

Nitty Gritty Dirt Band Returns to Coliseum

A popular 1972 Town Hall group returns Friday to A&M as the leadoff event of the first football weekend.

The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band brings its eccentric but gifted musicians to Aggieland for an 8 p.m. performance in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

The "Mr. Bojangles" group

will tune up A&M students and visitors for the Aggies' Saturday grid kickoff with the Wichita State Shockers.

Five musicians composing the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band lope onto the stage dressed in "an outrageous set of costumes ranging from silk top hat to fringe." From there the NGDB goes into

a performance that is widely sought. They have appeared in films, on television and record.

In 1971, NGDB rose to national prominence with "Mr. Bojangles." It was on the charts 18 consecutive weeks. Its album "Uncle Charlie and His Dog Teddy" did well.

Billboard Magazine voted the

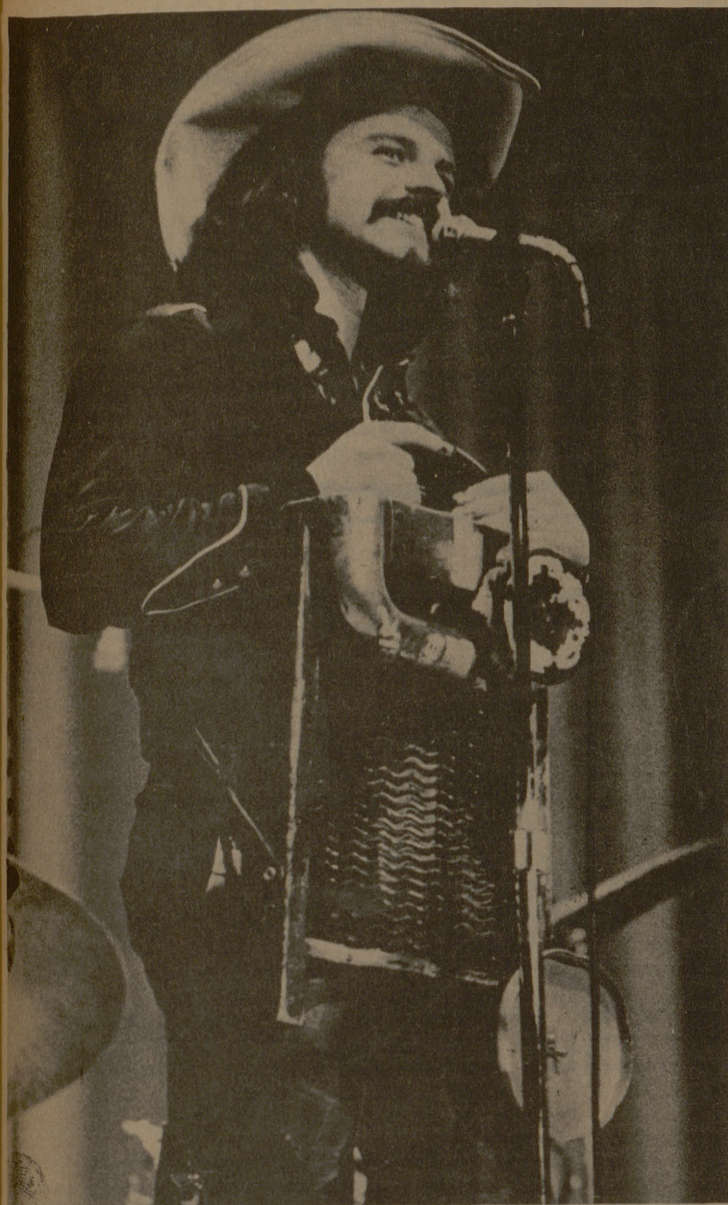
Nitty Gritty Dirt Band 11th in the 1971 new groups category and 33rd overall, over respected artists.

Nashville considered NGDB's "Will the Circle Be Unbroken" country album of the decade.

The Nashville Tennessean said the album recorded with Roy Acuff, Mother Maybelle Carter

and others "may well be one of the most important recordings done in the 45 years of the Nashville music business."

