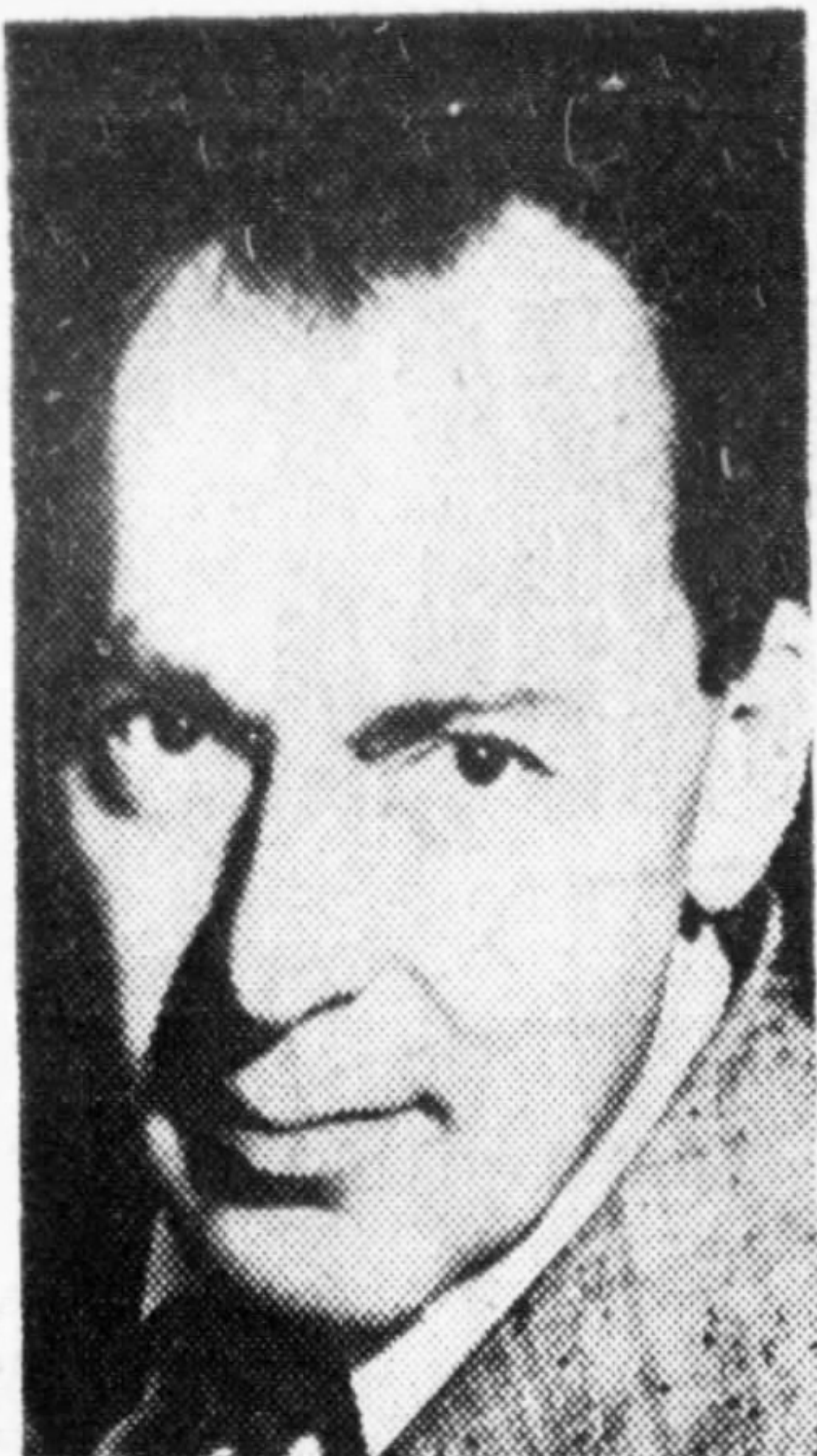




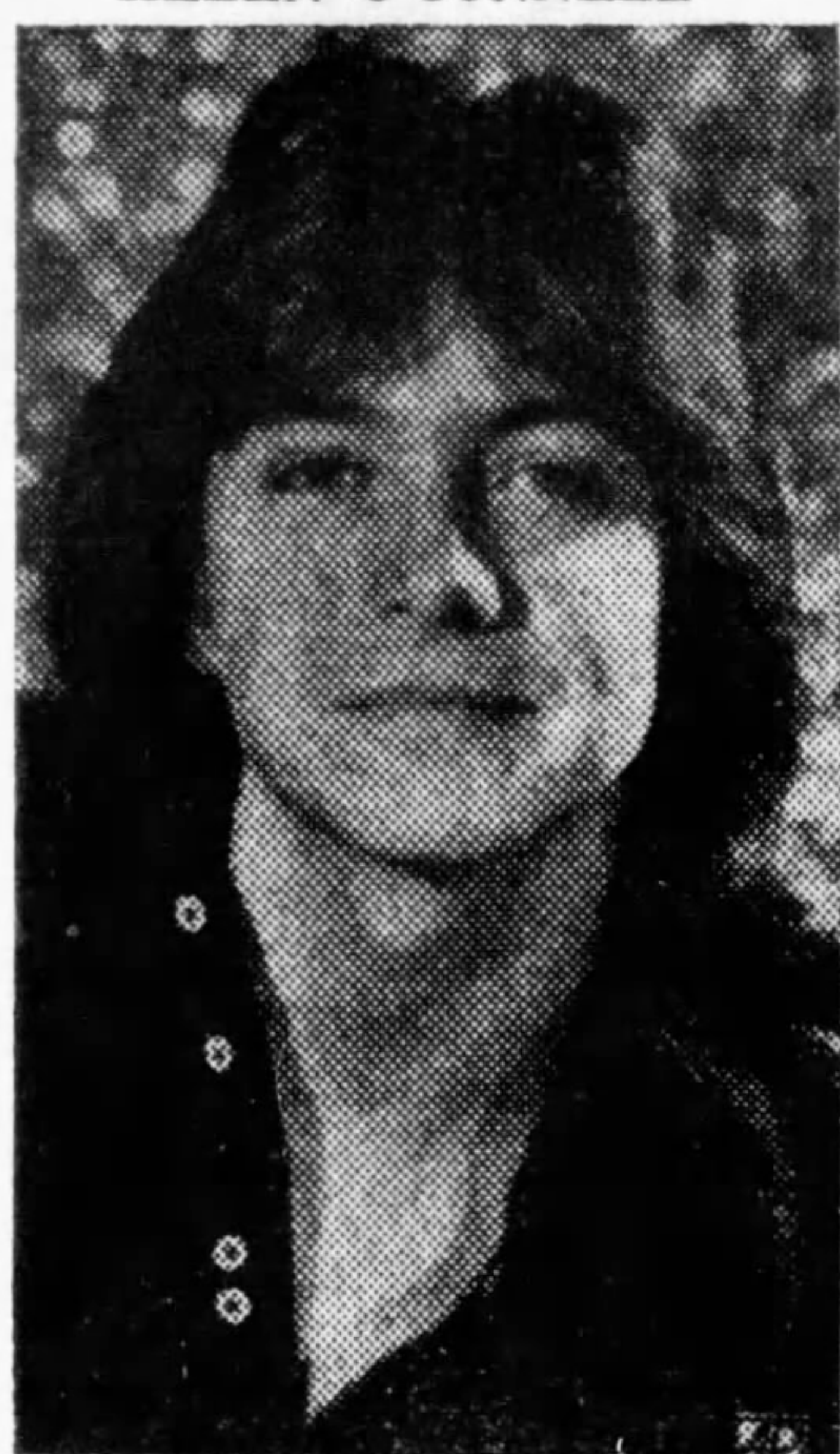
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## Arts Center Lists Top Acts For Nonsubscription Shows

WOODBIDGE — Ella Fitzgerald, the Mills Brothers, David Cassidy and Arlo Guthrie are a few of the headliners among the schedule of special non-subscription shows upcoming at the Garden State Arts Center this season.

Popular recording duos, Sandler and Young and The Carpenters also are booked with appeal aimed at the younger crowd.

Returning David Cassidy, who last year set the all-time arts center attendance record will perform in a one-night stand on June 24.

John P. Gallagher, chairman of the New Jersey Highway Authority which operates the arts center announced 15 special events yesterday in addition to the previously reported popular and classical subscription series starting the fifth season.

Other attractions slated for the summer months in one or more appearances include the Osmond Brothers; country music sensation Charley Pride and the virtuoso piano team of Ferrante and Teicher.

Four special children's daytime shows also are scheduled.

Sandler and Young will appear on June 15, followed on June 20 by a triple bill of nostalgia with the Mills Brothers, Helen O'Connell and Woody Herman.

The Bugs Bunny Shows highlight part of four events scheduled for children. Although others are not yet booked, Mr. Gallagher indicated Sesame Street may be coming back along with two other companies geared to the younger set. The arts center expects to offer the four shows on a subscription basis.

David Cassidy, who recently drew an audience of 21,000 at Madison Square Garden, marks a return engagement along with others who have appeared at the arts center, including Arlo Guthrie, Woody Herman and the Osmond Brothers, each of whom has appeared in one or more of the

