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STRIP QUICKIES.....RIP TAYLOR, just at the Stardust Lounge, is the producers choice to play The Genie in Sid & Marty Krofft's NBC-TV kiddies show, "Sigmund, the Sea Monster". Rip flies to L.A. this week to talk the deal. Then he's off to Washington, D.C. (his hometown) for a special one night concert, then to Philadelphia for two weeks at the Conestoga.....**MARTY ALLEN**, opening at the Flamingo on April 18, has been signed to host a kiddies show titled "Kids Kourt".....Comedienne **LIZ TORRES** set to join Trini Lopez, Jose Feliciano, and others for an ABC-TV Special "Latino Music Festival" to be aired in July on the Wide World of Entertainment.....**MILTON BERLE**, just closed at the Frontier has been firmed to return to the Strip in June. Milton will headline at the Sands Hotel, opening June 26, with songstress Diana Trask as his gueststar.....**WAYNE NEWTON**, who'll be back at Frontier April 25 (he just closed at the Sands) will host his annual Million Dollar Arabian Horse Auction at his Vegas ranch on April 27. Bidders on more than 30 of Wayne's Arabians are expected to include Don Rickles, Paul Anka, Robert Goulet, Buck Owens and Mac Davis. Giving the event Wayne's usual touch of class will be a 30-piece orchestra to help settle the dust and entertain the horsey set.....Another of The Argentinian Gauchos will become a papa. Leader Washington de los Santos and wife Carol just home with their new arrival Melania (Mar. 28); come August, **DIABLO SANTILLAN** and his wife Juanita will welcome their first little gaucho. The award winning act (Best Production Act of the Year) are currently featured in the "Casino de Paris" at the Dunes Hotel..... **JOAN RIVERS**, in for a quick one night subbing for Shecky Greene at the MGM Grand, will return May 22 with costar Helen Reddy. The engagement will be Miss Reddy's MGM debut and her second Strip appearance (she bowed at the Riviera).....**PETULA CLARK**, now at Caesars Palace with Tim Conway, makes her next Strip appearance at the Riviera Hotel.....The Four Aces, back to the Sahara Casbar for four weeks. The group's million sellers include such classics as "Tell Me Why", "Love Is A Many Splendored Thing", and "Three Coins In the Fountain".....

'ROUND TOWN.....Delightful **LESLIE UGGAMS**, a smash in her all new revue at the Flamingo and her eyepoppin' "Leslie Uggams at the Cotton Club" segment, returns in June. Audience reaction to her new act has been so sensational, Leslie's now planning to expand some of the production numbers and to go all out in re-creating the afa, excitement and flavor of the original Harlem niter that gave birth to such great stars as Lena Horne, Billie Holliday, Ethel Waters, etc. Leslie, by the way, comes by her Cotton Club authenticity honestly - Leslie's mom was a Cotton Club dancer and gave Leslie and producer Bob Wells and choreographer Tony Charmoli all the free "technical advice" they needed to stage the "Dig A Dig A Doo", "Doin' the New Lowdown", etc. numbers.....Producer Wells now goes to work on the new **SHIRLEY MacLAINE** act which will open at the MGM Grand in early July..... Also at the Grand, the long awaited **DONN ARDEN'S "HALLELUJAH HOLLYWOOD"** has

announced its premiere for Friday, April 19.....**THE LITTLE ANGELS OF KOREA** will be joining **LIBERACE** for his next two stints at the Las Vegas Hilton. Liberace opens June 3 and again on Sept. 17.

George Arnold's "Spice on Ice" now back at the Hacienda Hotel, and doing such great biz that the Hacienda bosses have stamped George's contract with an "Indefinite" engagement.....Packin' em in at the MGM: Motown's hottest platter sellers, **THE JACKSON FIVE** in their Las Vegas debut. The J-5 - **MICHAEL JOE, MARLON DAVID, JERMAINE LAJUANE, TORIANO ADARYLL** and **SIGMUND ESCO** - were "discovered" by Motown's musical high priestess **DIANA ROSS** at a concert in Gary, Indiana. Gary mayor, Richard Hatcher brought the group to Diana's attention and the rest is musical history. The J-5 have appeared on their own tv special "Going Back to Indiana" and with Miss Ross on her tv special, "Diana". The teenaged supergroup has sold well over 25 MILLION records, and their latest Motown single, "Dancing Machine" was a certified Gold Record in less than a month after its release. The group recently toured Europe on a record breaking 12-day concert tour which took them to a Royal Command Performance for the Royal Family, London's Talk of the Town, Amsterdam, Belgium, Germany, France and six English cities. The cause of all this **JACKSONMANIA** and world wide furor is now at the MGM Grand for a very special and limited engagement thru April 23.....

WEEKEND WANDERERS.....The above-mentioned **JACKSON FIVE**, the hottest ticket in town, at the Grand.....**ENGELBERT** swarmed and SRO as usual, at the Riviera.....**ROBERT GOULET** at the Frontier.....**LESLIE UGGAMS** at the Flamingo.....**PETULA CLARK** at Caesars.....and the Desert Inn's All Time Number One Attraction - **DEBBIE REYNOLDS**, back for her first Strip appearance since her Broadway smash in "Irene".....**GLEN CAMPBELL** at the Las Vegas Hilton.....

DEBBIE REYNOLDS BACK WHERE SHE BELONGS IN THE DESERT INN

Debbie Reynolds, America's sweetheart and the Desert Inn's "Million Dollar Baby" returned to the Crystal Room stage that she left 14 months ago to star in her first Broadway show, the smash musical hit "Irene".

Debbie Reynolds' success in the Broadway musical "Irene" established her as important a star on the New York stage as she is and has been in motion pictures, on television and in personal appearances. For 14 months Miss Reynolds entertained audiences and won critics as the star of "Irene" to establish a record box-office take of \$7,848,009.94.

As a young star, the actress remembers how hard she tried to "make" her Burbank High School Dramatic Group.

"I was everything from the wind machine to the thunder and lightening off-state, but I never made it on stage."

However, Debbie Reynolds came to Broadway well prepared. She has been in show business since she was sixteen. One of Hollywood's most important motion picture personalities, an MGM star and Academ Award nominee, she has endured the rigors of summer-ten campaigns, headlined the Las Vegas, Reno, Lake Tahoe, Florida nightclub circuits, including Hollywood's Coconut Grove, amassing Amazonian box-office grosses in each; starred in television, her own show and as great star in various network shows, ranging from variety to musicals, to putting her with with the nation's leading comedians.

The same versatility is reflected in Miss Reynolds' private life. Mother of two children, she also finds time for work with the Girl Scouts and the Thaliens.

Among Debbie's special memories are the Gold Records she won for "Aba Daba Honeymoon" and "Tammy," signifying that each recording sold more than a million copies.

Jimmy Dean opens at the Desert Inn on May 7.

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