

Town Hall Slates Folk-Singer Hinton

Folk-singer Sam Hinton, a highlight of folk music festivals throughout the nation, will perform Sunday at Texas A&M University.

Hinton's appearance is sponsored by the Memorial Student Center Town Hall Committee as a part of its "Music for a Sunday Afternoon" series.

The program of folk music, American style, "Singing Across the Land," is scheduled for 3 p.m. in the MSC ballroom.

FAMED AS A singer, musician and folklorist on radio, TV and recordings, and on tour in Europe and the United States, Hinton has been a featured star at folk music festivals from Newport, Rhode Island, to the Pacific Nations Folk Festival in Honolulu. He has been the key figure at the Berkeley Festivals at the University of California since 1957, acting as emcee, discussion leader and performer.

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A 1938 graduate of Texas A&M with a degree in science, Hinton spent most of his boyhood years in Crockett and Beaumont, both rich in the fields that have dominated his interests: folklore and wildlife.

HIS NATURAL history interests and background led him to positions as director of the Palm Springs Desert Museum, and curator of the Aquarium-Museum at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, a campus of the University of California at La Jolla.

Hinton's songs describe the Old

World heritage, show how changes developed from the Old World to the New, and include selections from Early America, the American Negro and the Westward movement.

The singer's recordings include nine numbers on "How the West Was Won" which also featured Bing Crosby and Rosemary Clooney. He also helped in selection and arrangement of the entire two-record set.

HINTON HAS taught folklore and biology at UCLA, conducted folk music workshops at the Idyllwild School of Music and the

Arts, performed on national television, had his own regular folk music radio program, published two books on marine biology, and lectured on oceanographic subjects.

Currently, Hinton is a specialist in school and college services at the University of California at San Diego.

Town Hall Chairman Sammy Pearson said A&M students will be admitted to the program via activity cards. Season Town Hall Tickets also are acceptable. Tickets are available at the MSC Student Program Office.



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PLAYERS REHEARSE

Aggie Players rehearse for the play "Which Death to Die" written by Robert C. Stewart (Batt. photo by Russell Autrey Jr., local author and Bryan Daily Eagle

SCONA Schedule Adds McNaughton

Defense Official To Be Keynote

John T. McNaughton, assistant United States Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, has been named keynote speaker for the 12th Student Conference on National Affairs at Texas A&M.

McNaughton's visit to A&M will literally be a flying trip. He's scheduled to fly into Easterwood Airport at 1 p.m. Dec. 7, present the keynote address at 1:30 and leave Easterwood Airport at 2:30 p.m. for New York and another speech in the evening.

Altogether, the speaker will be in College Station 90 minutes. SCONA Chairman Bob Heaton said McNaughton will be accompanied by Congressman Olin E. Teague of College Station, a member of the SCONA XII executive committee.

TENTATIVE TOPIC for McNaughton's talk is "The Future of NATO and the Atlantic Partnership." At the speaker's request, the format of the presentation will be changed slightly. He will speak 30 minutes, leaving 30 minutes for questions from delegates. The usual pattern is a 45-minute talk and 15 minutes of questions from the floor.

McNaughton was general counsel of the Department of Defense for two years before assuming his present post. He was deputy assistant Secretary of Defense for Arms Control in 1961-62.

Previously, McNaughton was a professor in the Harvard Law School for eight years. From 1957 to 1961, he also served as assistant district attorney of Middlesex County, Mass.

THE PEKIN, ILL., native was a democratic candidate for Congressman from Illinois in 1952.

He was columnist, editor and legal counsel for the Pekin Daily Times from 1951 to 1953.

McNaughton earned the A.B. degree at DePauw University before taking a law degree at Harvard. He was a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford, where he earned the B. Litt. degree in 1951. In 1953, DePauw University made him an honorary doctor of law.

McNaughton is a member of the American Bar Association, American Society of International Law, Council on Foreign Relations, Institute for Strategic Studies, and a director of Avon Home, Cambridge, Mass.

SCONA XII is scheduled Dec. 7-10 at A&M. University students from the U. S., Mexico and Canada will discuss the conference topic, "Europe and the U. S.: Challenges of Nationalism and Cooperation" and hear three major addresses.



POLITICAL FORUM GUESTS

The first program of the newly organized Political Forum featured Democrat Bob Eckhardt of the 8th Congressional District (1) and Republican George Bush of the 7th District (r).

A&M Given 28 Fellowships

Texas A&M University has been awarded 28 National Defense graduate fellowships for the 1967-68 academic year, announced Graduate College Dean Wayne C. Hall.

Dr. Hall said the awards are allocated by the U. S. Office of Education, Health, Education and Welfare Department under the Title IV plan of the NDEA Act of 1958.

Nationally, 6,000 of the National Defense graduate fellowships were awarded.

The three-year awards are for graduate study leading to a Ph.D. or equivalent degree, Dr. Hall noted. A long-range purpose of the program, he said, is to prepare college teachers.

Texas A&M has received 117 of the awards since 1958, the highest number allocated in a single year being 20 in 1965-66.

Fellowship recipients receive \$2,000 stipends for their first year of study, \$2,200 for the second, \$2,400 for the third. They also receive \$400 per year allowance for each dependent and tuition and other required fees.