Admission to the Friday Town Hall opener is by student activity card, Town Hall season ticket or separate event tickets. These are sold at the box office on the first floor of the Earl Rudder Conference Center tower.



MR. BO JANGLES, Jeff Hanna of the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, displays examples of his odd musical instruments that he will use during Friday night's concert in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

BBB Offers To Aid Public

By VICKIE ASHWILL

A new procedure within the local Better Business Bureau will enable consumers to settle their disputes out of court.

This procedure, referred to as the arbitration process, will be effective in the Brazos Valley Wednesday. In the meantime, Bonnie D. Lewis, national representative for the government and legal affairs department in the National Council, has spent two days training arbitrators and staffs to take part in the process.

Defined by Lewis, arbitration is the process by which two disputing parties can submit to a third party to make a decision. The Bureau's services are free of charge.

Arbitration is only offered after all other avenues have been exhausted.

The Brazos Valley Better Business Bureau, the smallest national bureau, is the 53rd national and the fifth state association to put the arbitration system into effect.

"Arbitration can be used to settle market place disputes concerning the sale or rental of a service or product," said Lewis. "The Bureau will not arbitrate beyond the sale or service of a product, anything regulated by a Federal agency or criminal cases."

Lewis said a distinguishing characteristic of arbitrators is that the bureau will provide arbitrators from varied backgrounds. If the arbitrator feels he cannot make a decision due to his lack of knowledge in the subject area, the Bureau will provide an expert. The Bureau is also in charge of independent testing for a case.

A pool of arbitrators is created in accordance with the enforcement of the process consisting of community members.

"These arbitrators are not required to have any professional or educational requirements," said Lewis. "They are just plain ordinary people from all walks of life."

The Brazos Bureau has selected 70 persons to take the training course to become arbitrators. When a dispute arises requiring the Bureau's aid, it will then solicit five to seven names to the parties involved. The parties will mark off names they do not want to act as arbitrators in their case and the common name chosen will serve.

"Neither party can choose an arbitrator with whom they have had a professional or social relationship with," said Lewis, "and they sign a notarized statement

University National Bank "On the side of Texas A&M." Adv.

to that effect."

If the case falls between two states, explained Lewis, national common law allows the two parties involved to choose in which state the case will be arbitrated. "Arbitration is also faster than court cases," said Lewis. "In Texas the procedure can be completed in a maximum of 41 days. The arbitrator need only to decide what is fair."

"This is a sensible process run (See BBB, page 4)

Hobby to Address Brazos A&M Club

Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby will address the Brazos County A&M Club Wednesday night during a program featuring a "Mexican Fiesta" mood, announced club president Herb Gersbach.

The fiesta, complete with Spanish music and decorations, will be held outdoors at Zarape's Restaurant.

Jose Montemayor, Zarape's owner and a business member of the club, will donate back to the club all revenues from the meal to support the club's academic scholarship fund, Gersbach noted.

Hobby will talk about the responsibilities of state government and A&M's contributions in that area. He will be accompanied by his budgeting aide, former Texas A&M quarterback Harry L. Ledbetter.

State Sen. William T. (Bill) Moore of Bryan will introduce the lieutenant governor. Also attending will be State Rep. Bill Prenal of Brazos County and State Rep. Latham Boone III of Navasota. All three are A&M

Silver Taps Set Tonight

Silver Taps will be held tonight for James A. Baranowski, a freshman civil engineering major, who was electrocuted at his home in Richards.

Also included in the tribute will be Gail Lynn Browder, a geology senior from Quanah; Robert A. McSwain, animal sciences sophomore, San Angelo; and Bryan Elton Schroeder, animal sciences sophomore from Elgin. All three were killed by motor vehicle accidents over the summer.

Lights out will be at 10:30 p.m., followed by the Ross Volunteers' entry. The RVs then fire a 21-gun salute followed by the three-part harmony rendition of Taps by Band members.

Bob Gammage Kicks Off Forum Slate

Election reform and the future of the GOP will be discussed by key state and national legislators and government officials in the 1973-74 Political Forum.

The Memorial Student Center committee will kick off Sept. 19 with Senator Bob Gammage of Houston.

