

# SHOWCAST OF THE STARS



Chain and was major domo for Hollywood's famed Beverly Wilshire Hotel.

Jean Thompson, his wife, and their three children: Brooke, Debbie and Danny are happy to be part of the Las Vegas community.

The employees at the Mint all love and respect Thompson, mainly because he makes them feel that they are no better than the boss himself. "We all have a job to do," says Earle.

He is cool and logical at all times. While he runs a serene hotel operation he prefers an evening with friends where the conversation is argumentative.

Thompson claims his

background was a dull and unexciting life but after persuasive questioning we find he was a paratrooper in World War II, wounded three times in the invasion of Europe, made combat jumps in Normandy, Holland and Germany and was awarded the Silver Star, three Purple Hearts and the Bronze Star.

In his younger days he was a good athlete. Basketball and tennis were his favorite sports. He plays handball and golf with equal skill and enthusiasm.

He usually wakes up in a good humor but doesn't have much to say about anything until his second cup of coffee.

He resembles a number of people coming out of Hollywood. But, who, I can't recall. Handsome, he is.

He always looks as if he's just stepped out of a shower.

He has an amount of shyness but it is diminishing. ("I get stupidly em-

barrassed meeting people for the first time.") But a few minutes afterwards he becomes aggressive, sure of himself.

Thompson has a good legal mind and always reads the fine print in all contracts.

He is very punctual. He

keeps his promises. He never belittles his business or co-workers.

He can be understood best through his favorite quotation: "Don't wait for your ship to come in. Row out to meet it."

He'd be a credit to any

community.

The good name and reputation of Las Vegas was built by men like Thompson, who has accomplished far more than his share in making both the Strip and Casino Center, havens of pleasure and comfort for visitors to our city.

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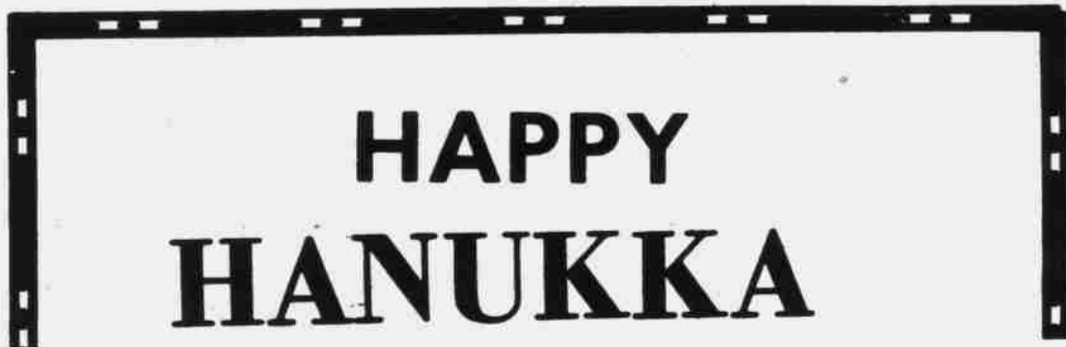
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