

Media advisory on Revelle Convocation

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TOPIC: Revelle College, the oldest of the four colleges at the University of California, San Diego, will hold a major three-day convocation on the future of its educational ideal and featuring four of the nation's foremost educators:

EDWARD LEVI, U.S. Attorney General and former president of the University of Chicago.

ROGER REVELLE, professor of science and public policy at UC San Diego and director emeritus of Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

WALTER ROSENBLITH, institute professor in biophysics and provost of Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

HENRY ROSOVSKY, dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University. April 29 through May 1, 1977.

WHERE: Revelle College campus, University of California, San Diego

REMARKS: Revelle College, now entering its second decade, is conscious of the need to review critically its original educational philosophy. It has always considered as part of its mandate a reevaluation of whether the college was living up to its goal of producing the "renaissance" man or woman.

Some of the areas to be considered during the convocation include:

What is or should be the impact of a liberal education in the life of the more gifted and scientifically inclined student? What is the role of college education and what are the characteristics of a humane and scientifically literate citizen?

Addressing such issues is particularly germane at a time when inherently ambiguous slogans like "overeducated" and "underskilled" abound and when there is evidence that institutions of higher learning are being pressured to assume totally the role of directors of employment rather than directors of comprehensive education.

The Revelle Convocation will be centered around the formal installation of Provost June Tapp scheduled to take place on Saturday, April 30, between 10 a.m. and noon. A more complete schedule of events listing times and locations of the various faculty seminars and lectures and biographies of the major participants will be issued shortly.

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