



Trio Warms Up

The Kingston Trio runs through a number in their dressing room as they tune their voices and instruments just before their show here last night. Bob Shane stands behind Nick Reynolds while Dave Guard's face is partially hidden by his banjo.

Smell of Success Fails To Swell Kingston Trio

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They eat hamburgers just like the rest of us.

But when they get on the stage and begin plunking guitars, rattling banjos, tapping bongo drums and singing . . . man, nobody can hold a torch to 'em.

Last night over 2,500 people in White Coliseum realized this. For the Kingston Trio was back again, wearing many celebrity scars they weren't sporting on their first appearance on Nov. 1. But just as they did then, they left the crowd swinging.

Still the three guys from San Francisco who claim the nation's No. 2 album (The Hungry I) and the No. 18 song (Tijuana Jail) according to Billboard, are normal guys off the stage.

You could tell when they stepped off their chartered plane from Dallas at Easterwood Airport, wearing casual clothes and joking with each other. Later they ate two-bit hamburgers because they were running late for the show.

Started at A&M

They like A&M, not only because of the captive audience, but because, as their unofficial leader Dave Guard put it:

"A&M was our first college showing and we really picked up our routine there. We've added a little to it during the 40 or 50 college appearances we've made since then."

At 24, Guard is the youngest of the Trio. Nick Reynolds and Bob Shane are both 25. All three are married and live around San Francisco. Guard is the father of a one-year-old daughter.

Guard and Shane went to high school together in Honolulu, "where we first sang together on the beach." Later Guard went to Stanford University and Shane went to Medlow Business School where he met Reynolds. The three got together and made their first recording, "Tom Dooley," when they were graduated in 1956.

Studied Business

"Actually," explained Reynolds, "we studied business in college. Then we found ourselves one and went into it."

The Trio recalls its first visit to A&M. They hadn't had any sleep the night before, and dozed for an hour on mattresses dragged into their dressing room before the show. "We were really bushed when it was over," Shane remarked.

Just as their songs represent many parts of the world, the Trio is seeing many parts of the United States. They left for Auburn University after the show last night, the only other college appearance they'll make on this tour. After Auburn, they'll return to the West Coast for a two-day "vacation."

The Trio announced last night it would release a new album in June entitled "The Kingston Trio at Large." In it, they will feature a song written by an Austin woman, Mrs. Jane Bowers, entitled "The Alamo," their first recording directly concerning Texas. Tex Ritter sang it in 1955.

Texas Ballad

Late after the show last night, long after the autograph seekers had left, people trying to sell songs had thinned and a local radio station had made a tape interview, the Trio sang the ballad in the dressing room for Mrs. Bowers, who was here for the performance. The chorus goes something like this:

"Look down, Santa Anna, as we kill your men below, so that Texans will be free, and will remember the Alamo."

The Kingston Trio has come to Texas.

Run - Off Tomorrow Will Fill 16 Offices

He Warned, He Splashed, He Got Away

A 1959 version of television's Paladin stalked the campus Sunday night, seeking revenge over evil-doers.

The curtain rang down on the drama in the wee hours of the morning when a senior cadet was rudely awakened by the shocking slap of a bucketful of water in his face.

It all began at noon Sunday in the dining hall when the same senior accidentally got a blot of catsup on a freshman's shirt. Someone at the table suggested to the freshman that he seek vengeance.

He did. With virtually the only means of revenge a freshman has.

The senior woke up, naturally, and chased the victim-turned-villain out of the dorm, but never caught him.

He returned to his room. On his door he spied a card bearing a rough drawing of a wastebasket and the following words:

"Have Can—Will Travel. Wire Fish. . . . Dorm 2. (Though television's Paladin is not masked, the identity of his understudy will be kept secret.)"

Housing Project Begins This Week

Construction of the two-million-dollar A&M student housing project is scheduled to begin this week.

Two years' planning went into the project before the Housing and Home Financing Agency of Fort Worth gave the signal to begin construction. College officials held a special meeting with building contractors last week to iron out details.

The apartments will be located north of the present College View, and will consist of 21 two-story buildings, with 12 apartments in each unit.

Each unit will consist of a living room, bedroom, kitchen, bathroom and storage space. The interior will feature asphalted concrete floors, and concrete block walls trimmed with mahogany. They will have vented heat and places for window air conditioners.

The bathrooms will have bathtub and shower combinations. Plumbing will include facilities for installing washing machines. The exterior of the buildings will be brick and concrete with aluminum window paneling and the roofs will be insulated.

