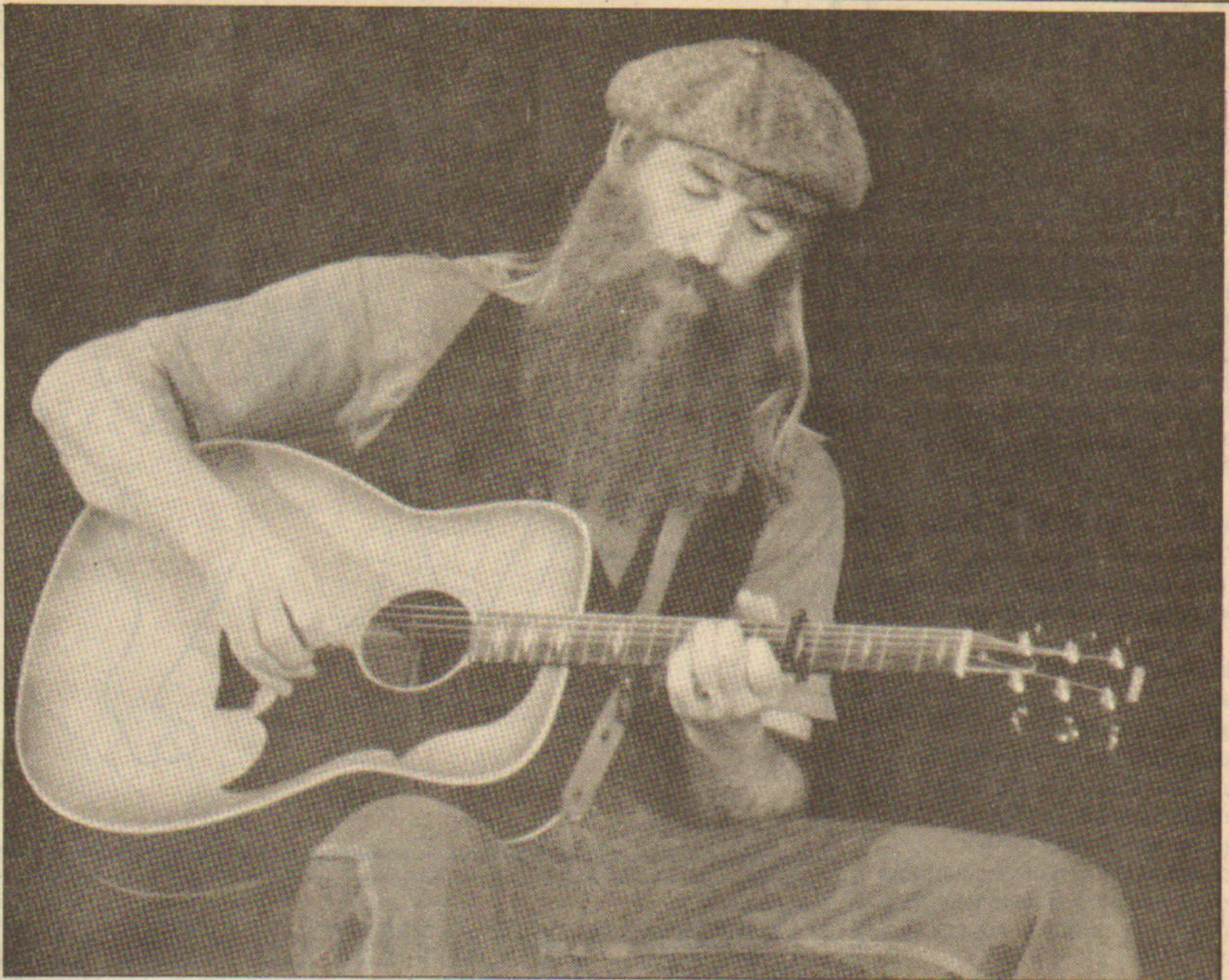


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RIGHT: Roadside Theater actor and musician Tom Bledsoe plays Appalachian songs during the Sunday afternoon "Pretty Polly" performance at the Choteau High School auditorium.



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ABOVE: Skyline Lodge resident George Graddock, an old-time fiddle player, tells a group of about 150 listeners the story of how he got his first violin during a story swap at the lodge last Thursday as part of the Roadside Theater group's community residency. (Acantha photo by Melody Martinsen)

LEFT: Tiny Thomas and Ike Hall, members of "Ike Hall and Friends," performed songs Hall composed during the swap at Skyline. The theater group's week in Choteau was sponsored by the Choteau Performing Arts League. (Acantha photo by Melody Martinsen)



LEFT: Bynum Elementary students dance waltzes, polkas and two-steps to the beat of the Rhythmaires. Retired Bynum teacher Ira Perkins (above) told the story of why he began teaching ballroom dancing at the rural elementary in the 1930s.

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