in Mexico City and Monterrey during August.

"Black Africa—the Dilemmas of Development," is this year's topic.

John Scott, special editor of Time magazine, was the first invited speaker for this year's conference to accept.

Other invited speakers include Dean Rusk, former secretary of state, and Dr. George Sheppard, chairman of African studies at the University of Denver.

Lesser added that possible roundtable discussions may include the problems of emerging nations, the U. S. relationship with black Africa, the American responsibility in Africa, and tribalism versus nationalism.

Medal Of Honor Society Invites RV's To Confab

The Ross Volunteers will participate in the Medal of Honor Society convention in Houston next fall, President Earl Rudder announced.

Living recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor, the nation's highest decoration for combat valor, are members of the society. It meets every other year and expects 276 members at the Houston get-together Oct. 9-11.

The society president has invited President Nixon to take part in the convention. If he accepts, the RV's will form the official honor guard for the President and the society head.

A Friday parade and Saturday ceremony in the Harris County Domes Stadium are part of the convention.

Dr. Eli L. Whiteley, A&M soil and crop sciences professor, is a Medal of Honor recipient and will attend.

The oldest student organization in the state, the Ross Volunteers form an honor guard for the Texas governor's inauguration and annually participates in

the Rex Parade at Mardi Gras. The elite honor military unit composed of top senior and junior cadets also forms honor guards for visiting dignitaries and is the only unit to participate as such in the April 21 Muster.

Deadline Thursday For 6 Editorships

Thursday is the deadline for filing applications for editorships of Texas A&M's six student publications, reminded Student Publications Department Director Jim Lindsey.

The positions include editor of The Battalion (also 1969 summer editor), Aggieland, The Review, Texas A&M Agriculturist, The Southwest Veterinarian and the Texas A&M Engineer.

Lindsey said application forms are available in the Student Publications Office in the Services Building.

New editors will be formally announced at the annual Student Publications Banquet May 16.

Legislator To Talk On Revision Of State Constitution

Texas Constitution revision will be examined Thursday by Rep. R. H. (Dick) Cory of Victoria in a Political Forum presentation.

Cory's noon series talk will be in Rooms 3B and C of the Memorial Student Center, announced Forum Chairman Ron Hinds of Midland.

Sub-chairman of the House Interim Committee studying the possible revision of the state's constitution, Cory has been state representative of Victoria and Calhoun counties 14 years.

Among the 50-year-old legislator's committee assignments are rules and state affairs, the latter of which he chaired. Among numerous pieces of legislation he wrote or helped author is the "Little Hoover" Commission bill for abolishing waste in government by limiting expenditures and eliminating duplication and overlapping of services.

Cory also has been active in fishing, insurance, real estate, schools and teachers, taxes and water legislation. He wrote the 1967 bill establishing the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Clinic at A&M.

Speech Cancelled By Great Issues

Pulitzer Prize winner Haynes Johnson's Thursday talk has been cancelled here.

A Great Issues spokesman said the rescheduled speakers series presentation was cancelled because of schedule problems. He also noted the date would conflict with the Urban Crisis Conference coming up next week.

Johnson had been rescheduled this week following a February postponement for an assignment. He accompanied President Nixon to Europe and made another overseas tour.

The Memorial Student Center Directorate committee hopes to obtain Johnson as a speaker next fall.

WEATHER

Thursday & Friday — Cloudy to partly cloudy. Early morning and late afternoon thunderstorms. Wind Southerly 10 to 15 mph. High 79, low 68.

University National Bank "On the side of Texas A&M." —Adv.



WHEELS OF PROGRESS

As mountains are made mole hills under the churning wheels of earthmovers, the by-pass east of Bryan and College Station begins to take shape. The 10.5 million construction project, when completed, will stretch from one mile north of Bryan to 2.5 miles south of College Station, intersecting with State Highway 6 at each end. (Photo by Bob Stump)

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