

A. & M.'s Carnegie Music Room One Form of Gratis Entertainment

BY GEORGE FUERMANN

The weekly free shows sponsored by the A. & M. Former Students Association are not the only form of free entertainment which Aggies may take advantage of. Among the most important of the other gratis amusements is the Carnegie Music Room located on the top "stoop" of the Cushing Memorial Library.

The music room, in its present makeup, has existed since January, 1937. Previous to this time, however, there had already existed for several years a small collection of Dr. Mayo's which he made available to the student body with his own phonograph.

Early in 1936, at the suggestion of one of the students (Sam Greenberg, who had previously seen one of the Carnegie sets at Carnegie Tech in Pittsburgh), Dr. Mayo put in a request to the Carnegie Foundation of America for one of their sets. At first the request was refused on the grounds that the Foundation had hundreds of requests and only a few sets to give. However, after the Carnegie Foundation learned of the collection already existing in the library, a Carnegie set was immediately granted to the college.

The set is composed of one thousand records, three hundred books on music and musicians, and about two hundred scores on the various musical works included in the records. The Carnegie Foundation values the set (including the victrola and loud speaker) at \$2,500.00, but this price does not even approach the cost of the entire set at retail value.

The records cover the music of all countries, all types, and all of

the major and many of the lesser composers.

It is interesting to know that in the more than two years of very hard use that the records have had, only twenty of the records have been broken which, according to Dr. Mayo, is very commendable care that the cadets have taken of the set.

AGGIE DINNER AND DANCE—

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who do not have dates are invited to attend the dance. All those attending either of these functions are to wear number one uniform. The Aggieband Orchestra will play at the dance which will last from 8 'til 11:30 o'clock. The girls will leave Aggieband at midnight.

The Longhorns will have a photographer at the dinner and dance and an entire page in the annual will feature this function.

If for any reason any cadet who has signed up for a date cannot be present, he is being requested to make arrangements with someone else to take his place at the train.

Six hundred of the girls originally left Stephens College on an educational tour of the East and the South. However, about half of them will turn off at New Orleans and return to Columbia, Missouri, where the college is located. Although it was previously announced that 300 of the girls would make the trip to Aggieband, it has recently been learned that an additional fifteen will make the trip which brings the total to 315. Escorts for the girls were provided nearly two weeks ago and the majority of them will be dated by seniors. The girls are being conducted on the trip by several of the Stephens College faculty members.

The Middle American Research Institute of Tulane University is conducting a campaign for funds to reproduce on the Tulane campus the great Maya pyramid of Mexico.

Plans for Methodist Church and Student Center Progressing

The campaign for the new Methodist Church and Student Center at A. & M. is well under way, according to Rev. James Carlin, pastor of the A. & M. Methodist Church.

Rev. Carlin said that Dr. Glenn Flynn, State Chairman of the Methodist Student Movement Commission will assume active leadership of the campaign after Easter. Preliminary work is being conducted from College Station.

A number of aggies have been employed on part time work in conducting the campaign. Efforts are being made to contact every Methodist ex-student of A. & M. Results so far have been rather pleasing, the pastor remarked.

RRAUER—

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tenance, pointed out the complete dissatisfaction and disgust of the majority of the German people with the present state of affairs in their land. He warned his audience not to take any stock in the "plebiscites" held in Germany which always give Hitler 98 or 99% of the vote. These are, Brauer said, just a proof of the efficacy of the German secret police. "Of all the Germans I've ever talked to," remarked Brauer, "all said they were in the 2% that voted against Hitler."

When asked whether American newspaper accounts of the atrocities of German concentration camps, blood purges, and so on, were not really exaggerated, Brauer replied that, on the contrary, they gave just a "feeble notion" of the true extent of these horrors. He declared that in Germany everyone is afraid to say anything to anyone for fear the hearer may be in the secret police. Innocent bridge parties come under suspicion. For listening to Moscow on the radio the minimum penalty is one year in jail. Most of the people hate Hitler, and rather than fight another great war, the possibility of which they dread, Brauer remarked that they would prefer consignment to concentration camps.

He also stated his belief that Hitler and Mussolini have no personal liking for each other but fear that if the rule of one should be overthrown, the other would soon follow.

In the present totalitarian states—such as Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy—not only industry but every activity of the people's life is controlled by the government. Concentrated in the hands of the dictators are not only the powers of life and death, but even of controlling the music and painting and sculpture of the nation. The works of the great German author Goethe have been eliminated from the textbooks of the German schools; in place of such works has been substituted, Brauer said, "all that silly Nazi stuff."

Eighty per cent of the resources of Germany, Brauer said, are being concentrated in the production of more and yet more armaments and munitions. More than 400,000 small private businesses have been closed, in order that the men employed in them might be transferred to labor in the munitions factories.

Brauer declared his supreme faith in the great democracies—Great Britain and the United States. He stated that if the people of Germany could have their way, they would take democracy. Their present dreadful experience with totalitarianism is enough to convince them of the fallacy of such government. All they are living for now, he said, is the hope that some day they may again "breathe the free air". Brauer does not believe that the reports being spread about the internal weaknesses of the British Empire are true—"Britain is by far the wealthiest European nation; and should it go to war again all its peoples will again come forward to defend it."

"The test of a democracy," Brauer stated, "is whether it really allows freedom of speech, religion, press, organization, and thought. And even though most of us do not believe in the principles of totalitarianism, still we should never accept the dictatorial policy of curbing free speech and free thought. The false propaganda spread by insignificant minorities in this country who favor totalitarianism cannot undermine the democratic ideals which have so long been ingrained in the American people."

