

# Loggins, Messina please All-U crowd



Kenny Loggins

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Kenny Loggins and Jim Messina bowled over the capacity crowd gathered in Rec Hall for their second concert on Saturday night.

The musical team's performance was marked by a high degree of professionalism and very little spontaneity. It seemed as though even Loggins' occasional tired smiles were preplanned.

The audience loved them. Loggins and Messina played most of their familiar hits.

The least recognizable numbers, a couple of tunes from their new album "Mother Lode," sounded enough like the

## Impressions

team's other songs to meet with a friendly reception from the crowd.

The Loggins and Messina set began with the two of them sitting on stools center stage, running through a short medley of some of their old hits, accompanying themselves on acoustic guitars.

As they played these shortened versions of the old favorites, the opening notes of each song were greeted by loud cries of recognition from the audience, especially when they began to sing "House at Pooh Corners."

A girl behind me screamed, "I can't believe it — I know all of the songs." So would anybody who has listened to the radio in the last two years.

The show was carefully paced. Slower numbers were interspersed with the faster, more rocking ones and instrumental interludes were played every so often. Never really pausing between numbers, the drummer kept things moving while Loggins and Messina switched guitars or fiddled with the amplifiers.

They rarely talked to the audience, other than to give a song title or to murmur "thank you" for the heavy applause.

The instrumental sections were quite good, especially when dominated by Loggins' mandolin or the skilled playing by back-up man Al Garth on the fiddle and the saxophone.

At the end of Loggins and Messina's 45-minute set, the audience was on its feet, whistling and stamping for more. They were very insistent about getting an encore.

Loggins and Messina returned to the stage and sang "Your Mama Don't Dance and Your Daddy Don't Rock and Roll." Messina would sing "Where you go?" and Loggins, at the other mike, would answer "To rock and roll," as the audience attempted to clap in time.

The audience on the main floor was standing on its chairs and the bleachers' crowd was also on its feet and swaying as the team launched into a final song, "Vahevela."

This included a long (really too long) instrumental section and Loggins and Messina coming down to the very edge of the stage to play.

Loggins and Messina have been playing "Your Mama Don't Dance" and "Vahevela" as encores for over a year now. Although it did not look as if they were playing by rote, one never sensed, as one often does at rock concerts, that the unexpected was going to happen. It didn't.

Danny O'Keefe opened the concert. The audience talked throughout his set, stopping only to applaud when he finished a song they obviously had paid no attention to.

He displayed a rough but attractive voice and some affecting songs, including "Good Time Charlie's Got the Blues," "Plain Speaking" and "The Road." He deserved better treatment than he got from Saturday's rowdy audiences.



Jim Messina

Photos by S.F. Williams

## Nationwide coal strike inevitable according to miners union official

WASHINGTON (UPI) — A nationwide coal strike Nov. 12 appeared imminent last night after the eight-week-old negotiations broke off in a dispute over when to bargain on economic issues.

A United Mine Workers official said a strike appeared inevitable, and despite the industry's vow to negotiate around the clock, the union bargaining council voted unanimously to go home and prepare for a strike.

Both sides agreed that the Union wanted to finish bargaining on economic issues while the operators wanted first to clean up the noneconomic matters, such as safety improvements, grievance procedures and shift rotations.

The timing of the breakdown was important because of the eight-to-ten day union ratification procedure and its "no contract, no work" tradition.

The strike deadline is 12:01 a.m. Nov. 12, and a walkout would affect 120,000 miners in 25 states who dig 70 per cent of the nation's soft coal.

A strike longer than a few days could seriously affect the nation's economy as well because the chief users — electric

utilities and steel producers — had diminishing stockpiles of 11 weeks and 27 days, respectively, in August.

"The bargaining council voted unanimously to go home and prepare for a strike," said UMW spokesman, Bernie Aaronson, assistant to President Arnold Miller.

Miller said after the council meeting "there is a possibility of having an agreement and ratification without a strike." But he added the outlook is "pretty grim."

He said he did not think a strike is "inevitable" and said the union has been working on "procedural methods of maybe shortening the time" in which to ratify a contract.

He said the union is ready to go back to the bargaining table when the operators offer a counterproposal to the UMW economic demands.

Guy Farmer, general counsel and chief negotiator for the Bituminous Coal Operators of America said, "I still think we have a chance of averting a strike." But union secretary-treasurer Harry Patrick told reporters after leaving the

negotiating table a strike is "inevitable."

The BCOA said, "in the hope of reaching an agreement before time runs out we are willing to continue to negotiate around the clock."

