

# Town Hall Presents Thibault and Speaks



Handsome, five feet eleven inches tall, weighing about 168 pounds and with a glorious baritone voice which he uses with persuasive skill in both popular and classical music, it is no wonder that Conrad Thibault, concert and radio star, keeps the mailman busy! Asked if he has a favorite fan, he'll tell you: "Yes, a lady in Massachusetts. She writes wonderful letters. She's my mother."

## Top-Flight Radio And Stage Stars Appear Thursday

Two of America's top-flight concert and radio entertainers will be seen and heard on the stage of Texas A. & M.'s Guion Hall Thursday as Town Hall presents Conrad Thibault and Margaret Speaks in joint recital.

Conrad Thibault is the best-known, most-heard baritone in radio, having been the star of such big commercial shows as Maxwell House "Showboat," Coca-Cola, Philip Morris, Lucky Strike, RCA-Victor's "Magic Key", Manhattan Merry-Go-Round, the American

Melody Hour, Packard, A. & P. Gypsies, and others.

One of the things which has contributed to Thibault's popularity is his thoroughly democratic attitude toward program-making. He believes that the best reason in the world for singing a song is a listener's request for it. Thibault says there is entirely too much snobbishness in music anyway. "Because an artist has studied for concert and opera is no reason why he should reject simple old favorites or popular songs of the day. I think the suggestion that popular stuff is beneath an artist's dignity is so much hooey."

Miss Speaks is best known as soprano soloist on the Voice of Firestone radio program, although she has been acclaimed in personal appearances in almost every state in the union and many of the capitals of Europe.

Margaret is at least the third generation of a musical family, and has been singing since she was three years old. She is a niece of Oley Speaks, the composer of "Sylvia", "On the Road to Mandalay", "When the Boys Come Home", "Morning", and many other beloved American songs. Her mother and father both sing and play the piano, one brother is an excellent pianist, and two cousins are professional singers. On the rare occasions that Margaret Speaks has sung a false note she has had a swarm of aunts, uncles, brothers and cousin critics to tell her about it.

Town Hall season tickets will be honored at Friday evening's concert. A few reserved seats are untaken, and may be obtained at the Student Activities office of the College. General admission tickets will be on sale at the boxoffice.

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# BATTALION

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## Veterans Vote on Reorganization

### Legion Offers \$400 In Scholarships to Orphans of Vets

Availability of fifteen American Legion National Commander scholarships, ranging in value up to \$400 each, was announced by Major General P. C. Harris (retired) national director of the Legion Committee on Education of Orphans of Veterans.

Any son of a deceased veteran of World War I or II, who actually is in need of financial assistance to continue his education, is eligible for a National Commander scholarship, irrespective of the date and cause of death of his father.

Application should be made by letter to the American Legion Department Director of Education of Orphans of Veterans, in the applicant's state or the District of Columbia. The letter should give the name, date, cause of death of the veterans, and other pertinent information, and should reach the appropriate department director not later than April 15, 1946.

### BROCK TO TEACH AT ST. LOUIS THIS SUMMER

A fourth member of the engineering drawing department staff at Texas A. & M. College, Professor G. H. Brock, has been named to the faculty of the Society for Promotion of Engineering Education's summer course for drawing instructors, to be held June 18-28 at Washington University, St. Louis.

### Aggies Want to Use Phone---Calmly Walk Into Sorority House

It happened in the Alpha Delta Pi sorority house Saturday night.

Two Aggies made it to the second floor before finally being accosted by a surprised co-ed. The Aggies were immediately subjected to a severe tongue-lashing that left them quite subdued.

Finally they were able to reply and said, "We just wanted to use the phone, and the captain of the Battery told us it would be all right to come up here."

Reprinted from the Daily Texan. (What's wrong with that—the fish were merely following orders.—ED. NOTE.)

### Heaton to Attend Garden Conference

C. R. Heaton, associate horticulturist for the A. and M. College Extension Service, will attend the National Garden Conference in Washington, D. C., March 26-28, Director Ide P. Trotter has announced.

Called by Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson, the conference will be concerned with an analysis of the domestic and foreign food situations and the part home vegetable gardening may play in contributing to our supplies of health-protecting foods. The last of the three days will be spent at Beltsville, Maryland, observing research work in horticulture that is being carried on there.

Mr. Heaton has been serving as emergency assistant in garden work and has given nearly all of his time during the past two years to this particular subject, says Dr. Trotter.

### Petroleum Dept. Will Hold Short Course In April

On the heels of a highly successful well-logging conference, plans are being made by the petroleum engineering department of Texas A. & M. College for a conference on reservoir engineering, to be held here April 22-26.

Harold Vance, department head, said that Park J. Jones, well-known petroleum consultant from Houston, will attend the conference. Jones is author of "Petroleum Production", Volume I of which was recently published. The course will cover methods of petroleum production.

