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## First Town Hall Program Opens Season As Success

### Bidu Sayao Thrills Audience With Both Foreign And American Selections

Singing before a packed house, Bidu Sayao, Metropolitan opera star who opened the 1943-44 Town Hall season here Tuesday night, charmed all those who head her with her lovely voice and charming personality. Miss Sayao, who appeared on the stage of Guion Hall, was accompanied at the piano by Milne Charnley, who played several selections as solos during the intermissions.

A gracious and charming personality, Miss Sayao completely won her audience from the first selection. She opened the program with the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" accompanied by the audience. Immediately after the opening ceremony, Miss Sayao entered into her concert of three parts, which was well received by all those who were privileged to hear her.

Miss Sayao was introduced to the audience by Bill Terrell, student manager of Town Hall.

At the end of her concert she was presented with a huge bouquet of roses by Charles West and Bill Terrell.

Miss Sayao, who speaks several languages fluently, sang in English, French, Italian and Portuguese.

The audience that was held enthralled by her lovely voice was made up of members of the faculty and staff of the college, members of the corps, servicemen and military trainees, and the people of College Station, Bryan and other nearby towns.

Seven other features are scheduled for the Town Hall programs for this year it was announced.

## Salesmen To Sell At Games Wanted

Those students desiring to work as salesmen for the concessions at the games this season meet Mr. Ben Waidhofer on the steps of the annex of Sbisla Hall immediately after mess this evening.

Mr. Waidhofer has urged that all students, especially Freshmen, who wish to make money at the home games to apply for the jobs. Employees are in great need and this affords anyone to see the football games held at Kyle Field free.

Aside from free admittance to the games, salesmen receive a commission on all sales that they make. It has long been the custom for Freshmen to sell for these concessions in the stadium.

The Common Sense Club at the University of Texas was organized last year to further campus interest in racial relations, improved labor conditions and civil liberties in wartime. The name was adopted from the American Revolutionary pamphlet written by Thomas Paine.

## E. E. Professor Is Ordered to Service

Norman F. Rode, professor of electrical engineering at A. & M. has been commissioned Lieutenant Commander, Naval Reserve, and ordered to Annapolis, where he will teach in the United State Naval Academy.

Professor Rode has served on the college staff since 1922 where his work has been primarily with seniors and graduate students. He also has served as director of the college's Public Utility Short Courses and conductor of training conferences for electrical metermen in the southwest. During the last two years, he has been in charge of war training classes in electrical engineering in about twenty cities of the state.

Prior to joining the college faculty, Professor Rode served as a marine engineer both with shipbuilding companies and on active sea duty. He holds a license as Chief Marine Engineer. While on the College staff, he engaged in considerable amount of consulting work with leading utility concerns and on federal projects in the Southwest. During the summer of 1940, he was employed as a consultant on electric power plant operation with the principal utility company in Cuba.

Professor Rode is a member of Tau Beta Pi and numerous professional electrical engineering societies. He was recently elected a fellow in the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. He is a co-author of two books and author of several technical articles and papers, and holds degrees from Clemson College and the A. & M. College of Texas.

## Dean Kyle Attends Land Bank Meet

E. J. Kyle, the Dean of the School of Agriculture, left for Houston Wednesday. There he will attend the monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Federal Land Bank. The bank is connected with the Farm Credit Association. This organization is the department which has charge of government loans to farmers to finance their crops.

University of West Virginia radio plans for the current semester includes a series of programs to be broadcast simultaneously over WVAJ, Morgantown, and WMMN, Fairmont.

## New Intramural Season Opens For This Fall

### Touch Football Has New Rules To Speed Up Game

Intramural games started this past Tuesday with the playing of two football games and two basketball games. Interest in intramural sports seems to have livened up quite a bit this semester, as each company that participated in the games Tuesday had at least two full teams ready to take part when called upon.

