

Gladys Swarthout Fourth Member On Town Hall's Entertainment Program

First Big-Time Opera Star Ever To Visit A. & M.

Town Hall Season Tickets Will Be Good For Program

Gladys Swarthout, popular mezzo-soprano of the grand opera, radio and screen, is being presented next Friday evening by Town Hall as the fourth member on their list of entertainment for the school year.

This is the first time in the history of A. & M. that a noted opera star has been brought to the campus. The concert is being presented in Guion Hall next Friday evening. Prices for the concert will be \$1.00 for A. & M. and high school students, \$2.00 for reserved seats, and \$1.50 for all extra reserved seats, which may be purchased by those holding the Town Hall season tickets, all season tickets are good as usual.

Contrary to the phrase "there is no royal road to fortune," Miss Swarthout has disproved this idea thoroughly. At the tender age of 13, she embarked on her musical career with a Kansas City church choir. Nine years later she became a well known opera star at an age when most opera singers are just beginning their careers. Although "luck" had a lot to do with Miss Swarthout's success, as she modestly admits, intelligence and hard work played an equally important role.

In her advice to those who wish to embark on a singing career she advises that those who hope for lucky breaks should be ready for them. One should get ready for his chance by having a definite plan. She says to think out what you want to do and then go after it by preparing yourself and then you will find that you will make your own chance.

On Miss Swarthout's program here at College will be a group of songs from the opera Auvergne. She sang them for the first time in America at a recital in Peoria, Illinois, and describes them as simple songs of the soil sung in dialect which is a strange combination of French and Spanish but whose final pronunciation is not unlike Italian. These fascinating old airs of Southern France were collected and arranged especially for Miss Swarthout by Jean Joseph Canteloube, a contemporary French composer and pupil of Vincent d'Indy.

Among some of the songs in the group which she will sing are "Bailero," "Passo pel prat," "L'Aio de Rotzo," and "L'Antoueno." "Bailero" is a traditional shepherd's song. "Passo pel prat" is a peasant's song in rhythmic accord with the plodding lurch of the oxen who drew the plow. "L'Aio de Rotzo" is a rippling song of maternal advice from a mother to her child to the effect that it is fatal to drink water from a spring and that the way to live to a ripe old age is to drink only wine. A gay carnival mood is prevalent in "L'Antoueno," which is the Auvergne equivalent of the old English "Heigh-Ho, Come to the Fair."

Tryouts for Places In Cadet Players' Stage Shows Held Monday

Tryouts for parts in the plays "Drums of Oude" and "A Matter of Principle," which will be put on by the Cadet Players, will be held in room 316 Academic Building Monday from 4:00 p. m. till 6:00 p. m.

The Cadet Players is a newly organized dramatic group on the campus whose purpose is the production of one-and-three act plays. This club is the first of its kind on the A. & M. campus and is open to all students who wish to join. Previously the Aggies have not had a chance to show their acting ability on the stage.



Gladys Swarthout, member of the Metropolitan Opera Company of New York, and one of the big names in opera today, will make her first visit to A. & M. next Friday night when she appears on Town Hall. Season tickets are good for the program, tickets for non-season ticket holders will be \$1.00 for students and \$2.00 for others.

Horse, Jack, and Mule Breeders Of Texas Will Meet at A. & M. Next Week

Banquet and Student Livestock Show Will Climax Association's Annual Short Course and Convention

Plans have been arranged for the annual Horse, Jack, and Mule Breeders Short Course to be held at A. & M. Monday and Tuesday, February 19-20, according to an announcement made by D. W. Williams, head of the Animal Husbandry Department.

At the same time the Texas Horse, Jack and Mule Breeders Association will hold their annual meeting.

H. O. Cox of San Angelo, authority on breeding Palominos, and J. W. Shepherd of Plano, jack specialist, are among the outstanding members of the association who will appear as lecturers on the short-course program.

Judging and the development of breeds of horses suitable for the various sections of Texas will be one of the featured talks on the program. "There is much interest in Western types of horses at present," Prof. Williams said, "and we intend to go into that subject intensively."

