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## Gladys Swarthout To Sing At Last Town Hall Concert

By BARRY LEE

Gladys Swarthout, famous mezzo-soprano of the Metropolitan, Chicago, and San Francisco Operas, will give a concert in Guion Hall tomorrow night at 8 p. m. to conclude the 1948-49 Town Hall series.

Miss Swarthout, who also claims fame as an author of a best seller novel and star of five motion pictures, is one of the few American-born and trained classical singers to have won such high acclaim.

Included in her program will be three selections from the opera "Carmen," several arias, and a series of poems set to music. Miss Swarthout, incidentally, is ranked by some music-critics as the ranking Carmen of the day, having performed the title in the well-known opera before record breaking crowds.

The Missouri-born singer's talents are not restricted to opera, however, for she makes numerous concert tours each year and appears frequently on coast to coast networks. A radio regular since 1934, she was started for the first time on "The Voice of Firestone" series and has been heard on such programs as the Ford Sunday Evening Hour, Harvest of Stars, The Camel Caravan, the Bell Telephone Hour, and the Contented Hour.

Miss Swarthout's musical career began when she lied about her age to become a member of the Kansas City church choir. Some friends who had great respect for her singing career secretly arranged an audition for her with the Chicago Opera Company. The resulting contract from the company started her on the road which led to her present high position in the world of classical music.

Her performances over the nation have drawn complimentary adjectives from well-known newspaper music critics, especially for her ability to make strictly classical music appeal to all types of listeners.

Admission to the concert, the final Town Hall program of the year, will be by Town Hall tickets only.

## Second Man E Meeting Slated For This Week

The second annual Management Engineering Conference will be held on the campus March 23 and 24. Approximately 100 leaders in the field of management are expected to attend, V. M. Faires, chairman of the conference, reported.

Job evaluation and merit rating will be discussed at the conference, which is being sponsored by the Management Engineering Department, the Houston Chapter of the Society for the Advancement of Management, and the A&M Chapter of the SAM.

## Rodeo Team Split For Two Contests

Two intercollegiate rodeos held at approximately the same time in different sections of the country, so the Texas Aggie Rodeo Association will divide its men into two teams, Earl Guthrie, president of the association has announced.

One team will go to Fort Worth for the TCU Intercollegiate Rodeo April 7, 8, and 9, while the other team will head for the west coast to enter the National Intercollegiate Rodeo at the Cow Palace in San Francisco, April 9, 10, and 11.

Members of the team to compete at Fort Worth are: Maxie Overstreet, Lloyd Griffith, Abner Poyner, Wally Cardwell, Charlie Wampler and Lucien Kruse.

The team going to the Golden Gate City is Earl Guthrie, Charlie Rankin, Martin Pickens, Punk Sauls, Prince Wood, and Bubba Day, Guthrie stated.

This is the first year that the San Francisco rodeo has been held. Last year the Aggie cowboys were champions of the TCU Intercollegiate Rodeo, Guthrie concluded.

## ASHVE to Hold Meeting Here March 28-30

The fifth annual Air Conditioning Conference will be held on the campus March 28, 29, and 30, according to C. W. Crawford, head of the Mechanical Engineering Department.

The conference is under the direction of the Mechanical Engineering Department in cooperation with the three Texas Chapters and the Shreveport Chapter of the American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers.

The purpose of the conference, according to Crawford, is to bring men of industry together to study and discuss problems, new developments, and new ideas in the field of heating, ventilating, and air conditioning.

Crawford said several nationally and internationally known men would be on the campus to speak on the program: Dr. F. W. Gieske, consulting engineer and past president of the ASHVE, from New Braunfels; S. Kozzo, professor of Mechanical Engineering, University of Illinois; J. D. Kroeker, consulting engineer from Portland, Oregon; and Robert U. Berry, Manager, Industrial Marine and Contractor Division, Air Conditioning Department, General Electric Company.

Charles V. Brown, president of the A&M student branch of the ASHVE, will preside as chairman during the Monday night activities. The A&M student branch is the oldest branch of the society, Crawford said.

C. W. Crawford will be the toastmaster during the banquet, which will be held in Sbisva Hall Tuesday night at 7:30. The speaker will be J. R. Hertzler, vice-president and general sales manager of the York Corporation, York, Pennsylvania. His subject will be "The Past, Present, and Future of Air Conditioning."