Touch-football games have been speeded up with the addition of a few rules in regard to touching the man with the ball. The Intramural Office provides each man with an additional shirt to be tucked into the back of the participant's shorts. In order for the ball-carrier to be officially "downed," the opposing team must strip him of his added shirt. This has instigated the actual running of plays instead of the habitual passing plays that have made up the games in the past.

All touch-football games have been scheduled for 5:10, but it has been necessary for the Intramural Department to schedule a few basketball games at 5:50 because of the lack of time and referees; however, each of these latter games will be over in plenty of time to enable the players to get dressed and eat their evening meal.

## Saturday Service Show Resumes

Saturday night at 7:15 there will be another weekly Saturday Service Show the Student Activities Office announced. Richard Jenkins will be the master of ceremonies of the show.

As yet, there has not been a program arranged, however, it will be in the form of a variety show. Several novelty acts performed by Aggies and servicemen will lend to the success of the show. With the aid of some Bryan talent, the show promises to be very entertaining.

The Service Show will be held, as usual, in the Assembly Hall.

## Life For Soldiers At College

The poem below recently appeared in a newspaper published at Georgia Tech. It tells humorously the life of servicemen stationed at Colleges:

Mother take down your service flag,  
Your son is at Georgia Tech.  
Instead of fighting battles,  
He's learning how to neck.  
If he isn't playing football,  
He's swimming in the pool.  
Mother take down your service flag,  
Your son is back in school.

## Cub Pack Meets Next Month

College Station Pack 102 of the Cub Scouts will not hold the monthly pack meeting Thursday night, October 21. The Bryan-College Station rally that was held last week took its place.

A November pack meeting will be held so that Cubs who have earned awards may secure them. All Cubs are urged to complete their work for awards early and report to their den mother the awards they are due at the November pack meeting. The date of this meeting will be announced at a later date through the dens.

## Dr. Jones To Wed Miss Liles Soon

Dr. Virgil Brahma Jones, remembered by Aggie football fans as the hard fighting guard on the 1937 Aggie eleven recently announced his approaching marriage to Helen Liles of Spartanburg, South Carolina, November 6 at the Trinity Methodist Church of that city.

Dr. Jones received his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree from A. & M. in August 1940.

## Brazilian Nightingale:

### Bidu Sayao

By Dr. John Ashton

If culture thrives where music reigns,  
Then melody, rewards our pains  
To satisfy, in human breast,  
An urge which lives thru every test;  
That soulful love of finer things—  
For talent such as Sayao brings.

Last eve she sang like nightingale;  
But still the simile doth fail  
To render all fair Bidu's due:  
Besides her voice, her manner, too,  
Entrancing, gay, replete with grace,  
Symbolic of her Latin race.

Like dulcet sounds from sylvan dell,  
Or mellow peal of old church bell,  
Italian, French, and Portuguese  
The diva sang with equal ease;  
Nor encore meant to calm our roar  
Would quell insistent calls for more!

Could we, sweet Bidu, have our say,  
We'd never let thee fly away!

## N.T.A.C. Preparing For Bitter Battle With Aggies

### Coach Holmes Fearful Of Passing Of Beesley and Hallmark; Flanagan Threat

ARLINGTON, Texas, October 21—North Texas Aggie practice sessions this week pointing toward next Saturday's game at Kyle Field with the Texas Aggies have emphasized pass defense.

Aggie coaches, J. G. "Klepto" Holmes and Ensign Douglas Jackson, fearful of the skill of such splendid ball-tossers as James Hallmark, Earl Beesley and Marion Flanagan, have devoted the first three workouts of the week largely to batting down passes tossed by such NTAC pitchers as Howard "Red" Maley, Don Hughes, Sam Weatherford and James Batchelor.

"You've got to watch those Aggies all the time," Coach Holmes said, "or those cadet backs will bomb you out of the lot."

Ensign Jackson entertains a pretty high opinion of the A. & M. running attack, and has been stressing the importance of improved blocking and tackling in his work with the NTAC forward wall.

