

Resonance by Steve Grayson

"Bite Down Hard" is the new Jo Jo Gunne album and except for an occasional moog synthesizer bit, it could have been done the same day as the group's debut record, "Jo Jo Gunne." Only, even though this new one sounds the same, "Bite Down Hard" doesn't nearly have the material Gunne had to work with the first time around.

The single you've probably heard on the radio is "Ready Freddie," a really enthusiastic number, perfect for Jo Jo Gunne. Jay Ferguson sings this type song well, unfortunately though, it's one of only two on the whole record that has Gunne's energy in it. "Roll Over Me" is the other one. It is a good rocker that is bound to get a ride on the radio charts when "Freddie" fades.

"60 Minutes to Go" is pitiful. It sounds like the record company pulled a "Stephen Foster" on Ferguson. You remember the story about some mean guy throwing Foster into a room and not letting him out until Foster came up with a new tune. That's what "60 Minutes to Go" makes me think happened, only Ferguson must have sneaked out the window or something.

If you're really wanting a new Jo Jo Gunne album, "Bite Down Hard" isn't all that bad. But otherwise, pick up Gunne's single and wait until next time.

Judee Sill looks like a cross between Miss Jane Hathaway and John Lennon. And even though it is the same picture I saw before I listened to her new album, she looks all different now. The name of the record is "Heart Food" and it's her second.

"Heart Food" is the most satisfying thing I've listened to since "Holland" by Millie Foye, uh, I mean by the Beach Boys.

Miss Sill wrote all but one of the songs. They're mostly about the events surrounding one who looks for love, all of them could definitely be classified as heart food anyway. Obviously, this girl has got quite a bit of love in her. In "The Kiss," she sings, "Hear the sad nova's dying cry." Can you imagine that, feeling sorry for a nova?

The whole record is beautifully done. Banjo, harmonica, steel guitar and especially the background strings are all used perfectly. Miss Sill's voice is easy to listen to. Her songs help, of course, but she has that quality

of barely reaching a note and yet never sounding weak.

Buy this one, it's nice. I won't talk anymore of what she sings about, it's all unnecessary once she's in your ear. Speaking of ears, one of the greatest anatomists of all time was Leonardo da Vinci. And speaking of da Vinci, one of his greatest efforts was his painting "The Last Supper." Speaking of that last supper, what is Texas A&M University doing having school on Good Friday?

By BURT OWENS

College Station is a surprisingly good location for a motel. Faye McDonald, front office manager at the Ramada Inn in College Station, recognizes a condition that until recently seems to have been a well kept secret.

But it is no secret to anyone who has looked for a week-end residence that Bryan-College Station has a shortage of motel rooms.

The College Station Ramada Inn has 155 rooms. According to McDonald, a room for an A&M football weekend must be reserved at least six months in advance. The Inn is always filled on weekends when there are major university functions. She said there are enough conferences, symposiums and reunions to keep them busy. She estimated they maintain 50 per cent occupancy throughout the year. They

require a deposit with reservation of a room for special weekends such as football games, graduation, etc.

Francis Frey, desk manager at the Ponderosa Motor Inn, recommends making room reservations for these special weekends a year in advance. She says the motel's 93 rooms are also always packed on weekends of races at Texas World Speedway. She said, "We could have booked 75 more rooms

for the last race." Reservations for race weekends usually have to be made six months in advance. Frey said that the bulk of their business is also from conferences at the university.

People coming here on weekends unaware of the motel room shortage find themselves traveling to nearby towns looking for accommodations. But sometimes the towns are not so nearby. Sophomore John Williams said

the nearest room he could find for Parents' Day weekend this year was in Waco. It is not unusual for visitors to end up staying in Navasota or Caldwell.

In response to this demand for rooms, a new Holiday Inn and Aggield Inn are being built in College Station, each with almost 200 rooms. Frey said she doesn't think these new motels will alter their present rate of business.

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