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Folklore Society of Greater Washington PROGRAM NOTES

LOU KILLEN

8:30 p.m., Friday, March 8, 1968, Washington Ethical Society, 7750 - 16th Street NW. Washington, D.C.

LOU KILLEN was born in Gateshead, England, of a family whose regular entertainment was singing sessions. In his late teens at Oxford, he joined a group of traditional song afficionados, and in 1958 in Newcastle he helped found "Folksong and Ballad, Newcastle," now one of the best folk clubs in Britain for traditional song authentically performed.

A former cabinet-maker, coffin-maker and industrial radiographer, he performed — singing traditional songs only — on television, radio and at folk clubs throughout Great Britain, and made his first United States appearance in a 1966 concert in New York under the sponsorship of the Friends of Old Time Music. He has appeared at the last two Philadelphia Folk Festival, the Newport Folk Festival, the Beers Family Fox Hollow Folk Festival, and the Mariposa Folk Festival. He has recorded for Topic and Elektra. On the latter's label, he may be heard on "The Iron Muse," a collection of industrial song.

The residents of Tyneside, the industrial and mining region on the river Tyne in north-east England from which Lou Killen comes, are called Geordies. This was the name of the safety lamp used by the miners and invented by George Stevenson.

The instrument Lou Killen plays is an English concertina. It is reported that he has also on occasion played spoons.

Folklore Society of Greater Washington Schedule:

JUDY COLLINS, 8 p.m., Sunday, March 24, Lisner; \$4.00, \$3.50, \$3.00 and \$2.50 (members: \$3.00, \$2.75, \$2.25, \$2.00, by mail, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Stanley-Williams Presentations, 1715 - 37th St. NW., Washington, D.C. 20v97).

PAPERS ON FOLKLORE TOPICS, chairman Professor George Carey of Maryland University, 8:30 p.m., Washington Ethical Society auditorium, Friday, April 12, \$1.00, students and children half-price, members free.

FOLK SAMPLER CONCERT, 8:30 p.m., Friday, April 19, Washington Ethical Society auditorium. TOM PAXTON, 8:30 p.m., Saturday, April 20, Lisner.

FOLK GET-AWAY III, May 3-6, Prince William Forest Park

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