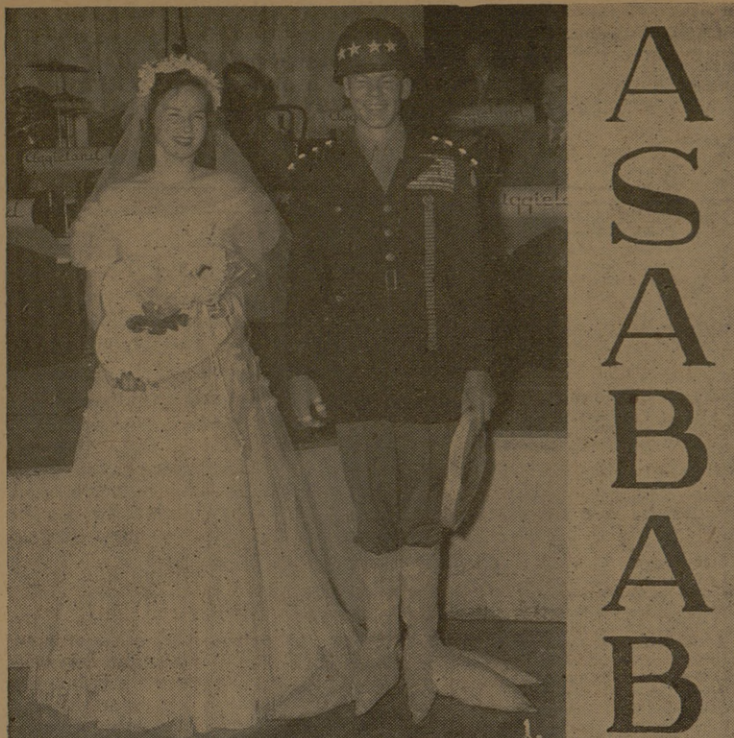
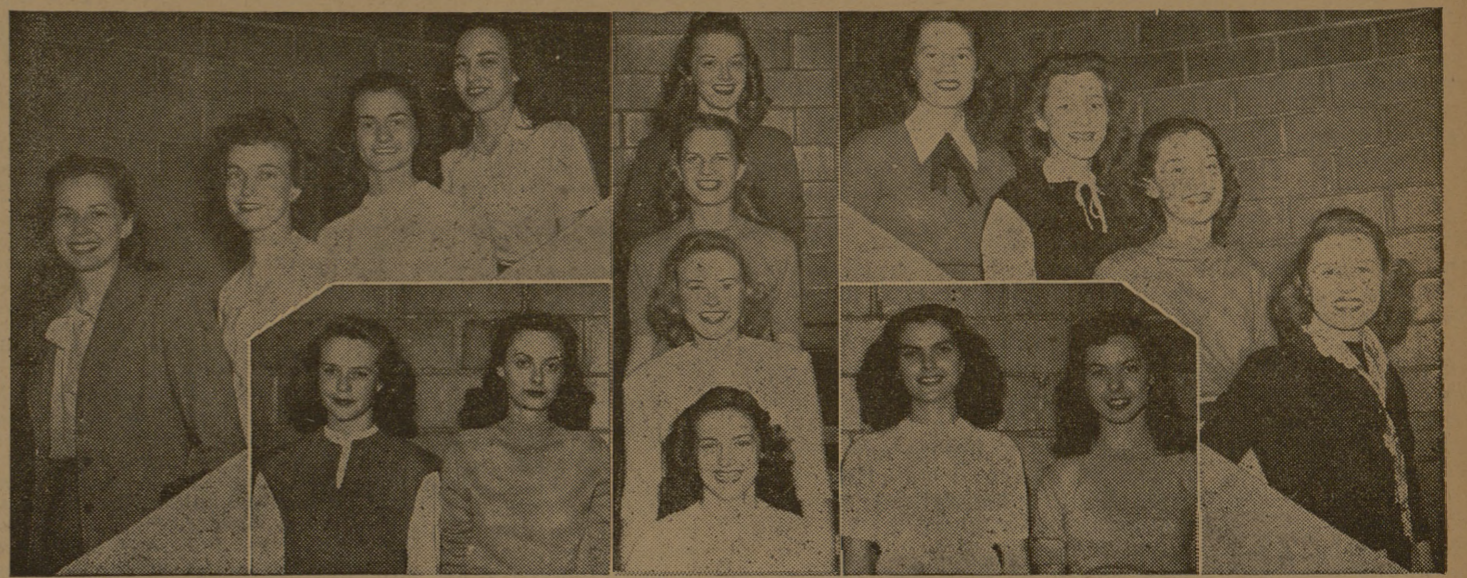


