Writers, Artists Invited To Deep South Confab

Professionals and amateurs in all fields of writing and art are being invited to participate in the annual Deep South Conference scheduled for June 5, 6 and 7 in Lafayette. The meeting is sponsored by the Louisiana Branches of the National League of American Pen Women and is coordinated by the University of Southwestern Louisiana.

The 1964 meeting features national speakers and conference leaders, and is drawing registrants from throughout the Gulf South and neighboring states. Participants will not only attend the general meetings and programs, but will have an opportunity for group workshops and individual conferences with a vice-president of Bobbs Merrill, a major U.S. publishing house, with successful novelists, editors, poets, playwrights, TV producers, theater directors and columnists, and with others who have established reputations in the fields of writing, art and photography.

Emphasis during the three-day sessions will be on the wide spectrum of opportunities open to the part-time "hobbyist" as well as to the full-time professional, with practical help and suggestions on both the creative process and on possible marketing. Copies of the detailed conference program may be secured through Director Lena Y. DeGrummond, 2404 Homer St., Baton Rouge, La., to whom a stamped, self-addressed envelope should be enclosed with the request for the conference pamphlet.

Until June 3, advance mail registration for housing and meals on the U.S.L. campus will still be accepted by Mrs. Paul Lambou, 505 Arts Street, New Orleans, 22. Total fees for all three days will be $11, except for those who have previously forwarded the 53 contest entry or early registration, in which case $8 should be sent for on-campus accommodations. Off-campus arrangements are also available, but should be made individually.

Artists in the various contests are requested to bring their entries ready for exhibit; these will be accepted at the U.S.L. Art Gallery beginning at 9 a.m. June 5, and should be called for by 3 p.m. June 7.

Announcements of winners in both the writers' contests, now closed, and the artists' competitions, to be judged during the conference, are scheduled for the closing luncheon on Sunday.