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Town Hall Finds Stand-In For Bibb

Rich Little, comedian who has been on several TV shows and drew large audiences in university appearances this year, will replace Leon Bibb Friday on the opening Town Hall performance at G. Rollie White Coliseum.

Little will be on the marquee for an 8 p.m. curtain opposite multi-talented Anita Bryant. Town Hall Chairman Louis Adams said some reserved tickets are still available and there are plenty of general admission seats. Students will be admitted on presentation of student activity and ID cards.

LITTLE IS A William Morris Agency stand-in for Bibb, who chipped a bone in his ankle in a movie set accident. The injury which sidelined the Negro singing star came during the filming of a new Sidney Poitier movie in which Bibb has a leading role.

Little has appeared on the Ed Sullivan Show six times and guest

performed on the Joey Bishop, Johnny Carson and Dean Martin television shows.

The comedian had a starring role in NBC-TV's "Love on a Rooftop," which ran during the 1966 TV season.

In the last 12 months, Little has performed at several Big 10 schools including Purdue and Wisconsin, to large, enthusiastic audiences.

ANITA BRYANT has recorded three million-record sellers and has been acclaimed in entertainment, government and religious circles.

She received standing ovations in White House appearances. Religious interest led to a world concert tour with evangelist Billy Graham. Her statement of faith has been published and Dr. Norman Vincent Peale devoted a chapter to her in his best-selling book, "Seven Steps to Vital Faith."



Davidson, 'Scranton Screwball' Will Share Stage Here Oct. 18

Singer John Davidson will perform at the second Town Hall special attraction Oct. 18 at 8 p.m. in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

Dubbed by Time Magazine as "The most promising, fastest rising graduate of the Rock 'n Roll generation," the movie and recording star will be joined on the program by Pete Barbutti, better known as "The Scranton Screwball." Besides the guest artist, Davidson will bring a guitarist, drummer and musical conductor.

HE IS A REAL professional in the entertainment field, and we are lucky to get him," expressed Memorial Student Center Director J. Wayne Stark. "The Town Hall Committee chose him as the

most desirable from among several numbers that were available in this part of the country at this time."

"For those who haven't seen John Davidson perform before, he will guest star on the NBC Bob Hope Special Monday at 8 p.m. Local viewers will be able to see the special broadcast on the cable on channels 2 and 6," he added.

Stark also noted that advance ticket sales have been described by Student Programs Adviser Hal Gaines as "tremendous," particularly since the show hasn't even been announced. Tickets may be bought at the Student Program Office in the MSC from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

ATTENDANCE AT THE performance will be by single admission tickets only. This special attraction is not included in the price of Town Hall season tickets or activity cards.

Reserved seat tickets are \$3 each for A&M students and their dates or spouses and \$3.50 each for faculty, staff, patrons, and other students. General admission prices are \$1.50 for Aggies and dates, \$2.50 for faculty and patrons, and \$2 for other students.

The MSC Director explained that Brenda Lee, who had earlier been scheduled for the date, had to cancel this and several other engagements because of her pregnancy.

Coming attractions for the Town Hall special events series will include Sam and Dave, Nov. 15; The Union Gap, Nov. 26; A Midsummer Night's Dream, Dec. 3; Harlem Globetrotters, Feb. 4; and The Roger Williams Show, Feb. 15.

Hospital Reports Big Decrease In Mumps, Measles

Texas A&M's hospital reports a decrease in the number of cases of mumps and measles among students this semester.

A near 100 per cent drop as compared with the same number of cases last year was disclosed by hospital administrator Dr. K. L. Nelson.

Nelson said his office had recorded "some 30 or 35 cases of 3-day measles by this time last year," as compared with a single case this semester.

He also pointed out only one case of mumps has been reported this semester. Last year at this time over 20 cases were known, he added.

