

15 Students Chosen for Trip to Peru

NORMAN, Okla.

Schools and departments of journalism of 10 American universities are represented by the 15 winners of the first national competition for scholarships in "Assignment: Latin America," the Field Study program sponsored by the University of Oklahoma and the Department of State.

The 8-week program, developed to give journalism majors training in overseas reporting, includes a week of orientation on the Norman campus before the 15 students and the University representatives go to Lima, Peru, for seven weeks of study of that country, its people and its problems.

Arrangements for the Field Study were made by the director, Dr. John R. Whitaker, a member of the faculty of the Oklahoma School of Journalism, in cooperation with the co-sponsor of the program, Pedro Beltrán, director of *La Prensa* of Lima, immediate past president of the Inter American Press Association, and former prime minister of Peru. Mrs. Whitaker will be administrative assistant.

The competition was open to the 46 ACEJ-accredited schools and departments of journalism and the winners were selected on the basis of scholarship, comprehension of spoken and written Spanish, knowledge of Latin American affairs, demonstrated ability as reporters and writers, and faculty recommendation.

14 Newspapers Cooperate

Fourteen newspapers thus far have signified their desire to cooperate in the program but others are expected to be added to the list of those publishing the students' articles. "We invite any newspaper interested in promoting better understanding with Latin America to write us for information on how to arrange for publication of student articles from Peru," Dr. Whitaker said. "The articles will be based on advanced study, observation and interviews with persons on a wide range of economic, social and cultural levels. For our mutual welfare, North-Americans need to know more about Latin Americans. We hope to promote better understanding on the part of readers through these person-to-person articles."

"The program has several other major aims," said Dr.

being experience in covering assignments in Latin America and the promotion of greater interest in the other Americas and their languages by capable journalism students. From among the group we train we hope will come better prepared correspondents and foreign editors for the newspapers of tomorrow."

Four states—Arizona, Illinois, Missouri and Texas—have two representatives each among the scholarship winners; six states—Arkansas, Iowa, Michigan, Florida, Oklahoma and Wisconsin—have one each; and one member of the party is from Sweden.

The winners are:

Eric Abbott, Iowa State University, from St. Louis, Mo.

Salvador Camarillo, University of Oklahoma, from El Paso, Tex.

Glenda Daniel, University of Texas, from Mountain Home, Ark.

Virginia Ferris, Iowa State University, from Madison, Wisc.

Lynne Frindell, University of New Mexico, from Dallas, Tex.

Jerome Idaszak, Northwestern University, from Chicago, Ill.

Barbara Kincaid, Michigan State University, from St. Louis, Mich.

Georgia Martinez, University of Arizona, from Tucson, Ariz.

Guillermo Martinez, University of Florida, from Gainesville, Fla.

Frank Sotomayor, University of Arizona, from Tucson, Ariz.

Edward Thiele, Northwestern University, from Evanston, Ill.

Michael Toner, State University of Iowa, from Humboldt, Iowa.

Osmo Vatanen, State University of Iowa, from Stockholm, Sweden.

Stuart Voss, University of Missouri, from Columbia, Mo.

Susan Waltz, University of Oklahoma, from Lawton, Okla.

Newspapers cooperating in the program are: *Albuquerque* (N. M.) *Journal*; *Arizona Daily Star*, Tucson; *Austin* (Tex.) *American-Statesman*; *Ames* (Iowa) *Daily Tribune*; *Daily Iowan*, Iowa City, Iowa; *Chicago Sun-Times*; *East Lansing* (Mich.) *Towne Courier*; *El Paso* (Tex.) *Times*; *Columbia* (Mo.) *Missourian*; *Decatur* (Ill.) *Herald and Review*; *Kansas City Star*; *St. Louis Globe-Democrat*; *Arkansas Gazette*, Little Rock; and *Norman* (Okla.) *Transcript*.