Also on the fall semester agenda are Rep. Gerald Ford, House minority leader, on Sept. 27, and Texas Secretary of State Mark W. White on Nov. 1, according to Political Forum Chairman Ed Jarrett.

Ford will discuss "The Future of the Republican Party." White will address Political Forum on "Election Reform." Gammage's topic is to be announced.

Jarrett also announced the committee's organizational meeting Thursday. It will be at 7:30 p.m. in Room 229 of the MSC. Students interested in working with the group that brings prominent spokesmen to TAMU for insights into politics and government operations are invited.

Jarrett said other programs will be announced as they are arranged.

Admission to Political Forum noon series and major presentations is usually free to ID-carrying students. Some major programs require a nominal charge. Area citizens are also invited to attend the presentations.

WASHINGTON (AP)—The House Monday overwhelmingly voted a contempt of Congress charge against tight-lipped Watergate conspirator G. Gordon Liddy.

The 344-to-11 vote turned the charge over to the U.S. attorney's office for prosecution. Liddy refused July 20 to testify before a House subcommittee probing alleged CIA ties to the Watergate

affair.

Conviction would carry up to another year in jail and a \$1,000 fine for Liddy, who is already in jail for contempt of court in his refusal to testify before the Watergate grand jury.

Liddy allegedly helped direct the burglary of the office of Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatrist and was convicted of involvement in the

Student Senate Control Topic of First Meeting

New amendments designed to give the Student Senate more control of its members will highlight the Senate's first fall meeting Wednesday night.

Randy Ross, Student Body President, heads the agenda with his presentation of a chairman, a graduate, and two sophomores to fill the vacancies on the Judicial Committee. He will hold interviews today to determine his appointments.

Ross will present Richard Gray and Randy Stevens for senate approval as his appointments to the Radio Board.

Ross will also recommend students for positions on University committees.

A new by-law will be presented that will prevent a vote on a bill after the first reading. The new change in by-laws will "prevent people from railroading bills through the senate and will prevent frivolous resolutions from coming up," said Shariq Yusufzai, vice-president of the student body.

The by-laws may be suspended by decision of the executive committee or by majority vote of the senate.

Three amendments to the constitution will be voted on Wednesday night which, according to Curt Marsh, chairman of the Rules and Regulations Committee

"will provide more legislative remedy so the senate will have more power to reprimand members of its body."

The first amendment will give the senate power to reprimand and impeach its own members.

The second amendment states that any senator put on scholastic or conduct probation during his term of office will be immediately expelled from the senate.

The third amendment will provide for the punishment of senators displaying "disorderly conduct" during senate proceedings.

Barb Sears, external affairs chairman, will brief the senators on the National Student Lobby, the Texas Interscholastic Student Association and the Texas Student Lobby.

Ron Miori will ask for approval of a petition asking for a referendum on the selection of city council members. City council members are currently elected at large. "This has resulted in five of the seven council members living within a few blocks of each other" said Miori. He favors a ward system where representatives are elected from specific districts within the city.

Sears and Miori will also present a petition before the Senate to move the precinct and city polling places on campus to the University Center.

Located in G. Rollie White Coli-

seum and the Cushing Library respectively, these polling places have not had the patriotism they should have, according to Sears.

"The polling places need to be easier for students to find and in a more traveled area," said Sears.

The petition, if it receives the Senate's approval, will be presented to the city council as a recommendation.

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Ag Cinema Slates Five Fall Flicks

The Aggie Cinema has scheduled five films this fall for the Grove Theater, all beginning at 8 p.m.

On Sept. 24, Candice Bergen, Peter Strauss and Donald Pleasence will star in "Soldier Blue." The film concerns the 1864 Sand Creek Massacre and 1889 Battle of Wounded Knee. It has been called "the most savage film in history."

"A Man Called Horse" will be shown on Oct. 5 and 6. Richard Harris and Dame Judith Anderson star in the work based on the novel by Dorothy Johnson. The movie illustrates the life, the culture, the pride, the heritage and savagery of the Indians, before the white men settled the West.

Academy Award winner George C. Scott will appear with Karl Malden and Karl Vogler in "Patton," on Nov. 2 and 3.