Members of the conference will register in the lobby of the YMCA beginning Sunday afternoon, March 27. The conference welcomes anyone interested in air conditioning for either industrial or human comfort purposes, Crawford stated.

## English Teachers' Joint Committee Will Meet Here

The third annual meeting of the Joint Committee on Integration of English Teaching in Texas high schools and colleges will be held here March 25 and 26, according to Dr. T. F. Mayo, chairman of the committee.

The committee's program is designed to raise the level of language use in high schools, junior colleges, and colleges, Dr. Mayo said.

By cooperation among teachers of the three levels, the group will help the high school student write and read and speak to the best of his ability, Mayo reported. Bridging the gap between high school and college instruction in English is another aim of the joint committee.

This year the group will lay plans for their second annual work shop, which will be held in October in eleven districts of the state.

It will also discuss comprehensive tests for high school juniors, which will be given to discover any juniors are found deficient, they will be given remedial teaching in the senior year, Mayo said.

## Cattle Raisers Will Meet in Houston

A convention of Texas and Southwestern cattle raisers is slated to be held in Houston, March 22 through 24, Dr. J. C. Miller, head of the Animal Husbandry Department, announced today.

Men from A&M planning to attend include R. D. Lewis, director of the Agricultural Experiment Station; D. W. Williams, vice chancellor for Agriculture; Dr. I. B. Boughton, dean of the School of Veterinary Medicine; Dr. Vernon A. Young, Range and Forestry Department head; and Dr. J. C. Miller, J. K. Riggs, and J. M. Jones all of the Animal Husbandry Department.

Two members of the Foot and Mouth Disease Commission will attend the convention. They will report on progress being made in controlling Hoof and Mouth Disease along the border, Dr. Miller said.



CAROLINA COTTON, vocalist, will appear on the Sons of the Pioneers program, April 1 in Guion Hall.

## White Named Head Of A&M Directors

G. R. White, rancher and banker from Brady, was re-elected president of the Board of Directors and John W. Newton, vice-president of Magnolia Petroleum company, Beaumont, was named vice-president, as the board was reorganized here for the coming year. Newton succeeds H. L. Kokernot, Jr., of Alpine, who is no longer a member of the board.

E. L. Angell, assistant to the Chancellor of the A&M System, was re-elected secretary of the board.

White has been a member of the Board of Directors since 1926, and has served as its president since 1944. Newton was appointed to the board in 1945 for a six-year term. Angell has been secretary of the board since 1945.

The Board of Directors of A&M is reorganized annually, following confirmation of appointments. A. E. Cudlipp of Lufkin is the new member this year, while E. W. Harrison of South Bend and White are reappointments.

Standing committees of the board announced by President White upon completion of reorganization include:

Executive committee: J. W. Newton, chairman; C. C. Krueger, Rufus R. Peoples, Henry Reese III. Legislative committee: E. W. Harrison, chairman; A. E. Cudlipp, Rufus R. Peoples, Tyree L. Bell.

Building committee: Tyree L. Bell, chairman; C. C. Krueger, Rufus R. Peoples.

Finance committee: C. C. Krueger, chairman; A. E. Cudlipp, J. W. Newton, E. W. Harrison.

Prairie View committee: R. C. Potts, chairman; Henry Reese III, E. W. Harrison.

Agricultural Experiment Station and Agricultural Extension Service committee: Rufus R. Peoples, chairman; A. E. Cudlipp, Henry Reese III.

Public Relations committee: Henry Reese III, chairman; Tyree L. Bell, R. C. Potts, A. E. Cudlipp.

Forestry committee: A. E. Cudlipp, chairman; E. W. Harrison, Rufus R. Peoples.

## Library Displays Painting Exhibit

The traveling exhibit of the Texas Fine Arts Association, prints and paintings in oil and water colors, are on display at Cushing Memorial Library.

The exhibit is open to the public, Paul Ballance, librarian, said today.

The paintings will be on display about two weeks under the sponsorship of the Campus Study Club, Ballance said. Mrs. E. R. Alexander is chairman of the exhibit committee.

## Cherry to Address Members of SAE

H. H. Cherry, of the Aeronautical Engineering Department, will speak to the Society of Automotive Engineers Tuesday night at 7:15 in the Assembly Room of the YMCA, according to Bob Hornburg, treasurer of the SAE.

The subject of the talk will be "Air Craft Industry Personnel Requirements." Cherry, who formerly worked with Douglas Aircraft is now teaching and doing research at the Personal Aircraft Research Center.

