

Angling Talents Displayed In DeWare Rod, Reel Show

By HAROLD GANN

Five nationally known sportsmen displayed abilities that made them outstanding among field and stream notables Friday night in DeWare Field House before 1,500 spectators.

The allstate lineup included Louie Kasmiroski, trick casting specialist from Houston; Tommy Zorn, former state bait casting champion, and Jack Sparks, former national distance fly casting champion from Waco; A&M's own Cecil Huey (Class of '48), former Texas fly and bait casting champ, from New Orleans, and Grant Ilseing, national small bore skeet champion from Houston.

As an added attraction, Andy Anderson, Houston Press field and stream editor, emceed the affair. Besides introducing the experts and describing different strokes exhibited by them, Anderson added to the evenings entertainment by telling home-spun anecdotes.

The program was a physical education project of students James Cashion and L. E. Winder, Jr. It was staged under the auspices of the Physical Education Department.

First on the agenda was skeet dead-eye Grant Ilseing who has

taken so many titles in his field he has "lost count of 'em." He was elected captain of the All-American Skeet Team, which is made up of nine members.

Ilseing, with favorite shotgun in hand, demonstrated the best methods of shooting.

Next man up was Jack Sparks, the long distance caster. With a special rod and reel set that resembled something derived from a fisherman's nightmare, Sparks gave the audience an example of how "spinning for fish" was done in England.

The line spins off a modified reel in much the same fashion as a string uncoils from a toy top. An elongated reel enables the caster to get greater whip action, and therefore, more distance.

Sparks explained that "spinning" (outland in America) originated in England around 1900. He fascinated the crowd when he stood with back against the wall at one end of the basketball court, and with a great deal of wrist action, flipped the weight past the foul line to the other end of the court. Wally Moon couldn't have gotten longer distance.

Putting aside his bait casting apparatus, Sparks took a pole and fastened an oversized reel to his side. The reel—especially designed to hold three times as much line as the ordinary—is employed by Sparks so he can cast the fly 228 feet!

Sparks modestly declared that fly-casting is a lot easier than bait casting. Louis Kasmiroski, who thrilled fans later by casting four weights at once, countered by saying that fly casting is more difficult.

Fly Casting
Kasmiroski, in showing the group fancy casting, would take windups similar to those of a baseball pitcher before unleashing the line with amazing accuracy. He would

Ag Cattlemen Plan Big Ball With J James

Jeannie Black

Miss Black, a freshman at TU and a member of the Theta Tau Alpha Sorority, will be the duchess for the Pre-Med, Pre-Dental Society at the Cotton Pageant and Ball. She will be escorted by Allen Weaver. Both hail from College Station.

All the cowpokes for miles around will put the big pot in the little one Saturday night when the Saddle and Siroin Club throws its annual Cattlemen's Ball.

Jesse James and "All the Boys" from "over 'round Austin" will dish out the music for the cattleman's shindig. G. R. White, a Brady Hereford breeder who also serves as president of A&M's Board of Directors, will be the honor guest.

More than 250 more prominent livestock raisers from throughout Texas have been sent invitations to attend the Ball, Pat Henderling, publicity chairman, said this morning. If their response this year is a good as last, he said, a full house will be enjoyed.

The boots will get their workout at the Groove, Henderling continued, unless the weather continues wet and cold. If that is the case, the scene of operations will be shifted to Sbis Hall.

The saddle and Siroin Club's sweetheart ball will be presented during the ball, but her name will not be announced until that night.

Tickets may be obtained from men enrolled in the Animal Husbandry or Dairy Husbandry Departments. Only students in the School of Agriculture and invited guests may attend, Henderling said.

White will be given an honorary membership in the Saddle and Siroin Club, he continued.

A prize will be awarded to the couple in the most authentic Western costume.

Included among the college guests will be Chancellor Gibby Gilchrist, Vice Chancellor D. W. Williams, President F. C. Bolton, Dean M. T. Harrington and other deans of the college.

The ball will begin at 9 p. m. Price of tickets is \$2, stag or drag, Henderling concluded.

Officer to Explain Naval Commissions

An Aggie-ex, now a lieutenant commander in the U. S. Navy, will visit A&M April 19-21 to acquaint residents of this area with opportunities offered for officer commissions in the Navy.

twist the pole around and around, making short loops before casting. A spectator quipped, "What kind of a fish do you catch by doing that?"

Tommy Zorn, the former state bait casting champ from Waco, showed the correct stance and procedure of casting. A tournament was held with the four casters competing. Bulls-eye targets were scattered at various distances over the hardwoods.

Zorn took first place honors, after barely edging by Huey in the final round. Huey topped the Texas Junior championship in '41 and won the Houston fly and bait tournament staged in Houston in 1943 and '44.

Anderson, a top flight fisherman also, gave some helpful hints on the art of casting. He presided over a color film on casting and sail fishing to complete the program.

Catholics Hold First Ceremony At New Center

More than 500 persons, including 250 cadets, attended the ground-breaking ceremonies for the new Catholic Student Center yesterday morning.

