

R. V.'s Make Plans For Festivities

Mary Mae Crawford Chosen Queen For Ross Volunteers

Miss Mary Mae Crawford of Houston, student of National Park Seminary in Washington, D. C., has been chosen queen of the Ross Volunteer Festivities to be held at A. & M. next Thursday through Saturday. She will reign over the spring functions with Hubie Brauning, Field Artillery senior and king of the R. V. Court. Al Kavelin and his orchestra, now playing at the Mural Room of the Baker Hotel in Dallas, will play for the activities.

Daphne Salois of Dallas will serve as princess of the affair with Dan Sharp, captain of the R. V.'s, as prince and her escort. Ten dukes and duchesses will make up the remainder of the court.

The R. V.'s will celebrate their holidays by beginning with the Queen's Coronation at 8:45 Thursday evening. After the Queen has been crowned the Grand March will be led into the ball room by the newly crowned king and queen and the Queen's Ball will begin.

Friday at 1:30 the R.V.'s, crack military group on the A. & M. campus, will stage their traditional drill, with every member of the company attending, before the company sponsors and visiting

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400 SENIORS TO TAKE CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS

Over 400 seniors have made applications to take Civil Service examinations for Junior Professional Assistants, according to a recent announcement made by the Civil Service Board. The examinations will be given in Guion Hall Saturday morning, April 6, from 8:30 to 11:30, and 12:00 noon until completed that afternoon.

Two hours will be taken up in the preliminary tests and one hour of this will be the General Examination. The professional part will be given in the afternoon.

In order to properly review for these examinations and be ready for the type of material asked, review sessions have been held in the Agricultural Building since February 29. There are 14 more of these sessions and the dates and place of meeting with the instructor in charge is given below. It is suggested that more men report for these review sessions as the attendance has not been heavy so far. College staff members who have given their time so far include Dr. E. P. Humbert, Prof. J. S. Mogford, H. E. Hampton, Prof. Tildon Easley, Prof. R. C. Potts, Dr. R. L. Donahue, Prof. C.

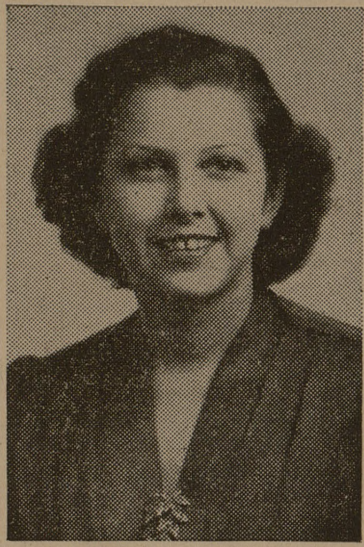
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Dubois' Easter Cantata To Be Presented Here Sunday

There is probably no more beautiful or moving scene in Christian literature than the familiar passion scene of the Crucifixion of Christ. "The Seven Last Words of Christ," a cantata, is one of the best dramatizations of this story in the musical world. Composed by Theodore Dubois in 1867, it will be presented in College Station for the first time Palm Sunday, March 18.

To give full scope to this story, sixty voices, composed of A. & M. students and members of Bryan and College Station church choirs, will furnish the choir with three soloists, accompanied by the piano, harp and organ. Ralph Woolley of the Department of Music, Baylor University, will sing the baritone solo. He is well-known in Colorado, his home state, for his light opera roles and has sung over radio station KOA. The soprano solo will be sung by Miss Mildred Sally

College Station DUCHESS



Miss Margaret Hollinshead, daughter of Major and Mrs. Frank A. Hollinshead of College Station, has been chosen to represent the city as its duchess in the Navasota Bluebonnet Festival to be held April 12-14.

526 Seniors Apply For Degrees To Be Conferred in June

Recent figures released through the Registrar's Office by H. L. Heaton, assistant registrar, indicate that 726 seniors have made application for degrees to be conferred this spring. Five hundred-ninety-five students graduated in June, 1939.

In the School of Agriculture there are 306 applicants for degrees. Of this number 105 are in Agricultural Administration, 136 in Agriculture, 47 in Agricultural Education, 14 in Agricultural Engineering, and 4 in Landscape Art.

The School of Arts and Sciences has 53 applicants. Forty of these are in Liberal Arts and 13 in Science.

The School of Engineering has 287 applicants for degrees in ten courses of study. There are 12 degrees applied for in the five year course in Architecture and one degree in Architectural Engineering. Twenty-nine in Chemical Engineering, 28 in Civil Engineering, 43 in Electrical Engineering, 20 in Engineering Administration, 2 in Geological Engineering, and 10 in Industrial Education. Mechanical Engineering leads the other departments with 73 applicants and Petroleum Engineering is next with 69 applicants.