### 23 Directors With Staggered Terms Make Up New Board

The steering committee for the proposed reorganization of the Ex-Servicemen's Club will present the first concrete evidence of their efforts tonight in an open meeting of the club. This will constitute submitting a proposed amendment instituting a Board of Representatives which it is hoped will ultimately result as the final basis for maximum organization to realize the Club's full potentialities.

The plan, as compiled by the steering committee, for the proposed Board of Representatives essentially consists of the following:

The Board will be composed of twenty three members, consisting of one elected representative from each area large enough to merit representation plus the present officers of the Club, with the provision that the number of members may be increased or decreased as necessary to provide ample representation.

The elected representatives must reside in the area represented and shall serve on the board for one calendar year, with the term of one half of the members expiring at approximately six month intervals to provide for continuity of adequate leadership.

The president of the Club will serve as chairman of the board and the election of representatives will be secret ballot.

The future success of the organization of the Ex-Servicemen's Club will, to a great extent, depend upon the reception and co-operation given the plan by the individual members of the club. To present the plan of the Club with its possibilities and favorable aspects, it is recommended that all members of the organization make plans to be present.

Full working details of the plan will be discussed at the Monday evening meeting.

As this appears to be the first consolidated effort of the Ex-Servicemen's Club to assume its position commensurate with its numbers, the full support of all members is anticipated.

### POULTRY SHORT COURSE PLANNED FOR SUMMER

A three-week poultry short course will be held at Texas A. & M. on June 24 to July 12, it was announced by E. D. Parnell of the poultry husbandry department.

A special visitors' day is being planned for Wednesday, July 10, and a number of outside speakers will appear on the program.

### A. & M. to Confer Degree March 22 On Gen. Clarkson

The A&M College will hold a special convocation on next Friday evening to award the honorary degree of Doctor of Law on Major General Percy W. Clarkson, a graduate of A&M College with the degree of B. S. in Electrical Engineering with the class of 1915. Before World War II he was a lieutenant colonel, U. S. Army, stationed at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio.

Major General Clarkson was one of the 24 generals, graduates of A&M college, scheduled to receive this degree at the Victory Homecoming at A&M on April 29 but notified the College that he would be overseas at that time. This special convocation was arranged in order that this honor be bestowed before his sailing date.

### STARK RETURNS TO ENGINEERING DRAWING

L. E. Stark has returned to Texas A. & M. as an assistant professor of engineering drawing, it was announced today. Stark was supervisor of ESMWT drawing classes here during 1941-44.

**NOTICE**  
H and M Coast Artillerymen  
There will be an important meeting of all former members of the Coast Artillery Corps, "H" and "M" Batteries, on Tuesday, March 19, at 7:30 p. m. in the C. E. lecture room. The meeting is to make plans for a barebucue party in the near future.  
Bill Hamersly, '42  
Dave Scwim, '42

### Town Meeting Set For March 26

A town meeting of the citizens of College Station will be held March 25 to discuss current problems of the community, according to an announcement by Mayor Ernest Langford. The meeting is scheduled to be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Consolidated high school gymnasium.

Some of the more important subjects that will be discussed are the municipal election slated for April 2; a statement of the duties and responsibilities of the newly-formed College Station-Bryan welfare advisory committee; a resume of the garbage collection situation; and a discussion of providing recreation facilities for the town.

## Jeanette Hudson Is Cotton Queen

Miss Jeanette Hudson will be crowned Queen of the Cotton Ball on April 12th by Martin Vick, Cotton King. She was selected from the princesses of the Redbud Festival at T. S. C. W. by eight A. & M. students Sunday morning. Miss Hudson is a senior majoring in English and is from Ola, Arkansas.

The queen's immediate court will be composed of Mary Ann Barrier of Omaha, Margaret Ann Browning of Sherman, Peggy Hendricks of Kilgore, Katherine Reeve of Amarillo, Laura Sessions of Waxahachie, and Norma Walker of Amarillo. These duchesses were also chosen from the Redbud princesses and are to be escorted by Agronomy Mrs. Manning Smith, director of the Pageant who accompanied the

committee to Denton, expressed her approval of the selections and joined the boys in voicing appreciation of the splendid attitude and co-operation given by the girls and the Dean of Student, Mrs. Mattie L. Wooten, and her staff.

R. E. Moriarity, display director and Mrs. Southworth, style show director of Sanger Bros., Dallas, came to College Station March 13, to confer with J. S. Mogford, sponsor, Mrs. Manning Smith, director of the Cotton Style Pageant and members of the Agronomy Society on plans for the 12th Annual Cotton Style Show and Cotton Ball. Plans were worked out on the order of presenting the different events.

At 8:00 o'clock sharp, the Cot-

ton Pageant will get under way. The forming of King Cotton's Court, the floor show and style show will be held in Guion Hall and the Ball will follow at Sbisaha on April 12.

The floor plan and general scene setting has been drawn to scale by De Wayne TeVault, senior architect student. All of the stage settings will be constructed by the Agronomy Society.

Sanger Brothers representatives were highly pleased with our location, stage setting and general arrangements. The style show will consist of fifteen models from Sangers that will give a complete showing of cotton style of the past, present and future. Society seniors.