Other points scheduled for discussion will include nutritional diseases, unsoundness, means of

producing larger colt crops, collective horseshoeing, parasites, training and breeding of polo ponies and other types of horses, horse-show classifications, and other points which may arise during round-table discussions.

The annual banquet will be held in the college banquet hall Monday evening, following which there will be a livestock show staged by students of the Animal Husbandry Department.

COOKIE-CANDY SHOWER FOR HOUSTON BOYS TO BE GIVEN TOMORROW

Final plans were released today for the cookie-candy shower sponsored each year by the Houston A. & M. Mothers' Club, according to Dow Mims, president of the Houston A. & M. Club.

A program, accompanied with the serving of refreshments will take place in Sbis Hall Sunday from 3 to 5 p. m.

All Houston and Harris County boys at A. & M. have been given a cordial invitation to attend.

Besides College Work, D. W. Williams Finds Time To Manage a 3,000-Acre Ranch

If there ever was a college professor able to convert theories into practice, he is D. V. Williams, head of the Animal Husbandry Department of Texas A. & M. College.

Between lectures to college students, Williams operates a 3,000-acre personal ranch, which he finds is a "wonderful place to bust up cockeyed ideas."

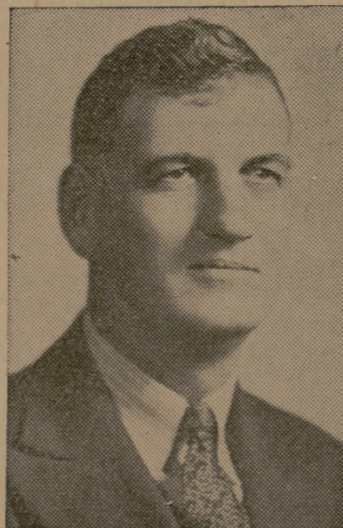
Williams is superintendent of the horse show which will be held at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, March 8-17.

A varied career has been followed by Williams since he was born on a stock farm at Venedocia, at A. & M. His father was a farmer, merchant, local stock and wool buyer, and later a commission merchant on the Cleveland and Toledo yards.

Williams received his early education in a one-room country school, presided over by a hard-boiled man teacher. In fact, he didn't know that women taught

school until he was a junior in high school.

After graduating in agriculture from Ohio State University in 1915, Williams took his master's



D. W. Williams

Aggies' Own Fat Stock Show Will Be Staged Monday

Outstanding Livestock Men of Texas To Be Judges At First Aggie Affair

Junior and senior students in the division of animal husbandry of A. & M. will stage the first annual Little Southwestern Livestock Show in the college pavilion at 8 p. m. this coming Monday. The purpose of the show is to enable interested students to get first hand experience in one of the more important phases of the livestock industry, the show ring. Judging in the show will be on the basis of grooming according to the animal on exhibit, and not the animal's individual characteristics.

All classes, of which there will be 26 including 65 animals, will be placed on the grooming which the animal has received and the manner in which the student shows his animal in the ring.

All livestock used in the show will be from the A. & M. animal husbandry department. Many of them will be shown later in the more important shows throughout the United States. Included in the show will be classes of cattle, horses, sheep, and swine.

Some of the outstanding livestock men of Texas will judge the show, including J. W. Sheppard of Plano, horses; Jack Turner of Silver Creek Farms at Fort Worth, cattle; M. G. Perkins of Caldwell, hogs; J. P. Heath of Argyle, sheep; Rufus Peoples of Tehuacana will select the grand champion showman and fitter of the show, who will receive a pair of hand-made cowboy boots as his prize. Medals will be awarded winners and ribbons will go to those who place in the various classes.

Admission to the Little Southwestern is free. The public is invited, and urged to come. Inasmuch as this is the first event of its kind ever to take place in the Southwest, the Saddle and Sirolo Club believes it will be interesting as well as enlightening.

Biology Club To Have Vet Meds, Pre-Meds As Guests Monday

The Biology Club will have as their guests Monday night at 7:30 p. m., in the Chemistry lecture room, the Veterinary Medicine Club and the Pre-Medical Club. There has been much talk of joint or consolidated club meeting but to date there has been no active movement to bring this about.