The School of Veterinary Medicine has 38 applicants for the degree of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine.

The Graduate School has had applications for 42 master degrees.

Baylor Students To Present Program

Twelve students from Baylor University will have charge of the main services Sunday evening at the First Baptist Church. Royce Thompson, B. S. U. President at Baylor, will be in charge of the services.

Oates Gives Outline Of His Platform

City Election To Be Held April 2

E. C. Oates, candidate for mayor of College Station, today outlined a program of action if he is elected mayor in the general election April 2.

"My platform explains my position on the important questions facing College Station," Oates said. "While I am comparatively young, I believe I am capable to fill the position or I wouldn't have filed. Gray hairs are not necessary to mature judgment," he said.

Oates statement follows: "In order that the voters of College Station may be entitled to exercise a choice of principles as well as of men in the forthcoming city election, I make the following statement of my principal aims if elected mayor:

"1. I favor the insuring of safe and sane progress for College Station through the enforcement of the zoning ordinance as it now stands. Haphazard growth of any municipality is to be avoided, and it would be particularly undesirable in a city as new and with the great commercial development potentialities of College Station.

"2. A most important step forward would be to better the policing of the residential district of College Station, providing better protection for campus residents than that now afforded.

"3. Deny special privileges to any one company or companies operating taxicabs within the city. Administer the law impartially and enforce it strictly.

"4. Discard the outmoded, inequitable flat rate on the water utilities. Substitute a pay-for-what-you-use system. This problem, while it would entail hard work over a period of years, can

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A. & M. Teams Barely Denied Top Honors At Show

Two judging teams from A. & M. were barely denied top honors in contests in Fort Worth this week.

The Junior Livestock Judging Team, coached by Larry Miller, placed second out of sixteen teams, losing to Wisconsin by 3 points, 4206 to 4203. A. & M. was first in horse judging and tied with Nebraska in judging sheep. Members of this team were James Rice of McLean, Buster Gentry of Henrietta, Tommy Foster of Sterling City, Leslie Brandes of Weimer, and M. R. Callihan of Conway. Gentry was fifth high individual in the contest and tied with Brandes for third honors in sheep.

The Meats Judging Team, coached by C. E. Murphy, also placed second by a margin of two points, losing to Oklahoma A. & M., 2337 to 2335. A. & M. was first in pork judging, second in beef and third in lamb. Members of the team were Tommy Stuart of Roby, H. J. Richards of Jacksboro and E. M. Rosenthal of Fort Worth. Stuart was high individual of the contest, and also high in the judging of both pork and lamb. Rosenthal was fifth high individual.

CASTLE-BUILDERS BUILD "CASTLES IN THE AIR" AT THEIR ELEVENTH ANNUAL BALL HELD FRIDAY NIGHT

By George Fuermann
Castles in the air were built to the rhythmic "Music Box" swing of George Hamilton and his orchestra as the castle-builders of the army presented their eleventh annual ball—and the college's oldest regimental dance function last night.

"Buono" was the word for the Engineer's Ball as the sliderulers and their escorts enjoyed three hours of waltz and rumba at the tuneless behest of the famed Chicagoan and his orchestra. The novelty of Louis Chico at

DR. PHILLIPS OF LYONS, FRANCE, TO SPEAK HERE

Learned Frenchman Will Give Lecture on Europe

"Europe—A Myth or a Reality" will be the subject of a lecture at A. & M. on March 27 by Dr. Andre Philip, professor of economics and finance at the University of Lyons, France, and a member of the French Chamber of Deputies since 1936, it was announced yesterday by Dean E. J. Kyle.

Dr. Philip will speak under the auspices of the Institute of International Education and his address will be open to the public, although primarily he is coming here to address the students and faculty.

In 1937-38 Dr. Philip was a member of the French government Colonial Inquiry Committee which made exhaustive studies in Tunisia and Morocco.

Dr. Philip was educated at the Sorbonne, receiving his doctorate in economics and law and was admitted to the French bar in 1926, the year of his appointment to the University of Lyons. He spent the year 1928 in India and later studied in the United States at the University of Wisconsin and at Columbia University.

In recent years Dr. Philip has been in close touch with leaders of important youth movements in Europe and has a remarkable background and understanding from which to interpret France and the problems of the French people.

TEXAS EXTENSION SERVICE STAFF MEMBER DIES

R. R. Reppert, 59, entomologist of the Texas Extension Service since 1920, died at his Bryan home Wednesday night of heart failure.

Mr. Reppert was born in Valley Falls, Kan., and attended Baker University and Kansas State. From 1908 to 1914 he served as an educational missionary for the Methodist Church in Korea. He was connected with the State Crop Pest Commission of Virginia before coming to the Texas institution.

