

Sophomore Ball Sweetheart Finalists Are Announced



DIANE NUNNELLY
San Antonio



SUSAN NATHAN
Austin



GAY SCHERZ
San Angelo



LINDA CARMEN ROBBINS
Ft. Worth



MARY FRANCIS RUBLE
Bertram



The Battalion

Volume 61

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1967

Number 401

Weather
THURSDAY—Cloudy with light rain or drizzle. Winds northerly 15 to 25 m.p.h. High 51. Low 34.
FRIDAY—Continued cloudy, intermittent light rain, winds northerly 10 to 15 m.p.h. High 42. Low 28.

Sky Diving Is Not For Weak-Hearted

By PATRICIA HILL
I'll say one thing for those high-flying sky-divers at A&M: they really know how to take a girl for a ride!

And a RIDE is exactly what they took me on Saturday morning. Dave Burrus, president of the Sky-Divers Club, said that if I would come to the Hearne Airport, they'd show me all the tricks of falling out of an airplane . . . gracefully.

Now this all sounded pretty exciting, so I arose early Saturday morning (with a lump in my throat . . . after all, it isn't every day that I watch somebody jump out into the wild blue yonder from 7,000 feet) and drove out there to see exactly what they did.

When I arrived at the airport, the men were just getting ready to go up for the first time, so they decided that it would be nice if I went up with them, just to get the feel of the situation. Since these jumpers are all super safe, they harnessed me up in this contraption which weighs more than I do, and lifted me up in the plane.

"Now if for any reason you feel like you're going to be sucked out of the plane . . . or if you have to jump for any reason, just pull this little cord here," said Terry Garrett, one of the more experienced jumpers.

I'm not one to panic over small details, but I nearly chickened out when he said "get sucked out of the plane." But it didn't take me long to understand why he made such a point of that. The plane didn't have a door!

I must have turned pretty lily white because Tom Glaser quickly explained that there really wasn't much danger of my falling out of the plane.

Soon all the guys who were going to jump during this trip were piled into the plane and Skip Heard, the pilot, was revving

up the engine. When I said piled in, I wasn't kidding. There were seven of us in one Cessna.

Oh boy, I could tell right off this was going to be a first in my short life. I might add, when they had all jumped, I glanced over at this tiny sign on the side of the plane, and it said, "maximum baggage 220 pounds."

On this trip, the guys jumped on a 5-second delay. I learned that they usually jumped on a 30-second delay, from 7,200 feet, but because the cloud coverage was so thick they could only jump from 3,000 feet. The only thing that kept going through my mind was, "man, how brave can you get."

When just the pilot and I were left in the plane we went soaring up into the clouds where it gets cold. If you've never gone through a cloud, you've missed getting pretty soggy.

I was pretty impressed by all this, and after all, without a door on the plane, it's just like going through the clouds on a surfboard or something.

A&M Graduate Is Elected Rep From Tennessee

It's not exactly a novelty for a Texas A&M graduate to be elected to Congress.

But it is when he's a Republican elected in Tennessee.

Such is the case of Dan Kuykendall, who was sworn in last month as the first Republican Congressman from Tennessee in 97 years.

Congressmen Kuykendall, a native of Cherokee, San Saba County, Texas, graduated from A&M in 1947 with a degree in industrial education.

He immediately went to work for the Proctor and Gamble Company in Houston and, after serving in several managerial positions in Texas, was promoted to general manager for the firm's food division in the mid-South in 1955 and moved to Memphis.

The former A&M student became actively interested in Tennessee politics in 1960 and four years later threw his hat in the ring. He picked a tough opponent for his first race: Senator Albert Gore. He lost, but by only 70,000 ballots in a vote of more than one million.

Encouraged by this backing of nearly a half-million Tennesseans, Kuykendall entered the House of Representatives race in Memphis last year against Democratic incumbent George Grider. This time he won.

Congressman Kuykendall says he has not found his Texas "up-bringing" to be a liability in Tennessee "since all Tennesseans claim they founded Texas anyway."

Kuykendall is the fourth Texas A&M graduate currently serving in the House of Representatives. He is joined by Congressmen Olin E. (Tiger) Teague of College Station, Graham Purcell of Wichita Falls and Earle Cabell of Dallas.

University National Bank
"On the side of Texas A&M"
—Adv.

Harkness Ballet Slated As Town Hall Attraction



FOUR BALLETS

Bryan's Municipal Auditorium will host the Harkness Ballet Thursday night. The ballet is sponsored by the Town Hall Committee.

Stage Is Set At Bryan Auditorium

The Harkness Ballet of New York City will perform four ballets from its vast repertoire Thursday night at Bryan's Municipal Auditorium.

Forty dancers in the company will open the 8 p.m. ballet with "Sarabande," and follow with "Youth," "Capers" and "Ariadne."

The ballet is a Town Hall presentation.

A 26-member orchestra is a feature of the two-year old ballet company which made its Washington debut two weeks ago.

The ballet "Sarabande" adapts its title from major clavichord pieces written by 17th century composer Francois Couperin. It was recreated in the formality of the age of Louis XIV and yet uses contemporary ballet technique. "Sarabande" was created in honor of the late President Kennedy's visit to France in 1961.

"Youth" is described simply as "Young innocence . . . the first emotion of boy meeting girl."

The third ballet, "Capers" is billed as a series of divertissements with a carnival air.

"Ariadne" concerns the legendary myth of Ariadne, Theseus, and the Minotaur. In this performance, American modern ballet is merged with classical ballet.

Stars of the Harkness Ballet include Brunilda Ruiz, Lone Isakson, Elisabeth Carroll, Margaret Mercier, Ranchita Deperi, Lawrence Rhodes, Helgi Thomasson and Finis Jung.

