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A&M professor captures spirit of leader in print

By Jena Atchison
Reporter

The spirit of Freda Kirchwey, one of the most influential leaders of the women's movement in the 1920s, has been captured in print for the first time by Dr. Sara Alpern, associate history professor at Texas A&M.

The book, entitled "A Woman of the Nation," describes Kirchwey as a public figure in the 1920s and her involvement with the publication of the *Nation*. Alpern says motivation to write Kirchwey's biography came from a collection of Kirchwey's essays.

"I did extensive research in libraries which held collections of her personal papers and those of her contemporaries," Alpern says.

"I also did extensive oral history interviews with her friends, relatives, *Nation* colleagues and ideological opponents," he says.

"A Woman of the Nation" can be divided into two parts, Alpern says. The first half describes Kirchwey's devotion to women's issues. The second half describes her involvement with international issues during World War II.

Kirchwey was born in Lake Placid, N.Y., on Sept. 26, 1893. She was raised by highly educated parents who provided her with the same educational opportunity.

In 1915 she married Evans Clark, but kept her maiden name.

In 1917 she began her career as a journalist with the *Nation*, one of the most liberal publications in America, Alpern says.

Within a year, she was promoted to editor of the international section. In 1923 she became managing editor of the *Nation*.

Alpern says Kirchwey was a modern woman attempting to combine a career with marriage and family. Determined to be happy and successful in both sectors of her life, she struggled intellectually and personally to achieve this goal.

Primarily concerned with women's issues, as editor she published a series called "These Modern Women." She encouraged prominent women to anonymously write to the *Nation* about their relationships with men and their struggle between career and marriage.

A turning point in Kirchwey's life, caused by personal tragedies, resulted in a voluntary leave of absence from work. In January of 1930, on an indefinite leave of absence, she tried to nurse her dying son back to health. He died later that year. In August of 1932 she was asked to return to the *Nation* as executive editor.

When she returned, she concentrated on making the *Nation* a

weapon against fascism, she Kirchwey bought the *Nation* in 1937, becoming owner, editor and publisher until 1955.

As a response to personal tragedies and realities of the world, she used the paper as a propaganda tool during World War II. "Her focus changed from men's issues to other issues of national and international importance," Alpern says.

"She was involved in several different organizations," Alpern says, "but her primary interest, commitment and influence was through the *Nation*."

"The *Nation* had an impact on many of its readers who were influential in different sectors of government and society."

Alpern says Kirchwey believed in the peaceful use of atomic energy. Kirchwey was politically liberal and was a good mediator, he says.

After an extensive journalism career, Kirchwey died in 1976. "Somebody said she laughed too many times for the days we were having," Alpern says.

"A Woman of the Nation" is published by Harvard University Press. There is an autograph party at Hasting's Books and Records in Culpepper Plaza from 5 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Residents clean after storm devastates town, injures 11

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Work crews and residents began cleaning up Tuesday after a devastating storm uprooted trees, severed power lines and toppled a 500-foot communications tower onto an apartment complex.

The thunderstorms, packing 68 mph winds, roared through about 6 p.m. Monday and cut electricity to about 64,000 homes. Eleven people were injured but only two remained hospitalized Tuesday, officials said.

The weather had calmed substantially by Tuesday, but the National Weather Service predicted that more rain would fall over the next two days.

City Public Service spokesman Barbara Stover said 300 employees worked through the night to restore power to most of the residents, but some homes were still without electricity Tuesday afternoon.

"It is not confined to any particular area of the city," Stover said. "There are people who are still having difficulties. They're all over. We haven't even begun to calculate dollars."

The high winds sent a 500-foot tower owned by Metromedia Paging

Services crashing through the roofs of two-story apartments, injuring five people, none seriously.

Rosalinda Salinas, 29, among those injured in that incident, remained in good condition at Baptist Medical Center Tuesday and said she remembered very little about the crash.

"I saw the news and I saw the way the tower fell and our apartment went directly in half, right where our dining room table was," she said. "It just knocked me down. My husband said I almost went through the floor and into the apartment under us."

She said her two daughters — Andria, 6, and Jennette, 2 — were watching the rain from the window and were not seriously hurt. The girls and Mrs. Salinas' husband, David Salinas, 35, were treated and released from Baptist Medical Center, officials said.

Mrs. Salinas suffered head and back lacerations, but was more concerned about finding clothes for her family Tuesday.

"I'm kind of glad it was me instead of the girls because I can stand the pain," she said. "I also told the doc-

tors, 'I'm glad I got a hard blow else it would really have done something worse.'"

The high winds also destroyed mobile home of a woman who was months pregnant. Debbie Hill treated for a knee laceration and released Monday from Medical Center Hospital, officials said.