The Marx Brothers: Groucho, Harpo, Chico and Zeppo appear in "Duck Soup" on Nov. 13.

Uncut and uncensored, "Bonnie and Clyde" will show on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1. The movie is concerned with the bank robbing spree of Clyde Barrow, played by Warren Beatty; and Bonnie Parker, portrayed by Faye Dunaway; and their gang in the 1930's.

Students, faculty and staff are welcome to all films for an admission fee. The Aggie Cinema will bring more films to the campus this spring. Students' ideas and suggestions are solicited in choosing the coming films. For more information, contact the Aggie Cinema, Student Program Office (845-1515) or Tom Wheeler (845-5006).

New Students' Questions Answered

What Is Texas A&M All About?

By KENNETH STROEBEL

We have a lot of new people here this fall and they're all probably wondering what this place is all about.

Well, it's about 5,142 acres, which makes it the largest campus in the country, as any Aggie pedestrian can tell you.

A&M is also the state's oldest institution of higher learning. It was born under the provisions of the Morrill Act in Congress on July 2, 1862. Its objective was "without excluding scientific and classical studies and military tactics, to teach branches of learning pertaining to agriculture and mechanical arts in order to promote liberal and practical education in the various pursuits of professional life."

So on April 17, 1871, it was "enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That there be hereby established within this state an institution of learning, under the name and style of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas."

Exactly 95 years after it first opened as a land grant college,

Texas A&M became one of four sea grant colleges in the United States on Sept. 17, 1971.

Forty per cent of the university research in Texas is done here with efforts in all fields, totaling more than \$30 million last fiscal year.

According to President Jack K. Williams, Aggies post the highest Scholastic Aptitude Test scores of any public school in Texas that makes those scores accessible and more Texas National Merit Scholars attend A&M than any other school in the state.

Our physical plant is valued at about \$188 million and more than \$66 million worth of construction

has been completed in the past four years.

When A&M first opened Sept. 17, 1876, only six students appeared and the opening date was postponed until Oct. 4 when 40 enrolled. That's no longer a problem. Last year A&M was the third fastest growing university in the nation. Presently we have 18,137 enrolled, not counting about 400 day students, which is a 14.2 per cent increase over last year.

If you came here for the Corps, you came to the right place. When World War I broke out, most of the Class of '17 resigned from the college en masse to volunteer. About 18,000 Aggies served in World War II, 13,000 as officers, which was more than any other school including the United States Military Academy at West Point. We had six recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor in that war and one, Eli L. Whiteley, is currently a professor of agronomy here.

Presently we have the largest full-time uniformed corps body in the country. Two schools in the nation offer commissions in all

four branches of service—Texas A&M and The Citadel in South Carolina. A&M consistently commissions more Army and Air Force reserve second lieutenants each May than any other school except the military academies.

The oldest student organization in the state is a faction of the Corps called the Ross Volunteers. They are honor guard for the Governor and serve as escorts for King Rex in the Mardi Gras Parade. Last year the Fightin' Texas Aggie Band was the largest military band in the world with 286 members. Saturday for the first time in its history the band expects to march more than 300.

The place hasn't changed completely. Sure, the library (which incidentally ranks 86th in the nation in the number of total volumes) still carries *Farm Journal*. But it also maintains publications from the Atomic Energy Commission and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

So what kind of place is this? Don't ask me; I just go to school here.

Library Club Loses Houston Court Battle

The restraining order which would have re-opened the Adult Library Club was denied Friday in a memorandum issued by Federal Judge Carl Bue of Houston.

Bue said his court didn't have the authority to intervene in a decision by a state court.

Bue still has not made public his formal ruling on the case, which asked for \$1.5 million in damages for alleged illegal searches and seizure by local police officers.

Karl Maley, a lawyer for the Northgate business, said Friday that Bue has never disagreed with the contention that the warrants used to confiscate material from the club were illegal.

No ruling has yet been made on another part of the suit, which asks for the case to be consolidated with two other obscenity cases scheduled for consideration by a three-federal-judge panel.

Yell Practice Re-scheduled Wednesday, 7:15 p.m.