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## PROFILES

by Percy Villa



IZZY

Years ago when we covered boxing from coast to coast we could sometimes predict a prospect's career by his workout in the gymnasium. How he moved, skipped rope, boxed a few rounds with a sparring partner, etc. I could then sense the future of the prospect. But you know what happened to the boxing game and prospective corners. We haven't written a boxing column in nearly 15 years at a time there were two all-time greats and we haven't had one since. They were Sugar Ray Robinson and Rocky Marciano. I question if we've had great fist-cuffers of that calibre since.

A year ago I attended a dinner party at which IZZY MARION attended and entertained. It was right then and there that I told those sitting at my table that 'Izzy may be a great hair stylist, but

I think he has signs of being a greater entertainer.'

ISADORE (IZZY) MARION is my 'Profile' for today and it is with great pleasure that I write this. Like in the boxing game- I can safely predict a great future for Izzy.

He opened the Frontier Post Time Theatre lounge last week. His many friends can be seen at the show-place when his act starts at 11 P.M., 1 A.M., and 3 A.M. ("I really didn't know I had so many rooters on my side.")

He was born in Detroit on June 23rd, 1932. He is 5 foot 10 1/2 inches tall. A trim 160 pounder with dark hair and brown eyes.

He married the beautiful Sandy Osborne in Las Vegas in 1961. They have two children Gina 6, and Gino 2, and have a scoop: The Marions expect another tot late this

to his old home town, Detroit at 'The Moon' for another three weeks and then to Miami Beach.

He is a member of the Italian-American Club, Box-Hall of Fame and the American-Italian Anti-Defamation League. His favorite foods are an Italian dish, Pasta a Fagioli (Macaroni and beans in English) and the perennial Jewish dish, meat Knishes.

Sandy keeps her own business accounts. She loves to fool around with a check-book. ("It's always messed up so that it gives me something to do.") She is a good business woman.

Izzy is exceedingly clothes conscious, favoring sweaters, sport coats and other casual things. He now dresses more sedately when going out. ("A fellow can't ask for public attention if he wears nothing but blue jeans.")

He has a telephone-itis. He can't stay away from the phone long. His home phone number is unlisted but somehow many know it.

He enjoys having someone with him constantly even if no conversation passes between them. ("I just like to know there's a pal around.")

His one and only love is his Sandy who has encouraged him in both hair dressing and now show business.

During and after his act he makes it a point to say 'hello' to his visiting friends. ("After all if it weren't for my friends, a little talent, and producer Frank Sennes, where would I be?")

The whole town is happy for Izzy and Sandy. Give yourself a treat and join the cheers-even critic Don Digilio can't find any fault with our Izzy.

Any loss to his beauty parlors by his new venture has got to be chalked up to a gain to the entertainment world.

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