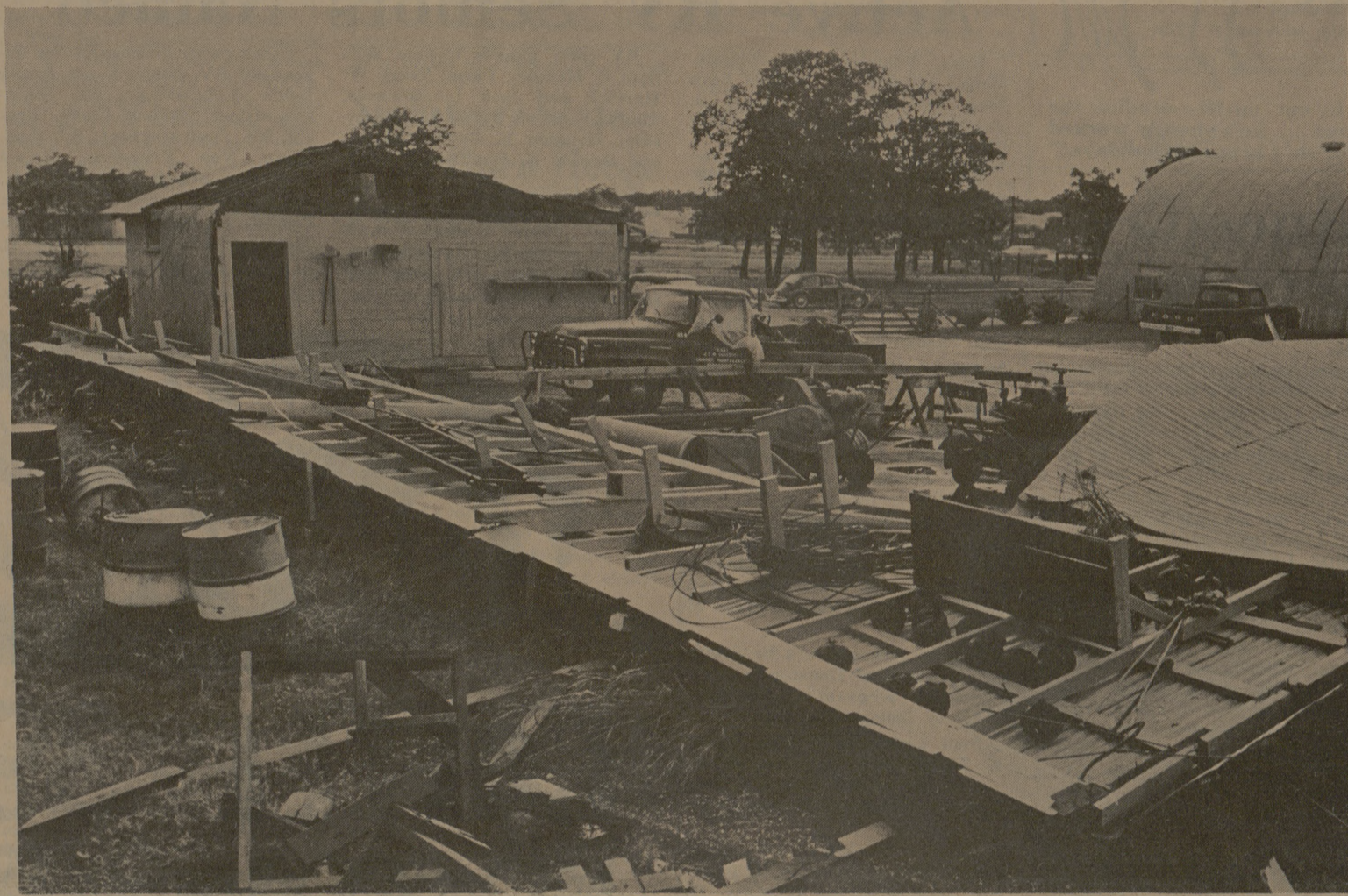
Nelson said student immunizations at home before school have decreased cases this year.



