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# Vanity Fair Queens To Be Named

## 12 Finalists Vie For Beauty Spots

The selection of six Vanity Fair winners from 12 finalists will highlight the annual Student Publications Banquet Friday night at 7 p. m. in the Ballroom of the Memorial Student Center.

During the banquet program the audience will vote by secret ballot for the six choices; the other ladies will be runners-up.

The winners are to be announced at the Senior Ring Dance Saturday night.

Finalists for the '63 Aggieland Vanity Fair positions and their escorts are:

Bette Jane (Betsy) Hoover, escorted by Horace Spiller Jr.

Judie Thurber, escorted by Clifford R. Roberts.

Linda Salm, escorted by Herbert Rabel.

Puddin Hermann, escorted by Bill Nix.

Geneva Ann Billings, escorted by John H. Hopkin III.

Susan Newkirk, escorted by Donald T. Hunter.

Lynn Buckingham, escorted by James Ray.

Carla Bush, escorted by Mitt A. Bush.

Patricia Saenz, escorted by Ray Meade.

Sandy Hughs, escorted by Ben Boyd.

Lynda Ashcraft, escorted by Jack Connor, and Kay Olsen, escorted by Vann Phillips.

TWO SPECIAL awards will also highlight the dinner. The Battalion will present its second annual service award to the person contributing most to its publication during the year.

Ben E. Johnson, editor of the Southwestern Veterinarian, will recognize that magazine's faculty award winner.

Six outgoing editors of student publications will be given watches for service during the 1962-63 school year, and keys will be presented by the individual editors to staff members of the various publications.

THE OUTGOING editors are: Alan Payne, The Battalion; Welton Nash, The Aggieland '63; Jack Graeme, The Texas A&M Review; James Dodson, The Texas A&M Agriculturist; John Imle, The Texas A&M Engineer; and Johnson, The Southwestern Veterinarian.

## Voting Cards May Be Used For Elections

The Student Senate discussed a suggestion for a revision of voting registration procedures at its regular meeting Thursday night.

Provided for in the proposed change was voter registration cards, which would supposedly speed up voting in student elections.

Senate parliamentarian, James Carter, in suggesting the idea, said, "Elections, I think, would go 30 per cent faster."

The proposed measure, which will be acted upon by next year's Senate, would include voting cards which would be issued during class registration. The cards would have six spaces — one for each of the year's elections. This provision would allow each person one vote in each election.

Larry Garret, next year's student issues committee chairman, reported on the success of the Twelfth Man Bowl basketball game. He said the game netted over \$400. The amount will be applied toward an opportunity awards scholarship.

In other Senate business, the group's accomplishments for the year were reviewed. Included in the summary was the placing of new benches in front of 10 dorms, Jerry Vion and his student life committee were in charge of the project.



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## Cooper Safe After Flight

## Brock's Orchestra To Play At Saturday's Ring Dance

Buddy Brock's Continental Orchestra, the largest orchestra ever to play for an A&M dance, will play at the Senior Ring Dance in Sbis Dining Hall, Saturday night, at 8:30.

Brock's orchestra is a twenty-piece group that has had distinction to feature portions of the

orchestra at previous University functions.

The baby-blue clad group will provide continuous continental style music from 8:30 until 11:30 p.m. Songstress Betty Cole will add variation to the evenings entertainment.

THE RING Dance, a 20-year-old,

tradition on the A&M campus, is held annually to celebrate the turning of a senior's ring, which represents his change from an undergraduate to a graduate.

Tickets for the dance will be available at the door for those who failed to purchase them at the Memorial Student Center earlier.

The dance will follow the banquet and after-dinner speech in Duncan Dining Hall.

The guest speaker at the banquet, Walter "Zaney" Blaney, officially titled Texas' Goodwill Ambassador by gubernatorial proclamation, is known for his "wild antics" during after-dinner talks.

BLANEY RECEIVED the title of "goodwill" ambassador for the state from Gov. Price Daniel last year.

The menu for the banquet will feature filet mignon with baked Alaska for dessert, according to Charles Blashke, senior class president.

Tickets for the dance are six dollars per couple. The price of the tickets will include two photographs of each couple made in a replica of the senior ring.

## Gets Red Carpet Treatment On Ship

By The Associated Press

Gordon Cooper brilliantly overcame an electrical failure Thursday and brought his trusty Faith 7 in after 22 orbits for the most perfect space shot yet.

Cooper was only 1 1/2 minutes off schedule when he hit the water at 6:24 1/2 p.m. EST. By 7:11 p.m. he was on the rescue ship and, despite his long ordeal, walked briskly across the deck on his own power.

Sailors had nailed down a red canvas so that Cooper would have the next best thing to the red carpet treatment. "Gordon is in fine shape," his medical expert said.

President Kennedy was one of the first to get in his congratulations.

"That was a great flight," the President telephoned Cooper.

And Kennedy told the U. S. public in a special television talk: "Peace has her victories as well as war, and this was one of the victories for the human spirit today."

The President also called Trudy Cooper, the astronaut's wife, in Houston, Tex., and invited the Coopers to the White House Monday.

It was a great night in Tecumseh, Okla. The astronaut's mother, Hattie Cooper, had a perfect present for her 63rd birthday.

And a wonderful day, too, for an astronaut's grandmother, Orena Herd, 82, in whose little frame house a long vigil was kept.

"I've got to take care of you," Mrs. Cooper told her mother when it was announced the landing was a fine one and Cooper was safe.

She got up, went to the kitchen, and brought a glass of water to her mother, who had sat in front of the television, rocking slowly.

