

The Singing Cadets of Texas A&M University were organized and officially named in 1938. Under the chosen leadership of Joseph Woolket, Professor of Modern Languages, the Singing Cadets made a start toward becoming one of the best known male collegiate choral groups in the southwest.

During Professor Woolket's tenure (1938-41) the Cadet Singers began touring to various Texas cities presenting programs of varied musical interest. Dr. T. O. Walton, A&M President at that time, made several trips with the group. President Walton persuaded Mr. Woolket to organize the group originally.

The Aggie's favorite movie "We've Never Been Licked" was also produced during those years in which the Singing Cadets not only appeared, but also provided much of the recorded background music for the film.

The first professionally trained conductor of the Singing Cadets was Richard Jenkins who was hired by the College in 1942.

The organization's size fluctuated a great deal during those early years. When Mr. Woolket began, he had 33 students working under his direction. The largest group on record numbered 210.

Early during Mr. Jenkin's stay, the Cadets entered the National Fred Waring Glee Club Contest. Although they did not win first place, they received praise for being the only entry from a school not having a music department.

Late in 1945, Dr. William Turner came to take the helm of the organization. Dr. Turner did much to further the reputation

of the Singing Cadets during his fifteen year tenure at A&M. In 1960, Dr. Turner moved to his present position at Stephen F. Austin College in Nacogdoches where he is serving as the Dean of Fine Arts.

The same year, coming from public school, radio and television and show production experience, Robert L. Boone became the organization's fourth director since 1938.

During the past 12 years, Boone has led his singers through numerous radio and television appearances as well as the production of five stereo record albums. The earlier record of 10 or 15 performances each year has grown to today's 50 to 60 annual performances given on the campus and throughout the state each year. In 1971, the Singing Cadets appeared in the White House.



Ex-Singing Cadet Larry Altman shares a laugh with President Richard Nixon at the group's last visit to Washington, D. C., in the 1971-72 school year.

Students Must Be Immunized

In accordance with a 1971 Senate Bill, all students entering A&M must be immunized against polio, tetanus and diphtheria.

All students entering A&M after Jan. 1, 1972, must furnish proof to the Health Center that these immunizations are current or that immunization against at least one of the diseases has been started and all will be completed as soon as possible. It is the student's responsibility to report any change in the status of his immunizations to the Health Center.

Dr. W. H. Powe, director of the health center, requests that any student with a particular health problem, such as diabetes or epilepsy, come by the University Health Center.

McGovern Calls Nixon Plan 'Threatening'

NEW YORK (AP)—Sen. George McGovern, campaigning here Tuesday, said President Nixon's plan to cut U.S. troop strength in South Vietnam by 12,000 men remaining American servicemen in the Southeast Asia country.

"Mr. Nixon's Vietnam policy threatens the men we have remaining there with a grave and growing threat of annihilation," McGovern said in a statement issued by his campaign staff.

The Democratic presidential nominee's view was released after

Nixon said in California that U. S. troop strength in South Vietnam would be reduced from 39,000 to 27,000 over the next three months.

McGovern said the gradual reduction in the number of Americans meant "they become more and more dependent on the notoriously unreliable protection of Gen. Thieu's army — upon the South Vietnamese who have repeatedly run away from battle and who have no incentive at all to protect our men."

In Paris, North Vietnam's

peace talks delegation said Nixon's announcement "is devoid of all significance."

A delegation spokesman said Nixon "continues to try and sway Americans and world opinion with an announcement of a new withdrawal of a small number of American troops."

"This comedy has the sole effect of underscoring once again the . . . policy of aggression and neocolonialism of the Nixon administration," the spokesman added.

Faculty, Staff To See Wishbone 'T' Program

Faculty-staff members who missed seeing the Wishbone T football presentation last spring are invited to attend a special showing for new faculty members at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the

Letterman's Lounge at G. Rollie White Coliseum.

Associate Athletic Director Marvin Tate requested that all interested persons, other than new faculty members, call the

Athletic Department at 1230 for reservations.

Tate noted the program conducted by Coach Max Gardner, academic coordinator, dormitory supervisor for the Athletic Department.

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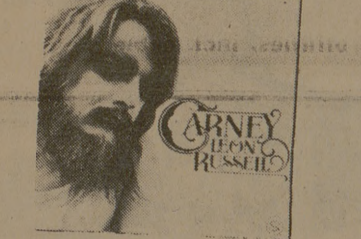
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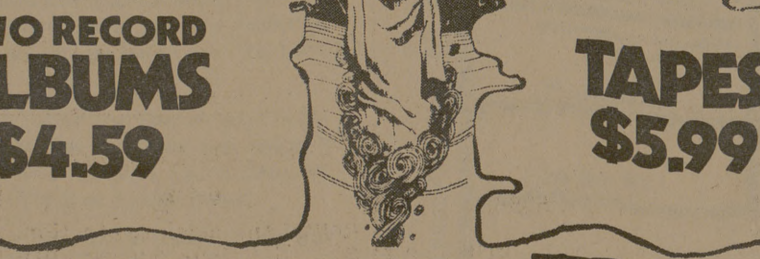
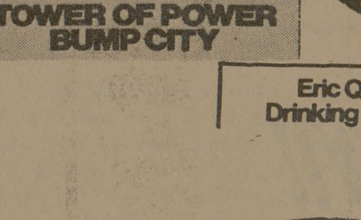
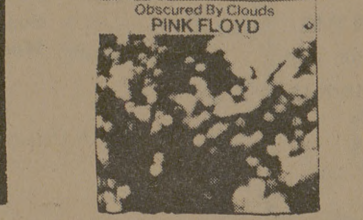
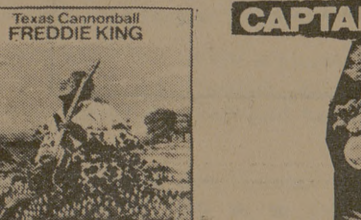
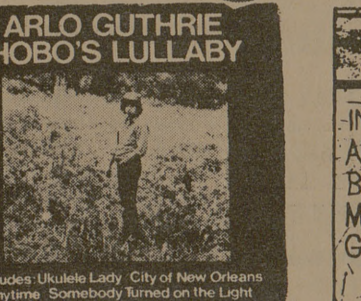
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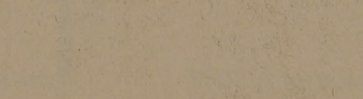
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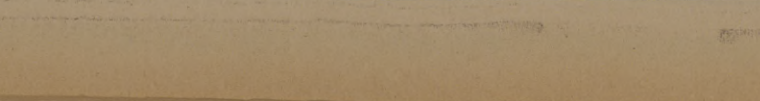


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