The program for the evening will consist of a lecture by a representative of the State Health Department from Austin, sent thru the cooperation of Dr. Geo. W. Cox, M.D. and head of the State Department of Health in Austin. In all probability, films will be shown with Biology Club sound projector in connection with the speaker's talk.

The program is for the benefit of the members and prospective members of the Biology Club, the Veterinary Medicine Club, and the Pre-Med Club, and members of the faculty and their families.

Mayor Binney Resigns As An Official of College Station

A. & M. B.S.U. Exchanging Religious Programs With Baylor This Spring

Cadets Took Charge Of First Exchange Program In Waco Hall Wednesday

A. & M. Baptist Student Union members gave the entire Baylor Religious Hour program in Waco hall at Baylor University Wednesday evening.

Jim Behrman, president of the Aggie B. S. U., presided. Four visiting Aggie speakers included Behrman, state B. S. U. president Bill Kent, E. L. Dysart, and H. W. Monzingo. Special music was provided by a quartet composed of cadets.

This spring A. & M. is exchanging programs with Baylor. Baylor students will give a special program at College Station some Sunday during the spring term. Royce Thompson, Baylor B. S. U. president, has announced.

Plans are also under consideration for exchanging programs with Mary Hardin-Baylor College.

Kent succeeded Charles Myers as state B. S. U. president last fall.

"Both Behrman and Kent are likable fellows and outstanding Christian students at A. & M.," Thompson declared in his prefatory address.

Sophs Make Plans For Annual Prom

Arrangements for the Sophomore ball have been completed according to an announcement from Willard Clark, sophomore class president. Next Saturday night is the date set for the event which will feature the music of the Aggieband Orchestra. Tickets are now on sale at \$1.00 each and may be secured from representatives in each organization.

This year's ball, if it corresponds to the size of the sophomore class, will be the biggest event the sophomores have ever put on. The present sophomore class, made up of some 2,100 members, is the largest second year class in the history of the school and also outnumbers any other class enrolled this year. But members alone will not be the biggest attraction at the ball for it is definitely known that there will be many representatives many other out-of-town visitors.

Clark urges that those who intend to buy tickets do so right away if possible, for it is necessary that a certain number be sold in the near future in order to insure the services of the Aggieband.

Dodson To Speak At Seminar Meeting

The Social Science Seminar meets at 7:30 Monday night in room 303 Academic Building to hear Dr. J. L. Dodson, of the History Department, speak on "Background of War, 1914 and 1918."

Dr. Dodson is particularly interested in European affairs and has traveled in Europe extensively. He visited Western Europe last summer, shortly before the present war broke out.

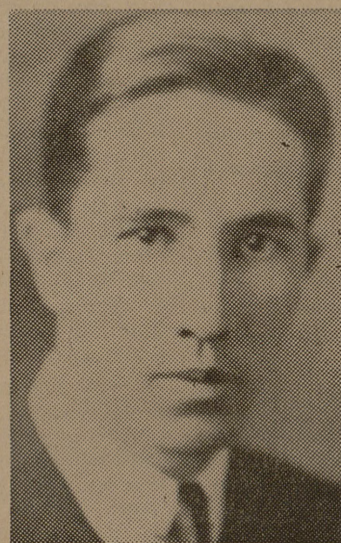
Architects' Costume Ball First of 29 School Dances

By George Fuermann

It happened last night! From Don Quixote to Patrick Henry, from Honest Abe to the notorious Confucius—they were all there as the annual Architects' Ball colorfully opened A. & M.'s annual swing-fest. With a costume ball to climax all costume balls, the Architects presented the first of twenty-nine organization and corps dances.

And, at the same time, the belles of Texas began their annual Aggieband trek; and several thousand strong they'll be ere 1940's dance season blends into history. But before it becomes history,

To Speak Here



Above is shown Rev. Eugene Slater, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Ozona, Texas, who will speak at the A. & M. Methodist Church Sunday through Friday, February 18-23, at 7 p. m. each evening.

