French Studies Symposium Speakers Announced Here

Speakers for the symposium of French Studies April 26-30 at the University of Southwestern Louisiana were announced today. The Symposium “France and North America Festival-Three Centuries of Dialogue Symposium” is under the co-sponsorship of USL, the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana and the USL Union. It is aimed at furthering the recognition of the French heritage of this area and the current movement to preserve this French culture.

Speakers Listed

The distinguished speakers for the Symposium all of whom are speaking in the USL Union Theatre, and their topics are as follows: Samuel Wilson Jr., New Orleans, 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 27 and at 2 p.m. Dr. Forrest Williams, University of Colorado, will speak on “Phenomenology In France.”

Speakers on Wednesday, April 28 are: William Eccles, professor of Modern History at the University of Toronto, “French Administration in Canada and Louisiana,” 10 a.m.; Jean-Paul Weber, visiting professor at University of Montreal, “New Criticism and Le Nouvelle Critique: A Comparison,” 11 a.m.; and Paul M. Spurlin, “Francophone Louisiana and the US Union.”

On Friday, Claude Galarneau, professor of Modern History at the Université Laval, Quebec, will speak at 10 a.m. on “The Postwar Revival of the French Economy,” 11 a.m.; Richard Switzer, chairman, Division of Humanities, California State College, San Bernardino, “The Enchanter Views the Enchanted Land: Chateaubriand and America,” 2 p.m.

The Symposium “France and the United States,” 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 27 and at 2 p.m. Dr. Forrest Williams, University of Colorado, will speak on “France and Canada at the End of the 18th Century;” Albert LeGrand, University of Montreal, Quebec, speaks at 11 a.m. on “The Influence of French Literature on Canadian Literature;” Dr. Werner Feld, New Orleans, LSU-NO, speaks at 2 p.m. on “French-American Cooperation in the Construction of Europe;” and F. Roy Willis, University of California, speaks on “Image-Making in Postwar France Foreign Policy: Boches and Yankees,” at 3 p.m.