

SCONA XVII gains major ground toward February conference

SCONA XVII gained major ground last week in Washington, D. C., toward the Feb. 16-19 conference on "The Impact of the University" at A&M.

Senator John G. Tower became the first to accept a major session speaker role in the 17th Student Conference on National Affairs.

A Library of Congress report on the topic, roundtable co-chairman commitments from four officials and contacts with experts

were arranged by SCONA student leaders during a four-day period.

SCONA XVII chairman Ben Thurman of Dallas and vice-chairman Chet Edwards of Houston reviewed the trip Monday as "very productive and personally very enlightening."

"Probably the most important thing we accomplished was the possibility of getting a balance of liberal and conservative philosophies represented among speak-

ers," Thurman said.

A large volume of information, such as the White House Conference on Youth report, was supplied the student leaders by the several agencies they contacted.

"Another productive part of the trip was a number of suggestions for speakers from those with whom we talked," Edward reported. "We haven't followed these up, but SCONA now has in hand a vast resource of people with expertise in the subject."

The topic became better defined as a result of the trip, Thurman added. He noted favorable reaction to the topic, SCONA and its objectives was the rule among officials contacted.

"Most of those we interviewed know of SCONA," he commented. "It has a good reputation in Washington. We had a perfect batting average on roundtable co-chairman invitations, with no turn downs."

Thurman and Edwards talked

with Cong. Olin E. Teague, Marshall Moriarty, executive assistant to Elliott L. Richardson, Health, Education and Welfare Department secretary; Dr. Dirk Brown, National Student Education Association director, and Cong. Bob Casey of Houston, among others.

HEW Secretary Richardson is expected to reply to a speaker invitation by December.

Teague, through whose office the Library of Congress report

was arranged, is assisting with arrangements for a panel including a Carnegie Commission on Higher Education member. A panel possible is Congresswoman Edith Green, Oregon Democrat who chairs the House Education and Labor Committee.

Seven co-chairman, including four firm commitments, will represent the National Education Association, American Council on Education, HEW, National Student Education Association, Office of Education, Office of Student and Youth Affairs, White House Conference on Youth, Na-

tional Student Association and National Sea Grant Program.

Doors were opened by White House Fellow Henry Cisneros, 1968 A&M graduate, and Stan Thomas, HEW deputy assistant secretary for student and youth affairs. Thomas spoke at SCONA XVI.

Thurman and Edwards first contacted Cisneros, SCONA XII and XIII official, at the Texas Breakfast Club Thursday in the Rayburn Building. At the event were President Jack Williams, Dr. Richard Wainerdi, A&M assistant vice president for academic affairs; Buck Weirus, Association of Former Students executive director, and Washington Aggies.

The latter included Teague, Congressmen Graham Purcell of Wichita Falls and Dan H. Kuykendall, R-Tenn. Lt. Gen. Ormound R. Simpson, 1936 A&M grad and Marine Corps personnel director, and Cong. O. C. Fisher of San Angelo were present.

Thurman and Edwards watched House debate on Green's amendment to the higher education bill and stayed with Air Force Capt. John Fiegel, 1965 A&M graduate.

Campus briefs

Economic researchers receive NSF grant

Economics researchers at A&M have received a \$42,200 National Science Foundation grant to study pricing patterns.

Dr. M. L. Greenhut, distinguished professor of economics, said the long-range objective is to determine expected pricing patterns and market forms for various kinds of products and compare the theoretical projections with actual business pricing practices.

The Monday through Wednesday program is sponsored by the Texas Transportation Institute, College of Engineering and Civil Engineering Department in cooperation with the Texas Section, American Public Works Association.

Law enforcement legislation explained

Legislation passed by the 62nd Legislature affecting law enforcement will be explained during a Tuesday and Wednesday seminar at A&M.

Ira E. Scott, chief instructor for the Engineering Extension Service's Police Training Division, expects 20 officers to participate from the seven-county Brazos Valley Development Council area.

Map rally planned for Wednesday

A map rally open to all interested drivers will be run Wednesday after a meeting of the A&M Sports Car Club.

President Kerry Bonner said the hour-duration event will start at the old College Station City Hall, 101 S. Church, site of the 7:30 p.m. meeting.

"People who want to compete need only bring a watch, pencil and light to read a map by," Bonner announced. "Maps and instructions will be furnished." Bill Williams and Allen Parker are eventmasters for the TAMSCC map rally.

McGanity to give malnutrition talk

Dr. William J. McGanity of the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston will discuss "Malnutrition in America—Fact or Fantasy" Nov. 18 at A&M.

The lecture is part of a nationwide series sponsored by the American Medical Association Council on Foods and Nutrition, noted Dr. Howard L. Gravett, who heads A&M's pre-medical and pre-dental program.

A&M hosts public works short course

A&M is hosting 125 Texas public utility personnel for the annual Texas Public Works Short Course.

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Simons to talk at short course

Charles E. Simons of Dallas, newest member of the Texas Highway Commission, will be keynote speaker for the 45th annual Highway Short Course Nov. 16-18 at A&M.

NSF gives grant for insect study

Dr. Herbert A. Roller and Dr. Karl H. Dahm of A&M have received a \$25,500 National Science Foundation grant for continued study of juvenile hormones in insects.

Their research is titled "Biosynthesis, Metabolism and Mode of Action of the Juvenile Hormone."

Whistler to lecture on biochemistry

Dr. Roy L. Whistler of Purdue, widely considered an international authority on plant and animal carbohydrates, will visit A&M Nov. 15 for a series of departmental presentations and a graduate lecture.

Whistler is a professor of biochemistry and chairman of Purdue's Institute for Agricultural Utilization Research.

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