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INTERNATIONAL FLAVOR-Dress of different nanalities made the Discovery Program Christmas party colorful event. Comparing fashion notes are (from left)

ty Hernandez of Venezuela and Ann-Christin Unneberg of Norway. They are wives of international students at Texas A&M University. West Coast and Tonsberg variations are erit Kleppe of Norway, Florence Awoyoni of Nigeria, Ket- reflected in the styles of Mrs. Kleppe and Mrs. Unneberg. How Beautiful A Day Can Be When Kindness Touches It.

program said:

Feb. 14-17.

WEDNESDAY — Partly cloudy this afternoon and tonight. Cool tonight. Winds becoming westerly 5 to 15 m.p.h. Low of 40. THURSDAY - Fair. Mild day. High of 70.

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Apollo's Last Voyagers End Exploration Era

"Apollo 17 goes into the record

books as the most perfect mis-

sion, the most sophisticated sci-

ence mission ever conducted.

This closes a golden chapter in

an era of space exploration. It

brings to a close what has been

George Low, deputy director of

the National Aeronautics and

Space Administration, said "Man

has learned that space is his to

explore and man will return to

space to explore, to the moon and

Headed by SCONA XVIII

chairman Chet Edwards of Hous-

ton, they will canvass potential

donors in Houston, Dallas, San

SCONA, one of the student or-

ganized and operated programs

of the Memorial Student Center,

will bring college delegates and

prominent spokesmen to TAMU

in February for consideration of

are allocated the conference,

which operates through student

solicitation. SCONA has been

highly successful, from topic par-

ticipation and financial view-

Finance chairman of the 1973

conference, Scott D. Steffler of

Houston, announced that funding

currently stands at 80 per cent

of the budgeted \$23,500 for SCO-

Largest contributors are the

Moody Foundation, Sid Richard-

son Foundation, Republican Na-

tional Bank of Dallas and the

Houston Endowment. Numerous

friends of Texas A&M also un-

points, for the last 17 years.

No appropriated funds or fees

"The Controlled Society."

Antonio and Fort Worth.

a very romantic era."

By VERN HAUGLAND AP Aviation Writer

ABOARD USS TICONDER-OGA (AP)-The last Apollo voyagers came safely home from the moon Tuesday, splashing down in the Pacific Ocean to end an unprecedented era of exploration and adventure which carried man's quest for the unknown to another world.

Apollo 17 astronauts Eugene A. Cernan, Harrison H. Schmitt and Ronald E. Evans, perhaps the last humans to visit the moon in the 20th Century, parachuted to a bull's-eye landing in their spaceship America that was a fit-

ting climax to the most perfectlyexecuted and scientifically - rewarding of the Apollos.

with data which might alter man's theories about the evolution of the moon, and perhaps our earth and solar system.

Command ship America hit gentle seas 400 miles southeast of American Samoa at 2:25 p.m. EST, just 2.5 miles from this recovery carrier. Commander Cernan happily announced:

"America is stable one in the water . . . All is well on board. We all feel good. We all feel great.'

The spaceship, its exterior blistered by re-entry heat of more than 4,000 degrees, had completed a journey of 1.48 million miles that lasted 12 days, 13 hours 52 minutes. It began with a spectacular night-time blastoff from Cape Kennedy, Fla., at 12:33 a.m. Dec. 7.

Fifty-three minutes after splash, the astronauts were on the deck of the Ticonderoga, where in a brief ceremony, they thanked the recovery team for a "fantastic" job and then went below decks for extensive medical examinations.

Dr. Royce Hawkins, director of medical operations at the space center here, reported an hour later that he had received word from the ship that all three spacemen were in "excellent" physical condition.

President Nixon in Washington issued a statement praising the accomplishments of the Apollo program and stating that the exploration of space "has barely

beyond. Apollo has paved the were both joyous and nostalgic about the final Apollo. Dr. Rocco way." A. Petrone, director of the Apollo The families of Cernan and

Schmitt watched the spectacular splashdown on television at their homes near the space center and Barbara Cernan exuded: "The last has been my man and I couldn't be happier."

Janet Evans tilted her champagne glass toward the TV set and toasted: "Here's to them."

After the landing, the spacemen were lifted one-by-one by a basket chair into a helicopter and were deposited on the deck of the Ticonderoga for a heroes welcome.

arding of the Apollos. Scientists said they returned SCONA Workers **Look For Donors**

Seven Texas A&M students will conference leaders will be shootdevote their Christmas holidays ing for nearly \$3,700 in the to making the 18th Student Con-Christmas - between semesters ference on National Affairs a fiholidays. Delegate registration fees round out SCONA revenues. nancially solvent undertaking

Conference expenses include speaker honorariums, travel and delegate housing, meals, general operation expenses and printing.

SCONA XVII was budgeted at \$20,000 and came out with a \$275 excess. Expenses to date on the 18th conference have been \$3,042.-71, Steffler said.

Soliciting during a week-long fund drive in January will be Edwards, vice chairman Phillip Smith, Kathy Adams and Steffler in Houston; planning committee chairman Steve Kosub in San Antonio; David White, Fort Worth, and Gary Taraba, planning vice chairman, Dallas.