Band Leader Masters Will Select the Four Prettiest



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RIGHT are Texas State College for Women beauties who will be presented before band leader Frankie Masters and the Aggies, Saturday night. They are, extreme left, Alice Barrett, Jean Swint, Evelyn Rust, and Marjorie Helbach, seniors. Center, bottom to top, Laura Sessions, Oretta Cornelius, Mary Jane Ramsey, and Hilda Harkness, sophomores. Right, Katherine Blankenship, Adele Austin, Alleen Willis ma, Norma Walker, juniors. Lower left, Shirley Shoemaker, Mimi Hicks, and lower right, Kathleen Reed, and Helen Luques, freshman.



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Preparations Completed For Freshman Ball Friday Evening

McClure States Only Representatives Of Vets and Seniors Invited Guests

Final plans for the Friday night Freshman Ball have been arranged, according to R. L. McClure, freshman class president. A three-man group, consisting of McClure, Robert H. Williams, class vice-president, and M. O. Bird, treasurer, worked as a general committee in charge of preparations.

Regarding the guest policy, McClure has clarified the issue in stating that representative groups from the veterans and the Senior Class will attend as special guests. However, all other seniors desiring to attend as paying guests will be welcome.

The February 21 ball will be held in Sbis Hall from 9 to 1, and the Aggieland Orchestra will furnish the music.

Dormitory 2 and PG Hall will also be open Friday and Saturday nights to accommodate dates. Room reservations may be made in the Placement Office in the Administration Building.

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The Architectural Society's Annual Beaux Art Ball was the gala opening event of the spring social season Friday when "Frustrated Ambitions" were brought to light as the theme of the evening. LEFT we see pictured a few costume highlights of the ball - ranging from generals to rabbits!

1. THE WINNERS: Miss Jean Miller, who came as an eager bride-to-be, and E. T. "Jack" Crook, the General. On each shoulder are four stars, illuminated by flashlight bulbs; chicken feet illustrate the point. Rifle marksmanship medals hang down to his waist. For being the most original costumes of the evening, the pair were presented Valentine boxes of candy. (When the picture was taken, a short circuit blew out the stars, so the Batt artist did the rest with a little white paint.)

2. "ASABAB - THROAT SPRAY SERVICE" - This Product Guaranteed To Be Straight Bonded Throat Spray (180 proof), Leemé Wet Yo' Whistle! it says here on Pat Spillman's signboard. Angelic Miss Elizabeth Trudeau comes down to earth and is administered a "swig".

3. A couple of ARABS learn to dance American style - Miss Nora Barton and Ross Eryer.

4. COME ONE, CHIEF, smile for the camera! Chief and Squaw John E. Blandford and Rajah and one-of-his-wives R. A. Parrish oblige.

5. THE ICE MAN COMETH with a maiden. Wallie Scott is not the only Aggie who would like to deliver ice to Miss Ruth McCullough.

6. Not a preview of the Ballet Theatre coming to Aggie land on March 12, but a reasonable facsimile - Miss Mary Ann Vernon - trips the light fantastic with gay '90's Sheriff Jim Gatton.

7. FEMALE FINALISTS! Fourth from the left likes to have men on the string. Next to her is a Mexican senorita. Then there's a bunny rabbit, and other frustrated ambitions.

8. IS IT A BIRD? IS IT A PLANE? NO, it's Nick Holleman! - architect instructor - with Golda Ruth Brians.

New Air Mail Schedule	
Outgoing	
North	8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
South	3:30 p.m. - 7:50 p.m.
Incoming	
North	1:55 p.m. - 9:10 p.m.
South	9:50 a.m. - 4:20 p.m.