Aaronson said the talks "bogged down because they won't even respond to our last economic proposal" put forward Saturday.

The union leaders accused the operators of walking out Friday night after a UMW revised economic package was presented. It proposed higher wages, cost-of-living escalators, improved pensions and paid sick leave.

Farmer said Miller adjourned yesterday's meeting when the two sides failed to agree which issues to put first.

"We tried to compromise, we came back with a new proposal. They won't even give us any answer," Aaronson said.

Farmer said, "We've made a great deal of progress. We were shooting for trying to get it settled today but that was just not humanly possible." He would not characterize the stalemate as an "im-

passé" and said even though resumption of talks were not scheduled, "we will be getting back together."

The vote by the bargaining council, which must approve the negotiators' position, to go home meant they would be returning to the 19 UMW districts, mostly in Appalachia.

Safety could prove the toughest noneconomic issue of all. There have been 25 deaths in the mines since the contract talks started Sept. 3 and 430 deaths since the existing contract was signed in 1971. Miller has made safety one of his major demands.

The two sides met for almost three hours yesterday before breaking for lunch. They met again for about 90 minutes before the disruption.

If a strike takes place simply because the new contract has not been ratified by Nov. 12, sources said, it might be a short one because having miners off the job would speed up the ratification vote process.

Any strike lasting more than two weeks could force a serious downturn in the nation's economy.

## Egypt seeks move of peace keepers from Sinai to Cairo

By UPI  
Egypt has demanded that the United Nations shift the headquarters of its peace-keeping forces from Ismailiya on the Suez Canal back to Cairo, a U.N. spokesman in Tel Aviv said yesterday.

He said the U.N. delegation planned to go to Egypt from Jerusalem to discuss the request, which he said Cairo has been making for the past two months.

An Israeli government source said the Egyptian demand for the removal of U.N. troops in the Sinai peninsula in May, 1967, shortly before the Israeli pre-emptive strike that launched the Six Day war.

"The removal of the headquarters could be a first step so the U.N. forces wouldn't interfere" in case of renewed hostilities, the source said.

About 5,000 U.N. troops police the separation of forces agreement and cease-fire worked out by Secretary of State Henry Kissinger.

In Cairo, U.N. sources said Egypt maintains the request to remove the U.N. headquarters was made because persons in Ismailiya wanted their property back.

In Jerusalem, a government spokesman said Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin tomorrow will present Israel's formal reply to the decision of the Arab summit in Rabat, Morocco, to recognize the Palestinian Liberation Organization as sole representative of the Palestinian people with the right to establish a separate state.

The Israeli spokesman said Kissinger was tentatively expected to arrive in Israel Thursday, following exploratory talks in Cairo on the future of his Middle East mediation mission.

PLO leader Yasser Arafat in an interview with Time magazine urged the United Nations to take action to prevent the outbreak of a fifth Middle East war.

"The Israelis are only asking Rabin for time to prepare, asking for six months, by which time they will be politically and militarily in a position to demolish the effects of the October war," Arafat said.

Arafat warned that the Soviet Union will intervene if the United States tries to secure Middle East oilfields militarily.

"The Israelis are trying to use what

is called the energy crisis for blackmail." Arafat said in an interview in the latest issue of Time magazine.

"They are trying to convince the West that they can be the spearhead of what is called the military solution."

The guerrilla leader said any U.S. military action would be "an extremely misleading calculation if the Americans think other superpowers will not act."

Arafat called on the United Nations to put pressure on Israel not to stage a pre-emptive strike to regain territory lost in last year's October war.

"It is my understanding that a majority of members of the Israeli Knesset are against any withdrawal from the West Bank," he said.

He said Israeli Chief-of-Staff Gen. Mordechai Gur has declared that in the next war the "element of surprise will be on the side of Israel."

Urging the end to U.S. economic and military support to Israel, Arafat said the resolution of the Palestinian question "could start a new era of cooperation with Arab countries."

In Beirut, the newspaper An Nahar said yesterday that Kissinger proposed a peace agreement among Egypt, Jordan and Israel calling for total Israeli withdrawal from the Sinai peninsula and partial withdrawal from the West Bank of the Jordan River in exchange for a non-belligerency pact.

An Nahar said both Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Jordan's King Hussein turned down the idea.

It said Sadat told Arab leaders, "My real problem is not the Sinai but the West Bank, Jerusalem and the Golan Heights and, of course, the rights of the Palestinian people."