The Aggie line was pretty well battered by the Southwestern Pirates who pasted NTAC 26-0 last Friday, and the local coaches do not know as yet just who will be starters on Saturday. It isn't likely that either Doyle Caraway or James Reed, a couple of crack guards from Texas Tech, will see a great deal of service, although Reed may play some of the game.

Coach Holmes said he might shift Jim Sid Wright, all-Conference guard from SMU last year, who

has been playing center for NTAC this season, back to the guard slot, and start Jim Woodfin, former Frog star at the center post. Starting tackles may be a couple of last year's TCU frosh, John Steele and Emmett Hill, who weigh 215 and 220 pounds respectively, but Burnie "Big Lou" Smith will start at one tackle post, if he recovers from bruises received in the Southwestern game. Smith is a four-year veteran from SMU. "Easy" Parham of TWC and Harold Crossen of Texas Tech, both 200-pounders, are slated to start at the end positions.

Most serious handicap the NTAC team faces is the probability of having to play without Pete Stout, the great 200-pound tailback from TCU, who is one of the best running and passing backs in the nation. Stout received a head injury in the Southwestern contest last Friday, and was confined to an Austin hospital for several days. X-ray pictures show no brain injury as was first feared, but it appears very doubtful that Stout will be permitted to play against the Aggies.

In his place will be Howard "Red" Maley, 180-pound triple-threat from SMU who is a pretty nifty passer on his own right.

NTAC's running game will be led by "Big John" Bon, 215-pound fullback who slashed through the SMU line for 65 yards and a touchdown recently.

Other backs who will probably see lots of service against the Aggies are Don Hughes and Sam (See NTAC, Page 4)

## All Service Dance After Game This Saturday Night

### Orchestra Will Probably Play in Sbisla From 9 to 12 For Aggies, Servicemen

Sbisla Dining Hall will be the scene of an All-Service Dance, to be held from 9 to 12 p.m. on Saturday night. The dance will be for the benefit of those Aggies and servicemen who will have dates for the N.T.A.C. game.

### Payment Due

The second installment of \$33.65 on the maintenance fee must be paid on or before the afternoon of Saturday, November 6, according to a statement issued by the Fiscal Office today. If the fee is not paid by this deadline, then an extra assessment of one dollar will be charged.

The Fiscal Office is open on all week days, Monday through Friday, from 9:00 o'clock in the morning until 2:30 in the afternoon. On Saturdays the office is only open from 9:00 o'clock until 2:00. All students are urged to pay in advance to avoid the rush of last-minute payment and possible assessment.

### ASTP Returns Next Month

The army engineers of A. S. T. P. Training Unit are scheduled to return from their furlough the first few days of next month. The engineers are expected to begin returning from the second of November until the fifth of the same month. At the present time the trainees only consist of two companies.

The exact date for the starting of their program is not known, but it will be announced later for faculty members, personnel, and all others who are concerned by the A. S. T. P. program.

## A.&M. Announces Shooting Season

The mourning dove season in the South zone of Texas opened October 20 and will close November 30, instead of the previous dates which were November 20 to December 19, according to officials of the Texas Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit and the A. & M. College Department of Fish and Game. This change was made by an amendment to the Migratory Bird Treaty Act which was signed last week by the President and announced by Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes.

The new amendment also changed the opening dates of the mourning dove season in a number of states. The open season now will be 42 days rather than the previous 30.

The changes in dates were requested by State Game Commissioners at a recent meeting in Chicago with Dr. Ira N. Gabrielson, Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, and on his recommendation were approved by Secretary Ickes and the President.

According to these officials, the mourning doves in the southern and southeastern states have shown a substantial increase and late season hatching has been particularly successful. The change in the seasons and the extension of the hunting period as now authorized is not likely to result in excessive kills, they declared.