The kitchens will be furnished with electric refrigerators, exhaust fans, ranges and garbage disposal units. Each apartment will have a sun porch, and every two buildings will have an outside drying yard enclosed with a seven-foot fence. A garbage can container will be supplied with each unit.

The plans for the project were drawn up by A&M College System architect Henry D. Mayfield Jr.

Specific direction and handling of all details is under the direction of W. H. Badgett, Manager of Physical Plant for A&M.

Chandler To Speak To Methodist Men

A&M baseball coach Tom Chandler will be guest speaker at a dinner meeting of Methodist Men tomorrow night at 6:30 in the fellowship room of the A&M Methodist Church.

Reservations can be obtained by calling VI 6-5846. No ticket is necessary to attend the meeting.

Aggies Shun Polls In Vote Last Week

Class run-off elections will be held tomorrow in the Memorial Student Center from 8 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. to decide sixteen class officers.

Only two out of eighteen races were determined as freshmen, sophomores and juniors turned out last Thursday to cast only 1,200 votes.

Allan N. Burns was elected president of the Class of '60 over three other candidates, and Charles C. (Clint) Murphy won the Class of '61 presidential spot over seven other hopefuls.

The Class of '60 paced the voters at the polls, casting 433 votes, while the Class of '61 totaled 402 votes and the Class of '62 had 401 voters.

E. C. Lux, Larry Winkle and Stan F. Weid will be vying for the Class of '60 vice presidential post in a race that originally boasted 11 candidates.

In other Class of '60 run-off races: Thomas R. Hamilton and Samuel H. Langley are the nominees for the secretary-treasurer post.

Wayne P. Schneider and William R. Savage are candidates in the social secretary race. There were five applicants for the position.

In the run-off for historian, Charles Ridgeway, Wayland Quisenberry and Ray Murski are the run-off nominees from a field of five candidates.

Also from a field of five candidates, Richard Biondi, Joe M. Lepper and Norman M. Dowdy entered the run-off elections for yell leader.

David H. Plylar and Tom G. Withey will seek the Memorial Student Center Council spot after gaining the run-offs over two other applicants.

John W. Welch and William F. Phillips are run-off candidates for the student entertainment manager race. There were five candidates.

In the Class of '61 run-offs: Marvin Girouard, Glenn H. Jones and James C. Noack gained the deciding elections from a field of 13 candidates.

In the secretary-treasurer race, Ray G. (Skipper) Post and Mike Ogg captured run-off status over two other candidates.

Charlie Erickson and Douglas B. Vauger earned the run-off race for social secretary in a field of 13 candidates.

Also List Committee Chairmen

MSC Council Nominates Four 1959 - 60 Members

Four 1959-60 Memorial Student Councilmen and four MSC committee chairmen were named yesterday afternoon at the April council meeting.

Faculty members of the council who have been approved by Vice President Earl Rudder, are Joe H. Sorrels of the Department of Civil Engineering and J. W. (Bill) Amyx of the Department of Petroleum Engineering. Two student members of the council elected yesterday by the council are Dennis Ryan, junior mechanical engineering major from Dallas, and Clyde Whitwell sophomore business major from Seguin.

Sorrels and Amyx replace W. I. Truettner and H. C. Dillingham, whose terms on the council expire this year. A third student to be elected by the council will not be named until a later date.

Two more members of the council will be elected in general class elections Wednesday. One will represent the junior class and the other the freshman and sophomore classes. The third member to be named by councilmen will come from either the freshman or sophomore class—depending on the election outcome. He will be chosen from the class not represented.

Another member of the council will be named by the Association of Former Students to replace W. R. Horsely, outgoing councilman.

New Committee Chairman

The four new committee chairmen named by the council are:

1. Wiley R. Bunton — Bridge Committee. Bunton is a sophomore electrical engineering major from Del Rio.

2. Paul Phillips — Music Committee. He is a sophomore from Conroe.

3. Larry Winkle—Table Tennis Committee. Winkle is a junior pre-law major from Pittsburg.

4. Nick Settanni — temporary chairman, Creative Arts Committee. Settanni, senior architecture major from Camden, N. J., will fill the post until the return of John Hargis of Angleton. Hargis, who was elected to the post, is now in the Veterans Hospital in Houston following a recent heart attack. He hopes to return to A&M sometime this summer.

Lay Banquet Plans

Councilmen also laid final plans for the annual MSC Council-Directorate Banquet to be held at 7:15 April 24 in the MSC Ball-

TTI Engineer Tells CS Lions Of Fund Deficit

"One of the greatest public works projects ever undertaken in the nation is in danger of being lost," Jack Keese, research engineer at the Texas Transportation Institute, told College Station Lions yesterday.

