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RACE WINNERS—Patsy Eby (left) and Jane Scott of University Women were the winning drivers in Saturday's "Grand Prix" go-cart race sponsored by the Civilian Student Council. Mrs. Eby drove the second half of the race and brought the cart across the finish line ahead of the rest. Crew members were Nancy Evans, Judy McConnell and Mina Akins. The two drivers were presented a trophy during the Civilian Weekend dance that night. (Photo by Hayden Whitsett)

Election Protest Filed; Action Set Tonight

Two graduate students have filed a protest with the Election Commission regarding the use of "cheat sheets" in last Thursday's election.

Tommy Henderson, Election Commission executive vice president, said Monday night that the two students filed the protest on the grounds that the use of prepared lists of candidates at the polls was a form of campaigning and in violation of the election rules. Henderson said the names of the students were not avail-

able.

Henderson said the commission will meet tonight at 7:30 in the Memorial Student Center to act on the protest. He added that he believes the commission will allow the election to stand but that there is a possibility the entire election will have to be held over.

The commission ruled last Wednesday, the day before the election, that printed lists of candidates would not be allowed at the polls but that handwritten lists could be used. All lists were

confiscated after the voter had cast his ballot because the election commission said, "turning these lists over to another voter would be a form of campaigning."

Marcus Hill, Election Commission member and former Fifth Wheel Committee member, led the opposition to the lists, calling them immoral.

"The Election Commission kept them (the lists) from being passed on to other voters," Hill said, "but by that time they had fulfilled their purpose as campaign literature."

Kent Caperton, Student Senate president-elect and head of the Fifth Wheel, contended that the lists were legal.

"The Election Commission changed the rules and we followed suit," he said. "So far as I am concerned, we have done nothing illegal."

Caperton's views are shared by many Fifth Wheel members, some of whom had stayed up Wednesday night writing out lists of Fifth Wheel candidates.

The commission met Monday night in the MSC to recount the votes in the races for senate vice president and treasurer. The recount showed Roger Miller with 2,568 votes to David Moore's 2,442 for vice president and Eddie Duryea with 2,421 to Jimmy Alexander's 2,393 for treasurer.

The original count gave Miller 2,476 to Moore's 2,439 and Duryea 2,497 to Alexander's 2,304.

Players to Present 'Barefoot' Thursday

Marry an impetuous, leap-before-looking young woman to a dignified, conservative young lawyer and what happens?

The Aggie Players supply one alternative in a two-weekend run of Neil Simon's "Barefoot in the Park" opening Thursday.

The Players, now in their final week of rehearsals, will present "Barefoot" at Guion Hall Thursday through Saturday, May 7-9. Admission is \$1.

Kathy Maxwell plays the impetuous young bride, Corie Bratner. She enjoys life, is impulsive and has a strong tendency to hit the gas pedal and release the clutch at the same time.

Her husband Paul, played by Pat Catsie, is exactly the opposite. He's fresh out of law school and the newest member of a New York law firm.

As Corie puts it, Paul doesn't look before he leaps, he stares. C. K. Esten, "Barefoot" director, said the play is a story of how little things plus the right catalyst can lead into major conflict. It has been performed suc-

cessfully on Broadway and made into a movie.

The little things Esten referred to are an apartment six flights up, backward-working plumbing, a case in court in the morning and an hors d'oeuvre called "knichi."

A 58-year-old flamboyant "Hungarian Duncan Hines" known as Victor Velasco (played by Bob Robinson) is the catalyst.

Corie's mother, portrayed by Kay Slowey, is the victim of her daughter's plot to match her with Velasco. She's extremely sensible, takes pink pills, sleeps on a board and has one concern, her daughter.

Situation comedy is added by a delivery man, played by Robert Rogers. Confidence that the marriage will survive is expressed by the telephone man, a role in which Robert Wittlinger appears.

"Simon is the most successful playwright on Broadway in the last 10 years," said Esten, "and 'Barefoot' is a cute play that shows when the practical meets the impractical, something gives."

Diane Anderson Will Reign As '70-'71 Civilian Sweetheart



DIANE ANDERSON

Diane Anderson of Crosby was crowned Civilian Sweetheart Saturday during the annual Civilian Weekend Presentation Dance.

The weekend climaxed Civilian Week, a week of activities planned by the Civilian Student Council for an estimated 12,000 civilian students.

Miss Anderson, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond E. Anderson, is a senior at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos.

The attractive miss, who was selected from 15 women competing for the title, was escorted by Tim Harshbarger, freshman accounting major at A&M.

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Elects Mayor Pro Tem

CS Council Balks At Panel Ordinance

By Dave Mayes
Battalion Editor

College Station City Councilmen elected a mayor pro tem, appointed more than 100 people to 15 committees and wrestled with a controversial ordinance establishing a Planning and Zoning Commission in a four-and-one-half hour marathon session Friday night.

The seven-man panel elected Councilman C. H. Ransdell to serve as mayor pro tem. Ransdell is an assistant dean in the A&M College of Engineering.

Ransdell's election followed a long list of appointments to city committees recommended by Mayor D. A. (Andy) Anderson and approved with little debate by the council.

Councilmen balked, however, at the mayor's plan to establish the city's Planning and Zoning Commission by ordinance.

Anderson explained to the council that since the panel was appointed in 1939 as a zoning committee, its membership has vacillated from the original five to seven, then to nine, back to seven and then, in 1969, up to its present nine.

Technically, the mayor said, the city council had no authority to change the number of positions on the commission except by ordinance.

