



**Jean Dickenson, Glamorous Star of the Metropolitan Opera and the Concert Stage, Is Third Town Hall Artist Here December 4**

Pretty Jean Dickenson, singing star of both radio and opera, is to be presented as the third artist on the 1940-41 Town Hall program December 4. The vivacious young soprano has made her voice familiar to radio listeners all over the nation who have listened to her singing on the NBC program "American Album of Familiar Music."

As gracious as she is beautiful, Jean Dickenson will doubtless be a favorite with the Aggies because of her unusual voice and her charming manners on the stage. After one of her appearances in New York, the New York Times commended her on her performance with the statement "She acted with spontaneous vivacity that quickly made friends for her in a large, responsive audience."

This charming manner is no doubt due in part to her experience in opera, which started with the Denver Opera Company five years ago. She was given an opportunity to sing Juliette in an English performance of Gounod's work, and subsequent roles brought her talent to the attention of the Metropolitan Opera Company. She was given an audition and in a darkened room sang the Shadow Song from "Dionora."

Miss Dickenson heard no more from this audition for some time although she followed the suggestion of the director and learned the whole part of the dashing coloratura "Je Suis Titania." She attended nearly every performance given at the Metropolitan and followed the artists through the score by reading music with a flashlight. She successfully made her debut and

**Livestock Team Leaves Today for Chicago Exposition**

The senior livestock judging team will leave by automobile today to compete in the intercollegiate judging contest at the International Livestock Show to be held in Chicago Nov. 30. The members of the team are: R. T. Foster, L. E. Brandes, J. L. Rice, M. B. Inman, M. R. Callihan, and L. J. Gentry. They have recently returned from Kansas City, where they placed fourth in a similar contest at the American Royal Livestock Show.

R. J. von Roeder, the livestock team coach, stated that the group will visit on the ranches of many well known livestock breeders previous to their arrival in Chicago. Among these ranches are the Turner Hereford Ranch at Sulphur, Oklahoma; H. G. Eschelman, Percheron horse breeder at Sedgwick, Kansas; Kansas State College at Manhattan, Kansas; University of Nebraska at Lincoln; C. G. Good and Son, Belgian horse breeder at Ogdon, Iowa; Fitch Farms near Des Moines, Iowa; and E. F. Dybert, Percheron and Belgian horse breeder at Manchester, Iowa. The cadets will return to A. & M. December 4.

now with five years of opera experience behind her she has made herself familiar to audiences throughout the world. Her latest performance with the Metropolitan Opera Company was her debut in January of this year as Philine in "Mignon."

Miss Dickenson's radio career almost started while she was still in Colorado College when she turned down an audition with NBC because she wanted to get her degree first. George Engles, vice-president of the National Broadcasting Company, sought her out with the flattering offer that she continue her vocal studies and broadcast on a coast-to-coast network from Denver. This time her radio career did start and for several months she

**Film Club Plans Near Completion For Second Year**

The response to last year's program of the College Film Club indicated an expansion and improvement of this campus activity. Whereas in all previous years only a select group of individuals, not including college students, were admitted to the programs consisting of the showing of foreign-made films, a restricted number of subscriptions to the programs will be offered to those students taking modern languages, fine arts and other advanced courses this year, President S. B. Zisman said.

It is hoped that in addition to showings of foreign language films the film club can provide for the showing of unusual pictures of distinction made in this country and elsewhere; pictures that one would not be likely to see in the regular programs of the commercial motion picture theatres.

The campus theatre can be made available Thursday evenings for either 7:30 or 9:00 p.m. showings. The theater seats about 600 people and a successful program can be carried out with a subscription list of 500. 300 subscriptions will be reserved for members of the faculty, their wives and families, graduate assistants, members of the Extension Service and the Experiment Station, members of the secretarial and administrative staffs and other employees. Fifty subscriptions will be reserved for those in Bryan who are not part of the college but who have expressed considerable interest and who desire to share these programs with members of the film club. If the demand for subscriptions exceeds present estimates, arrangements can be made for more than one showing of the films.