PREPARING THE PATIENT

Residents of Walton Hall make final adjustments on one of a pair of junkers, each labeled "Wreck Tech!" and doomed to be rocked and socked by sledgehammers Friday at the residence hall's all-university car smash. (Photo by Mike Wright)

Tornadic Winds Hit Area, Leave Path Of Damage



LEVELED

Roof, walls and everything inside went a-flying as tornadic winds swept by this maintenance shed in the Hensel-College View Apartments area Wednesday afternoon. Wind

gusts were reported reaching 49 mph and one and a half inches of rain fell within a 30-minute period. (Photo by W. R. Wright)

Campus Strewn With Branches, Broken Glass

High winds Wednesday afternoon ripped large limbs off numerous trees, broke a glass door at the Exchange Store, and wrecked a maintenance shed at Hensel Park, but no injuries were reported.

"After the storm we were able to trace a path from Kyle Field, by the Memorial Student Center, across the parade field, through the Exchange Store, to the University National Bank, Hensel Park, and into Bryan," said university Meteorologist James W. Lightfoot.

THE Meteorology Department received reports of a funnel-type cloud but was unable to verify the observation with its radar unit on top of Goodwin Hall.

"We intend to plot the full course of the damage tomorrow to determine if the winds were a definite tornado," Lightfoot added Wednesday. "Our recorder, though, did show a complete 360 degree wind shift."

"On a casual observation, the winds were almost from due north to due south. The general consensus is that it was a tornado, but not fully developed. It was more of a funnel cloud that would touch down occasionally," he continued.

A&M meteorologists recorded light hail accompanied by 25-mph winds as the front moved through the Bryan-College Station area from the northwest.

A one and one-half inch down-pour within a 30-minute period, along with wind gusts of 49 mph, was recorded by the Federal Aviation Agency at Easterwood Airport.

Walter H. Parsons, Jr., director of the Physical Plant Department, said the winds caused damage totaling approximately \$1,000 to a university maintenance shed, noting that the structure's metal roof was blown about 50 feet from its original location.

HE ADDED that several temporary wooden buildings sustained an estimated \$500 roof damage and a glass door at the west entrance to the Exchange Store was broken when the wind slammed it against the side of the building.

Approximately 20 trees were badly damaged on the west side of the campus, mostly in the vicinity of Kyle Field and the Memorial Student Center.

The Bryan Police Department commented that most of the reports they received were from the North Avenue area. Some damage was also reported on the east side of Texas Avenue near Ridgecrest Shopping Center.

REPORTS called in included damage to two houses on Lazy Lane, serious destruction to a house on Broadmoor, windows blown out on Enfield, some water damage, and numerous cases of ripped-off shingles.

Most of the roof on a house at 909 North Avenue was taken off, and the garage wall of a house on Windomere caved in.

Dr. T. O. Melcher, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist at Bryan Hospital, and his wife reported seeing a rotating movement of wind in their front yard, causing an upheaval of cedar boughs and leaves flying in a circle.

Later when the doctor and his wife looked outside, someone's house roof had been deposited in their driveway.

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To March 264 Strong

Band Set For Tech Halftime

The Fightin' Texas Aggie Band will make its first public performance of 1968-69 Saturday, at which time 114 freshmen members will become veterans of the half-time musical format.

A near capacity crowd is expected in Kyle Field's 54,000-seat stadium when the Corps of Cadets begins to march in at 6:20 p.m. Under Lt. Col. E. V. Adams, the band will present an all new musical program.

Adams, now in his 23rd season as band director, directs the music and plans the intricate drill performed during the half-time.

FROM A 13-MAN group formation in 1894 by Joseph F. Holick

(class of '84), the band has swelled to 264 men. Unlike other school bands, the Aggie Band offers no scholarships and requires no auditions. Membership is on a voluntary basis.

"Drum majors Michael B. Bennett of Dallas, James J. Hall III of Corpus Christi and Lawrence A. Lippke of Yorktown will direct the half-time drills for the largest band since 1960," said Adams.

"The formation for the band will be 12 files wide and 22 ranks deep. The block T, which we use to conclude our performances, will be spread to new proportions."