CARROLL MOON, STUDENT Secretary for the Southwestern Division of the national Y. M. C. A., will be on the A. & M. campus next Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

4TH WILDLIFE CONFERENCE IS CLUB SUBJECT

At the regular meeting of the Fish and Game Club last week, Dr. W. B. Davis, professor of Wild Game, reviewed some of the interesting talks he heard while attending the Fourth North American Wildlife Conference in Detroit Feb. 13-15.

Especially interesting, Dr. Davis thought, was a report made at the conference by Dr. Clarence Cottam of the United States Biological Survey, on the effects of the ordinary methods of controlling mosquitoes on wildlife.

Other talks reviewed by Dr. Davis were those made by Albert M. Day of the United States Biological Survey and Carl D. Shoemaker of the National Wildlife Federation on the functioning of the Pittman-Robertson Act.

This act went into effect last July and has as one of its purposes an excise tax on guns and ammunition which was estimated to bring in \$150,000 tax returns. Up to date, however, it has not been functioning as it was hoped, for Texas has only been receiving one-third of her allotment. Even this is in danger of being reduced as Congress has removed practically all of the excise taxes and might at any moment remove the one on guns and ammunition.

HAROLD VANCE, HEAD OF THE A. & M. Department of Petroleum Engineering, will deliver an address at the spring meeting of the Southwestern District Division of Production, American Petroleum Institute, to be held in San Antonio on Thursday and Friday, March 16 and 17. Mr. Vance's subject will be "Petroleum Engineering Education and Its Relation to the Petroleum Industry."

NOTICES

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
 March 10—T Club Dance—Mess Hall—9 to 1 p. m.
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 March 13—Biology Club Picture Show—Assembly Hall—6:45 p. m.
 March 14—Corps Dance—Mess Hall—8 to 11:30 p. m.

SENIORS

There will be a meeting of the senior class on Thursday night after supper to discuss plans for the Senior Ring Dance and the Stephens College girls functions.

Loveless Is Named City Secretary

At the meeting of the city council of College Station yesterday afternoon, Sid Loveless, graduate of A. & M. in 1938 and now associated with the Seaboard Life Insurance Co. at college, was appointed to act as city secretary.

The offices of city treasurer, tax assessor and collector were combined to form the office of city secretary.

It was decided upon during the meeting that the annual election for city officers will be held on April 4. Voting is to be done at the Southern Pacific Depot. The regular meetings of the council are called for each Thursday night at 7 p. m.

Here's a hint to profs who are bothered with giving make-up tests. A professor at the University of Arizona gives make-ups, but he sets the hour as 4:30 in the morning when a "class-cutter" deliberately misses a quiz. It's the early bird who gets the quiz.

AGRONOMY SOCIETY

Soil Conservation Pictures will be presented by Mr. Hill, technician of the Soil Conservation Service Experiment Station, and Mr. Neumann, Superintendent, Elm Creek Watershed Project, of Temple on Tuesday evening, March 7 at 7 p. m. in the Agricultural Engineering Lecture Room. All Agronomy students are invited and all men taking Agronomy 413 and 418 are requested to be present if possible.

Teacher's Conference

Teacher's Conference will meet on Thursday, March 9, at 11:55 noon, Mess Hall Annex. Topic for discussion: "The Teachers Responsibility to the Student."

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CLUBS

BIOLOGY CLUB
 The Biology Club will meet tonight at 7 in the Science lecture room. Dr. R. K. Fletcher, entomologist of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, will address the club on the field of entomology. Following this the audience will visit the Extension Service building, where Dr. Fletcher will show and explain the large entomological museum of the Service, including numbers of rare and beautiful insect specimens.

All members are urged to attend. The membership rule is being enforced.

Old members of the Club have only a short time left in which to pay their dues for this semester if they desire to continue their membership.

Ag Engineers and Agronomy Students

The A.S.A.E. Society will meet Tues., March 7, at 7 p. m. in the lecture room of the Ag. Engineering building. Dr. H. V. Geib, Field Representative of the Research Division of the Soil Conservation

Service, Mr. H. O. Hill, Project Supervisor of the Temple Experiment Station, and Mr. W. J. Neuman, Project Manager of the Elm Creek Watershed will provide the program. A special invitation is extended to all agronomy students.

I. E. STUDENTS

The I. E. Club will meet Thursday March 9th in the Asbury room of the Library at 7:30 p. m. All members and new students are urged to attend.

DAMES CLUB

The A. & M. Dames Club will meet at 8 Wednesday, March 8, in the Y.M.C.A. parlor. Dr. R. P. Ludlum will speak to the club on parliamentary procedure.

There will be a meeting of the Junior Collegiate Chapter of Future Farmers of America, Wednesday, March 8, 7:30 p. m., in the Agricultural Engineering Lecture Room.

CHURCHES

ST. THOMAS CHAPEL
 The Rt. Rev. Harry T. Moore, Bishop of the Diocese of Dallas, will be the preacher at the Lenten Services at St. Thomas' Chapel, Thursday night at 7:30 p. m. Visitors are extended a cordial invitation to come and hear Bishop Moore on that evening.

LOST

LOST: Shaefer's fountain pen between the Chemistry building and Mitchell Hall. Reward for return to room 39, Mitchell.

LOST: Air Mail Letter from S O V, Caracas, Venezuela, addressed to N. Johns. Reward for return to I-5 Hart.

LOST: An L. L. Vector slide rule in black case. Return to room 43 Mitchell. Reward.



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