## West Point Defeated By A&M Debate Team

By TOM CARTER

Larry Goodwyn and James Farmer, members of the A&M Debating Team, defeated Clay Buckingham and Kirby Lamar, debaters from West Point, on the question, "Resolved: That the Federal government should adopt a policy of equalizing educational opportunities in tax-supported schools by means of annual grants."

Opening the debate for the affirmative West Pointers, Clay Buckingham, a stated that the time had come for the government to assume its rightful responsibility in the field of education. He said that all schools in the country should be brought up to minimum standards by equalizing educational opportunities.

## Spring Concert Of Band Is Success

By DAVE COSLETT

The Aggie Band added another staunch argument to its already strong bid for "best band in the land" last Friday night in Guion Hall with the presentation of its annual spring concert.

Strutting their stuff before a highly appreciative audience, the boys presented a very attractive parcel of melody and rhythm entirely devoid of strings. Working under the able baton of band director Lt. Col. E. V. Adams the band presented classical, novelty, and all-time favorite popular songs as well as the four-four time rhythm with which it is usually associated.

Drum soloist J. O. Williams gave what was probably the most surprising performance of the night when he demonstrated to a somewhat astonished audience the relatively unknown fact that a well-handled snare-drum can produce music on its own right. The tune was "Downfall of Paris," a number which contained enough variation in tempo to allow Williams to demonstrate his nimble wrists and good timing to the best advantage.

A cornet triad by Gene Boynton, Frank Albrecht, and Wayne Dunlap played the appropriately named "Triplets of the Finest." Remaining soloist of the night was organist Tommy Roxburgh who made his contribution in the playing of the hymn "The Harvest of the Sea," a portion of the four-part Manx tone-poem "Mannin Veer."

In the martial vein, the group got off to a fast start with the opening tune, "March Heroic," "Commandante," the march which led-off the second portion of the show, was stirring enough but failed to approach the encore rendition of John Phillip Sousa's familiar favorite, "Stars and Stripes Forever."

Under the novelty classification came "Dizzy Fingers" and the well known "Alouetta," a light French tune which contained unmistakable bars from "Madoiselle from Armentieres."

The program got underway with a half-filled house, but late-comers swelled attendance until almost all of the ground-floor seats had been taken. The program was free.

## T Association Sets Supper and Dance

The T Association will hold its spring supper and dance March 26, according to an announcement by E. G. Bilderback, president.

The supper will be at 7 p. m. at the Finfeather Club. Bilderback said, but cautioned that reservations must be made with him at once.

The association will furnish flowers for dates to this informal supper and following formal ball.

The formal begins at 9 p. m. in Sbisva, with the Aggeland Orchestra furnishing the music.

Invitations, which have been sent to ex-T members, athletes now in school, the coaching staff, and members of the Athletic Council, must be presented at the door, Bilderback concluded.

## Wayne King Show Pleases Audience

By DAVE COSLETT

the form of the currently popular "Lavender Blue."

A slight departure from the over-all mood of the program featured Jean Richards at the piano playing the "Warsaw Concerto." Miss Richards also accompanied Dick Den Broeder as he sang "There Was Moonlight in Her Hair." Both Broeder and Miss Richards were members of one of the singing groups.

His balding majesty, King himself took his familiar saxophone in hand for a number of songs including "Trees" and "Song of India." Not quite so good but just as acceptable to the friendly audience were "Wonder Who's Kissing Her Now" and "Lonesome, I Guess That's All" at which he tried his own vocal talents.

King's almost constant clowning plus his sincere voice put everyone at ease from curtain to curtain of the two-hour show. His predominantly strangled, 16-piece orchestra offered a decided contrast to the Aggie band whose Friday night concert preceded King's appearance.

In the line of waltzes the program offered little more than "The Blue Danube" and King's familiar theme, "The Waltz You Saved For Me." Semi-classics and ballads were plentiful, though, and this group included "Lock Lomond," "Bells of St. Mary's," and "Begin the Beguine."

Other contributions to the show came from a male chorus, a mixed chorus, and a trombone solo. The program, aimed at pleasing "the family group," seemed to have scored a direct hit with most of the Guion Hall fans, proving again the success of music that makes and brings back memories.



G. R. White of Brady was re-elected president of the Board of Directors.

## H. C. Windler Will Speak To Business Club

The Business Society will meet Tuesday night at 7:30 in the Chapel of the YMCA, according to Bill Potts, reporter of the Society.