Choreographers Alvin Ailey, John Butler, Stuart Hodes, Brian MacDonald, Donald McKayle, Donald Saddler and George Skibine are reprinted in the repertoire.

Notable among the composers are the names of Arnold, Ballard,

Barber, Chavez, Couperin, Creston, Harkness, Holby, Ibert, Jolivet, Menotti, Richter, Rieti and Surinach.

Critics throughout the world sound the highest praise for the Harkness Ballet. An example comes from Ann Holmes of the Houston Chronicle—"Harkness Ballet has the ingredients of the company everyone has been looking for . . . young, vigorous, colorful and inventive."

Noted Librarian To Present Next University Talk

A leader among academic librarians in the United States, Dr. William S. Dix, will present a University Lecture tonight.

Dr. Wayne C. Hall, A&M's academic vice president, said Dr. Dix's address, "New Challenges to University Libraries," is set for 8 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom.

"Since becoming director of the University Library at Princeton in 1953, Dr. Dix has brought that collection to a position of eminence among the outstanding academic libraries in the world," Dr. Hall remarked. "He is particularly familiar with the problems of growth facing university librarians who attempt to serve the needs of an ever-increasing number of faculty and student researchers."

At Princeton, Dr. Dix has chaired the Faculty Committee on the Library, and has served on trustee committees on the library and curriculum.

He is a former chairman of the Committee on Intellectual Freedom of the American Library Association and its International Relations Board. He is a member of the executive board of the Association of College and Reference Libraries, executive board of the New Jersey Library Association, Academic Freedom Committee of the American Civil Liberties Union, Modern Language Association and Phi Beta Kappa.

Before moving to Princeton, Dr. Dix was librarian at Rice for eight years. His experience includes teaching posts at Harvard University, Williams College, Western Reserve University, and Darlington School for Boys.

Dix earned A.B. and A.M. degrees from the University of Virginia and added the Ph.D. in American Literature at the University of Chicago.

In 1960, President Eisenhower appointed Dr. Dix to the U. S. delegation to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

Photo Salon Gets National Entries

Texas A&M's 1967 Intercollegiate Photo Salon will go national in scope.

Amateur photographers of 500 colleges and universities all over the U. S. are invited to participate announced Ken Reese, president of the sponsoring Memorial Student Center Camera Committee.

"Salon '67 is open to members of photographic associations in all U. S. universities and colleges," Reese explained. "Students, graduate students and faculty may enter."

First, second and third place ribbons will be awarded in each of eight categories, pictorial, still life, nature, portraiture, news, sports, human interest and fashion-modeling.

"Fashion and modeling is a new category for the ninth salon," Reese said.

Judges will select the top Salon '67 print and outstanding photographer.

Salon chairman Louis Hodges of Houston indicated more than 500 prints are expected by the May 10 deadline. Judging will be open to the public May 13 in the MSC.

Award winning photos and accepted pictures will be displayed in the MSC for a week.

YMCA 'Marriage Forums' Start Tonight

Dr. Robert Ledbetter, marriage counselor and visiting sociology lecturer from Texas University, will begin the first of five consecutive marriage forums at 7:30 tonight in the YMCA.

Dr. Ledbetter will discuss several topics under the central idea of "Making Marriage Meaningful." He will ask questions concerning significant emotional

problems which develop in the earlier periods of marriage; common marital problems and their possible solutions; making adjustments to one's mate; how to handle tensions; immaturity—how it can break a marriage apart; the things that hold marriages together and the significance of the recent "boom" in high school and college marriages.

The marriage forums are sponsored by the YMCA. Topics in the forums were selected from "write-ins" on student interest locator cards completed during registration.

The former TU Methodist Student Center director received his B.A. and M.A. from the Austin school. He attended SMU for ad-

ditional graduate work, then completed his B.D. and Ph.D. at the University of Chicago. He went back to school in 1961 and completed his M.S. in social work, and has been a marriage counselor at the TU Health Center and a visiting sociology lecturer since that time.

Elmqvist Named Editor Of English Teachers' Paper

Texas A&M's Karl E. Elmqvist has been named 1967 associate editor of the Texas Council of Teachers of English Newsletter.

The "TCTE Newsletter" is distributed to primary, secondary, college and university English teachers in the state.

College Station Report Mailed To Residents

A report to the citizens of College Station on the operation of their city government is being mailed this week, Mayor D. A. Anderson said today.

It is the first of what might become an annual report. "It depends on the response of the public to this issue," the mayor reported.

Its purpose is to more fully acquaint the citizens with its local government and its many activities, including its operation and financing.

"I deem it important that the city council report to the people who elected us on our stewardship," the mayor continued. "This report is the principal means of accomplishing this."

The report was prepared as a senior journalism class project under the direction of Dr. Delbert McGuire, head, Journalism Department, Texas A&M University. Participating in its production were the journalism faculty and the students.

"We owe them a debt of gratitude, Mayor Anderson concluded.

Flash Fire Demolishes Frame House

Another in a recent rash of fires in the College Station area completely destroyed a frame house Monday night on the road to the College Station city dump.

The frame house, owned by Oscar Peterson, burned to the ground in a matter of a few minutes. Peterson lived alone in the house and was next door visiting with his son when the fire broke out.

The fire department received the call at 9:45 p.m. but when they arrived 15 minutes later, the house was beyond saving and firemen could only control the spread of the fire to other buildings.

Cause of the fire could not be immediately determined and firemen were unable to make any estimates of damage.



PETERSON HOUSE BURNS

The Oscar Peterson home in College Station is shown as firemen battle the blaze that completely destroyed the building. It was one of a number of recent fires in this area.