Athletes Begin Smithey Fund

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes today began collecting contributions for the widow of Claude Smithey, University of Arkansas football player who died in Houston Nov. 15 after collapsing in the dressing room following the A&M-Arkansas game.

Jerry Campbell, FCA vice-president, said collection buckets will be set up in each dining hall and in the Memorial Student Center through Friday. Money will be counted at the end of each day and at the end of the collection period a check will be sent to the Arkansas bank in charge of Mrs. Smithey's trust fund.

Smithey died in Houston's Methodist Hospital after doctors tried to correct cranial damage caused by a blood clot. His death was attributed to "complications caused by head injuries."

He apparently received no direct head injuries against A&M in the Oct. 29 game, Arkansas coaches said. He had been out of action all last season because of a cranial clot.

Ten Ag Engineers To Attend Meet

Ten members of the Texas A&M University Agricultural Engineering Department will participate in the winter meeting of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers Dec. 6-9 in Chicago.

They are Department Head Price Hobgood, Dr. Otto Kunze, Dr. Edward Hiler, Dr. Ernest Smerdon, W. C. McCune, Albert Hartstack, Ray Stermer, Harold Wiedemann, Thomas Neumann and W. S. Allen.

Kunze and Hiler will present technical papers titled "Moisture Adsorption Characteristics of Brown Rice" and "Colloid Movement in a Flowing Medium with an Impressed Electric Field."

With Mrs. Downs

Pinkie Observes 50th

P. L. Downs Jr. and his bride believe in a lengthy courtship and a lasting marriage.

Pinkie, as Downs is known to thousands of Aggies through his position as official greeter for Texas A&M, and "Miss Bea" dated for 15 years before deciding on matrimony. That was 50 years ago.

The marriage is still going strong and the Downs will host an elaborate open house Dec. 7 to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary.

Several hundred persons—including faculty, staff, student leaders and friends and relatives from a wide area of Texas—are expected to attend the reception, scheduled from 10 a.m. until noon in the Assembly Room of A&M's Memorial Student Center.

PINKIE SAID that since it would be practically impossible to send out individual invitations, he and Mrs. Downs are extending a general invitation to all their friends and everyone associated with the university.

The couple was married Dec. 7, 1916, in the First Methodist

Church of Temple. They both grew up in the Central Texas city and lived only two blocks apart.

Pinkie was a member of A&M's Class of 1906 and has been connected with the university in various capacities for decades. He served on the Board of Directors from 1923 to 1933.

Since moving to College Station from Temple in 1940, the couple has become a fixture at A&M. They reside just off the campus

A&M Clinician Attends Workshop

Mrs. Wanda Badgett, clinician at Texas A&M's Psychological Services Laboratory, will attend a workshop in Huntington, N. Y., Dec. 13-16.

Mrs. Badgett will receive special training in use of eye camera and visual equipment employed in the Education and Psychology Department lab at A&M.

She also will assist in directing a reading workshop at the Hotel America in Houston Jan. 21.

Congressmen Share Views For Political Forum Debut

By BOB BORDERS
Congressmen-elect Bob Eckhardt and George Bush agreed the Republican gains made in Congress would have some effect on the 90th Congress, but they disagreed as to the extent of the effect.

The two Houston politicians met last night at the Memorial Student Center in the first of the series of political forums sponsored jointly by the Great Issues Committee of Texas A&M and the History and Government Department of the University.

Eckhardt, as the first speaker, attempted to explain the off-year election losses suffered by the Democrats as they lost a net 47 House seats.

He said the 89th Congress could be compared with the New Deal Congress of 1934-38. The bills passed in the New Deal Congress were the result of a crying need for stability and progress.

Eckhardt said "The overwhelming majority of Democrats elected in 1964 was due to the Goldwater fiasco."

He said the Democratic losses in 1938 and 1966 were comparable in that the people reflected caution in their voting.

"As people recognize the force of the presidency, they tend to try to limit it," he said.

Bush, in his opening statement, said he believed the Republican victories would mean much more change on the national scene.

"It seems to me that the natives are restless," Bush said. "This is a clear voice calling out against the excesses of the great society."

He said the country will see a resistance in Congress to signing a blank check for the government's big-spending programs.

Bush named several bills which were narrowly defeated in the 89th Congress, and which he said had a very good chance for passage in the next session. Among these were bills on foreign aid, subsidies, and taxes.

One of the major issues discussed was economic policies. Bush was in favor of redistribution of some federal funds back to the states, whereas Eckhardt doubted the ability of the state governments to cope with problems which the centralized system now handles.

The two congressmen discussed their campaigning methods and the factors they believed helped to elect them.

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Firemen School To Be Conducted In Austin Dec. 6-7

A firemen's instructors conference will be conducted by Texas A&M's Firemen's Training School in Austin Dec. 6-7.

Henry D. Smith, chief of A&M's Firemen's Training Division, estimated 100 fire chiefs, fire marshals and firemen will participate in the conference.

A&M representatives include John R. Rauch and James Bland of the FTS staff and teacher-trainer Basil M. Hackney.

Smith noted the Austin Fire Department and Chief Robert H. Dickinson are hosts for the conference at the new Fire Prevention Department Building at 1622 Festival Beach Road.

The 19th annual conference features speakers on coordination of efforts between divisions, driver training for heavy emergency vehicles, firefighters' images in the community, and training materials.

A special seminar session on the topic "What's Your Problem" is slated Dec. 7.