Subscriptions will be \$1 for a series of five major programs. This amount will cover all expenses and dates for the showing of the films will be announced in The Battalion as soon as possible. Subscription blanks will be sent to those members declared by the Film Club eligible to receive them in the very near future.

# The Battalion

VOL. 40 122 ADMINISTRATION BLDG. COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS, THURSDAY MORNING, NOV. 21, 1940 Z725 NO. 29

## Plans Being Made for Austin Corps Trip

### Ninth Annual Horticulture Show Scheduled for November 25 and 26

**Event Will Be Largest in History Of Annual Exhibition**

The ninth annual Horticulture Show will be held November 25 and 26 from 8 a. m. to 10 p. m. each day by the Horticulture Society on the second floor of the Agriculture building. This educational show will exhibit many grades and varieties of fruits, vegetables and products in larger assortments than in past years.

Among the exhibits will be citrus fruits and citrus juices from the Rio Grande Valley, apples from all parts of the U. S., apple cider from Arkansas, fresh vegetables and canned fruits and vegetables from all parts of Texas, Texas pecans and other products. All of the members of the society and a number of the faculty members have been working on the show for the last two months.

The shipment of apple cider has already arrived. It will be offered for sale at \$1 per gallon.

Products which have been donated by the growers, experiment stations, exchanges, etc. are to be sold during the show to pay for the expenses of the show.

### Engineers Are In Big Demand New Survey Shows

Ninety-five per cent of the employment calls received by the Former Students' Association since August were for engineers, Lucian Morgan, assistant secretary of the association, announced today. The majority of the calls were from construction and oil companies and were for positions in the state.

There has been an increasing demand for engineers because of the national defense program. The rapid construction of quarters necessary for the housing of the draftees and the enlargement of plant facilities has placed such a premium on engineers that it is not unusual for the association to receive wholesale orders like the one received recently. The request was for ten senior engineers, ten junior engineers, twenty-five instrument men, one chief draftsman

### Mary Hardin-Baylor Concert Ensemble to Appear Here Sunday

Members of the Mary Hardin-Baylor College concert ensemble will be presented at the First Baptist Church in Bryan next Sunday morning and at the College Station Baptist church Sunday night. President Gordon G. Singleton of the college will also speak Sunday night at College Station.

The ensemble, which is directed by Henry Wenzel, head of the violin department at the college, is composed of Virginia Kelly, St. Joseph, Mo.; Mildred Barge and Lois Durham, Belton; Louise McGee, Cody, Wyo.; Mary Eleanor and Corin King of Fort Worth; Leona Florida, Alvin; Druscilla Longley, Deming, N. Mexico; Zelia Belle Lloyd, College Station; Bess Heironymus, Temple; and Lillian Marie Meyer, Hempstead. Hilda Beth Gray of Galveston is the accompanist.

### November Battalion Magazine Ready Today

The November issue of the Battalion magazine will be available to first sergeants in the basement of the Administration building today at 4 p.m.

It will contain a full center spread of pictures taken by Phil Golman of the recent events on the campus and corps trips. Illustrations are by Pete Tumlinson and human interest stories by various members of the magazine staff.

### From the Commandant-to the Corps

By Lt. Col. James A. Watson  
Commandant and Professor of Military Science and Tactics

The splendid conduct and unflinching sportsmanship exhibited by all of you, prior to and during last Saturday's struggle, impels me to take this opportunity to commend you to express my highest appreciation.

During the coming week we are to face a new adversary in our drive thru the stretch. The eyes of the nation are focused on the Aggies. Every man connected with the college will come under the critical gaze of thousands. Our every word and every act will be magnified beyond belief. Governors, legislators, businessmen, ranchmen and great figures in the oil country will take this opportunity to see this mighty team of ours in action, and this magnificent corps of cadets.

What a picture it will be, and what an opportunity to establish throughout the country a lasting reputation for sportsmanship and soldierly conduct.

