

Climaxes Season

# 'Festival of Song' Pleases Town Hall

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Town Hall closed its 1952-53 season last night with a show combining almost every type of musical entertainment ever staged in Guion Hall.

Playing to a full house, Lara Hoggard's "Festival of Song" featured two hours of choral music, orchestrations and interpretative dances which filled the college auditorium with applause.

Popular Selections

Versatility was the show's keynote with the 36 musicians taking turns participating in the orchestra, choir, and dances. Music included classical, folk, spiritual, and popular selections. Before the en-

cores, "The Twelve Days of Christmas," the audience sang "The Spirit of Aggieland" upon Director Hoggard's request. Musical numbers were presented against a background of colorful trick lighting and attractive costumes.

One of the highlights of the song filled variety was "God's Trombones," a musical adaption of two Negro folk sermons. Craig Timberlake of Dallas, was the narrator. Another feature was the dances of beautiful and talented Felisa Conde. In addition to her performance, Miss Conde originated most of the show's choreography. She also has been featured on Fred Waring's TV show.

Musical Workshop

"Festival of Song" has been touring the country since Nov. 4. Its next performance will be in San Angelo. The tour ends in March. Players were selected from students in the Fred Waring's musical workshop schools throughout the country. The cast first practiced together in October.

Hoggard, who also directs the Fred Waring Glee Club and all music on Waring's TV show, originated and produced "Festival of Song." In addition to "Festival" and his TV work, Hoggard has lectured extensively at choral clinics throughout the United States. Before starting to work with Waring, he was director of choral music and professor of music education at the University of Oklahoma.

## Chest X-ray Unit Plans April Date

The Brazos County chest X-ray survey will be held here April 11-18, Dean of Men W. L. Penberthy, said today.

The X-raying will be done from 9 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. in the MSC. "The service is free to everyone in this area and anyone 15 years or older is urged to take advantage of it," Penberthy said.

X-raying of students enrolled in physical education will be conducted during a regularly scheduled class period, he said.

The survey is sponsored jointly by the Texas State Department of Health, the Bryan-Brazos County Health Unit, the Brazos-Robertson County Medical Society, and the Brazos County Tuberculosis Association.

## Floor Construction Lecture Set Monday

There will be a slide illustrated lecture on Robertson Q-Floor Construction and related subjects, at 7:30 p. m. Monday in the civil engineering building lecture room.

Two company representatives from the Houston office of the firm will present the lecture. It is a joint meeting for civil engineering and architecture students, said K. F. Robinson, architecture instructor.

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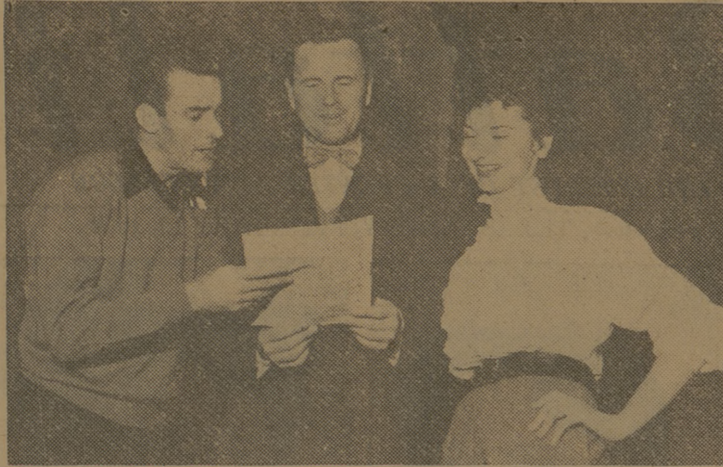
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GIVES ADVICE—Lara Hoggard, director of "Festival of Song," makes a suggestion for a dance sequence for Felisa Conde, featured dancer, and Marc Breau, who shared choreographic chores with the tall, Mexico-born brunette.

## CHS Students Get Driving Lessons

A course in driver training at Consolidated High School, was started Monday said Welcome Wright, supervisor of the class and professor in the industrial education department.

Eighteen students have registered for the course which will give them an opportunity to get their operator's license.

Teaching Course

The course is set up as a practice teaching course for A&M industrial education students. A&M students who complete the course here in driver education receive a certificate which entitles them to teach driver training.

In addition to special training devices for depth perception and reaction timing, the class will use a car for road training.

The car, obtained through the American Automobile Association and donated by Dishman Pontiac Company of Bryan, should be available for the class sometime this week, Wright said.

Written Test

Students passing the written test given in the driver training class receive a road test by the State Highway Department.

"If they satisfactorily complete this test, they will be issued their Texas operator's license," Wright said.

Students who already have their license will be given driving certificates after completing the course, he said.

## Poll Tax Receipts Are 6,268 in County

The 1953 poll tax has been paid by 6,268 people in Brazos County, according to Norton R. Burkhalter, county tax collector.

Burkhalter estimated that from 1500 to 1800 of these were in College Station, which has a residential population of 4,000.

Of the total receipts given to tax payers, 4,948 were paid tax and 1,320 were exemption receipts. Amputees, 21-year-olds, and people over 60 are exempt from payment.

The \$1.75 tax will be divided into one dollar for schools, 50 cents for state government, and 25 cents for county government.

## Senior Favorites Are Now Accepted

Senior favorite pictures are now being accepted for the AggieLand '53, said Harvey (Spider) Miller, AggieLand co-editor.

The picture should be a bust shot of any size, but should not be in a folder or frame, he said.

Pictures may be turned in to the office of student publications on the second floor of Goodwin Hall. The price for putting the pictures in the senior favorite section of the AggieLand will be \$1.50, said Miller.

## WTAW Schedules Education Series

The first program of the "Constant Invader," a series of dramatic education programs, will be broadcast Tuesday, Feb. 17, at 12:45 p. m. over WTAW.

Sponsored by the Brazos County TB Association, through cooperation with WTAW, the weekly programs will be 15 minutes long.

Herbert Marshall will play the principal role, with H. U. Chain directing and Ben Ludlow acting as composer-director of the transcribed programs.

## Coffee Set Sunday For Gonzalez in MSC

Students and residents of the Bryan and College Station community are invited to meet Xavier Gonzalez, noted artist at a coffee, Sunday afternoon in the Social Room of the Memorial Student Center from 3 to 5 p. m. according to Mrs. Emalita Terry, art director of the MSC.

## A&M Commissions 173 at Mid-term

"One hundred and seventy-three January graduates received Armed Forces commissions," said Lt. Col. Taylor Wilkins, assistant commandant. "Of these, 117 were in the Army and 56 were Air Force."

"All graduates have taken physical examinations for active duty and have received their orders to report," he said.



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