

First Annual Dance Festival
University of Kansas
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Dr. Anne Schley Duggan, head of the Department of Health and Physical Education at Texas State College for Women, Denton, Texas, has reached the "top" in her profession in a very short time. At the age of thirty-four, she heads one of the largest physical education departments for women in the United States, supervising a staff of twelve and working with 125 major students. Last spring at the Tulsa Convention, she was elected president of the Southern District in the National Health and Physical Education Association, an honor reserved for those few men or women whose contributions are so outstanding that they are recognized throughout this large district.

Upon completing the work for her Ph.D. at Columbia University, she became a member of the Columbia summer school faculty, a position she has held in addition to her regular winter work every summer since then. It is during these summers in New York City that she has had an opportunity to do the research necessary for her unique work in the field of folk dancing. With her assistant, who is able to take down the music as it is sung or played, Anne Schley Duggan has visited every different nationality group in New York City to learn from them the most authentic folk dances of their nation. She has been made an honorary member of most of the groups, and participates with them in their annual festivals. These are the dances she has introduced to students and faculty members at Columbia University and the New York School of Social Research, in the same way that she will introduce them to K.U. students October 28. These are