Keese was speaking of the vast program of interstate and national highways, now beginning to bog down due to a lack of finances. Set up to be financed through trust funds, the money has been slower to come in than anticipated. Now the program depends on legislative support, Keese said.

"Civic organizations such as the Lions Club can do a lot to bring about the success of the program by writing their congressmen and urging them to back the highway project in the legislature," he said.

With modern automobiles and today's travel habits, the American people are demanding better and more modern super highways, Keese pointed out. Citing the constantly changing transportation demands, the highway engineer said today's travel is gauged in time—not miles and money as was the case a few years ago.

Keese illustrated his talk with motion pictures taken from the transportation institute's 60-foot high traffic tower of the tremendous volume of traffic on the Gulf Freeway between Galveston and Houston. Currently the institute staff is making research studies on expressway traffic and how drivers react under expressway conditions.

The films showed that a car pausing for only a few seconds when leaving the Gulf Freeway would cause a complete breakdown of traffic in the right-hand lane, backing up traffic for miles.

"Through studies such as these, we hope to use better planning in building expressways of the future, thus cutting down on traffic stoppage and accidents," Keese said.

Next week, Lions will hear A&M head coach Jim Myers talk on the progress and prospects developed in this year's Aggie spring football training session.

'59 Cotton Pageant Slated This Friday

The 1959 queen of cotton will be chosen at A&M this Friday night.

Selection of the queen from among more than 170 beautiful young ladies from throughout the state of Texas will highlight the Student Agronomy Society's 25th annual Cotton Pageant.

Jack Timmons, commercial manager for Radio Station KWKH, Shreveport, La., will be master of ceremonies for the colorful program that annually pays tribute to cotton, the "king of Texas crops." The program will be held at 7:30 in Guion Hall.

At this program, the Agronomy Society will honor Joe S. Mogford, the man who was responsible for promoting the first Cotton Style Show and Pageant in the early thirties. He retired in February after more than a third of a century of service to the college's Department of Agronomy.

George W. Pfeifferberger, executive vice-president, Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Lubbock, will crown the king of cotton, Kent Potts, a senior plant and soil science major from Bryan.

King Cotton Potts will then crown the queen from among the duchesses who will be here as representatives of various clubs, colleges and universities.

The duchesses will be selected on

their beauty and poise by three judges from the Robert Powers School of Modeling, Houston. The eight runners-up will become princesses of the court.

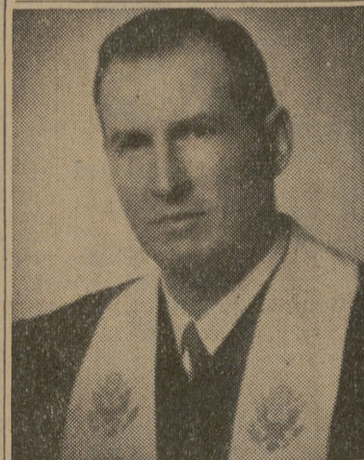
The Cotton Pageant will also feature a program of entertainment including The Blotters, a pantomime group from A&M Consolidated High School comprised of Suzanne Sorenson, Janet Darrow, Donna Hale and Blair Perryman; the Silvertones, an A&M group composed of Robert Blakewood of Bellaire, James Hickey and Ramiro Perez of Laredo, Dionicio Flores of Falfurrias, and a Bryan soloist, Mrs. Ann Harrison.

Music for the program will be provided by the Aggieband Orchestra under the direction of Bill Turner.

The Agronomy Society sweetheart, Miss Beverly Jane Goodbar of Texas City, will lead the parade of duchesses and will make the presentation of flowers to the Queen and her court. Miss Goodbar is a freshman at Sam Houston State Teachers College.

Following the pageant, a ball will be held at Sbis Hall.

Funds from the annual Cotton Pageant are used to finance study tours by the A&M agronomy students.



... Rabbi Kahn

Dr. Robert I. Kahn Speaks Wednesday In All Faiths Chapel

"The Bible on Broadway—A Discussion of J. B." will be the topic of a speech given by Dr. Robert I. Kahn in the All Faiths Chapel tomorrow at 7:30 p.m.

Dr. Kahn, of the Rabbi Emanuel Temple in Houston, has spoken on the campus in a number of Religious Emphasis Week programs and at commencement exercises. He is the author of a weekly column, "Lessons for Life," published in the Houston Chronicle.

This program is being sponsored by the B'nai B'rith A&M Hillel Foundation, the Henry Cohen Interfaith Fellowship Award and the Interfaith Council.