

LAS VEGAS SHOWEASE

CUGAT BURSTS INTO TROP BLUE ROOM

The Daddy of Latin American music bursts into the Blue Room of Hotel Tropicana Friday, May 23, when Xavier Cugat presents his non-stop musical parade through June 5.

Cugat, known for his flamboyant, breezy, well-paced offerings, again spotlights the dazzling charms of Charo, who jingles, shakes, sings, vibrates, and plays the guitar.

Poured into a sideless, backless and almost topless magenta gown in recent dates, the tawny blonde has heaped new coals onto the fiery pace of hubby Cugat's review. Compared to her, Raquel Welch has been described as a cross between Zazu Pitts and Phyllis Diller.

The brassy blare of Cugat, of course, dates back to the lively reign of Cole Porter, who, it is said, wrote "Begin the Beguine" especially for the mustachioed Latin. Cugat's normal blood-rousers like "Tequilla," "Alma Llanera," and "Malaguena," are expected to turn toe-tappers into deep knee-benders for this special, two-week Blue Room date.

Special guest artist with Cugat's musical pyrotechnics is Benjamin Ocasio, while back-to-back Blue Room talent is handled by Bach Yen, the Vietnamese

songbird, and the Sound Arrangement, in continuous entertainment from 9 PM to 3 AM.

CAESARS RISES

Caesars Palace, the famed hotel-casino described by many as the most magnificent neo-Greco-Roman edifice dedicated to hospitality and entertainment in the entire world, has awarded a \$4.2 million contract to Brunzell Construction, Inc. of Reno, Nevada, to construct a new 13-story high-rise adjoining the present Caesars Palace facilities.

Groundbreaking is scheduled for Tuesday, June 10, with completion of 320 days.

The new high-rise will include 225 new rooms and suites, two new restaurants and three new cocktail lounges.

Caesars Palace opened August 5, 1966, with 700 residential rooms and suites, a 1,000-seat theatre-restaurant, and epicurean dining room, a continental coffee shop, a 2,000 seat convention hall with two other meeting rooms in the same wing, a large lounge for supplementary stage entertainment, two health clubs, a beauty salon, a barber shop, and the finest in apparel shops for men and women, plus a larger-than-Olympic-size swimming

Meantime, in the Tropicana Theatre Restaurant, the Folies Bergere continues to reign as America's favorite

The 400-seat lounge will soon be transformed into a new off-Broadway theatre, which will introduce the first off-Broadway theatre program in Las Vegas history on June 19 with the Las Vegas premiere of Mart Crowley's award-winning comedy hit "The Boys in the Band."

FRONTIER FOODS

Initiation of a late night supper menu for patrons of the Frontier Hotel's gourmet dining room, the Cabaret, has been announced by Erich Lah, director of food and beverage. The plan for additional hours of service with a special menu has been received with approval by many of the Cabaret's patrons.

The present menu, featuring a la carte items and table d'hote dinners will remain in effect until midnight. From midnight until 5:00 a.m., diners will have an ample selection of hot or cold appetizers and choice of several entrees.

Another innovation at the Frontier is the serving of complimentary hot hors d'oeuvres each day in the Circle "F" Lounge. This service will be on a daily basis from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.



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Lounging Around



BELLE BARTH HOLDING FOXY SALAMI.

Hey--you wanna hear a funny one? Then don't miss Jack E. Leonard. The lounge at the Frontier is a "standing room only spot" when Leonard levies his laughter provoking insults at the

visiting dignitaries. Please remember that Jack E. was known as an insulter 'B.D.R.' (before Don Rickles) we losers and laughers consider it a mark of distinction when we boast that we were insulted by Jack E. Leonard, long may he rave add Frank Sinatra Jr. and the Tokio Happy Coats and the Frontier Lounge is a place that nobody wants to leave. Hey--you wanna hear ano-

ther funny one? Belle Barth in Nero's Nook at Caesars Palace. She can keep you laughing for hours -- but -- then, she brings tears to your eyes when she tears your heart out singing "You're Nobody Till Sombdy Loves You". Her bold and bawdy remarks sometimes causes some lady in the audience to gasp. The Belle's best answer has always been "If you are so shocked How come you understand what I said?"

Long live Belle Barth -- she is Miss Entertainment. You better get to Nero's Nook early -- she sure packs them in.

Snap your fingers -- Tap your feet - That Buddy Greco. If Jackie Heller can find room for you in the CELEBRITY ROOM at the SANDS HOTEL you are in for a rare treat. Besides being a handsome man Buddy has many advantages over we average human beings -- he has TALENT. I can recall seeing him and hearing him play the Piano and Belt out a tune at the Brighton Hotel in Atlantic City, his inimitable bounce and pep caused everyone to want to get up and dance. Since then his wonderful style, when he puts over a song, makes me want to come back to listen to his good tunes again.

I would say - If you want a thrilling evening with great music - Buddy Greco in the Sands Celebrity Lounge is a must. Meet me there, I am a bug on good sounds.

More Kabaret next week. IF YOUR BUSINESS CANNOT AFFORD TO ADVERTISE THEN ADVERTISE IT FOR SALE IN THE LAS VEGAS ISRAELITE.

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Mr. Sinatra's schedule at Caesars Palace is as follows: Dinner Show only at 10:30 p.m., on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays. Two shows on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 8:15 and midnight. (No show on Mondays.)