The newspaper said the Kissinger proposal called for continued presence of Israeli troops in strategic areas of the West Bank with Arab administrative participation in major cities of the region.

In Cairo, Treasury Undersecretary Gerald Parsky met yesterday with Egyptian economic officials to "break ground" on economic development and commercial relations between the two countries, a highly-placed U.S. source said.

## Nixon better, taken off critical list

LONG BEACH, Calif. (UPI) — Richard M. Nixon was taken off the critical list yesterday and is well enough to sit up on the edge of his hospital bed and begin eating soft foods.

"This is his best morning since this hospitalization began," Dr. John C. Lungren said in his daily medical report on the 61-year-old former president.

Nixon's vital signs are all normal, Lungren said, and he is alert.

Lungren said his medical report was "the most encouraging" since Nixon re-entered Long Beach Memorial Hospital Oct. 23 for tests on his phlebotic left leg.

"Former President Nixon this mor-

ning is now off the critical list," the report said. "He remains on the seventh floor of the new critical care unit but is now under sub-intensive care which is a step down from critical care."

He said Nixon slept at intervals during the night and for the first time since he lapsed into near-fatal shock following surgery last Tuesday was going to be allowed to sit on the edge of his bed.

Additionally, the former president's diet was being enlarged to include such soft foods as custard, mashed potatoes, pureed meat and vegetables. Nixon was given liquids, jello and consume for the first time Saturday.

Though he was taken off the critical list, Nixon will still be monitored constantly, Lungren said, and the intravenous apparatus which kept him alive during this critical period will remain attached for any emergency medication that should become necessary.

A respiratory therapist is working with Nixon every four hours to aid his breathing, Lungren said. Saturday's medical report said Nixon had been encouraged to cough and breathe deeply.

Sunday's medical report was called by Lungren the most encouraging since Nixon underwent an hour-long operation

last Tuesday in which doctors inserted a clip in the former president's left thigh to block life-threatening blood clots from floating to his heart and lungs.

Six hours after the operation, Nixon began losing blood internally and lapsed into shock which Lungren later said almost cost him his life.

Since then, Nixon had been listed in critical condition until yesterday's report.

On Friday, Nixon was visited by President Ford and Lungren said the eight-minute visit had given Nixon a "therapeutic boost."

Following Lungren's formal report yesterday, Connie B. Hamilton, the head of critical care nursing at Long Beach Memorial, told newsmen the nursing staff was being cut back because of the patient's improved condition.

While he was in critical condition, Nixon always had one nurse monitoring him full time with a backup nurse close by.

He will continue to have a nurse in his room at all times, she said, but the backup nurse will not be in the immediate vicinity.

She said Nixon has been talking with his nurses and "he is an extremely warm person."

## Weather

Mostly cloudy through tomorrow with chance of a few showers today. More general rain developing tonight and continuing through tomorrow. High today, 68. Low tonight, 50. High tomorrow, 53.

## Kissinger plans Mideast talks

BUCHAREST, Romania (UPI) — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger said yesterday he will spend three days in the Middle East conferring with Arab and Israeli leaders about moving ahead with peace talks.

Kissinger flew from Iran to Romania yesterday for talks with President Nicolae Ceausescu.

He said the purpose of his Mideast mission was "to consult all parties in the Middle East on the significance of the Rabat (Arab) summit and possible next steps towards a Middle East peace." Kissinger said the meetings would take place Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Kissinger's Mideast trip is his second

in less than a month. He visited Egypt, Syria, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Algeria, Morocco and Israel Oct. 9-15. A few days later the Arab states recognized the Palestine Liberation Organization as the sole representative of the Palestinian people — despite Israel's insistence that it will never negotiate with the PLO.

From Bucharest Kissinger will fly to Belgrade to confer with Yugoslav President Marshal Tito.

On Tuesday Kissinger will make a speech to the opening session of the World Food Conference in Rome, meet with Pope Paul VI in the Vatican and confer with leaders of the crisis-ridden Italian government.

On the same day he will leave Rome

for Cairo to see Egyptian President Anwar Sadat.

On Wednesday Kissinger will fly to Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, and Amman, Jordan. On Thursday he will fly to Damascus, Syria, and go on the same evening to Israel.

It is understood that Kissinger's primary purpose in returning so soon to the Middle East is to find out how the Arabs' decision to recognize the PLO as the Palestinians' sole spokesman affects progress toward peace.

Kissinger is reported to believe that the PLO recognition has complicated the chances of getting negotiations started, but he is still hopeful he can detect some flexibility.