Senate Rejects Four A & M-TU Directors

The State Senate Tuesday rejected four of the men Coke Stevenson reappointed to boards of A&M and the University of Texas. Of the appointees for the A&M board only Rufus R. Peoples of Tehuacana was approved while D. S. Buchanan, Buda, and Maj. Gen. H. J. Brees failed to receive Senate confirmation.

The Senate, which met in secret session, also failed to confirm the appointments of Orville Bullington and Dr. Walter H. Scherer to the University board.

In Dallas Tuesday evening, Governor Jester said he had no comment on the rejections.

"I have men in mind for those posts and I shall send my nominations to the Senate as soon as I return to Austin," the Governor said.

The Governor will return to the capital Wednesday afternoon. Governor Jester shortly before his inauguration last month, expressed some concern about the appointments by the outgoing Governor on the two college boards.

The Senate's action, taken with all members pledged to secrecy followed recurring rumors that a Senate faction friendly to Jester did not look with favor on Stevenson's action in naming members to the governing boards of the two colleges just before Jester took office.

Representatives Named for Arizona University Rodeo

Walter G. "Bus" Lindley, Loyd E. Griffith, James R. "Bubba" Day, Lucien Kruse, and John "Corky" Eckert will participate in the seventh annual inter-collegiate rodeo at the University of Arizona, set this year for March 15-16 at the Tucson rodeo grounds. This group will represent A. & M. and the Saddle and Sirolo Club in the event at Tucson, it was decided at the Tuesday night meeting of the club.

Coleman A. O'Brien of the Animal Husbandry Department will go with the A. & M. representatives.

One of the major student events of the school year, rodeo activities, are carried on during "Go Western Rodeo Week", March 10-16. In addition to the two main arena shows, the festivities of the week include a street dance and an all-student square dance on March 14-15, an all-school cowboy assembly, and several cowboy contests.

The number one contest is the selection of the most beautiful coed cowgirl to reign over the activities as rodeo queen. Each girls' hall and sorority competes by selecting its most eligible candidate. At the street dance there is a "smoke" rolling contest for the girls, and a whiskerino contest for the men. For months in advance eds have let 'em grow, and have attended classes with beards trailing longer each week.

There are events scheduled for the coeds including the bronc cow pony race, boot and cigar race, potato race, and bareback wrestling. The men will compete in the bareback bronc riding, the wild steer scramble, steer riding, calf roping, team tying, wild cow milking, pony express race, and the wild mule race. There is also a mixed team roping event.

Invitations to participate in the rodeo were sent to 46 colleges and universities throughout the west and middlewest.

GUION HALL CLOSED FRIDAY
Guion Hall will be closed all day Friday, February 21, in order to complete reseating the first floor, Tom Puddy, manager, announced today.

'Big Bill' Andrews Defeats Bruce For Veteran President

Student Life Vacancy Goes to Marvin Brown

In a fight-to-the-finish, William S. "Big Bill" Andrews defeated A. D. "Dave" Bruce as president of the Veterans' Association, the run-off election which was held yesterday from 8 to 5 in the Academic Building. Marvin Brown won by a length over Arthur Buckner in the race for Student Life Committee.

David N. "Ish" Elliot and Marvin M. Kuers, the only candidates for Sergeant-at-Arms and Mess Committee respectively, were automatically named to those positions.

From a total of 826 ballots cast yesterday, Andrews polled 487, leaving Bruce with 337. Brown equaled Andrews in the run-off with 487 votes, and Buckner polled 305 for the Student Life vacancy.

Officers already elected in the Veterans' Association are: Bob Polson, vice-president; Sam Williams, treasurer; Ed Fisher, secretary; and Karl Wallace, parliamentarian.

Dickson Presents Town Hall Program This Evening at 8

Donald Dickson, noted American baritone, will present his first program at A & M this evening in Guion Hall. Beginning at 8 p. m., Town Hall will present Dickson in a recital of numbers ranging from Negro spirituals to 16th and 17th Century poems set to music.

