

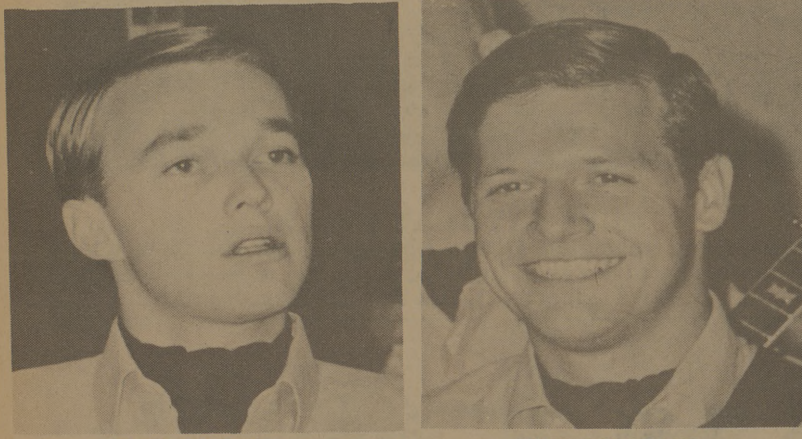
## The Brothers Four: Entertainment

CADET SLOUCH by Jim Earle



DICK FOLEY

MIKE KIRKLAND



BOB FLICK

JOHN PAINE

By LANI PRESSWOOD  
The word for it is entertainment.

And if anyone's putting on a better show than the Brothers Four do—see it.

Two years ago the group's performance was hailed by many as the finest in Town Hall history. Friday night the foursome returned to the A&M campus and didn't have a bit of trouble following in their own footsteps.

A near-capacity crowd in G. Rollie White Coliseum laughed, applauded and cheered as the entertainers ran through a quick-moving slate of folk music, popular songs and comedy.

The show started about 15 minutes late and up to intermission the group went over well if not overwhelmingly. "Green Leaves of Summer" and "Tie Me Kangaroo Down, Sport" were two early crowd-pleasers.

Intermission was spiced by the introduction of the ten Aggie Sweetheart finalists, who each had a moment under the spotlight.

The Brothers Four, decked out now in red instead of blue sports shirts, then returned for the show's second half. And with the change to a racier color came an immediate step-up in the show's tempo.

After a brief but funny bout with one of the microphones, the quartet swung into three fast tunes, including an updating of "John Henry" which finds John pitted against a computer.

A pair of popular slow ones, "Green Fields" and "Michael" followed, and then came a satire on rock-and-roll which nearly brought the house down. This number rivalled a later one in which each performer imitated a different musical instrument in producing the most enthusiastic crowd reaction.

Ringin' applause brought the group, which has played nearly 1500 college dates, back on stage twice. A moving rendition of

"Try To Remember" and the most hilarious comedy of the night highlighted the encores.

In a dressing room interview, bass fiddler Bob Flick praised the audience, saying: "It's made up mostly of guys, and it's a good audience, responsive... what we like."

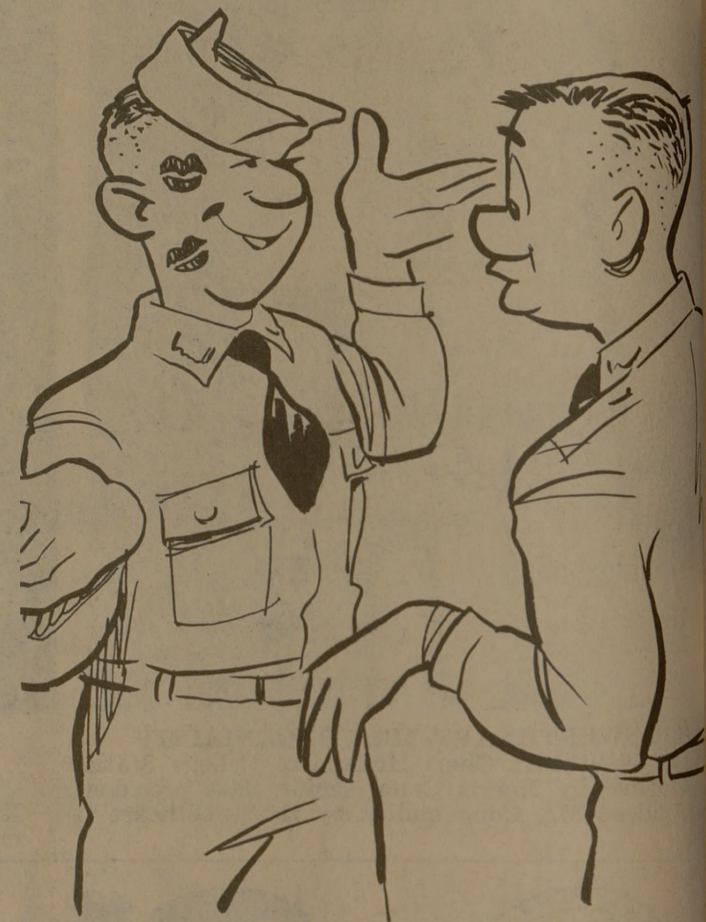
Dick Foley, another member of the foursome, touched briefly on the future of folk music after first labelling the group 'contemporary' rather than folk singers.

