

LAS VEGAS

SHOWCASE

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STRIP BITS & PIECES.....Don't miss the brilliant MEL TORME, now at the Sands Hotel co-starring with Rich Little. If you've heard any of the cuts from Mel's latest album (on Atlantic) "Live from the Maisonette" you know why he's considered a musical genius. His new show at the Sands is Mel at his most mesmerizing!!.....**DIANA ROSS** who has been cancelling several of her summer engagements due to pregnancy, postponed her Caesars Palace opening from June 19 to 26. Diana who just completed a long and exhausting shooting schedule in Europe for her new film "Mahogany", will have a superstar stand-in - **FRANK SINATRA**.....Also off the Strip lineup this month is the Cher-less **SONNY BONO** who was scheduled to make his first solo appearance at the Riviera costarring with Dionne Warwick. Sonny bowed out and **EDDIE FISHER** will replace him.....**MITZI GAYNOR**, currently on her annual cross country tour, still has a four-week date, pay or play pact, with the Tropicana Hotel. Mitzi's scheduled engagement - an annual event in Las Vegas - is for mid-October, and unless the Tropicana can shift her contract to another hotel at the same terms and same dates, Mitzi will have the current "Folies Bergere" shuttered for a four week hiatus..... **ABBE LANE** joins Sahara star **JERRY LEWIS** in a special date at the new Cunard II Hotel in London, opening in July. While in Europe Abbe will pick up a few long standing offers for nitery dates in Rome, Barcelona, Madrid and Cannes. The combination of Lewis and Lane should be a blockbuster and might just repeat when Jerry returns to the Sahara in late August.....**THE RICHARD CURTIS SHOW** showcasing for Strip buyers at the Stardust up to Tahoe and Reno for buyers from Harrah's, Harvey's, the Nugget and the Riverside.....**BOBBIE GENTRY**, now at the Desert Inn with her all new \$200,000 RAINBOW EXPRESS extravaganza, heads home to Mississippi later this summer for the filming of her "Ode to Billy Joe". Bobbie won't appear but is writing the music and is, after all, the only person in the whole world who knows "WHAT" was being thrown off the Talahachi Bridge!!.....**THE CHAPARRAL BROTHERS**, who just closed at the Aladdin, back to the Sahara Casbar Theater thru July 6.....Producer **ALAN LEE** opens his new Oriental spectacular on July 1 at the Americana Hotel in San Juan, Puerto Rico.....Singer-composer **JIM STAFFORD** who'll have his own tv show this summer, headlines at Harrah's Reno on July 17.....

'ROUND TOWN.....RUTH BUZZI buzzed in a few days early for her June 18 opener with Helen Reddy at the MGM Grand.

WEEKEND WANDERERS.....JOHNNY CARSON & PHYLLIS McGUIRE at Caesars Palace for one week only..... **RICH LITTLE & MEL TORME** at the Sands.....**TOTIE FIELDS** at the Sahara with her special

TOTIE FIELDS IN SAHARA'S CONGO ROOM

The queen of comedy, Totie Fields, is back at Del Webb's Hotel Sahara for another fun-filled engagement in the Congo Show-room. And making his Las Vegas debut on the same bill is "Tattletales" host, Bert Convy.

The hottest female comedy star of the '70's, Miss Fields is nothing short of hilarious as she works in the same spontaneous style which has won her a legion of fans over the years. A hard-working and thorough entertainer, Miss Fields mixes her material well and paces herself with perfection as she jumps from mood to mood, situation to

situation, with polished precision.

Convy is a delight in his Sahara bow. A great singer (He starred in the original cast version of the longest-running musical show in Broadway history -- "Fiddler on the Roof"), Convy also displays a delightful and dynamic nightclub personality. He bursts on with life and style and keeps a magnificent tempo throughout his show.

Rounding out the Sahara entertainment line-up are rock'n soul singer Joe Vinito and country-wester favorites, The Chaparral Brothers, in the Casbar Lounge and singer Richard Goltry in Don the Beachcomber.



TOTIE

Miss Fields and June 25. Telly Savalas Convy will headline at and Gabriel Kaplan the Sahara through follow.

gueststar **BERT CONVY**, in his Vegas debut.....Also debuting, **RODNEY DANGERFIELD**, at the Riviera with headliners **TONY ORLANDO & DAWN**.....**PHIL FORD** and **JANE KEAN** star in the Union Plaza - Maynard Sloate

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