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'Oklahoma!' Cast in Rehearsals

The cast of "Oklahoma!", a musical comedy to be presented Tuesday and Wednesday nights in The Grove, was hard at work each night this week rehearsing in preparation for their presentation. The show is being produced by Dr. William Turner, musical activities director of the Memorial Student Center. Mrs. Billie Jean Barron of Bryan is director of the show. In this picture, Barbara Gibbs, who plays "Laurey"; Charles Mitchell, portraying "Curley"; and John Paxson, "Will Parker" in the play; rehearse one of their scenes as other members of the cast look on.

'Oklahoma!' Production Set Tuesday, Wednesday Nights

"Oklahoma!", a musical comedy, will be presented by community and college talent Tuesday and Wednesday nights of next week at 8 p.m. in The Grove.

The production has a cast of approximately 30 and an orchestra of 20, according to Dr. William Turner, Memorial Student Center music activities coordinator and producer and musical director of the show.

The cast of the production has been rehearsing for the past month in preparation for the show.

"Oklahoma!", a musical version of Lynn Riggs' play, "Green Grow the Lilacs," was written in 1943 by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II. With its simple and graceful music modeled after the patterns of American folk songs, the operetta marked a new advance in the development of the American musical theater.

Introduced Ballet

The production of "Oklahoma!" introduced the use of ballet in Broadway musicals and generally violated many of the then-accepted

rules of the musical stage. Its unusual style earned it a special award from the Pulitzer Prize Committee in 1944. One of the greatest Broadway hits during World War II, "Oklahoma!" was also made into a motion picture.

Cast Announced

Doris Allison has the role of Aunt Heller; Charles Mitchell plays Curly; Barbara Gibbs is Laurey; Lane Lynch is Ike; John Paxson is Will Parker; Bill Dancy is Jud Fry; Ado Annie is played by Janie Rae Fasket; Richard Moore and Justin Kidd alternate in playing Ali Hakim; Charles Arnold plays Andrew Carnes; and Carolyn Barnett plays Gertie Cummings.

Men's Chorus

Jim Pat Hudson, Carroll Brunson, Bob Blakewood and Alex Quisenberry are members of the men's chorus.

Vera Sorg, Kathy Mohr, Suzanne Sorenson and Mary Ellen Scoates are the ballet group for the production. Miss Sorg is also choreographer for the show.

Mrs. Billie Jean Barron is director of the show. Stage and lighting is being done by Charles Hearn, Marcia Ransom and Pat Nash.

Admission will be 75 cents for adults and 25 cents for children.

President Announces New Administrative Posts

Changes Necessary After Board Action

The naming of a new dean of the School of Agriculture and the creation of two new administrative posts—a vice chancellor for development and a director of Agricultural Instruction were announced last week by President Earl Rudder in a memorandum to deans and heads of departments.

The changes, all effective July 1, were made necessary when the Board of Directors meeting here in June placed the Texas Agriculture Experiment Station, the Texas Agriculture Extension Service, the Texas Engineering Experiment Station, including the Texas Transportation Institute, and the Texas Engineering Extension Service under Rudder.

C.C. Hedges, 75, Retired Prof, Dies Wednesday

Dr. C. C. Hedges, 75, retired head of the Department of Chemistry, died suddenly Wednesday morning at his home, Fourth and Brookside, Bryan, of a heart attack.

He retired from the college in February, 1957.

A native of Walton, Ky., Hedges joined the Department of Chemistry in 1912. In 1913 he was promoted to head of the department and served in that capacity until 1949 when he went on modified service. During the period 1936-40 he also filled the position of vice dean of engineering.

Hedges received his B.S. degree from the University of Kentucky in 1906 and continued his studies at Cornell University where he received the Ph.D. degree in chemistry and bacteriology in 1912. From Cornell he came directly to A&M as associate professor in the Department of Chemistry.

Hedges was instrumental in establishing short courses for firemen, cotton seed oil mill operators and water and sewage plant operators here.

He was a member of the A&M Christian Church, a Mason and Rotarian. For many years, Hedges was a member of the Brazos County Parole Board. He was an active community worker.

The Hillier Funeral Home of Bryan is in charge of funeral arrangements.

The four organizations had formerly been a part of the A&M College System under Chancellor M. T. Harrington.

Dr. R. F. Patterson, former vice chancellor of agriculture for the A&M College System, has been appointed dean of the School of Agriculture with the responsibility for total agricultural activities of the college, reporting directly to Rudder.

Dr. G. M. Watkins, former dean of the School of Agriculture, has been named to the newly-created post of director of Agricultural Instruction. Watkins will be responsible for on-campus agricultural instruction, reporting directly to Patterson.

Dr. John C. Calhoun, formerly vice chancellor of the A&M College System for engineering, has been named to the position of vice chancellor for development.

