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## PROFILES

by Percy Villa

### ONE LINERS.

So many readers made it a point to either call or write or tell me in person how much they enjoyed my recent 'Profiles' on Walter Fitzpatrick of the Desert Inn and Joe Delaney of TV and showbiz fame. Well, nice people make nice reading. Alex and his Joanie Shoo-fey do so much for people and charities - God Bless 'em for their many kind deeds.

**Oddity:** There's one spot in these United States where a person can stand and touch four different states with one

foot! It's a juncture of Utah, Colorado, Arizona and New Mexico.

**Famous Last Words:** "I'll be sure and have my tax returns ready in plenty of time this year - no more of this last minute rush."

John Romero has made many happy being an executive of the Sahara Hotel, and even more by directing this year's Easter Seal campaign.

**Before fixing Southern fried chicken,** parboil the bird for about one half hour. It wil come out juicier, tastier and more tender.

Nick Naff and Bruce Banke are doing a bang-up job in promoting the new International Hotel. Our town gets national publicity around the clock from their efforts.

You can expect more wrestling shows in this town of ours. The other week they grossed more than \$11,000 which means a pretty neat profit.

My friend Jack Paquin says: "Green peas will not lose their flavor or shrink if you cook a couple of lettuce leaves with them."

Riviera Hotel visitor O. J. Simpson made good reading out of Las Vegas. Thanks to 'Tony' Zoppi, who knows how to get things done.

People are talking about the good job Harvey Diederich is doing since he's been promoted to 'Marketing' of the Tropicana Hotel. Which goes to prove that you can't

keep a good man down.

The weekly Wednesday night fights at the Silver Slipper are the talk of the boxing world. No other city can boast that record.

Phil Harris, playing a return engagement at the Frontier Hotel, does his own cooking as I see him almost daily at the Somerset Shopping Center.

It was 1955, while working for the Las Vegas SUN, when we first saw Dick Shawn as an opener at the Frontier Hotel. Right then and there we predicted a great future for this brilliant comedian. He did big at the Flamingo Hotel last month and returns later this year.

Doctors say women are more prone to catch colds than men. (It figures - when they go around half-dressed.)

I enjoyed 'Mame' better

than second time around. Louis Prima's Fairway to the Stars will have its grand opening this coming Monday. A must.

A local TV show is in trouble.

I can't claim I'm 39: The first special extra, when I hustled papers was when Jack Dempsey & Jess Willard fought in Toledo. That was 50 years ago this coming July 4th. (Thanks to Dr. Joseph Fink for the reminder about his home city.)

Jerry Zarowitz and Danny Stein are my favorite casino bosses and Caesars should be grateful for them.

Wonder what the monthly meetings of the Saints & Sinners would be like if both Sam Landy and Lee Fisher were absent?

Have a Happy Week-end.

## 3 DEGREES AT SANDS

The Three Degrees, a trio of superlatively talented female vocalists, are currently headlining the new Sands Celebrity Theatre show thru March 25th.

The dazzling trio blends song stylings from mod to mood with special choreography and beautiful gowns, to captivate Celebrity Theatre audiences in all ages. The refreshing young song-stars made their Sands debut last summer, and recent successes include appearances at the Latin Casino and "The Merv Griffin Show".

Also featured on the four week bill are the exciting Sands Playmates and The Ernie Stewart Trio.

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