Brig. Gen. James H. O'Neill, deputy chief of chaplains, United States Army, Bishop Louis Reichler of Austin, and President F. C. Bolton were among those who helped turn the first shovelful of earth at the site of the proposed center.

Monsignor J. B. Gleissner, Aggie Catholic Chaplain presided over the ceremonies. This is Magr. Gleissner's 45th year at A&M.

Gen. O'Neill participated in a Field Mass held at the new center site which is on a two acre tract immediately north of the present St. Mary's Chapel.

Both the new area and the building plans have been approved by Bishop Reichler.

Following the ground-breaking ceremonies, 300 of the guests and Catholic laymen attended a banquet in Sbis Hall honoring Magr. Gleissner. Gen. O'Neill was the principal speaker.

Three Units Planned
Plans for the new student center call for a three unit building group. A chaplain's residence, recreation center, and a 500 person capacity chapel will complete the center. Until the center is completed St. Mary's Chapel will continue to be used.

William E. Nash, Bryan architect, is planning the center. Construction will begin around May 15.

Among the other guests present at the ground-breaking ceremonies were Magr. D. P. O'Connell of Galveston, Colonel H. L. Boatner, Lt. Col. W. H. Parsons, J. R. Mulvey of Houston, and fourth degree members of the Knights of Columbus.

Oh, Them Reporters! . . .

Battalion Staff Goes North, Journalistic Style Just Goes

By BILL BILLINGSLEY
Do you remember all the times in the past that the Battalion staff has been invited and advised by thousands of irate readers to take its typewriters and traipse off to another college? Well, this weekend we did.

Fourteen of the faithful went up to Denton to publish an issue (today's of the Lass-O, which is TSCW's daily student paper, if you happen to have on an orange and white tie).

Between the social sessions, we had a fine time and learned a lot about the Lass-O and the gals that publish it. We were wined and coked (none of that other stuff on the campus) and generally shown a royal time by the sister school staffers.

We first made history by being the first male students ever to attend a Theta Sig banquet (the chief social function of the local journalism fraternity—the only "frat" we ever heard of made up entirely of girls), and later Dave Coslett and I were interviewed over the Tescie radio station, WCST. After hearing our frankly candid remarks, they decided the call letters stood for "We Can't Stand This!" and told us to hit the road.



Willie Bohlmann Gloria Martin
Mrs. Martin was presented as the Sweetheart of the Sixth Regiment Saturday night at the annual regimental ball. Bohlmann, commander of the regiment, made the presentation from the band stand in Sbis Hall.

Sixth Ball Has Lively Program, Small Crowd

By C. C. MUNROE

Cadets and dates of the Sixth Regiment donned their best bib and tucker Saturday night and went stepping in Sbis Hall. The occasion was the Sixth's second annual regimental ball.

A small crowd of 75 couples danced to the music of Bill Turner and his orchestra, while college guests including President and Mrs. F. C. Bolton looked on.

Mrs. Gloria Martin, wife of cadet lieutenant Graham Martin, was presented as the regimental sweetheart during intermission by Cadet Colonel Willie F. Bohlmann, Sixth Regimental commander. With Bill Bleeker, senior physics

major from Corpus Christi, acting as master of ceremonies, the Sixth presented additional intermission entertainment in the form of the Metronomes, a quartet from the Singing Cadets.

Tom Savage, Bob Stinson, Bill Blankenship and Virgil Bohac of the cadets made up the vocal element of the quartet. Joe Mullins accompanied them on the guitar for four numbers.

Song Offerings
The group lead off their program with "Little Buckaroo." This was followed by a special arrangement of "Old Rockin' Chair," which had been composed especially for the group. The popular "Rag Mop" and an encore offering of "Ragtime Cowboy Joe" completed the intermission program.

Bohlmann had presented the staff and organizational commanders to lead-off the intermission.

Brig. Gen. James H. O'Neill, deputy chief of chaplains, USA, was among the guests who attended the ball. Gen. O'Neill was in College Station to participate in ground-breaking ceremonies for the new Catholic Student Center held yesterday morning.

Among the other honor guests at the ball in addition to the Boltons and Gen. O'Neill were Dean and Mrs. I. B. Boughton, Dean and Mrs. H. W. Barlow, and Colonel and Mrs. H. L. Boatner.

Cadets Get Open Field In Batt Editor Election

Only two cadets remained eligible for election as co-editor of The Battalion this morning. They are David L. Coslett, junior journalism major from Miles, and Clayton L. Selph, junior journalism major from Houston.

No other qualified candidates had filed with the Office of Student Activities before the Saturday noon deadline.

Four non-military candidates had filed for the non-corps co-editor post but the Student Senate election committee ruled that none of them were qualified.

Not Enough Time
All of the non-military candidates failed to qualify because they had not served on The Battalion staff for one year in a

capacity which would provide them training for the editorship. Coslett is now feature editor of The Battalion. He is in A Flight, Selph, who is in H Flight, is managing editor.

