

television guide and entertainment supplement

Tin Pan Packs Em' In

By Peter Cameron

Last Saturday night Dal students had the chance to listen and dance to the music of Tin Pan Alley. The dance took place in the cafeteria and from the looks of things in there the band drew a capacity crowd. Tin Pan Alley had also played Friday night in the cafeteria but from what I heard the Saturday night show was the better of the two.

The cafeteria is not really the best place for a dance because it gets a bit crowded when you get 450 people in there but I shouldn't complain about that since it was the only place in the SUB that a dance of that size could be held on Saturday. The McInnes was "taken from the History 100 annual "hand in four computer cards" marathon.

Tin Pan Alley is a band about which I know nothing at all in the way of history or members but they did



keep the dance floor full most of the night, which is a sign that they know what they are doing. I was not all that impressed by the band but that could be due to the

fact that the music they play is not the kind that I enjoy.

Tin Pan Alley play "Top 40" songs, that is to say that they play familiar hits

and they do it well. The band plays the majority of their repertoire fairly close to the original but on some songs they injected their own style quite successful-

ly, Long Train Runnin' being a good example. Of the numbers that they did in the original style there were some Supremes' songs that were done to near perfection. I felt that Midnight at the Oasis suffered from either a lack of treble or too much bass but for the most part the playing and singing were good. The band has a good tight knit sound which is essential in live music but is often lacking.

My only major complaint about the band is that the last set contained a lot of repeats, but it is hard to keep up a three hour repertoire of "Top 40" songs. Tin Pan Alley is a good band and I think that if they started to write their own material they could become a great band.

"Hope all you people are enjoying this years Octoberfest, it should be nicely under way when this issue comes out.

FRIDAY NOV. 1 in the McINNES ROOM 9-1

SO-O-O-MA-A-A

SOMA

\$1.50 dal students \$2.50 guests

500 adm. only tables & chairs

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\$1.00 dal students \$2.00 guests

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