In his capacity as state grasshopper control leader, he directed the Texas grasshopper control campaign. On March 4 the Associated Press, through its syndicated column, "Texas Today," carried a tribute to Reppert and his work in this connection.

Mr. Reppert is survived by his widow; two daughters, Louise and Camille, both attending Colorado University at Boulder; a son, F. Lauren, with the Headquarters Company, 9th Infantry, at Fort Sam Houston; and four brothers, Ben, of Madison, Wis.; Harry, of Carson City, Nev.; Frank and Hugh, both of Washington, D. C. Funeral services are to be held today.

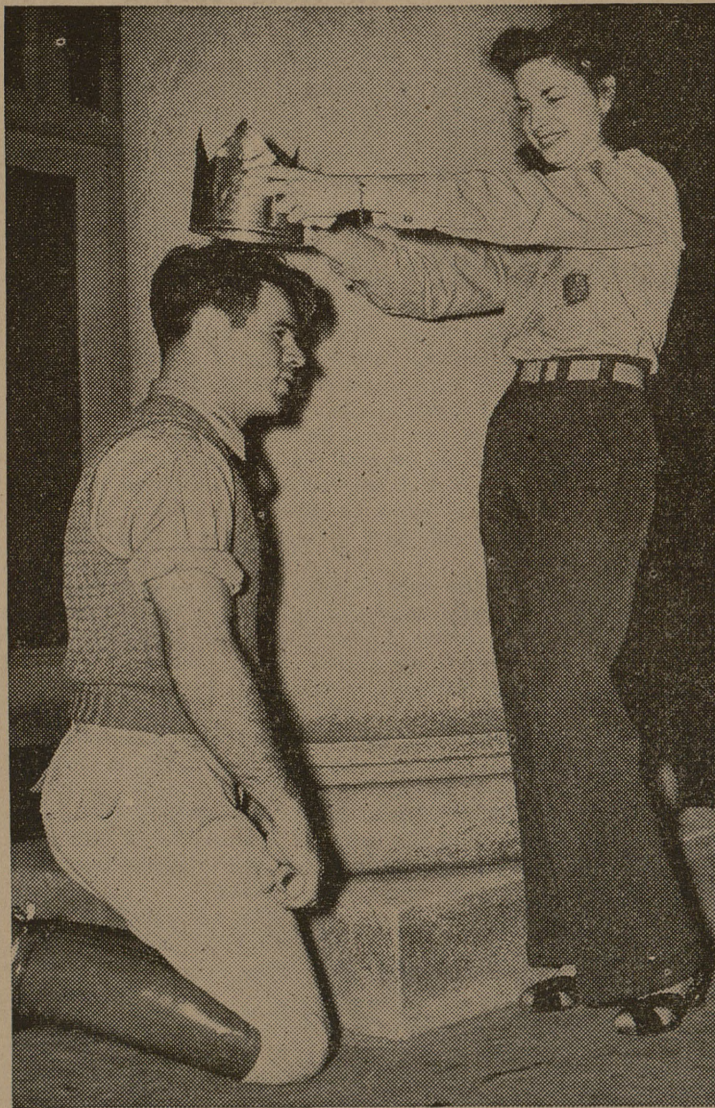
DR. MAYO TO ADDRESS SOCIAL SCIENCE MEET

The Social Science Seminar will hear Dr. T. F. Mayo in its meeting scheduled for Monday at 7:30 p. m. in room 303, Academic Building, according to Prof. A. F. Chalk, president.

Dr. Mayo will discuss the position of the proletarian novel in modern literature. He is to discuss its development, its technique, and its possibilities for the future, it was said.

Shep Fields Will Play for Town Hall, Infantry Ball, Corps Dance

Visiting 'Cadette' Crowns A. & M.'s King of the Uglies



Above, Miss Jeane Hendricks (the attractive female in Aggie's clothing) crowns R. C. "Eddie" Hall "King of the Uglies" at Aggie-land for the session of 1939-40, at the special yell practice held from the Y steps Tuesday night.

Miss Hendricks has been visiting A. & M. to attend the Engineers' Ball and other festivities.

At the same yell practice Hall was presented with the first degree of "B. U." (Bachelor of Ugliness) presented at the school. . . We thought he should get one degree here anyhow!

Seniors Leave For All Parts Of Texas on Annual Inspection Trips

Inspection trips to all parts of Texas will be made by senior students in several departments of the college prior to spring recess, March 22. Among this number are Chemical Engineering seniors, Mechanical Engineering seniors, Agricultural Economics seniors, and Economics seniors. Animal Husbandry advanced students have already made their inspection trip. During this time students will visit manufacturing and business centers to gain knowledge of the practical work connected with the subjects they have been studying for four years.

