October 2, 1981



CONTACT: Ann Harrell Office: 214/688-3404

Home: 214/

DALLAS--Douglas R. DeCluitt, president of The Sovereign Corporation of Waco, will be the primary speaker for the Texas meeting of The Council for the Advancement and Support of Education at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas Oct. 7 in Gooch Auditorium. DeCluitt, chairman of the committee on Texas in the year 2,000 of Gov. Clements' Task Force on Higher Education, will talk about the mission of the task force and the role of his committee. DeCluitt will be introduced by Dr. George Race, UTHSCD dean for continuing education and task force chairman.

A 1957 graduate of Texas A&M, the speaker holds a degree in electrical engineering from that institution as well as an MBA from Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration. DeCluitt, whose business interests include oil and gas, real estate and other investments, is also president and director of Praetorial Corporation, Excalibur Corporation, Centurion Corporation and Heritage Energy Corporation, as well as serving as a director of Bayly Corporation and the First National Bank of Waco.

Also on the program will be a look at a new student loan policies of the Reagan Administration. Presentors will be Marion Jacob, director of financial aid at The University of Texas at Arlington and Alex Earl, director of student financial aid at UTHSCD. A media panel, including Jack Tinsley, executive editor of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. Maryln Schwartz of the Dallas Morning News, Bill Vance of KXAS-TV and Alex Burton of KRLD, as well as national winners for 1980 CASE awards from Texas, will also be included. Special guest will be David Crisp, reporter for the Palestine, Texas, Herald-Press who is a winner this year of the Westinghouse-American Association of Science Writers Award. Crisp's entry was a five-part series on nuclear waste disposal.

Most of the colleges and universities, as well as preparatory schools in the Dallas/Fort Worth area are members of CASE. The North Texas chapter is hosting the meeting on the theme of the organization's national MINDPOWER emphasis on higher education this year. President is Janet Howe, assistant director of the SMU Alumni Association.

####

SCHEDULE

12:00	-	12:30	Registration
12:30	-	1:30	Student Loans
1:30	_	2:30	CASE Winners
2:30	-	3:00	Coffee break and exhibits
3:00	-	4:00	Gov. Clements' Task Force on Higher Education
4:00	-	5:00	Media Panel
5:00	-	7:00	Cheese and wine, A.W. Harris Faculty

NOTE TO MEDIA: We would be pleased if you could join us in the A.W. Harris Faculty Center from 5 - 7 p.m. for wine and cheese. For information about speakers of time for interviews, contact Ann Harrall at 214/688-3403.