The majority of SCONA XVIII revenues were raised during a summer fund drive.

MSC Director J. Wayne Stark noted that student experience working on SCONA is one of the unseen benefits. Contracts with business executives through the fund drives help build poise and confidence.

"It's something for a junior to walk into an oil executive's office asking for SCONA support," derwrite SCONA with \$50 each Stark once said. "It's an experience in itself just to be nrown

Women Of 33 Countries Students Find Peace, Fun At Party

" is practiced on a person-to-

"Peace on earth, good will to tional students at Texas A&M. It was highlighted Wednesday son basis in a Baptist church at a Discovery Program Christnen's program for interna- mas party at the First Baptist

flavor.

way, Korea, Nigeria and China. Music of India was also sung.

"You'll notice that Dianne

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covery.

Women of at least 33 different nationalities sang carols in sevgroup. eral languages, told about differ-

ences in observing Christmas in their countries and enjoyed refreshments with an international

"Silent Night" was presented in seven languages by student wives from Brazil, Japan, Nor-"Silent Night" in Spanish was offered by women of Argentina, Ecuador, Bolivia, the Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Costa Rica, Venezuela, Panama and Mexico.

(Miles, pianist) played in seven different languages too," smiled Erwin Johnson, music director of

the First Baptist Church in

Israel and Bolivia was described.

tist churches in Bryan and Col-

lege Station participate with in-

ternational student wives in Dis-

Colorful native dress was worn

by most of the 80 student wives

to the Christmas observance.

Some of their children, along

Dr. Williams also called on Dr.

Christmas in China, England,

About 60 women of five Bap-

Church in College Station. with youngsters of the host women, also joined in caroling the

> "We always have a good time and enjoy ourselves," observed Ketty Hernandez, whose home is in Venezuela.

> > A year-around program, Discovery helps the visitors gain confidence and proficiency in English. It also provides training in a variety of areas, such as cooking, sewing and art, which help the women feel at home in America. Eighty to 90 are usually involved.

"We get satisfaction from it too," commented one of the Baptist women. For the non-English speaking student wives, Discovery works on a one-to-one basis.



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"I think it is particularly fitting

that Mr. Teague at this time add his career by giving Texas A&M and the people of Texas and America a good portion of his public papers," commented Dr.

Banking is a pleasure at First Bank & Trust. Adv.

Teague Gives Paper To Archives Scholarly study of facets of vet- Ralph W. Steen, principal speak- been made," Dr. Steen stated.

CONGRESSMAN Olin E. Teague, with Texas A&M

iversity President Jack K. Williams, prepares to greet

stituents and other friends after presenting his papers

the university Tuesday. Teague flew to Houston imme-

ately afterwards for the splashdown of Apollo 17.

ans affairs, the U.S. space proam and other legislative prorams and people became posble Tuesday at Texas A&M ough presentation by U.S. p. Olin E. Teague of his pa-

A key legislator since 1946, ongressman Teague turned over part of his personal corresponence to the library of his alma mater. The veteran lawmaker has erved on the Veterans Affairs ommittee since 1946, but he lans to give up the chairmanship f that group since he is in line become chairman of the Science and Astronautics Committee.

More than 80 persons, includng State Rep. Bill Presnal and IAMU System board members lyde H. Wells, Ford D. Albritn and William H. Lewie, were t the presentation.

President Jack K. Williams said the Teague papers are "simply the latest in a long list of assistance Congressman Teague has given Texas A&M University. His efforts have been so vigrous in so many ways."

solutely true of everything and everybody." "Papers are important," he add-

truth.'

ed, "because they tell us the truth, and the truth is what we need to know. Society today has many problems because we haven't learned from the past the things

we ought. "It's from papers of this kind that we're going to learn the things we need to learn in order to correct mistakes that have

er at the ceremony.

"One of the things we need more than anything else in any government is this element of truth," added the Stephen F. Austin State University president and former TAMU history professor. "You can get truth from papers, much more effec-

tively than you can get truth from people. The reason is that as people grow older, they become slightly confused, and they begin to confuse what they did with what they heard," Steen added.

"In a few more years, they confuse what they did with what they imagined," he continued. "As a result. recollection of 30-yearold occurrences is not always the

Someone who is trying to remember "thinks it is the truth. he intends it to be the truth, but it really isn't," Steen observed. He claimed the failing is "ab-

John Paul Abbott, professor eme-Smith and Dr. Charles Schultz, ritus of English; TAMU student university archivist, designated body president Layne Kruse, and the Teague papers "a resource of Association of Former Students major importance, which will executive director Richard Weidraw scholars from all over the rus for comments on Teague's asnation to Texas A&M."

MSC To Close After Thursday Memorial Student Center serv-

ices will close Thursday afternoon for the 12-day A&M Christmas holiday.

Guest rooms, food, gift and barber shops, browsing library and general offices will reopen Jan. 3, announced Carmon Tax, facilities scheduling manager.