Accompanied by Max Werner at the piano, Dickson's program for the evening will be as follows:

- I
There Is a Ladye
The Bailiff's Daughter
Has Sorrow Thy Young Days
Shaded?
Good Ale
(16-17th Century poems set by modern composers)
- II
Beau Soir
Pourquoi Me Reveiller? (Werther)
Songs My Mother Taught Me
O'er The Hills of Tatra
- III
Intermezzo, by Brahms
Etude, by Chopin
Melody Polonais, Chopin-Liszt
Max Werner - Piano
- IV
Prologue (Pagliacci)
INTERMISSION
- V
Hills of Gruzia
The Goat
Oh! Could I Express in Song
- VI
Thunderin' Wonderin'
Don't Ask Me Lawd
Lord I Want To Be
Northbound

Maestro Masters and Vocalists Playing Saturday



Frankie Masters To Play For First George Washington Ball

By J. K. B. Nelson

Band leader Frankie Masters will have a job on his hands Saturday night when he attempts to pick the four class beauties from TSCW; sixteen, four from each class will be presented just before intermission at the George Washington Birthday Ball. He will select the one beauty of each class to be represented in TSCW's yearbook, Daedalian.

Masters will pick one of these four TSCW seniors: Marjorie Helbach, El Dorado, Arkansas; Paduech; and Alice Barrett, Lorenzo. From the Juniors he will select another class beauty: Adele Austin, Dallas; Katherine Blankenship, Gainesville; Norma Walker, Amarillo; and Alleen Simpson, Temple.

Sophomore nominees are: Oretta Cornelius, Crosbyton; Hilda Harkness, Texarkana; Mary Jane Ramsey, Timpson; and Laura Sessions, Waxahachie. Freshman TSCW beauty nominees are: Mimi Hicks, Fort Worth; Helen Luques, Wichita Falls; Kathleen Reed, Olney; and Shirley Shoemaker, Waxahachie.

Masters' pickings will not be revealed until the TSCW Senior Formal on May 3, a tradition with A & M's sister school, Gloria Echols, Daedalian editor, will introduce the sixteen girls at the dance.

The girls will arrive by special bus Saturday afternoon, accompanied by a faculty member of TSCW, Gloria Echols, and Mary Beth Foshee, yearbook business manager.

Frankie Masters and his orchestra have just completed a six-week contract with Interstate Theaters, having appeared on the Sunday afternoon, "Showtime", all over the state.

Semi-Formal
The Washington Birthday Ball will be semi-formal; in other words, girls may wear long or short dresses.

America's First Top-Notch Ballet to Appear March 12

Ballet Theatre, the first of the top-notch ballet groups to be formed in America, will treat Aggie land to a show of its grace and artistry when it appears on the stage of Guion Hall March 12.

Now on its seventh annual tour, which will include 70 cities in 30 states, the Ballet Theatre has just returned from an engagement in Covent Garden, London, with the acclaim still ringing in its ears. It was the first visit abroad for American dancers since before the war.

New York critics have matched the glowing praises given by London reviews, indicating that Ballet Theatre has the integrity, imagination, and talent needed to make a ballet click.

To the goal of establishing an American ballet company with international scope, Ballet Theatre includes the works of such American composers as Morton Gould, Aaron Copeland, and Leonard Bernstein along with the European.

A program selected from 25 great ballets will be headed by Igor Youskevitch, Nora Kaye, and Hugh Laing. The musical direction is under Max Goberman. Broadway has been the scene of a battle of ballet during the past few years, a struggle of form and interpretation. Most critics are of the opinion that the winner is the one which performs here under the sponsorship of Student Activities.

Ballet Theatre is not a Town Hall presentation. General admission prices are \$1.50, reserved seats \$2.

Ticket Sale
Due to the great demand expected, advance tickets sales are being conducted in front of the mess halls this week. For registered members of the Veteran Students' Association, which is sponsoring the dance, tickets will cost \$2. Non-members will pay \$2.50 to dance to the music of Maestro Masters.

Dates will be accommodated in Dormitory 2 and PG Hall both Friday and Saturday nights. Room assignments may be secured from the Placement Office, Room 126 Administration Building.

The ball will take place from 9-12 Saturday night, February 22 in Sbis Hall.

On Friday night before this dance, the Freshman Ball will be held in Sbis Hall.

WANTED!
"An automobile and the will to work" are the only requirements of a circulation manager needed by the Battalion. Interested students should be able to work on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday afternoons.

Applicants should contact the Student Activities Office, Room 3, Administration Building for further information.