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England Dan, John Ford Coley Join Jay Ferguson tonight

England Dan and John Ford Coley will appear in concert tonight at Pershing Auditorium.

The show will incorporate a musical diversity ranging from soft melodic love songs to the high energy rock of their recently released LP Dr. Heckle and Mr. Jive.

The LP is a transitional one for the duo, who began as a Dallas-based folk group. The new album points them toward a more open rock and roll format with a little help from veteran producer/performer Todd Rundgren. Rundgren wrote the first single release from the album, "Love is the Answer," and helps with the production.

The shift in style is reproduced on stage with an all new line up. England Dan has expanded his role by playing saxaphone, and John Ford Coley has added a synthesizer to his responsibilities. The new five piece rock band includes Don Gorman on drums; Budda Keith on guitar, harmonica and vocals; John Leland on bass; Ovid Stevens on lead guitar; and Michael Vernacchio on keyboards.

The show will be opened by former Spirit and Jo Jo Gunne member Jay Fergu-

Ferguson has three solo albums behind him. The first All Alone in the Endzone was a critical success, and his last two have established him commercially.

His 1977 release, Thunder Island and his current LP Real Life Ain't This Way have both produced hit singles. His current one, "Shakedown Cruise" is still on the charts.

The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. and tickets are \$8.50 in advance and \$9.50 at the door.

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