past four seasons.

Ferrante and Teicher will appear in a one-night performance on Aug. 7 and Arlo Guthrie will be performing Aug. 14.

Jazz great Miss Fitzgerald, is scheduled for Aug. 23 and Charley Pride on Sept. 3.

The Carpenters will be the main attraction on the weekend of July 13, 14 and 15 and another weekend performance will be presented by the Osmond Brothers on Aug. 24, 25 and 26.

A week-long stay for the only dance company booked, the Virsky Ukrainian Dance Company, is on the program Aug. 8 to 13.

There still are open dates for the 5,058-seat arts center amphitheater to fill out between 85 and 90 shows to be booked in this season.

Single performance tickets for all the specials will go on sale by mail immediately after the cutoff date for the classical and popular series Saturday.

Mr. Gallagher explained that no more than 30 per cent of the sales of single tickets are made available to subscription patrons.

Negotiations are still going on, he said to fill the open dates.

Sunday-in-the-park sessions are to be expected this season for several symphony orchestras and local musical groups. These will be offered free of

charge and made available as far as seating, on a first come first served basis.

Mr. Gallagher said it is difficult to obtain top talents for the shows still open but said the arts center, as a functioning cultural center, will continue to offer entertainment to the people of the state.

The 1972 summer season will be heralded by a gala program June 10 with Bob Hope, Duke Ellington and singer Beryl Middleton to benefit the Garden State Arts Center Fund. The regular season starts June 14 with a subscription program by the New Jersey Symphony. The season will continue through Sept. 10.