"This internal reorganization will be successful if those parts of the System involved will adapt themselves immediately to the changing of all questions involving programs, plans and fiscal affairs to the President of the A&M College through the proper channels," Rudder said in the memorandum.

Director of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station Dr. R. D. Lewis will still be responsible for agricultural research, reporting to Patterson.

John E. Hutchison, director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will continue to be responsible for agricultural extension and will also report to Patterson.

Fred J. Benson, dean of the School of Engineering, has the responsibility for the total engineering activities of the college.

The director of the Texas Engineering Experiment Station, a post held by Dr. Aaron Rose who has announced his resignation effective in late August to take a job with an aircraft corporation in California, will be responsible for engineering research and will report to Benson.

H. D. Bearden, director of the Texas Engineering Extension Service, is responsible for engineering extension and also reports to Benson.

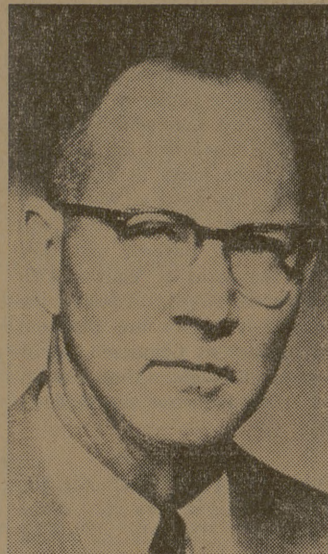
Frances Carr Sings Tonight At 8 in MSC

Frances Carr, mezzo-soprano from Austin, will give a vocal recital of light and semi-classical music tonight at 8 in the Memorial Student Center Lounge.

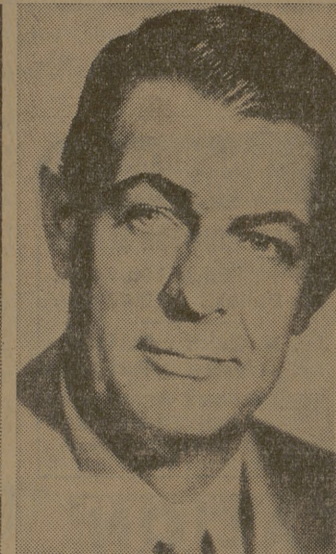
Miss Carr, minister of music at the University Baptist Church in Austin, holds a master of music degree from Westminster Choir College in Princeton, N. J. While attending Westminster, Miss Carr sang with the famous Westminster Choir.

Miss Carr has also performed with the University of Texas Symphony Orchestra and the University of Texas Opera Workshop.

There is no admission for Miss Carr's presentation.



G. W. Watkins ... takes new post



Fred J. Benson ... gets all engineering



John C. Calhoun Jr. ... new development chief

89 High School Grads Win Opportunity Awards

Eighty-nine high school graduates have been named winners of four-year Opportunity Award Scholarships at A&M, it was announced Monday by Dr. J. B. Page, dean of the College and chairman of the Faculty Committee on Scholarships.

An additional 12 students have been listed to receive other scholarships.

Winners of the Opportunity Awards were chosen by the Faculty Committee on Scholarships of the college following statewide competitive examinations given to more than 600 candidates April 23 and April 30.

Opportunity Awards are valued at from \$800 to \$1,200, recipients receiving \$200 to \$300 a year for four years plus part-time employ-

ment provided by the college. Winners are chosen after consideration of each candidate's scholastic record, character, evidence of leadership in high school and financial circumstances.

The plan was started at A&M 14 years ago and is supported by the Association of Former Students of the College, clubs, business corporations, foundations and individuals.

Since its beginning, in 1946, the plan has helped more than 1,300 capable high school graduates to enroll in college. Ninety per cent have either graduated or are still going to school on Opportunity Awards.

The 1960 winners of four-year scholarships are:

ABILENE: Cyrus James Newman, Jr. of 849 Ballinger, Marvin Cleveland Powell of 518 Palm and Mansil Alvis Williams of 208 Merchant.

ALAMO: Roy Loring Netz.

ALPINE: W. R. McAfee, Jr.

ARLINGTON: Charles Allen Blackwell of 414 N. Pecan.

BAYTOWN: Billy Wayne Nance of 1520 Cedar Bayou Road.

BELLAIRE: Cyril Joseph Durbenberger of 5218 Brae Burn Drive.

BELLEVUE: Kenneth Lynn Gill of Rt. 2.

BISHOP: Grafton Clinton Dean, Jr. of Rt. 2.

BLESSING: John William Fondon of 404 Hickory St.

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Twelfth Man Holds Wide Recognition

A&M's Twelfth Man tradition enjoys long-time far-reaching fame and proof of this was sent to The Battalion recently by Ben Trotter, '59, who is stationed at Fort Banks, Mass., near Boston, Mass.

The clipping is from The Boston (Mass.) Herald and is a reprint of a May 15, 1946, column of noted Sports Columnist Bill Cunningham. Cunningham died recently and some of his best columns are being reprinted.