Our two greatest state colleges facing each other on the gridiron and thousands of the young manhood of Texas in the stands is a spectacle beyond comparison.

Make no mistake about it, we will beat them soundly on the field and with a magnificent gesture, show them the superlative in esprit and behavior.

The corps after the game will scatter to many points in Texas. Carry with you the knowledge that we have done all in our power to show the nation what is meant by the Aggie Spirit of sportsmanship.

Good luck.

### Campus Building Program Continues; 4 Projects Are Pushed at Same Time

The crack of hammers marks the beginning of work on the new dormitories and the continuation of the building program which is under way on the campus.

The six new dormitories which will be built west of the Hospital will be erected under the direction of Alfred C. Finn, Houston architect, and the W. S. Bellows Company, contractors from Houston, and will be similar in construction and design to the dormitories built last year by the same firm.

The new buildings will increase the student dormitory residence capacity to 6,100 and will cost approximately nine hundred thousand dollars.

Eugene Ash of Houston will have charge of the installation of electrical equipment. Martyn Brothers of Dallas will install the plumbing fixtures.

The dormitory for the mess hall employees which is located near the post office is nearing completion and will be ready for acceptance by December 1, 1940. This building will replace the long, wooden building now in use.

An airplane from Cameron is the sole inmate of the old laundry building which is doomed for wreckage next year. The building will be used by the Aeronautical Engineering department during the coming year, and temporary partitions are now being placed in the building so classes can be held.

The new cooling tower which is located on the north corner of the power plant is in operation and has replaced the old cooling system located across the road. The tower, which has a rating of 40,000 kilowatts, was erected at a cost of \$15,000 by the J. F. Pritchett Company of Kansas City. California red wood was used in its construction.

### Student Library Committee Gets in High Gear as Annual Report Shows Many Improvements Over Past Long Session

#### First Meeting of Current College Year Set for Friday Night

By George Fuermann  
Secretary, Student Library Committee

The first meeting of the current long session of the Student Library Committee will be held Friday night at 7 o'clock in the Cushing Memorial Library it was announced this morning.

With the presentation of its annual report, the Student Library

Committee concluded its second year of activity at the close of the 1939-40 long session last June. During that period the five-man committee, now an important unit of A. & M. student government, directed the expenditure of \$621.80 for books and record additions to the Carnegie Music Room; stabilized its own organization with the adoption of a constitution; made tentative plans for securing further contributions during the 1940-41 long session and generally acted as an advisory body to Li-

### Senior ROTC Men Eligible to Join Local Unit

That seniors in second year military science are eligible for membership in the Brazos County chapter of the Reserve Officers' Association was a topic discussed at the Tuesday meeting of the local chapter. Students will receive applications from their senior instructors in the near future, Registrar E. J. Howell announced today. The regular dues which are \$3 per year have been suspended for all junior members and a fee of 75 cents has been substituted to cover the cost of the official publication.

Since the inauguration of this ruling six years ago, A. & M. has had 100 per cent enrollment of all seniors as junior members in the organization and plans are being made to maintain the record this year.

Lieutenant R. L. Elkins, instructor in the Economics department, is president of the local organization which has an enrollment of 77 and includes all members of the R. O. A. in Brazos County. The R. O. A. chapter meets the first and third Tuesday of each month in the main lecture room of the Geology and Petroleum building. Since the organization is concerned in furthering the cause of national defense and providing the opportunity of further training that is the equivalent of a troop school, each program provides definite instruction from some member of the reserve commission and the Army.

The program Tuesday night was in charge of Sergeant Hilton Richards who lectured on the Browning machine gun. Two of the guns were dismantled and reassembled to familiarize members with operation and assembling.

A magazine, "The Reserve Officer", is the official publication of the association and is published each month at Washington, D. C.

### November Issue of Engineer Will Be Out Early Next Week

The Texas A. & M. Engineer will make its debut on the A. & M. campus the first part of next week, editor Jeff Montgomery announced today.

