

# Summer Programs Aid Kids

Instructors of College Station Recreational Council summer programs are "straightening the twig."

Young muscles develop and achieve flexibility and tone in numerous activities—swimming, tennis, bowling, softball—but probably to no greater extent than in a tumbling program conducted by a Texas A&M health and physical education instructor.

Clarence (Lindy) Baer gives agility and confidence to 80 youngsters in three half-hour sessions each weekday. Five to nine-year-olds learn basic tumbling and 10 to 15 and 16-year-olds receive more advanced training. "The children are learning something and getting muscle

control and tone," one mother pointed out. "Other than that, it's fun for the kids."

"Mine eat better and are sure sleeping good," added Mrs. H. D. Pittman.

The younger groups are learning to bridge, do situps, pushups, front, back and diving rolls. Side straddle hops, one-leg hopping and running in place shaped their bodies for the exercise.

Baer and his assistants often have to move fast to bridge enthusiasm of the 30 to 70-pounders.

Older children have progressed to fish flops, head stands, chain rolls and knee-shoulder balance. Some of the more agile boys are achieving mid-air somersaults. Girls will get balance work.

"Some of the kids were sore at first," Baer observed. "There was a noticeable lack of abdominal strength and flexibility in legs and hips. We've been using exercises to help this."

The A&M health and physical education faculty member who will join the University of Colorado as head gymnastics coach and PE instructor this fall said a slow and easy approach has been taken.

"The older group is impatient to get on to bigger things fast, but always take time to review the previous day's work before going on to new movements," he said.

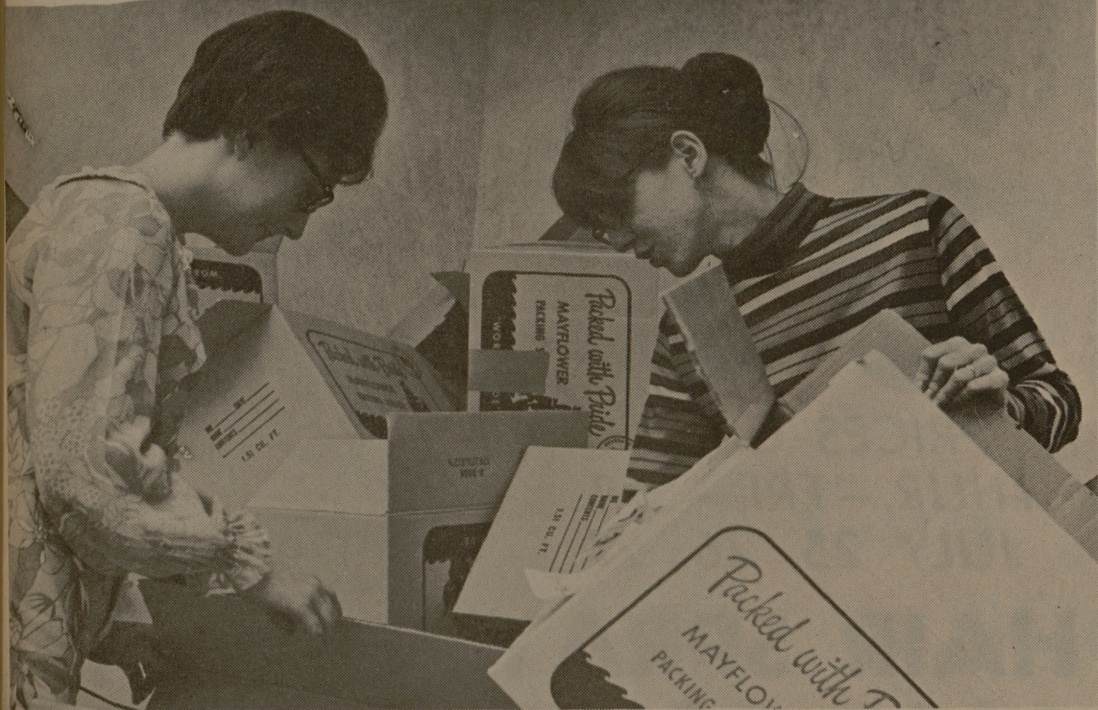
He has seen some strength development. Others are gaining

confidence.

"Kids that couldn't or wouldn't do things before are trying now," Baer commented.

Dr. Carl Landiss, Health and Physical Education Department head, arranged the tumbling program as a council member. Assisting Baer with the program have been his wife Robin; Lucinda Kerley, of College Station, A&M freshman modern languages major and gymnastics club member, and Linda Krenek, Bryan elementary school teacher.

"Quality of instruction is good in all the council's programs," observed Mrs. Kenneth Nimmo. "My children also participate in some of the other summer programs."