HAILED as the largest marching band in the nation, the organization has entertained millions over the years. This year the band will be seen on nationwide television when the Aggies battle the University of Texas, Austin, in the traditional Thanksgiving Day game.

Not all the members of the band are cadets. Two civilian students, Gene Bollinger and Don Brogdon march with the band.

"I was in the band my fresh-

man and sophomore years and when I didn't get a contract, I left the Corps, but not the band," said Bollinger, senior agronomy major from Sealy.

"SINCE DON AND I had the experience in the band, Col. Adams allowed us to stay. My main reason for remaining with the band is because I get such a thrill standing on the goal line at half-time, knowing I'm a part of the greatest band in the nation."

A great deal of practice goes into each performance. The band members assemble at 7:25 a.m. and 5 p.m. each Monday and Thursday to practice. Though the members are a conglomeration of Army, Air Force, and Drill and Ceremonies cadets, there is little confusion due to the supervision of Col. Adams.

DURING THE intermission of the Tech game Saturday, the band will present the "Aggie War Hymn," Barnum and Bailey's "Favorite" and a Carl King march, "Cyrus the Great."

During the Corps march-in Saturday, the band will play four new marches. Army ROTC units

will march to a new arrangement of the Army march, "The Caisson Song."

Air Force units will pass by the reviewing stand to the strains of "The Air Force Song." Other marches played will be "Semper Fidelis" and "Orange Bowl."

Cadet Lt. Col. William R. Howell, Jr. of Brenham is the band commander and right guide.

United Chest To Open Drive For \$27,500

College Station United Chest officials have announced a record \$27,500 goal for the 1968 fund-raising drive which begins Wednesday.

Robert H. Schleider, president of the United Chest board of directors, said this year's budget represents an increase of \$5,000, or 22 per cent, over the 1967 goal.

"This will be a banner year for the drive if the enthusiasm of the board of directors spreads throughout the community," noted Schleider, assistant district engineer for the Texas Highway Department office here.

"Based on the overwhelming support the College Station United Chest has received in the past," he observed, "we are certain that we will again go over the top."

The United Chest official said this year's budget will support 16 charitable and civic agencies, three more than last year.

Schleider also announced the selection of Edwin H. Fenner as campaign director. Fenner, assistant director of Texas A&M's Engineering Experiment Station, will spearhead the campus drive in addition to directing the over all campaign.

"The campaign committee, headed by Joe Sawyer and assisted by Dr. Carl Landiss and O. O. Haugen, selected a most capable (See UNITED CHEST, Page 3)

Car Smashing Bash Planned By Walton

An all-university car smash will be sponsored by Walton Residence Hall Friday afternoon at 3 p.m. between Walton and the hospital.

"Coach Gene Stallings and three selected varsity players will kick-off the car smash with the first hits," said Andy Scott, president of Walton Hall.

Two old cars, donated by Leonard Auto Supply will be painted with names of Tech's defensive and offensive starters.

"The two cars will symbolize the Texas Tech football team," said Scott, "and we want to wreck Tech."

"Everyone in Walton Hall is working for the car smash. There is a 24-hour guard on the car."

All smashing will be done with sledge hammers. The cost will be 25¢ for three hits.

"If anyone can put a hole in the metal with one lick, he will get one extra hit free," said Jim Story, treasurer of Walton Hall.

"The car smash is for everyone to attend," emphasized Scott.

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Fish Yell Leader Try-Outs Scheduled For Friday

Fish Yell Leader try-outs are to be at 5 p.m. Friday in the Grove, according to Garry Mauro, junior yell leader.

Any freshman interested in being a yell leader should be at this practice, Mauro said.

WEATHER

Friday—Partly Cloudy to Cloudy. Winds East 5 to 10 mph. High 77. Low 64.

Saturday—Partly Cloudy. Winds Southeast at 10 mph. High 80. Low 68.

Kyle Field—Partly Cloudy. Winds Southerly at 10 mph. Temperature 76 Degrees. Relative Humidity 60%.

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