

OF THE STARS

VILLA'S VEGAS By Percy Villa

'Tony' Zoppi tells us that: "Deno's Denn," an elegant bar off the Riviera casino, is now in the planning stage and will be ready in time of Dean Martin's forthcoming engagement at the Riv.

I've attended many openings but the opening of Louis Prima's Fairway of the Stars was something.

You can also see the new and beautiful home that King Louis built for his Mia. Looks like the 'White House.'

Food for Thought: Joan Diederich wants to know what people talked about before Howard Hughes came to town?

Don't forget to attend the "Mother, Daughter" show this Saturday noon at the Flamingo Hotel. The March of Dimes event takes place during a luncheon fashion show at the Convention Hall. Per-

sonal prediction: Joanie and Teri Lynn Shoofey will be worth the price of admission and some.

My favorite doctor (we'll call him Dr. Joseph Fink) says that after a good night's sleep, it takes most people about an hour to adjust to normal activity.

Talk about reservations, one can borrow money easier than get rooms for this coming weekend on any of the Strip hotels.

Four stars of David to Bob Ballet's (salute to Passover) on his TV show last Sunday. Loved every minute of it.

Things I won't forget: George King (PR man for Caesars Palace) is without question the best boxing writer in these parts. We sure miss his writing of the events.

NEW ACTS IN TROP SHOW

Fred Roby, veteran Swiss master of European ventriloquists, and curvy Poupee Bocar are the latest additions to the Tropicana's highly successful Folies Bergere.

Roby makes his Tropicana debut at the height of an outstanding voice-tossing career. Following headlining stints in the London Palladium and the Lido in Paris, Roby brings his talents to the Folies Bergere for a three-month date.

A guest artist on most of the network TV shows, Roby is best-known for his punny conversations with his stuffed canine, a shy, wide-eyed, dour-faced white

poodle.

Miss Bocar, 5'7" Italian-Peruvian beauty, will hold down one of the featured singing roles in the spectacular Folies Bergere.

A graduate of the University of San Diego, the curvy (36-23-36) songstress holds a B. A. in education and speaks five languages.

After a brief teaching session in a San Fernando Valley, elementary school, she performed in song-and-dance specialties on the Ed Sullivan and Joey Bishop TV shows. She also was featured on many TV dramatic shows, including "I Spy," "Get Smart" and "Ironside."

CAESARS LEGIT

Caesars Palace announces the opening of its new intimate legitimate theatre, with the award winning, off-Broadway smash, "The Boys in the Band."

"The Boys in the Band," by young playwright Mart Crowley, is a devastating, poignant, hilarious comedy which has made theatrical history in New York, and has been described as the biggest off-Broadway hit of the decade. It has been playing to capacity houses in New York for almost a year, and has been bought for movies at the highest price ever paid for an off-Broadway production.

The play at the new Caesars Palace theatre will be directed by Robert Moore, who staged the original in New York and then went on to direct the brilliant musical, "Promises, Promises." Producers Richard Barr and Charles Woodward will supervise the Caesars PALACE PRODUCTION.

The New York Times described "The Boys in the Band" as "screamingly funny." Newsweek labeled it "comic brilliance." Celebrated theatre reviewer Walter Kerr, in a special New York Times report, appraised it as "a very good, very funny play."

"The Boys in the Band" is set for a limited-run here nightly in the new Caesars Palace 400-seat theatre. The theatre will operate on a regular reserved seat basis, and tickets will go on sale shortly for the engagement now scheduled to premier June 19th.

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