## College Papers Feel Effect Of War

Colleges all over the country are having a hard time continuing their publication of school newspapers. With newsprint shortage, lack of labor and the Selective service many small college sheets have folded up. Many more have dropped courses in Journalism.

Several colleges have met the situation in various ways. The Iowa State Teachers Weekly began its fall semester as a tabloid with heavier type. Brown University and Pembroke college of Connecticut, merged for journalistic reasons only, to save space. The now jointly publish the Brown Herald Record.

The dance committee is making every attempt possible to acquire an orchestra for the occasion. When arrangements for the orchestra are completed, the prices will be set. As yet, there is nothing definite about prices.

The Student Activities Office is planning to sponsor a dance after every home game, which will include N. T. A. C., S. M. U., and Texas University. With the cooperation of all the students and servicemen in getting dates, these dances can be very successful.

These dances planned for the football season, are a continuation of the Corps Dances held after football games in years before. Usually, these dances were played for by the name band that was scheduled for the Regimental Ball, the previous night. This year they have been changed to accommodate all services on the campus.

In case a band is secured for the dance, the charge will probably be \$1.50, with or without dates. If instead a juke box is used, the price will change to a quarter.

The dance will begin at 9 in the evening and be over promptly at midnight because of the college ruling allowing no dancing on the campus on Sunday.

## Second Coupon Good For Game

The following notice applies to all Aggies planning to go to the N. T. A. C. game. All those Aggies who have Athletic coupon books will use coupon No. 2 on entering the game. Everyone who does not have a coupon book will need a \$2.50 ticket to see the game.

## Ex-Batt Editor Visits Campus

Lt. Brooks Cofer, editor in chief of the Battalion for 1942 and graduate of the class of '43, was a visitor to the Battalion Wednesday afternoon.

While at A. & M., Lt. Cofer was a Cadet Major in the Coast Artillery Regiment. Recently he has been stationed at Fort Davis in North Carolina. He received his commission this summer.

## A. & M. To Hold Cattle Auction

Because cattlemen locally and in surrounding counties have expressed a desire to purchase purebred beef cattle from the Animal Husbandry Department of A. & M., a small surplus of breeding cattle will be offered for sale at auction on Friday, November 12. Thirty-one Herefords and 11 Aberdeen-Angus will comprise the offering. Included will be four yearling bulls—one Hereford and three Angus, twenty Hereford cows bred or with calves at side, ten bred Hereford heifers, and eight Angus females bred or with calves at side.

The Herefords are sired by such bulls as Victor Domino, Monty's Lad 38th, Thickset Domino, Monty's Real Domino 63rd, and H. T. Sheridan Domino 2nd. The bred Hereford females will carry the service of Monty's Real Domino 63rd, Don Blanchard 6th and Hanley Domino C. 207th.

The Aberdeen-Angus are sired by Prizemer 225th, Revemere of Wheatland 11th, and Eileenmere 264th. The bred females will carry the service of the latter two bulls.

These cattle are not highly fitted, having received additional feed on pasture for only a short time. They are available for inspection at any time and catalogs giving their pedigrees are available.

## Aggie Warriors



RED BURDITT

JESSE N. (ERD) BURDITT plays back for the Aggies, coming to A. & M. from Abilene. At 17 he has had two years of high school experience and stands 5 feet 9 inches and weighs 157 pounds. His number is 45.



SPARKY EBERLE

ADOLPH A. (SPARKY) EBERLE plays at a tackle position for the Aggies and comes to A. & M. with three years of high school experience from Sweetwater. At 19 he weighs 201 pounds and stands at 6 feet. His number is 70.



HITCH-HIKING THE AGGIE WAY—Pictured above is the correct way of "thumbing" as has been the custom with Aggies as they go through College at Aggie land. This tradition set down by Aggies who have been here before has been kept up through these many years because it has proven to be the best way. Aggies corners are found on every highway leading from the campus and from Bryan and out of the larger cities. Find out where these corners are and use them.