If the Student Life Committee at its meeting this evening approves a Student Senate recommendation, Coslett and Selph will be permitted to serve as co-editors this coming year even though both are in the cadet corps.

Works Both Ways
The senate recommendation would allow both co-editors to come from either the corps or non-corps section of the student body if neither group could not produce a qualified candidate.

If the Student Life Committee approves the senate recommendation, Coslett and Selph will automatically become co-editors for 1950-51, subject only to student body confirmation during the coming campus elections.

Yell Leader Rush
Outside developments in the Battalion editorship race, a terrific last-minute filing rush for junior yell leader before Saturday's noon deadline took the political spotlight. Fifteen sophomores had filed

The first three filings were from Lewis Jobe, Bobby (Charles R.) Dunn, and Bill Lockridge.

Six Applicants
Three more juniors have filed for next year's two senior yell leader positions John McFall, Abilene business major, A Cav.; Dore K. Keelan, petroleum-geological engineering student from Beaumont, C Cav.; and Charles Kitchell, Anson civil engineering major, A Cav. are the three latest applicants.

Earlier candidates were Bill Richey and Don Joseph, present junior yell leaders, and James Pianta.

Two men have applied for the one position as veteran yell leader. They are A. E. Tyler and Ed Fulbright. Fulbright had filed early in the week while Tyler, a Greenville architecture student, applied for candidacy shortly before the deadline.

The race for corps representative to the Athletic Council has increased since Friday's election story in The Battalion. Frank Simmen, business student from Galveston, A QMC; Carl Molberg, business student from Fredericksburg, A Ath; and Robert G. Fitts, animal husbandry major from Atlanta, D Vet., have joined R. L. Goodwin as candidates.

Moon vs. Elston
In the non-corps representative competition, Wally Moon and incumbent David M. Elston remain the only two candidates.

No new candidates for student entertainment manager have filed. In the race will be Douglas Hearn, Dick Kelly, James E. Boyles, and Albert J. Dennis.

For editor of the Aggeland, Jim Modlin, aero student from Carmel, Cal, B AP; and Roy D. Nates, mechanical engineering major from Navasota, C Inf., have filed.

There has been no change in candidacy for editorships of The Commentator, The Agriculturist, and The Engineer—Harry G. Doran, vet medicine major from San Saba, is unopposed for editor of The Southwestern Veterinarian.

Magazine editors will be chosen by the councils representing each of the four schools. Yell leaders will be elected by their respective classes, with non-corps students selecting a veteran yell leader. The corps will choose one representative to the Athletic Council, and the non-corps one.

Only the editor of The Aggeland and editors of The Battalion will be chosen by the entire student body.

No date has been set for the general elections, although the junior class will meet April 27 to elect their two yell leaders, the student entertainment manager, and the corps Athletic Council representative.

Col. Willard Chevalier, who was the speaker for the evening told the initiates, guests, and members of Tau Beta Pi that every man with a profession owes something to that profession. Besides that, however, the professional man also has the obligation to be a citizen in his community that will reflect honor upon his profession.

We are living in the most critical period of the world since the Renaissance, he continued. The greatest international crisis which we face today is our own internal crisis. Opinions without understanding are the greatest danger to our present day Democracy.

In conclusion, Col. Chevalier pointed out that an opinion without understanding is not worth the breath which is required to utter it.

University Women Hear Health Unit Member
The American Association of University Women will meet at 7:30 p. m. today in the YMCA. Dr. David E. Brown of the Brazos County Health Unit will be speaker.

Members may bring guests.

New Initiates Receive Keys

Tau Beta Pi keys for the new initiates arrived today, according to Otto Kunze, corresponding secretary for the Texas Delta chapter.

All undergraduate members as well as members of the faculty are requested to pick up their keys at Dean Howard W. Barlow's office at their first opportunity. The keys will be mailed to all newly initiated alumni members, Kunze said.

A total of 98 undergraduates, faculty and alumni were initiated into the Texas Delta Chapter of Tau Beta Pi last Wednesday evening. The initiation ceremonies were held in the Chemistry Lecture Room.

Following the initiation, a banquet was held in Sbis Hall. Howard W. Barlow, dean of the School of Engineering, welcomed all new members into the chapter. "You have achieved this membership on your own merits and your own accomplishments," Dean Barlow pointed out.

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Mother's Day Plans Include Speeches
A Speech Contest will be held in the YMCA Chapel on Saturday, May 13, in conjunction with the annual Mother's Day Program, Professor O. C. Spriggs of the English Department announced today.

The contest is sponsored by the Bryan Chapter of the Texas Bar Association and is the first of its kind.

All students enrolled in English courses 401, 403, and 405 will be eligible for entrance. Preliminary contests will be conducted on April 15 to eliminate all but six of the contestants.

Each contest will be judged by a committee of three, a member of the Bryan Bar Association, a member of the English Department, and a citizen of Bryan.

Two prizes of \$15 and \$10 will be given to the first and second place winners, respectively.

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