

# OF THE STARS

the result.

My buddy Ruth Karp is in for a week from Beverly Hills, while Al is away we are going to try the Pan Room at the Bonanza. We hope she wins. She will be surprised at the friendly smiling attitude of the personnel since Nathan Jacobson reopened this fun spot. Being a Baltimore man we thought for sure that Mr. Jacobson would bring in the steamed crabs the way they prepare them in his home town. Of course, it might just be that the Bonanza doesn't want any crabs in his place. Just a pleasantry.

Love that George Burns, he was always great and he is better than ever now. He has good assistance with (I'm Jealous) lovely Barbara Eden. This chick is a bundle of talent. Beverly and the Sneakers round out a real nice show. Thanks to Milton Frank at the Frontier for advising us to see this outstanding entertainment. My everloving insists on seeing Jack E. Leonard in the Frontier Lounge. Deedie and Bill make this lounge stop a very pleasant experience.

We Las Vegans are very proud of Orlin Loveland, the owner of the beautiful supermarket in the Somerset Shopping center. Do you know that he held Lenny Cohen's job open after Lenny had that heart attack. Thank goodness that my favorite Deli man Lenny is now back on the job. Nice guys like Mr. Loveland make me happy that he is my neighbor. P.S. he gives blue chip stamps.

The 3 Goetschis at Circus Circus should not be missed. I get a shiver in my back when I see all three suspended on each others shoulders on a Unicycle. What a way to make a living just to entertain us.

That Norman Kay has very

good taste. Besides picking a beautiful wife he asked that I go into show business some three years ago. He thought he said that I would be a perfect comedienne. Well Al objected, but I'm positive that Norman was right because my everloving laughs at me every day.

I think I cured Al from the bad habit of staying out all night with his poker and gin buddies. When he came home at at 3 a.m. I shouted is that you Ralph?

I think its wonderful to see Nick Kelly his old self again, he's full of pep and has discarded the cane. Please stay healthy because my spouse needs someone he can beat at his favorite card games. Al claims that if he could arrange to get Sol Wolfe, Vic Silvagni, Nick, Mike Pisannelo, Nino the Barber and John the Tailor on a slow boat to Israel he would convert them to the Jewish faith or they would have to pay cash for their losses. Of course they claim that half way they would be so far ahead of him they would be able to divert the boat to Rome and convince him that the Italians are luckier.

My thinking agrees with Kirschner's that the guy who proposes an overpass between two hotels on Paradise Road, should check back to one of Al's columns dated August 1st, where in Al stats we should build bridges at intersections on the strip so that visitors can safely cross and have a fine vantage point for the Vegas photos they want to take home. He also said please follow through commissioners. I can't believe that our commissioners are kowtowing to the International. I think that these overpasses should be built on the strip first where the action is and

then think about expanding a good idea to the side streets.

We decided to take a trip to the burlesque at the Silver Slipper. (my husband is a dirty old man), I enjoyed being jealous of the lovely girls, I enjoyed the friendly atmosphere of the Slipper personnel. Pd give anything to get one of those beautiful paintings in the Slipper Lobby, they are beautiful.

When a customer told Al, she wouldn't be able to pay for her new mink coat for six months, he said that is perfectly alright. Mrs. X then asked when it would be ready? Diplomatically he looked at his wrist watch and said in six months.

Kabaret goes back to Kirschner next week.

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"Chop Suey."

The entire cast of "Flower Drum Song," headed by John Nagy as musical conductor, moved to Las Vegas for final rehearsals.

Joining local rehearsals today will be the hand-picked 14-piece orchestra with John Nagy as musical conductor.

In preparation for the production, the Continental

Theatre was slightly re-modeled with the orchestra pit again erected in the show-room.

The new "Flower Drum Song" is being produced for the T-Bird by Maury Stevens with veteran Bill Collins as director. Collins was co-director of the smash musical when it first played the Strip resort.

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