Five others inside a restaurant when the storm hit were cut off by falling from wind-shattered roofs.

Sue McNew, 31, was in fair condition at Baptist Medical with arm, said a hospital spokesman. The other four were treated and released.

Two police helicopters on a pad sustained about \$45,000 of damage from flying debris. Six police cars at headquarters damaged after a utility pole fell on them, police spokesman Robert Lopez said.

Metromedia sales manager Sawyer said insurance adjusters were at the site of the fallen tower and a work crew was ready to dismantle the twisted metal and debris.

Former representative looks for nomination to commission seat

AUSTIN (AP) — Former state Rep. Ed Emmett said Tuesday he is seeking the Republican nomination for the Railroad Commission seat held by Democrat Jim Nugent.

Emmett — who lost to Milton Fox and John Thomas Henderson in last year's GOP primary for the commission seat — said Nugent "is still trying to regulate the transportation and energy industries like a good ol' boy spoils system."

Texas has become unattractive to businesses "simply because our intrastate trucking rates set by the Railroad Commission are so much higher than the interstate rates which are set by free-market competition," Emmett said.

The commission also "has got to be innovative" in regulating the energy industry, he said.

"Natural gas prices have been artificially driven down because the commission has not taken a strong stand to protect the rights of all mineral owners and producers," he said.

Nugent, a commissioner since January 1979, said Emmett's assertions "are hardly worth answering."

But the incumbent added, "I have a question about his competence" because as executive director of the Texas Association to Improve Distribution, Emmett "masterminded" passage of a bill in the Legislature "under the guise of deregulation" that had to be amended in the special session.

"It required every pickup and Suburban to register with the Railroad Commission and pay a registration fee and an insurance filing fee," Nugent said. "We got that changed in a special session because we thought that was ridiculous."

Emmett, now a Round Rock resident, represented Harris County for four terms in the House, serving as a

member of the Transportation Committee. He said he will conduct the 1988 race differently from his 1986 race for the Railroad Commission.

"I spent too much time talking to a very small number of Republican activists," he said. "My whole purpose is to get name and to establish the Railroad Commission as a high-profile race."

Emmett, who estimated that he will spend \$500,000 on the race, said Kent Hance's bid for the other open commission seat will be an advantage. Hance, appointed to the commission by Gov. Bill Clements after Democrat Mack Wallace resigned, must run next year to fill the term that ends in 1990.

"People are going to be paying attention to the Railroad Commission," Emmett said.

Nugent said he does not know how much money he will spend to keep his seat, but "looking at (Emmett's) record of getting votes in the past, it may not cost too much."

Also Tuesday, Rep. Clint Hackney kicked off a 10-day state tour in his campaign for Hance's commission seat.

"What I want to show the people and take to the voters is the importance of the Railroad Commission," Hackney, D-Houston, said. "It can create jobs, it deals with the safety of our railroads and a safe environment and it needs to deal with the future of transportation in the state of Texas."

Hackney said if he wins the Democratic nomination he will stand a good chance against Hance.

"He's a Bill Clements appointee, and he now calls himself a Republican," Hackney said. "I think being a Republican any time is a little bit of a detriment in the state of Texas."

NASA views escape plan from shuttle

HOUSTON (AP) — Engineers at NASA are considering an emergency procedure that would allow space shuttle astronauts to return to earth safely if two of the shuttle's three engines fail within 20 seconds of launch.

The procedure is known as Split-S maneuver and would allow the crew an alternative ditching a shuttle in the ocean. The *Houston Chronicle* reported Tuesday.

The procedure has an advantage over other emergency plans under consideration in the wake of the Challenger disaster in that it could enable the crew to return intact to a runway at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, the newspaper reported.

The Split-S would be effective if two of the three liquid-fueled main engines quit within 20 seconds of liftoff. At that point, the third main engine and the solid-fuel rocket boosters would be firing.

According to the plan, special computer software could program a flight path to enable the shuttle to turn and glide to a landing in Florida.

However, the third main engine would have to be shut off and the external tank that carries liquid hydrogen and oxygen to the engines would have to be jettisoned.

Edward M. Henderson, chief of the Mission Operations analysis branch at Johnson Space Center, said the maneuver would be part of a "contingency plan for situations in which more than one major shuttle system fails during launch."

No decision has been made to include the Split-S among abort plans, he added.

Student

The Student's first meeting was Wednesday, Sept. 9, 7:30 p.m.

The main purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the upcoming election and to prove scheduled man campaign Tentative Sept. 11 to run may of the Pavilion

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AUSTIN (AP) — Justice of the peace probably will be Bill Clements

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