The two women were calmer earlier Thursday than they had been when Cooper went into orbit.

But the tension built during the final, climactic phase of re-entry.

The only sound came from the cage of a parakeet. The little bird kept chattering and pecking on a tiny bell, causing a tinkling noise that broke loudly into silent thoughts.

Neither woman spoke for more than an hour as they waited through the reports of the re-entry into the earth's atmosphere and until Cooper's capsule was safely aboard the pickup ship.

The U. S. Senate, finally finding something it could agree on, quickly passed a resolution congratulating Cooper.

"We are a very proud family tonight." That was the way Mrs. Gordon Cooper summarized her family's reaction Thursday to the historic space flight by her astronaut husband.

Mrs. Cooper and her daughters—Camala, 14, and Janita, 13—were smiling as they walked out the front door of their brick and stone home where they had remained in seclusion throughout the 34-hour, 20 1/2-minute, 22-orbit flight.

"I felt very calm and confident," Mrs. Cooper said when asked how she had reacted to news that a malfunction aboard the Faith 7 had forced her husband to use hand controls while preparing for the space ship's splash into the Pacific.

## FOR NEXT YEAR

## CSC Proposes Election Change

The Civilian Student Council met Thursday night to send a proposal to the Election Committee which would allow the CSC to elect a campus wide civilian council for its president. At present the Council elects the president.

The proposal by Dale Atkins, if

accepted, would become effective next year. Atkins said such an election would create more student interest among the civilian students and also create more interest in student government.

Jeff Harp, outgoing president for the council, asked the councilmen to complete and turn in the ballots distributed on co-education. Harp said the results will be announced as soon as they are

Also during the meeting, officers for next year were elected. Richard Moore was elected president, Harp named vice president, Don Bell recording secretary, Royce Knox corresponding secretary, Charles Shook treasurer and David Johnson parliamentarian.

Moore ran on the platform to create more government interest among the civilian students and in the Civilian Student Council. He advocated a larger publicity program and more progress in the coming year. He also said student communications among civilian student and administration should be improved.

Moore's main policy was to encourage the council members to work for the council and to plan and carry out more programs for civilian students.

## Profs Leave Posts At Mississippi U.

OXFORD, Miss. (AP) — Chancellor J. D. Williams said Thursday 16 professors have resigned from the University of Mississippi faculty. That's four more than the average year-end turnover, Williams said.

A survey by The Associated Press indicates, however, that 35 professors either have quit or have their resignations pending.

The State College Board meets later this month to transact regular business including the consideration of resignations.

Three of the resignations already recorded came from department chairmen.

## Leader Stresses Better Conditions

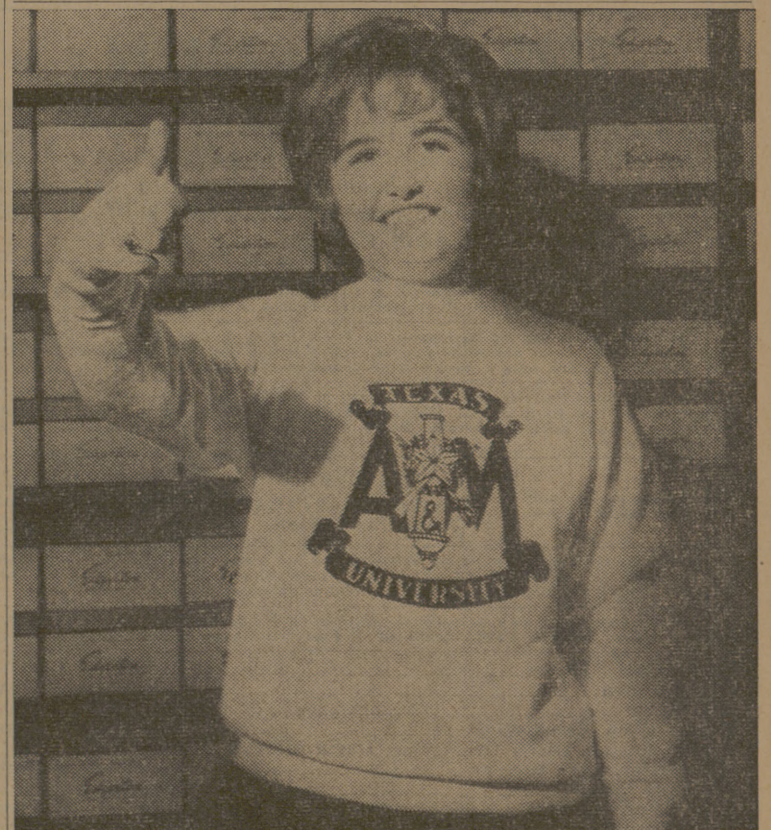
## for Spanish Group

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The Spanish-speaking part of Texas' population has not been given the opportunity to prove itself, the former president of the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) said Thursday.

He is Dr. George Garza of San Antonio, now a staff member of the Alliance for Progress. He spoke at a meeting of the San Antonio Area LULAC Council.

How many persons with Spanish names does the United States have in ambassador posts in the Latin American countries to the south?" he asked.

"Only one, and the other 18 ambassadors can hardly say 'good morning' in Spanish," he added



## Gig'em A&M University

Mary Nelson, clerk at Shaffer's Book Store, tries on a sample sweat shirt in A. M. Waldrop's clothing store. Waldrop store manager, Will K. Gibbs, said that he asked a company to make up the sample some time ago just in case the name-change bill passed. Mary is the sister of yell leader Tom Nelson.