"The field of folk music sort of burned itself out after the hootenanny craze," he noted, "and a lot of people jumped off the bandwagon. But that era has passed and I think the wind kind of blew the chaff away."

Do the Brothers Four enjoy performing as much as they appear to onstage?

"We have a ball... a special kind of enjoyment. In fact, our formula for success is to visibly enjoy ourselves and to try to communicate the fun we're having to the audience."

Most of the nearly 8,000 who turned out Friday night would likely agree that it's a formula which works just fine.



"Tremendous game! Ten points, ten kisses and we're besides!"

## Gerald Garcia Semester Plan Lauded

Southern Methodist University will start a new semester timetable in the fall of 1966 which should be adopted by all the major colleges and universities, including Texas A&M.

The plan, which is already being used by Boston University and the University of Michigan, will allow students to take their first semester exams before Christmas vacation.

SMU's Faculty Senate approved the plan which was submitted by Dr. William Ayers, an SMU official, after he had attended a convention of officials from the seven Methodist universities in the United States. The plan reads:

Start of Fall semester, 1966—Sept. 2.

Fall semester exams—Dec. 22, 1966.

Register for Spring semester—Jan. 17, 1967.

Spring exams and senior commencement will be approximately on the same dates as previous years.

One consolation, though, is that Easter vacation will start on March 17, 1967, and end 11 days later.

"We like to think of SMU leading the procession of colleges which might be considering the amended semester schedule. SMU's action should be encouraging to other Texas schools," Ayers told the SMU Campus, student newspaper.

The plan will help all. The students will not have to worry about exams after Christmas. The faculty will not have to prepare exams during Christmas vacation. The staff's only worry would be the coming registration.

A student might argue and say the plan will not give him enough time to study for finals. You will have the same amount of warning as you do for majors.

A prof will say that he uses the vacation to grade term papers. Ask students that turn in term papers before vacations if they get their grade the first day they are back. The answer is "no."

I hope that someday a story will appear in The Battalion similar to the one which appeared in the Oct. 1 issue of the SMU Campus. It read:

"More than three weeks of Christmas vacation without the dismaying prospect of exams afterward will be the university's Yule gift to SMU students beginning next fall."

## PEANUTS



## Education Danger Signs

By SHERRY HAUG  
The Collegiate Press Service

WASHINGTON—The chairman of the House special subcommittee on education says there is still no federal control in education but that there are some danger signs.

Rep. Edith Green (D., Ore.) and the ranking Republican on her committee, Rep. Albert H. Quie (R., Minn.), held a special press briefing on the problems of education early this week (Oct. 5) during the Education Writers Association meeting here.

Mrs. Green said she is concerned about "the ability of an administrator to run his institution as he thinks best with federal aid." As an example, she cited what federal matching funds have done for education.

A school might feel it needs a new humanities building, she said, but find matching funds available for a science building. So the school takes what money it has, gets the matching funds, and builds the science building.

Rep. Green said there is always a phrase in every education bill that says no federal agency will have control over the curriculum of any institution getting federal funds. "It is a nice phrase" she said, "and schools need to see that it is enforced."