First-Hand Account

Following are excerpts of the column which give a first-hand account of the Twelfth Man tradition:

"There's been a little touch o' Texas around here lately, Strang-uh! For one thing, an old Fort Worth boy, Col. (Kentucky, that is) Alvin N. McMillin, has been here brushing up on his culture. Amongst those he's been brushing it up with is an old Dallas boy, Col. (likewise Kentucky, that is) E. William Cunningham, who chances to be oversigned.

"We're a couple of black land mavericks who strayed long ago, darned nearly strayed together as a matter of fact, but didn't, and it was funny to find ourselves sitting side by side as imported guests at the very happy banquet of the local chapter of the University of Indiana Alumni. There was nothing funny about Col. McMillin's being there. He is the distinguished coach of the Cream & Crimson Fighting Hoosiers, who last season won the football championship of the mighty Western Conference, and landed the Col. in the top spot as "Coach of the Year."

"Myself? I was present to pay my respects—with a few well chosen words—and I paid 'em.

"The Col., of course, is the famed Bo McMillin, the Centre College All-American quarterback of 1919-20 and the gentleman who won fame in his time by defeating Harvard singlehandedly with one of the most sensational solo feats in the history of Harvard Stadium.

Cunningham from Dallas "Bo" was the rabbit-legged quarterback and captain, to the best of

my memory, of the North Fort Worth High School eleven. I was the dashing center rush and captain—no, come to think of it, I was a blocking back that last year—of the Terrill School team of Dallas.

"The local A&M alumni of the region were very active, to state it quaintly. Uncle Charley Moran was the A&M coach, but he got himself into conflict with the powers that were and quit, or he was fired. I never knew which. He promptly came up, however, with a new connection far to the northeast of our native prairies.

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50-Star Flag Flies over College

Monday, July 4, the new 50-star U. S. flag became official and A&M unfurled the flags on the campus. Here, James Riggs, A&M Consolidated High School senior employed in the Housing Office this summer, holds out the new flag before raising it on the flagpole in front of the Academic Building.

For High School Students, Sponsors

'J' Workshop Begins July 24

Plans are being completed and final preparation made for the second annual High School Journalism Workshop to be held here July 24-29, according to Donald D. Burchard, head of the Department

of Journalism and newspaper director for the conference.

To date 307 high school students and publications sponsors have registered with registration applications continuing to be sent in, Burchard said.

The conference will be divided into newspaper and yearbook sections for the conference. In addition a special photography session will be held. Joseph E. Redden is in charge of the yearbooks session and director of the workshop and Wesley D. Calvert will handle the photography workshop. Both men are assistant professors in the Department of Journalism.

Under the sponsorship of the Department of Journalism, the conference is also sponsored by the Texas Daily Newspaper Assn. and the Texas Press Assn.

The Newspaper Fund, Inc., The Dallas Morning News, The Dallas Times-Herald, The Houston Chronicle, The Houston Post, The Houston Press and The Fort Worth Star-Telegram contributed money to be used as scholarships for high

school journalism teachers to attend the conference. Thirty-six teachers received scholarships, said Burchard.

While at the conference the students will attend general sessions where they will hear speakers from the journalism field, and will also attend workshops in either newspaper, yearbook or photography, said Burchard.

Included in the list of special speakers are Don Carter, Newspaper Fund, Inc.; Bill Barnard, southwestern news executive for the Associated Press; J. Q. Mehaffey, editor of The Texarkana Gazette and Daily News; Mrs. Anne Rosnovsky; Dick Peebles, sports editor of The Houston Chronicle; and Frank King, executive editor of The Houston Post.

King will be the speaker at the final session of the workshop at noon, Friday, July 29.

"The workshop will be a concentrated course of instruction in the fundamentals of high school journalistic work," Burchard said in explaining the purpose of the workshop.

Second Term Room Reservations Opens Monday Morning at 8

Students who expect to attend the second term of the summer session may pay fees and reserve rooms beginning Monday at 8 a.m., according to Harry L. Boyer, housing manager.

Students who wish to reserve the rooms they now occupy may reserve rooms between 8 a.m. Monday and 5 p.m. Tuesday. Students who wish to reserve any room other than the one they now occupy, including students changing dormitories, may do so between 8 a.m. Monday and 5 p.m., Tuesday by presenting a signed room change slip from the housemaster of the new dormitory concerned, said Boyer.

Students now residing in Hart Hall, which will not be used during the second term, may register between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Wednesday for rooms not reserved

on Monday and Tuesday, Boyer said.

All students may register for rooms on a first-come, first-served basis from 8 a.m. Thursday, July 14, until noon, Saturday July 16.

All students, including those living in College Apartments, who do not plan to live in dormitories during the second term of the summer session must secure or renew their day student permits at the Housing Office before paying fees. Such students are urged to do this before registration day July 18, in order to save time for all concerned, added Boyer.