Purpose of the meeting will be to hear an address by H. C. Windler, manager of the Houston branch of the International Business Machines Corporation. He was originally scheduled to speak to the Business Society last month but a conflict of the date with Religious Emphasis Week prevented his appearance.

Windler is an Aggie, a graduate of the class of 1934. While attending A&M, he majored in accounting and after being graduated, went directly to work for IBM. He has been connected with that company continuously since his graduation except during the last war.

During World War II, he served in the army with the rank of major and was stationed at Washington D. C. where he was in charge of the army's Tabulating Machine Section.

Windler's address will be of general interest.

A short business meeting will be held after Windler's address, at which time the Society's Cotton Pageant Duchess will be selected.

Photographers of the Society's duchess nominees will be on display at the door of the chapel before the meeting begins and all members are requested to vote on them then. If a runoff is necessary it will be held after Windler's address.

## Fund Report From A&M Club Given

Members of the building committee of the Brazos County A&M Club have collected approximately \$4,000 this week in contributions for a proposed clubhouse building.

Only about 20 out of 50 solicitors have reported. The committee believes the goal of \$8,000 will be met by March 29. Gifts are ranging from \$100 down to \$2, according to S. A. Lipscomb, who is tabulating the reports.

The club's membership will have to instruct the committee on how to proceed, Lipscomb said. Several plans for the building have been suggested, but nothing will be decided until the finance drive is over.

The building site near the Bryan Country Club was given to the A&M Club last summer by Cameron Webb and Joe Soskoff.

Clay Buckingham, a stated that the time had come for the government to assume its rightful responsibility in the field of education. He said that all schools in the country should be brought up to minimum standards by equalizing educational opportunities.

He pointed out figures showing the number of illiterates discovered during the recent war. This fact was blamed on the various states because of their lack of funds. As an example of the large differences in educational standards between states he used New York and Georgia.

The affirmative continued by proposing a plan for the government to follow in setting up its educational program. This plan proposed that Congress appropriate money yearly and set up a national board of education composed of five men from various districts over the United States.

A state board would investigate and make recommendations to the national board. This state board would also submit its books for national auditing so that proportionate amounts of money would be spent on education in each state.

Taking the stand for the negative, Larry Goodwyn, based his arguments on the premise that the lower educational standing of the South was due to the large uneducated Negro population. He went on to say however, that steps were being taken to alleviate this condition by the states themselves.

He emphasized that the feeling in the South was such that the government would not meet with cooperation. He used the recent filibuster in Congress as an example. Goodwyn believed that the states in the South should work out the problems themselves by first equalizing the standards of Negro and white education. This would bring the Southern states up to the level of the Northern ones.

Continuing the affirmative side, Kirby Lamar took issue with Goodwyn by saying that one percent of the white people were rejected in New York and that 10 percent of the white people were rejected in South Carolina. He also pointed out that the GI Bill had proved what the government could do in educational fields. He said that the government would have actually little control over the educational system and that most of the work would still be in state hands.

Farmer, taking up the negative, fired back that the government takes \$11 billion annually in taxes from the South, when only \$300 million annually would be needed to bring the schools up to the standards that are needed. He said that if the government would decrease taxes and let the states increase theirs proportionally, then there would be enough money in the South to bring the educational standards up to par.

He chose as an example of government interference, the tideland issue, in which the government plans to take the money from the southern tidelands to Washington, said it though the bureaucratic red tape, and then shovel it back to the states. He said, "Why not leave it with the state, in the first place and not have all the relatives of the bureaucrats get their cut out of it?"

In the rebuttal that followed, the points of government interference in state affairs and the inability of the South to finance its own educational system were brought out again.

The West Point team came here from Texas University where it had participated in three debates. Before that, it was at Baylor and debated the same question there. One negative speaker at Baylor pointed out, "an example of the evil of federal subsidization is the reintegration at Texas A&M." The Baylorite pleaded for preservation of our only institutions not dominated by the federal government—the schools.

## Shrode Speaks To Vet Meds Tuesday

Dr. R. R. Shrode of the Genetics Department will be the guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Junior AVMA, Tuesday night, Dr. Shrode will talk on "The Application of Genetic Principles to Veterinary Practice," according to V. B. Hancock, reporter of the association.

The meeting will be held in the amphitheater of the Veterinary Hospital at 7:30. There will be an important business session and all members are urged to be present, Hancock said.



NANCY EVANS was the hit of the Wayne King concerts Saturday evening.