Rev. Slater is known as a very interesting speaker. The public is invited to attend this program series, which is being sponsored by the local Methodist Student Council.

Artillerymen To Have Courtney's Band For Dance

The first organization ball of the school year will take place on the night of March 1st when the Field Artillery presents its annual prom with Del Courtney and his nationally known orchestra furnishing the music.

Courtney and his band enjoy national recognition and are well known to students here, having played for the senior ring dance last year. Since eight years ago, when they were only a college band at St. Mary's University in California, the orchestra has found a place in the heart of all good dance music lovers. They will play both for the ball and the corps dance the following night.

Joe Cain and J. P. Giles, ranking Field Artillery juniors, are in charge of the ball and are taking care of the entertainment and accommodations for guests. The decoration committee is composed of R. M. Magee, chairman; Joe Spiller; and Raymond Parrish. Preston Bolton is in charge of favors, invitations, and programs.

Favors for the affair are gold-plated book lockets with A. & M. and a pair of cross guns superimposed on them.

New Section In Administration Announced

Dean Bolton has announced the opening of a new section in Administration 402. It will be section 501K, taught by Dr. T. O. Walton, and meets Friday at 11:00 a. m.

Oakwood Utilities Transfer Complete After Council Meet

Garbage Regulations For City Being Arranged

College Station's Mayor J. H. Binney handed in his resignation Thursday night.

At a regular meeting of the City Council presided over by mayor pro tem L. P. Gabbard, in Dr. Binney's absence, a letter was read to the Council from Mayor Binney in which he expressed his appreciation of the help given him by his fellow officers and the honor done him by the people of the city in electing him to the office of mayor last spring, but declared that after much deliberation and hesitation he had at last been forced to announce his resignation, because of lack of time and the press of other duties.

The Council, to whom this move came as a complete surprise, expressed regret over Mayor Binney's announcement, but finally accepted his resignation on the condition that he would at least serve until the time of the regular city election which comes early in April of this year, at which time two aldermen, to succeed aldermen L. P. Gabbard and Luther G. Jones, will be elected along with a new mayor.

Mayor Binney was elected at the time the government of the city of College Station was first organized, in the spring of 1939. His tenure of office was till April, 1941.

At the same meeting Thursday night of the City Council, attended by aldermen Jones, Gabbard, J. A. Orr, and S. A. (Doc) Lipscomb, City Attorney J. Wheeler Barger, and acting City Secretary Mrs. Marvin Sneed, the transfer of utilities in Oakwood Addition from the Oakwood Realty Company to the city was formally completed.

Various minor technicalities having been settled, the Council approved the ordinance and deed of trust effecting the transfer, and Friday afternoon Mayor Binney and the city secretary affixed their signatures to these documents, terminating the transaction.

By the terms agreed on, the city is paying the Oakwood Realty Company with a note for \$8,500, to be paid at the rate of \$60 monthly. (Continued on page 4)

AGGIELAND'S NEW VOCALIST WILL APPEAR TONIGHT

The Aggieband Orchestra will present their charming new brunette vocalist, Dorothy Thames of Victoria, at the Corps Dance tonight from 9 till 12 in Sbis Hall.

Miss Thames has been singing with Nick Stuart's orchestra and was popular with the public. However, when the band recently went to the West Coast, Dorothy, being a home-loving girl, decided to stay behind.

In reference to the organization affairs coming up three orchestras have been definitely signed. Del Courtney with his candid camera music will play for the Field Artillery Ball, the Engineers will have Al Kavelin and his orchestra, and the champagne music of Lawrence Welk will be here for the Coast Artillery Ball.

To prevent each organization from going to the expense of building their own lavish band stand for their respective affairs, the Architecture Department is designing a stand to be used by all. It will be built in sections in order to be taken to and from the mess hall and will be financed by each regiment.

To distinguish the different organizations the emblems of each will be hung from above the orchestra and illuminated by spotlights. Guidons and regimental plaques will serve as the bandstand's background.