Window service at the MSC Post Office will also shut down during the student-faculty-staff holiday period. The fountain room will close at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday and remain closed until the start of spring semester classes, at 8 a.m. Jan. 15.

The Association of Former Students and Braley Travel Service will operate six days of the holiday period, Dec. 22, 26-29 and Jan. 2. Access will be by the northwest entrance.

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

"The program has a double value nature," remarked the Rev. David Rowland. "While it helps a person from another country adjust and live comfortably here, it turns around over there."

Other countries represented in the fall semester Discovery group are Colombia, Puerto Rico, the Philippines, Turkey, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Bangladesh, France, Peru, Morocco, Lebanon, Holland, Denmark, Finland and Australia.

Director of Libraries John B.

sistance to Texas A&M.

Space agency officials in Texas Edwards, Steffler and other out of such a place."

Debaters Assemble Winning Semester Record

Texas A&M students John Nash of Houston and John Miller of Beaumont assembled a winning record in fall semester debate at Kansas City, Fort Worth, Houston and Washington, D. C.

Their 19 wins and 14 losses included victories over teams from Tulane, Texas, Southern Cal, Kansas, Boston College and MIT.

"The record is made more impressive by the fact that all four tournaments Nash and Miller attended were 'direct powermatched.' in which winning teams meet winning teams." commented Russell Usnick, debate director in the English Department.

Any record over 50 per cent in

competition, Usnick explained.

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contributions.

Miller and Nash, though both underclassmen, have competed against top varsity competition, he noted. Consequently, the teams they engage are usually junior and senior level debaters with several years experience.

The season continues through April when the TAMU duo will attempt to win a spot at the National Debate Tournament, for the top 36 teams in the U.S. To win a tourney berth, Miller and Nash must continue winning and do well at a regional qualifying tournament. Usnick said.

At Rockhurst College in Kansas this system usually ranks a team City, they were seventh among

in the top 20 or 30 per cent' of 56 teams with a 6-2 record after preliminary competition. They lost to Macalaster University of Minnesota at the octo-final round but received a plaque.

> After a 3-5 effort at TCU. Nash and Miller narrowly missed the eliminations cutoff at U-H with a 5-3 record. It placed TAMU 19th among 112 teams, with wins over Southern Cal, Southwest Missouri State, Tulane, UT and Rockhurst.

At Thanksgiving the team went 5-3 at the Georgetown University tourney in D. C. They placed 21st among 134 teams and achieved it with wins over Boston College, Kansas, Augustana College, Southwestern Louisiana and MIT.

VC Language Oddity: It Works

By WILLIAM L. RYAN AP Special Correspondent The Vietnamese language has only one word for "no," but a half-dozen for "yes," all the way from maybe to the equivalent of "cross my heart."

This linguistic peculiarity seemed to serve the present purposes of the Communist side in its talks with Henry A. Kissinger.

Before Oct. 26, the North Vietnamese, from their own words, seemed pretty confident of nailing down a cease-fire agreement to their liking. Then something happened to suggest that their "yes" had really been a "yes, but," and now would give way to a resounding "no."

What Hanoi's ruling party was saying to its members makes it appear that North Vietnam envisaged a settlement that would be only temporary and at the same time would advance both

aims of what it calls "the lasting interests of the entire movement.' meaning international communism.

The whole Indochina business started years ago because of a Communist penchant for playing grim games with nations and peoples to propagate an ideology. Somebody seems still to be playing games.

While there is room for argument that the penchant is not peculiar to the Communist side, Hanoi itself provides evidence that it still wants to pick up all the marbles. One piece of evidence was in editorials of the North Vietnamese party journal Hoc Tap, one early in November, another later on.

The first, written by Nguyen Khanh Toan, a prominent pro-Soviet figure, reflected a feeling that a cease-fire was still near.

its own territorial aims and the The article seemed to be prepar- movement. They do not allow ing the party rank and file for a shift in tactics.

Hoc Tap said there is "a time for us to advance but also a time for us to step back temporarily in order to advance more steadily later on."

"We cannot exterminate imperialism at one time in a single battle," it went on. "We drive it back step by step."

Thus: "Sometimes we must accept a certain agreement with the enemy . . . aimed at weakening his forces and increasing our forces . . . Communists do not always reject all kinds of agreements nor are they ready to accept any agreement. When it is necessary to reach an agreement, Communists do not neglect their revolutionary objective nor allow limited and immediate in-

terests to blur awareness of the

lasting interests of the entire

national selfishness to control and undermine the common interests of the world revolution.'

There was a vague hint of complaint in that, as if to remind their Soviet allies that the North Vietnamese were offering some concessions, being obedient to long-range goals of the international movement.

Then it became clear that the talks in Paris had hit a snag. Another Hoc Tap editorial discussed U.S. "treachery," but this time said nothing that could be interpreted as meaning agreement was imminent. Instead it exhorted the party to prepare for a fight to the end.

If Kissinger was after a lasting agreement and Hanoi had its mind set on something temporary, it is not at all surprising that the talks hit an impasse.