This magazine will contain stories of interest to all students, not merely those who are taking engineering, Montgomery said. The primary purpose of the magazine is to give information of interest to those who are in the field of engineering, but it contains a variety of other stories.

The stories in the first issue range from "Oil; No Penny Ante Game" to "A Low Cost House". E. L. Santoni and Ben Roberts are assistant editors.

### Fort Worth Club Plans Christmas Dance

Monday night the Fort Worth A. & M. Club made plans for its twelfth annual Christmas dance. This year's dance is to be held at the Casino on the Jacksonborough highway and will take place December 23.

There are approximately 70 members of the Fort Worth Club. Gus Bates, veterinary medicine senior, is president of the organization.

### Year's First Parade of Cadet Corps to be Held

As part of the official corps trip for the A. & M.-Texas U. game, the corps will parade in Austin on November 28. This will be the first mass ceremony of any kind for the corps this year. Since the Baylor corps trip was unofficial, there was no parade in Waco. In Dallas rain prevented the corps from showing its full might in the colorful spectacle of a parade. Also, there have not yet been any reviews on the campus, thus making the first full dress maneuvers of the entire corps. The parade will also be the first chance for the freshmen to meet their upperclassmen as an organization without using 'handles' before their names and the first opportunity for the seniors to proudly strut their boots while leading their organizations.

Special trains for the corps trip will leave College Station at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, arriving in Austin at 7:45. Another will leave Thursday morning at 6:30 and arrive at Austin at 9:15. Students who do not ride the trains should be at the assembly area near the station in Austin by 9 a.m. Thursday morning so that the parade may be properly formed and baggage taken care of.

The Infantry regiment will assemble on W. 2nd Street between Congress and Colorado streets. The Field Artillery Regiment's assembly area will be on Colorado street between W. 1st and W. 2nd. The Composite Regiment will assemble on Colorado Street between W. 2nd and W. 3rd. The Cavalry will assemble on W. 2nd between Colorado and Lavaca. The Engineer Regiment will assemble on Lavaca street between W. 1st and W. 2nd. The assembly area of the Coast Artillery will be on Lavaca street between W. 2nd and W. 3rd.

The parade will march off at 10 a.m. in the following order of march: Corps staff, Field Artillery band, Infantry regiment, Field Artillery Regiment, Composite Regiment, Infantry Band, Cavalry regiment, Engineer Regiment, and Coast Artillery regiment. The route of the parade will be up Congress street to the capitol

### Spanish Club Is Reorganized; Harris Is Elected President

The Spanish Club held its first meeting of the year Monday afternoon for reorganization. Officers were elected and the constitution for the club was tentatively drawn up.

The objectives of the Spanish Club are to foster better relations with the Spanish-American countries and to give students and others who are interested an opportunity to speak Spanish and to listen to it. Programs of the club meetings will consist of songs in Spanish and talks by students from Latin-America.

The officers of the club are Ed Harris, president; William Bryant, vice-president and Robert Freeland, secretary-treasurer. The club is sponsored by F. B. Rackley of the Modern Language department.

### McGinnies to Address Plant Seminar Tonight

The experiments with ornamental plants which M. M. McGinnies, professor in the Landscape Art department, has been conducting during the past few years will be the subject on which he will lecture to the Plant Science Seminar Thursday night at 7:30 in the conference room of the Experiment Station building.

The lecture, "Experiments with Ornamental Plants" will cover the various phases of evergreen cuttings, the determination of the proper time of the year for planting, the various types of media and the influences of the number of leaves on rooting. The meeting will be open to the public.

### Mothers' Clubs Swell Fund to Tune of \$478 During 1939-40 Terms

During the past year the members of the committee were Tom S. Richards, Houston, senior class representative; J. P. Ledbetter, Waco, junior class representative; Paul O. Egner, Houston, sophomore class representative; R. M. Shuffler, Odessa, freshman class

(Continued on Page 4)