

LAS VEGAS

SHOW EAST



summer..... DONN ARDEN'S new "Lido de Paris", "Merci Beaucoup" now at the Stardust Hotel "stars" the burning of Moscow, The Great Flood, and a couple of million dollars worth of stage effects, costumes, sets and a huge cast headed by PATRICIA CRAIG, RICH RIZZO, LUXOR GALE GALE, POWERS & ROBBI, LOS AGUANITOS, PAMELA PARENT, BARBARA BEVERLY, HOLLY HAYNES, SHEILA SPARR, ERICH BRENN, MITCH HRUSHOWY, ROBERT DELAFIELD, JUDI ANGELA, and the world-famous LES BLUEBELL GIRLS, DANCING NUDES, & ARDEN BOY DANCERS & SINGERS.

her periodic visits to continue her pr activities.....THE KIM BROTHERS, back from a tour of the Far East and a visit to their native South Korea, are at the Las Vegas Hilton Casino Theater. Leader of the group YOUNG AH KIM is also a new father; his daughter ANGELA was born while the Brothers were touring.....Nitory singer-comedian BILLY DARE, now at the Tel Aviv Hilton, has been signed to make a move to the Athens Hilton for a six month stand opening in the fall. Dare who has been away from the U.S. for more than a year is hoping to take a month off for a visit to the West Coast and Vegas before kicking off his Athens engagements.....BRECK WALL who just opened the new 1975 edition of "BOTTOMS UP" at Harrah's Reno, flies to Chicago this week to open a second company of "BU" at the Arlington Hotel. Wall will appear with the Chicago company thru the opening and then fly back to star in the Reno company.....

UP & COMING, AND COMING UP.....Detroit singer BOB ANDERSON takes a break from his recent nitory circuit engagements and recording sessions (in New York & Chicago) for a brief Vegas holiday this month.....RUTH BUZZI, back from a holiday in Mexico, starts restaging rehearsals of her nitory act for her outing June 18 with Helen Reddy at the MGM Grand. Ruth also squeezed in a couple of tv guestings and just filmed her starring role on the new ABC-TV "mini-series" for this summer "Almost Anything Goes". Ruth's segment is one of four - each with a different headliner host/hostess - that'll air later this year.....ANN-MARGRET, who recently performed for the President and Mrs. Ford and a gathering of international vips in Washington, D.C., returns to the Las Vegas Hilton Hotel on July 15. A-M's also been doing quite a bit of globe-trotting including the Cannes Film Festival - on behalf of her current film, "Tommy" for which she is sure to receive another Academy Award nomination.....Comedy ventriloquist SAMMY KING, leaves Barry Ashton's Miami-Americana spectacular "Femmes de Paris" this month after a 36-week engagement, to join Tony Bennett opening June 26 at Harrah's Reno....Sultry songstress ANNE SIMMONS, back to work after a long and serious illness, has resumed rehearsals of her nitory package: a concept Anne created herself as a dramatic actress and singer "character" of the 1920's & 30's. The First Lady of Nostalgia as Miss Simmons was billed prior to her sudden illness, hopes to be showing her act to talent buyers by mid-summer. It's a unique presentation with Anne playing the role of a speakeasy easy lady captured in a philosophically musical pause in her life. The story-telling one woman show should make Anne one of the year's most innovative and original new stars.....RHILO (known here as Performer of the Year winner Marilyn Robertson) in for a short holiday after completing her featured role on a new ABC-TV series "Keep On Truckin'". Rhilo's career as comedienne-actress-singer and dancer goes into high gear this summer with several movie and television projects in the offing. Rhilo's the most recent in a long list of famous beauties who worked in various Vegas shows, revues and lounges before getting noticed by the Hollywood talent scouts; stars like GOLDIE HAWN, BOBBIE GENTRY, ANN-MARGRET and VALERIE PERRINE were among the ladies who were launched from Vegas exposures.....

NOTES FROM ALL OVER.....FORRESTER MASHBIR, well known here for his long tenure as entertainment coordinator for the Hilton-Flamingo Hotels, has been appointed Director of Investment Planning for the worldwide McLendon media empire, based in Dallas, Texas. Forrester joined the conglomerate a few months ago, and will head the firm's international investment operations. McLendon encompasses radio stations, motion picture theaters, nightclubs, and numerous other media holdings and interests. CAROL MASHBIR, now basing her public relations operations from Dallas, is in Las Vegas on one of

WEEKEND WANDERERS.....WAYNE NEWTON at the Frontier.....TOM JONES at Caesars Palace..... BOBBIE GENTRY at the Desert Inn.....SERGIO FRANCHI & JOAN RIVERS at the MGM Grand....."FOLIES BERGERE" at the Tropicana....."LIDO DE PARIS" at the Stardust.....BARRY ASHTON'S "VIVE PARIS VIVE" at the Aladdin.....

STRIP GLITTER.....The incomparable MEL TORME who wears every hat in the show business book including singer-composer-arranger-author-actor-director, returns with Rich Little opening June 11 at the Sands Hotel. Mel's most recent projects, since winding his 1973-74 pact with the Sahara Hotel, include completion of his new film "Snowman" (in which Mel is the lone human survivor) and the recent release of his new Atlantic album "Live at the Maisonette". Mel is currently the opening headliner at drummer Buddy Rich's new New York nitory 'Buddy's'..... BOBBIE GENTRY, now back at the Desert Inn, with a new musical revue. The gorgeous Miss G. is expanding her multi-talented empire to include motion pictures. Her "Ode to Billie Joe" has just been sold and will be filmed on location in Mississippi this summer. Bobbie won't be in the film but will, naturally, do the musical score and sing the title tune.....DIONNE WARWICK & SONNY BONO will be the co-starring attraction at the Riviera later this

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