

# Band leads march honoring King Tut

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NEW ORLEANS — Honoring a man who died more than 3,000 years ago, the Olympia Brass Band led a motley mob of dancers in a jazz parade Sunday to close an exhibition of the Treasures of Tutankhamun, the ancient Egyptian

good time: He had a good time in New Orleans — like they say, "Laissez les bon temps roulez," let the good times roll!"

The crowd roared approval. There was no coffin, but marchers played traditional funeral dirges like "A Closer Walk with Thee" on the 20-minute procession up the short boulevard before swinging into bouncier tunes like "When the Saints Go Marching In" and "Come on Down to the Mardi Gras" after stopping briefly in front of the museum.

Bright orange jackets with the "Orange Crush" emblem on the back and blue jackets emblazoned with Dallas Cowboys' patches marked

hundreds of visitors to New Orleans for Super Bowl XII between the Denver Broncos and the Cowboys.

"It's the first time I've ever seen anything like it," said one Broncos fan. "I think it's great."

Jazz funerals are performed as special events for the deaths of musicians.

At one time, most New Orleans blacks were buried with a jazz band providing mournful music while it followed the hearse to the graveyard. After a burial service and mourning by the family, the band struck up joyful music to celebrate the departed person's life, rather than mourn his death.

The exhibit of 55 gold and jeweled treasures from the tomb of Tutankhamun was open until midnight, seven hours later than regular closing time.

Museum director John Bullard said 12,000 persons were expected to see the exhibit.

After New Orleans, the exhibit moves to San Francisco, Seattle, Los Angeles and New York.

Bullard, who twirled a businessman's black umbrella as he marched alongside the band, said a jazz funeral was the only way New Orleans could properly honor the exhibit.

"Everyone feels it was the perfect way to say goodbye to Tut in New Orleans — the only city in the country that could do it in the same fun manner."

## Campus Names

The 1977 year was a banner one for the agricultural engineering students at Texas A&M. The student chapter was rated best in the nation and two of its officers — Gerald Ripps of San Antonio and Larry Smith of Crowley — combined to capture two nationwide design awards with their hay bale handling project. Smith and Ripps won third in

the annual Allis-Chalmers National Student Design Contest and fourth in the James F. Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation Design Competition. The awards carried \$100 and \$250 prizes respectively for the students.

A 1972 Texas A&M graduate

Air Force Col. Philip A. Deering, has received the Legion of Merit, one of the nation's highest decorations.

The medal was awarded at Cheyenne Mountain Complex, Colo. Deering serves there as deputy commander of data processing at the North American Air Defense Command Combat Op-

erations Center.

He was cited for service at Reston, Va., in defense communications engineering and data processing for command and control. Deering was a division and facilities chief at the installation.

A 1975 graduate of Colby College in Maine, he received his master's degree in computer science at Texas A&M.

## Job recruitment to begin Jan. 30

Placement interviews for graduate Texas A&M students begin Jan.

More than 230 businesses, corporations and companies, 15 governmental agencies and 12 school districts currently plan to recruit Texas A&M students.

Placement Director Louis Van said the number will likely surpass last fall's 326 interviewing companies. They conducted more than 400 employment interviews during the semester.

Interviews will continue past April

Students must register with the Placement Center for on-campus recruiting. Van Pelt added. Registrations, a Placement Manual and information are available at the center on the 10th floor of the Rudder Center.

Center personnel recommend seniors and graduate students bring to the service file a record of their qualifications as early as possible in the year in which their university work will be completed. Students may obtain information on companies which will be interviewing and degree fields sought on announcement forms supplied by the center. A master interview list is also at the center.

Sign up for specific interview dates and times becomes possible two weeks in advance of a recruiting date, on schedules at the center.

Career counseling and specific assistance in educational, agricultural and alumni placement are available among other center services.

Students may learn about prospective employers through the Career Planning and Placement Library.

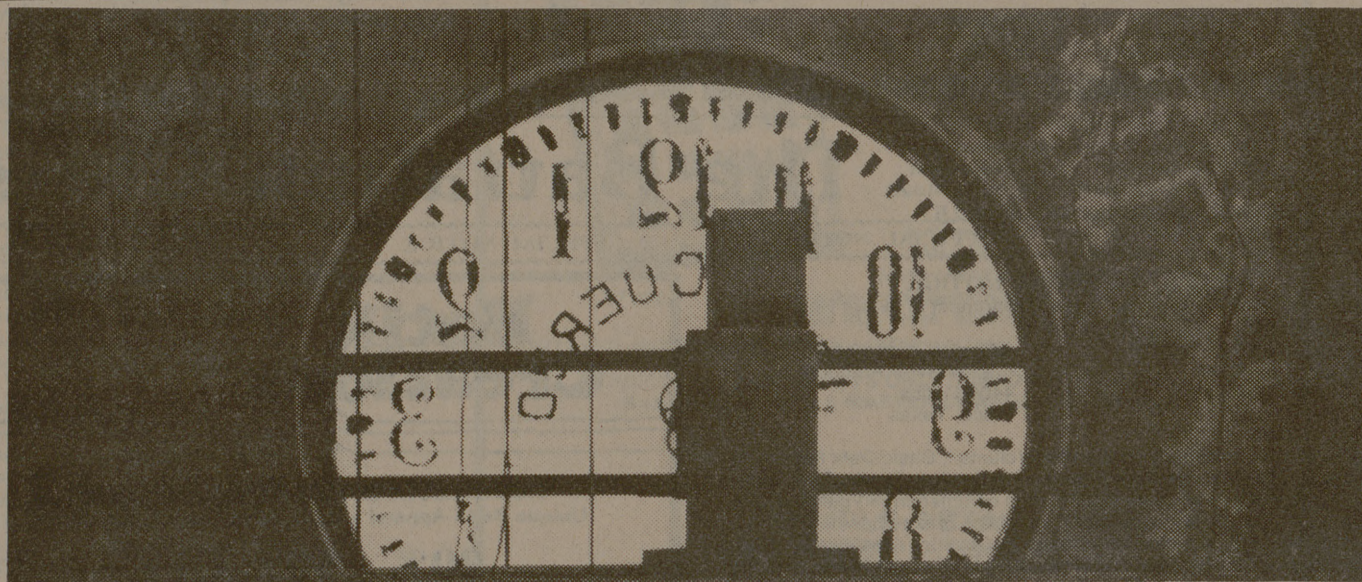
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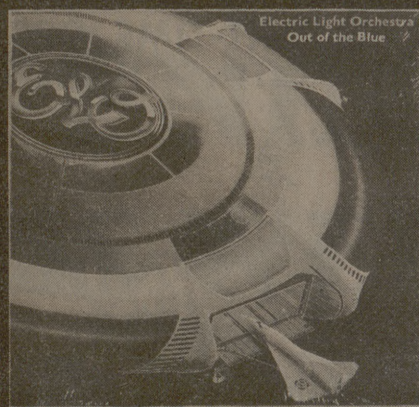
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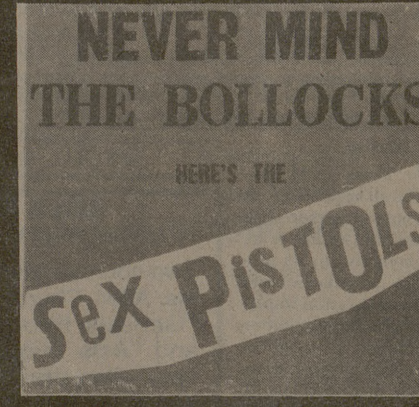
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