Mrs. Green disagreed with "some colleagues in the House who want to investigate local school situations." She said she would not feel that she should even go to the school board in her home community and demand as a member of the House to investigate local problems.

Along the same lines, she said she felt the statement this summer by Commissioner of Education Francis Keppel that discrimination in sororities and fraternities could be grounds for schools losing federal monies "went beyond the federal interest." Mrs. Green said she felt the language of the Higher Education bill, now in a Senate-House conference committee, "reflects the feeling on this."

One of the points of contention on the bill in committee is just how far discrimination in Greek letter organizations will affect a school's federal aid funds.

The progress of the bill itself is in doubt, Rep. Green said. "It depends almost solely on what happens with the legislation to repeal section 14b of the Taft-Hartley Act that's now on the floor of the Senate and whether there is a filibuster."

Rep. Quie noted that the government is now providing a broader scale of aid to junior colleges and Rep. Green cautioned that junior colleges might become the "pork barrel of the future" because it's much easier for a congressman to know the needs of a junior college in his hometown than those of a four-year school 500 miles away.

## State Capitol Roundup

By VERN SANFORD  
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Campaigns now are underway for and against the 10 proposed constitutional amendments to be voted on November 2.

However, little is being said on behalf of perhaps the most controversial of all the proposals—extending the terms of office of the governor and other statewide officials to four years. Gov. John Connally promised an all-out drive for it. Organized labor strongly opposes the term stretch-out.

A 46-member committee of leading citizens, headed by Dallas banker Ben H. Wooten, is pushing Amendment 1 to increase the state college property tax levy for college building purposes from five to 10 cents. Opposition to the tax increase is developing in San Antonio.

State Bar Association is battling for Amendment 8. It provides for automatic retirement of over-age judges and sets up a commission to recommend disciplinary action against misbehaving judges.

A variety of groups have kind words to say for Amendment 2 to increase the Veterans' Land Fund to \$200,000,000 and revive the program of long-term, low interest loans to veterans for farm-ranch land buying. But there is opposition here, too.

Other amendments proposals: Permitting Texas' participation in cooperative federal-state programs of assistance to and medical care for aged, needy and handicapped; clarifying investment authority for the board of trustees of the teacher retirement system; authorizing the Legislature to set up an \$85,000,000 student loan fund; exempting certain hospitals from local property taxes; permitting the Legislature to raise salaries of Speakers of the House and Lieutenant Governor and to increase lawmakers' expense allowances from \$12 to \$20 a day; and lengthening terms of state representatives from two to four years.

Many observers have expressed concern that opposition to the four-year-terms amendments may spread over to other less controversial measures. A light voter turnout is forecast.

## Draft Talk

Young men who married before August 27 may be called for physical-mental examinations by some Texas draft boards in November. This, to help fill the Texas quota of more than 6,000 men.

Col. Morris S. Schwartz, state Selective Service director, said the decision was made because some local draft boards may not have enough men otherwise.

Order doesn't pertain to married men with children.

Draft-age men are warned by Selective Service that it's a criminal offense to mutilate draft cards and subjects drafted to five years imprisonment, a fine up to \$10,000, or both. Destroying a card can speed up induction, warning said.

## Illness Strikes Governor

On advice of his doctor, he cancelled speeches last week.

been completely reconditioned and equipped with in El Paso, Paris, Houston and Dallas. He's taking no chances on a relapse, since he is scheduled to leave the country for Japan and Viet Nam on a State Department-sponsored tour for governors late this month.

## Texas Buys

State is buying, for \$85,000, a used, 11-passenger twin-engine airplane for use of the governor and other state officials.

Legislature this year appropriated \$275,000 for purchase of the plane and allotted another \$150,000 to maintain it. But Connally elected to save money and invest in a time-tested used model which has been completely reconditioned and equipped with latest safety and communications equipment.

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## Short Snorts

Atty. Gen. Waggoner Carr ruled a Commissioners Court not lease a county hospital if least allows the lessee to enter the land, buildings and equipment. The court may not credit in any manner other than time warrants or bonds duly upon by the property holder the county.

In other rulings, Carr said: "National Informer" and "National Tattler" publications meet test of "weekly newspapers."

By Charles M. Sch...