Anderson said he patterned his ordinance after one proposed several weeks ago by Jim Gardner, a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission. He noted, however, that no action was taken on Gardner's proposal.

In his ordinance, the mayor said, final authority for approval of plats has been taken from the commission and put back on the council. Also, the mayor said, "it has been the consensus that a commission of nine members has proven unwieldy," and so his ordinance reduces to seven the number of positions on the panel.

Councilman Joe McGraw took issue with mayor's proposal, urging that the measure be tabled until he had a chance to study it. He said the item had not been placed on the agenda.

McGraw also questioned why the mayor had included in the proposed ordinance a "test of membership" that he had not required in committee appointments the council had just approved.

He wondered why the members of the commission had to be property owners, arguing that renter pay just as much in taxes through their rent as property owners, and, as citizens, are just as good.

Anderson said he tried to get the ordinance out to the council sooner, but was detained by business out of town.

Developer Don Dale spoke up from the audience, saying that he would "hate very much for Joe McGraw, who has very little interest in this community, to tell me what I should do with my property."

"Frankly, I think a lot of businessmen are getting a bellyful of this," he continued. "It's wrong as it can be. People come in here from nowhere and tell us what we should do, and they do nothing in the world but stir things up and leave. Yeah, you're temporary, Joe," he said to McGraw.

McGraw's motion to table died for lack of a second. After further debate and some suggestions of minor wording changes, however, Councilman Jim Dozier suggested that the council table the measure again.

"I have no basic objections," Dozier said, "but I would like some more time to read this."

The council agreed to table the motion with the idea that it would consider the ordinance again at a special meeting later this week.

Councilmen also tabled appointing members to a newly-formed Business Development Committee, a panel proposed by Mayor Anderson to keep the city informed concerning the interests of business.

Anderson recommended a list of businessmen to be appointed to the committee, but some councilmen wanted some time to add names to the list.

McGraw said he had not been consulted on any of the mayor's recommendations.

Anderson replied that he had informed the city through the news media that anyone who wanted to be a member of this or any other committee could be appointed by contacting him. Some council members said they had missed the messages.

He added that he had spent much time consulting with a large number of people in the

city as he was compiling his recommendations.

In other business, the council rescinded its decision to authorize the city manager to purchase land in the Oak Hills subdivision for use as the city's sanitary land fill.

City Manager Ran Boswell said he was investigating two other possible sites but could not disclose their location or owner at this time.

The mayor also appointed, with the council's approval, citizens to various city boards, including the Board of Equalization, the Housing Board of Adjustment and Appeals, the Building Code Board of Adjustment and Appeals, the Plumbing Appeals and Adjustment Board, Electrical Examining Board, Easterwood Joint Airport Zoning Board and Easterwood Joint Board of Adjustment.

People were also named to a number of committees, including Parks and Recreation, Health, Annual Report, Cemetery, and Beautification.

Preregistration for Fall Will Begin Next Week

Preregistration for the Fall Semester will be held May 6 to May 15, from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. according to Don Carter, director of registration.

Preregistering students should secure their registration card packets at their major department where they will register for their courses. They should then report to the Housing Office representatives to secure a fee data card.

Women should report to the Housing Office in the first floor of the YMCA, cadets to the Duncan area of Lounge B between Dorms 2 and 4, civilian students to Hart Hall

lounge and all day students to the Legett Hall lounge.

After securing their fee data cards they should report to registration headquarters, Room 001 YMCA to complete preregistration and turn in his card packet.

No fees for the fall semester will be collected this semester. Fee statements will be mailed to students at their permanent mailing addresses on or about June 15. Fees must be paid to the Fiscal Department by August 1.

Class schedules, fee receipts, and identification cards will be mailed to students at their permanent mailing addresses, Carter said.

Pollution, Food Production Challenge A&M, Wells Says

Texas A&M University is challenged by its responsibility to meet the needs of society, Clyde H. Wells, president of the A&M Board of Directors, said Monday at a faculty-staff dinner.

Wells said the challenges include pollution and other problems of the environment, as well

as stepped-up production of food and fiber to meet world demands.

"These are real problems — complex problems," Wells pointed out. "If the great universities

of this country can't face up to these fundamental problems of mankind, who can? Who will?"

"With this faculty and the facilities and equipment at Texas A&M today, few institutions in the nation are more competent to make contributions," he added.

Wells assured approximately 650 faculty-staff members the board of directors is challenged and pledges to do everything within its power to provide the

necessary facilities, equipment and other resources, as well as the proper environment.

The board president noted A&M "ended an era" last month with the death of Gen. Earl Rudder. He said it was a period of unprecedented growth and change.

"I think we all know and appreciate the debt we owe to this great leader who gave so much (See Wells, page 2)

Senior Charged With Mail Theft

A 23-year-old A&M senior accounting major has been charged in Houston federal court with felony theft of mail.

Dean of Students James P. Hannigan said Drew McCulloch of Maryville, Tenn., has been suspended indefinitely from the university.

McCulloch was arrested April 3 by Postal Inspector C. A. Schaffer of Houston and University Police patrolman Jerry Hutchinson at the College Station Post Office.

A second A&M student was arrested Thursday night, police said, who may also be involved in opening mail boxes and mail. They said the two cases do not appear to be related. No formal action has been taken against the second student, police said.



WORLD RECORD SETTER—A&M's Curtis Mills breaks the tape to set a world record in the 880-yard relay during the Drake Relays Saturday in Des Moines, Iowa. See story, page 5. (AP Wirephoto)