

OF THE STARS



ENTERTAINMENT TRIP AROUND THE WORLD



DICK MCINNES

Broadway reports that CAROL CHANNING, who has been offered a lot of loot to do revivals of "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes" and always said "no," has had a change of heart but only if "Blondes" also had a few changes. She will now star in "Lorelei" an update version of "Blondes" directed and choreographed by JOE LAYTON, some new songs by JULES STYNE BETTY COMDEN & ADOLPH GREEN (they will keep some of the old songs like "Diamonds Are A Girl's Best Friends" & "Little Girl From Little Rock"), costumes by BOB MACKIE & RAY AGHAYAN and a new book by GAIL PARENT & KENNY SOLMS (CAROL BURNETT's writers). Lorelei will be 10 or 15 years older in the new musical but would return to the Paris of the early 1920's through flashbacks. Carol has it in her contract that the show must start out in Los Angeles. She's a smart cookie, she grossed over 17 million dollars in "Hello Dolly" but two thirds of that was on the road, so why not start out on the road before hitting the vultures in New York.

TV TRIP . . . the new season has just begun and already announcements are coming out for next seasons new shows. It's to be a really big shew when MAMA CASS ELLIOT makes her vid-series debut. None other than AL RUDDY (of "The Godfather" fame) is working on a dramatic-comedy format for her . . . the loveliest Genie of all BARBARA EDEN has ~~been~~ ^{been} ~~cast~~ ^{cast} by ABC for a new half hour sitcom series and 20 Century Fox is currently working on not one but three different vehicles for Barbara and will submit them to her for approval . . . LINDA SUBLETTE, on leave of absence from the very funny GOOD HUMOR COMPANY was a regular this summer on the JOHN BYNER comedy Hour and has just been set top appear in a Movie of the Week, "All My Precious Daughters" starring ROBERT YOUNG . . .

MOVIE TRIP . . . You just think you fell in love with GOLDIE HAWN on "Laugh In" or in "Cactus Flower" but when you see "Butterflies are Free", you'll know it's love. Not only is she adorable but she gives a really fine performance, showing a wider range of acting than ever before. EILEEN HECKART from the original Broadway cast is, as usual, superb in a role that could have easily fallen into a caricature. I hope that this role will bring her the supporting Oscar she has always deserved. EDWARD ALBERT makes a super impressive debut as Don, especially in the second half of the film. Producer MIKE FRANKOVICH is to be congratulated for taking a good play and making it into a great film. After a series of dreary pictures, I hope he keeps up the good work when he brings "Forty Carats" to the screen also with Edward Albert and co-starring LIV ULLMAN.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO : JANE GREER, NEIL HAMILTON & CLIF ROBERTSON (9); EDMOND O'BRIEN & FAY WRAY (10); BETSY DRAKE, EARL HOLLIMAN & ANNE SEYMOUR (11); BEN BLUE (12); BARBARA BAIN, JACKIE BISSET, SCOTT BRADY (Jerry Tierney) & CLAUDETTE COLBERT (Lily Chauchoin) (13); KAY MEDFORD, JACK HAWKINS & HARVE PRESNELL (14); and JACIE COOPER & PENNY SINGLETON (Mary Ann Mc Nulty) (15).

Try smiling a lot this week, it makes your trip a lot seasier.

BOBBY CURTOLA BACK AT SANDS

Canada's most renowned recording artist, singing sensation Bobby Curtola returned to the intimate regency lounge at the Sands Hotel Sept. 1 for a special four week engagement.

Curtola, who acquired many new American fans in addition to his 300,000 Canadian fans when he made his debut at the Sands last March captivates his audiences with his charismatic presence as he presents a gamut of songs ranging from easy tempoed standards to exciting new hit tunes, creating a rapport that is indeed enviable to others in the business.

The talented and versatile "Mr. Personality" has 30 hits to his credit that were in the top ten, and which were all published and released by his own music & record companies.

BOBBY DARIN AT HILTON

Bobby Darin, riding a renewed wave of popularity with the success of his NBC-TV summer show, and ultra-talented songstress Shirley Basshare the stage at the Las Vegas Hilton Hotel.

As accomplished actor as well as singer, Bobby was the recipient of an Academy Award nomination for Best Supporting Actor in "Captain Newman, M.D." and was voted Best Foreign Actor by the French Film Asso.

Like his television show, Darin's new stage show abounds with his rare flare for comedy.

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