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IN
LAS VEGAS



LIFE UPON THE WICKED STAGE.....Producer BARRY ASHTON in town this week for rehearsals of new production numbers for his upcoming "THIS IS BURLESQUE" opening April 3 at the Aladdin Hotel's Bagdad Theater. "Burlesque" will star IRV BENSON, JACKIE "MISS VELVET" HOUSTON, LISA & SALERNO, and at last reports, marks the Las Vegas debut of incredible Australian impressionist DAPHNE DAVIS. Miss Davis recently won rave reviews for her bow in Barry's "Catch A Rising Star" at the Americana Hotel in New York; among her characters are GLORIA SWANSON, KATHARINE HEPBURN, and a duo impression of LIZA MINNELLI & JOEL GRAY.....Handsome singing star LELAND STANFORD SCOTT III, now in his second engagement at the Sahara Casbar Theater, heads next for nitery dates throughout the Southwest winding up in Los Angeles this summer. Leland, who is also a composer, will be making his first effort at waxing some of his own tunes for a major label this spring. He won't be back at the Sahara again until November so better catch him while you can!.....Comedy duo MITZI McCALL & CHARLIE BRILL, last here with ANN-MARGRET at the Hilton and former stars of the Tropicana "Folies Bergere", are now on tour with MARLENE DIETRICH. So far, Miss Dietrich has not accepted any of the steady flow of offers to bring her nightclub act back to Las Vegas....The new and latest edition of THE UNUSUAL WE returns this week to the Flamingo Casino Theater. In the same room, the popular KIM BROTHERS also return. Their famous KIM SISTERS are now at the Stardust.... At the Hilton Casino Theater, THE RHODES BROTHERS are making their initial Strip appearance. The Rhodes own their own nightclub in Miami, and recently completed their motion picture debut as non-singing actors in a new film starring Troy Donahue..... "WHAT IS LOVE?" is the title and the theme song written by talented and lovely MISS KELLIE GREENE (now at the Frontier Hotel in the Phil Harris Show) as her first motion picture composer credit. Kellie is now busy at work on her

second film, still untitled. When she's not working here, Kellie is a concert presentation as a soloist jazz pianist for impresario Sol Hurok and a popular nitery talent on the West Coast.....

COMING ATTRACTIONS.....Movie star-singer JAMES DARREN returns to the Sahara Congo Room with headliner BUDDY HACKETT on April 8-19. This will be Darren's third and longest Vegas date. Jimmy's just closed "hometown debut" in Philadelphia was a complete sell-out.....When PAUL ANKA returns to his homebase, Caesars Palace, on June 21 he'll have Hawaii's DANNY KALIKINI in his Vegas debut with him. Paul and Danny will also be co-hosting a huge convention of Hawaii visitors at Caesars.....RICH LITTLE, currently at Caesars with THE OSMOND BROTHERS, will be back at the Desert Inn next with FRANKIE LAINE opening in July.....ROBERT GOULET & CAROL "Mrs. Goulet" LAWRENCE make their first appearance here together opening June 28 at the Frontier. Bob, however, will be back, solo, first at the Sands on May 16.....At the Union Plaza, producer MAYNARD SLOATE opens his production of "SOUND OF MUSIC" on April 10.....

STRIP CHIT CHAT.....There will be Lions & Tigers & Bears & Bares, Oh My, when the MGM Grand Hotel opens one of its supershowrooms with a new spectacular by DONN ARDEN. First specialty act to be signed for the new spectacle is longtime Vegas favorites SIEGFRIED & ROY (last here in the Stardust's "Lido de Paris"). Siegfried & Roy are currently toplining BARRY ASHTON'S "REVUE ROYALE DE PARIS" at the Americana Hotel in San Juan, Puerto Rico....DON HO makes the first of his annual Las Vegas appearances, at the Flamingo, opening April 19. At the same hotel, zany favorite MARTY ALLEN has been firming to a new long term pact, calling for a minimum of eight weeks per year. Marty will be returning in late summer.....RUSTY WARREN is back!! And the crowds are piling in again at the Flamingo Casino Theater to hear more from the First Lady of Party Records and the original flag bearer of the sexual revolution!.....If you missed the special one show only performance last week of SNAKE AND THE ARMPITS (at the Hilton Casino Theater) you missed one of the funniest, liveliest and best new talent showcases in months. JON MILLION (Snake) and his band of versatile singers-dancers-musicians presented a barrage of oldies but goodies in their wild takeoff on the rockin, rollin 1950's.....

LAS VEGAS IS TALKING ABOUT.....Sensational new singing star BOB ANDERSON who has been set to make his SUPPORT YOUR LAS VEGAS ISRAELITE NOW IN ITS 9TH YEAR OF CONTINUOUS PUBLICATION.

OSMONDS AT CAESARS PALACE



THE OSMONDS, THE HOTTEST MUSICAL - VOCAL GROUP IN THE NATION TODAY, WITH LITTLE BROTHER, JIMMY, AND LITTLE SISTER, MARIE, ARE JAMMING THEM IN AT THE CIRCUS MAXIMUS NIGHTLY. ALSO ON THE BILL ARE MASTER IMPERSONATOR, RICH LITTLE, AND DEAN MARTIN'S DING-A-LING SISTERS. IT IS A KNOCKOUT SHOW.

West Coast debut as the special newcomer presentation of MISS JOAN RIVERS at the Ye Little Club in Beverly Hills next month. Anderson has making some very big impressions with his singing talents, sparkling good looks, and charming manner. Add to the growing list of Bob's boosters such heavyweight influences as PAUL ANKA, DON RICKLES, MARTY ALLEN, LYNNE CARTER, RUSTY WARREN, ROBERT GOULET, CASS ELLIOT, JACKIE GAYLE, PHYLLIS DILLER, MILTON BERLE and TRINI LOPEZ.....Hot new musical group called IT CAME TO PASS is back at Caesars Palace on Cleopatra's Barge. The group played the Barge a couple of weeks ago and reaction was so good they were brought back last week. PASS is also being listened to by MGM Records for a possible recording deal....And most of all, DON'T MISS: THE OSMOND BROTHERS - at their very very best now at Caesars Palace.....



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