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IN
LAS VEGAS



'ROUND TOWN.....JACK JONES, now at the Thunderbird Hotel with delightfully zany new comedy star **KIP ADDOTTA**, is rackin' up the biggest showroom business since the hotel switched back to name star attractions more than a year ago. Jack who has limited his Strip appearances to one or two a year in recent years, is making his first Thunderbird appearance since he bowed there, with his dad Allan Jones, back in 1957!.....Who do the stars go out to see? **ANDY WILLIAMS** in to see **BOBBIE GENTRY** at the Desert Inn and the Las Vegas debut of his nephews **ANDY & DAVID WILLIAMS**.....**JOAN RIVERS**, opening at the MGM, in a day early to catch her fave, **JOHNNY CARSON**. Joan, once a comedy writer for Johnny, credits him with being the one man instrumental in her breakthrough as a comedienne.....**EDDIE FISHER** in to see his ex-wife **CONNIE STEVENS** at the Flamingo.....**PETULA CLARK** and husband - manager **CLAUDE WOLF** in to watch **KIP ADDOTTA** at the T-Bird for a possible outing with **Pet** in Northern Nevada.....Actress **SUSAN GEORGE** (J. Jones' ever steady) in from filming "Mandingo" in the Deep South popping by to see **PETULA CLARK** at the Riviera.....Tropicana public relations director-ess **MARCI PETERSEN** finally set the date for her wedding to **KORK-TV** anchor newsman **JACK WILLIAMS**. The nuptials in the wind for the past several weeks will be at the end of April.....And speaking of weddings, Marci's former secretary at the Desert Inn **THERESA PELLITTIERI** weds **ROBERT STREETER** (Bobbie Gentry's brother) in July..... Dynamic **EDDIE HADDAD** and his rockin' **KANYON** band, join blues guitarist **ALBERT COLLINS** as the headliners in **JOHN DADES'** Vegas-originated "**ROCK OUT '75**" now on a 65-city, 30-state tour of colleges and universities. "Rock Out '75" opened in Amarillo, Texas and will ultimately trek thru out the U.S. on its eight week schedule. Reception to the "Rock Out" concept of having five or six acts on a single bill and a heavy sched of one and two nighters, has been so enthusiastic producer **Dades** has already started lining up new acts for at least two more college-bound editions.....**STEVE & EYDIE**, just closed at Caesars, will tape their next CBS-TV special from London, England in July - just prior to their return date at the Palace in August. Steve & Eydie who'll be using their fabulous tribute to **GEORGE GERSHWIN** on their special, are also being ardently wooed to include a special playdate as part of their European sojourn.....**BOB HOPE** at the Las Vegas Hilton for the taping of just-aired **Deb Stars of Tomorrow** special (NBC) with gueststar presenters **JACK JONES, ROBERT GOULET, CONNIE STEVENS,**



DEEJAY DICK KNIGHT PLAYS PLATTERS FOR DANCING NIGHTLY IN THE LANDMARK'S SKYTOP DISC-O-DANCE, WHILE BROADCASTING LIVE INTERVIEWS WITH POPULAR STRIP PERFORMERS OVER KLAV RADIO FROM MIDNIGHT TO 3 A.M. DANCING BEGINS AT 9:00 P.M.

PETULA CLARK, TONY RANDALL, LOUIS NYE, MIKE CONNORS, RHONDA FLEMING, and PHYLLIS DILLER, heads next for a cross country tour of colleges for his next (April 17) special being sponsored by Sears.....**HOPE** is also one of the super-luminaries that'll be seen on March 24 when "The Million Dollar Two Left Feet - But Oh How We Try" chorus makes its first (and last) appearance on the upcoming **MITZI GAYNOR** special, "**MITZI & A HUNDRED GUYS**". Mitzi who rounded up practically every major male star in Hollywood for her opening production number also has **MARTY ALLEN, STEVE ALLEN, ROCK HUDSON, JACK ALBERTSON, BILL BIXBY, LOUIS NYE, ROSS HUNTER, ROSS MARTIN, MIKE CONNORS, MILTON BERLE, WILLIAM SHATNER, TELLY SAVALAS** and **PETER MARSHALL**, to mention a few, joining in the fun-for-all.....

MEMO TO HOTEL ENTERTAINMENT DIRECTORS.....Academy Award winning actor for a dramatic perf **JACK ALBERTSON**, who's currently topping the tv ratings with his "**CHICO & THE MAN**" teleseries is also mulling a couple of Strip offers to dust of his burlesque song and dance comedy antics for a Strip debut. Albertson who is one of the most respected and well liked Hollywood stars started his career in theaters and nightclubs

MARQUEE-MAGIC.....MEL TORME, an astonishing

NEW FOLIES BERGERE AT TROP. MAR. 14

If the Tropicana Hotel career as the "crying of the Tiffany of the strip, then the all-new, shimmering, dazzling slot. **Buddy Vest** Folies Bergere '75 is will act as master of the Hope Diamond of Las Vegas. Set for a March 14th opening, the show is being produced entirely in this country by Entertainment Director **Alan Lee**.

With choreographer **Jerry Jackson** at the helm, the show with its tradition of beautiful girls, glamorous costumes, spectacular novelty acts and ideas moves through fifteen "tableaux" with a cast of forty-five singers, dancers and principals. **Rip Taylor**, who began his comedic

musical legend in his own time, currently into his last engagement on his current Sahara Hotel pact, with **Jerry Lewis**, goes soaring into the best sellers with the release of his new Atlantic album, "**Mel Torme - Live at the Maisonette**". Mel who hasn't etched a disc in a couple of years, and for that matter, stayed away from the Vegas scene for more than two years, has never been in more demand by both the public and the men responsible for booking stars. Torme's recent tour of niteries in New York, San Francisco, Dallas, New Orleans, Denver and Chicago was met with one stunning SRO success after another. Mel is one of the handful of male singers who creatively innovates and integrates his unique song stylings with music from every era. He's contemporary or classic, standard or pop, big city chic or country-western. A superb musician, arranger, composer, lyricist, actor and author, Mel's shows sparkle with inventive musical touches like his tributes to **Fred Astaire** or **George Gershwin**, or his **Big Bands Salute**, or provocative showstoppers like "**Maman**", "**Whose Garden Was This?**", or his own **Torme** sings **Torme-tunes**. The not-to-be-missed **JERRY LEWIS-MEL TORME** show is at the Sahara thru March 12; **JIM NABORS** and **RUTH BUZZI** (in her Congo Room bow) follow on March 13.....

WEEKEND WANDERERS.....ROBERT GOULET & CAROL LAWRENCE at the Frontier.....**HELEN REDDY & JOAN RIVERS** at the MGM Grand.....**CONNIE STEVENS & LONNIE SHORR** at the Flamingo.....**BARRY ASHTON'S** wildly different "**VIVE PARIS VIVE!**" at the Aladdin.....**GLEN CAMPBELL** at the Hilton.....



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