ONE MORE BOOK

With the move on from Cushing Memorial Library to the \$3.8 million quarters recently completed, there are bound to be some mixups. Mrs. Mary Fowler and Mrs. Marsha LaMotte, both of the Serials Department, look through the discarded moving boxes one more time. The new structure adjoining the original library will hold one million volumes and the move will be by sections so patrons will have a minimum of inconvenience.

## AstroFacts

The Houston Astros have scheduled eight special added attractions for their long 16 game homestand that begins this Friday, and continues through Sunday, August 11.

Saturday, will be the "Louisiana Days" celebration with each fan receiving an autographed picture of New Orleans native Rusty Staub, and a pre-game musical show by the Astroworld Dixieland Band is set for 7:00 p.m. Louisiana Governor John McKeithen's representative will throw out the first ball and more than 100 Louisiana mayors will be in attendance. San Francisco's Juan Marichal is slated to start the Saturday night game for the Giants.

Sunday, July 28, Sunday August 4 and Sunday, August 11 will all be "Family Days" with all children, 16 or under and accompanied by a parent, receiving a dollar reduction on box and reserved seats.

Tuesday, July 30 will be a special "Family Day" as the children receive the same discount, but there will be a prize of a color TV set to the largest family at the game. A "family" is defined as mother, father and their own children. The starting time for

this game is 7:00 p.m., one half hour earlier than usual.

Saturday, August 3 will be "Surprise Night" as the Astros take on the Philadelphia Phillies.

Saturday, August 10 will be "Country Music Night" featuring a show at 6:30 p.m. by Buck Owens, country's No. 1 entertainer, sponsored for the Houston show by Houston's KIKK radio. The August 10 date with the Pittsburgh Pirates calls for a day game at 1:15 p.m., the country music show at 6:30 p.m., a night

game at 7:30 p.m., which is a make up game of a game previously postponed, and then a repeat of the Buck Owens show at the conclusion of the game.

Sunday, August 11 will conclude the homestand and will be highlighted by a "Father-Son Game" as the Astros' players take on their own boys in a contest at 1:00 p.m.

"Ladies nights" are scheduled for each Wednesday with ladies receiving a dollar reduction on all tickets.



LOTS OF FISH

Two Food Service employees spending the summer at the A&M Adjunct near Junction caught this 56-pound yellow catfish between cooking meals for incoming freshmen at the camp. W. L. Coleman and O. C. Plantt landed the fish on the South Llano River which runs by the summer school. (Photo Courtesy Junction Eagle)

## Ticket Demand Reaches Peak

Pre-season demands for Texas Aggie football tickets have reached an all-time high.

Wally Groff, A&M athletic business manager, announced Tuesday that nearly 10,000 season tickets have been ordered for the four home games with Texas Tech, TCU, Arkansas and Rice.

Groff said there still are tickets available and the general public can order them by mailing a check to the A&M Athletic Dept. The LSU, Tulane and Florida State game tickets are \$6 each while the SWC games are \$5 each. An additional 25 cents should accompany each order to take care of handling and postage.

A&M does not have any more tickets for the Thanksgiving Day game against Texas in Austin. Groff said that all ticket orders will be mailed out on Sept. 1.

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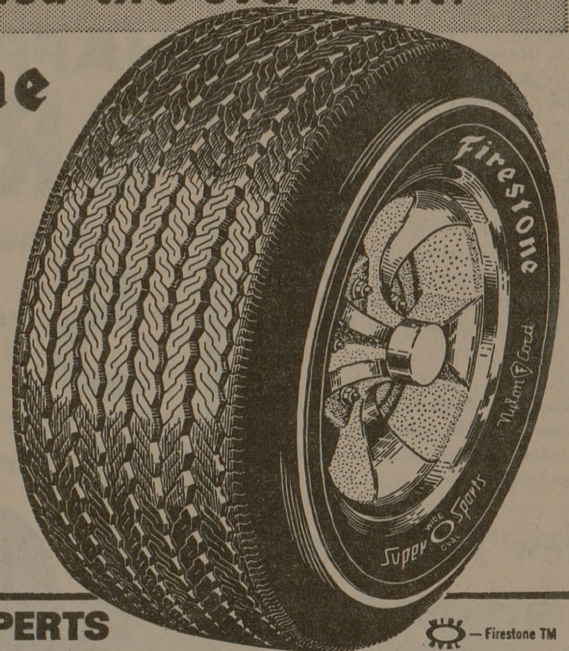
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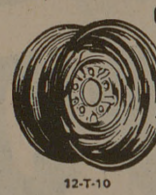
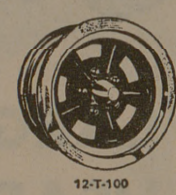
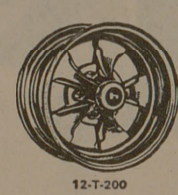
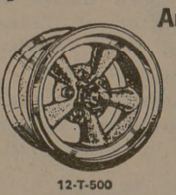
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