The animal husbandry students have just returned this week from their inspection trip to Fort Worth where they exhibited stock and participated as judging teams for livestock and fresh meat. Most of the members of the faculty accompanied the 35 students who made the trip. The college sent about 100 animals, hogs, cattle, horses, and sheep, which were fitted and shown by members of the department.

The inspection trip for the chemical engineering seniors is planned

to be from March 18 to 21 and will take them through chemical industry plants in Galveston, Houston, Texas City, Beaumont, and Port Arthur. Dr. J. D. Lindsey, Dr. W. D. Harris, and F. F. Bishop, faculty members, are to accompany the students on the trip where they will visit the International Creosoting Company, Texas Star Flour Mills, Hughes Tool Company, Trinity Portland Cement Company, the asphalt plant of the Texas Company, and other industrial points of interest. Thirty-six members of the department are scheduled to make the trip.

Forty-one seniors in the Department of Economics are planning to spend March 18, 19, 20, and 21 in Dallas on their annual spring inspection tour. I. G. Adams and

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Nationally-Known Orchestra Visits Here April 5 & 6

Contract with M.C.A. Just Announced; Many Entertainers Featured

Shep Fields with his nationally-known orchestra, one of the biggest "big-names" in the current musical world, has been signed to play at A. & M. for the Infantry Ball and corps dance and for Town Hall, April 5 and 6, Charlie Hamner, senior social secretary, and Walter Sullivan, Town Hall manager, have just announced, officially.

Fields, creator of "Rippling Rhythm," is contracted to play for the Infantry Regimental Ball Friday, the fifth, and the corps dance from 9 to 12 the night following. "There will be no increase in price for the corps dance; it will remain only \$1.00 a ticket," Hamner stated.

Fields' band is the outstanding swing band which it had been promised would appear at A. & M. this spring. It will present an hour-and-a-half-long program, from 7:00 to 8:30, April 5, just preceding the Infantry Ball.

The "Rippling Rhythm" orchestra—famous for the unusual musical effect of air bubbles blown through a tube into a glass of water—is known from coast to coast and border to border. It has played long engagements in the nation's best hotels and ballrooms, and broadcast frequently over national radio networks, and has produced many transcriptions and recordings.

Fields features such stellar personalities as Miss Claire Nunn, beautiful New Orleans songstress; Hal Derwin, "the whispering baritone"; Sol Gieo, pianist; Caesar Mussioli, accordionist; Danny Gay, jitterbug trumpeter; Jerry Stewart, and a host of other entertainers.

The contract for their services was signed with the Music Corporation of America.

Shep Fields and his band are playing in New York City at present, and are scheduled for a long engagement on the Pacific Coast beginning next month.

Prize Money Comes To Rescue of Student

EVANSTON, Ill., March 15.—Like the money to pay the mortgage on the homestead in the old-time melodrama, the prize money for Henry Shull, Dallas, arrived just in time today.

Shull, Northwestern University School of Commerce senior, has been paying his way through school with prize contest winnings. He returned for his senior year last fall after winning \$150. Then the winnings became fewer and for smaller amounts.

Today he was down to \$10 when the sponsor of another contest notified him: "You have won our second prize of \$250."

Irish Bedeck Themselves In Green for Saint Patrick's Day

Honoring of the saint who is said to have rid Ireland of the serpent, figuratively and literally, all true Irishmen will bedeck themselves in green for Saint Patrick's Day, Sunday, March 17.

The history of Saint Patrick is interwoven with legend. Some credit him with inventing a distilled drink, Poteen; others declare he was an enthusiastic champion of temperance.

One account has it he once turned a pile of ice and snow-balls into a fire when he and his followers needed warmth.

Be that how it may, the fourth-century missionary who introduced Christianity into the Emerald Isle infinitely enriched the music, poetry, and literature of the Irish people.

Saint Patrick was born in the latter part of the fourteenth century. When he was about 18 years old he was taken captive by pirates and spent several years in bondage. Eventually he escaped, and made his way to a monastery in Gaul, where he studied in Ireland. He returned to Ireland

with the title of bishop. There he converted many to the Christian doctrine of the Trinity, and the shamrock became a symbol of the great mystery.

Now, all Ireland celebrates March 17 with festivities. The morning is occupied in attending mass. The afternoon and night, however, are occasions for lighter entertainment. Poteen is drunk and the younger men play "hurlley," an old Irish game which is a form of field hockey.

So the day is passed by the sons of Erin, and mirth and reverence are blended in commemoration of a saint.