

Local Combo Cuts Its First Recording

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A combination of the blues, light-hearted music and straight rock 'n' roll have been blended into a record, the first released by a Marion band.

The record is "All My Love" and "I Won't Cry" and the group is the "Soul Survivors, a musical combo composed of six Marion men, two of whom are still in school.

THE RECORD, which sold out at one store, has two original compositions written by members of the group, manager Tony Giametro reports.

How did a Marion group reach this brink of success?

There is no particular formula or pattern but there are some identifying ingredients involved.

The "Soul Survivors" organized just this year, the reorganized version of a group called the "Brittons."

THE ORIGINAL members of the new group are Danny Hall, Bob Inlow, Howard McKinniss and

Frank Murray and the new members are Mike Diehl and Terry Tewell. Danny and Terry are the singers. Mike and Frank are still in school. Since the original members liked music and still had a desire to do a record, they gravitated back together.

Almost any musical group likes music and dreams about doing a record by the distinguishing quality about the "Soul Survivors" is that this group was a little more ambitious than others. These boys are interested in musical careers.

THEY HAVE a respect for music. Danny said, "A lot of music today is just sound, not music. We want something with thought."

Danny termed the group a combination of the Beatles, the Rolling Stones and the Animals. They do not concentrate on any one kind or style of music. Rather they try for a melodic mixture, wherein lies their particular style.

"We all love music," Danny continued, "and we like to play for people. We wanted to cut a record

just for the satisfaction of doing it."

BECAUSE of their dedication, the group has had few problems in the production. It took only a few weeks to do the work. The biggest problem was the ability of the group to blend together. Tony said, "One sour note and the record has to be done again. If all six of the people don't blend, you have problems."

The record sold out at Schaffner's.

Right now the boys are involved in publicizing the record. Saturday they will be at Penney's, where the record is also on sale, then they will play a dance April 7 and for the Harding High school Spring Dance April 15.

Although the record is doing well now, the shifting currents of popularity move fast and the record could, as Danny said, "flop." The singer added, "Music involves a lot of heartache and disappointment." However, if the record does not "take" the group will definitely make another.