

Mark Tan IN LAS VEGAS

***ROUND TOWN.....MEL TORME** is the latest star to add his dulcet tones to the McCarran Airport (just keeps on growin') voice over tapes on the moving runway. That's Mr. T himself you'll hear urging you to stand to the right. Also on the all star tapes: Liberace, Joan Rivers, Jack Albertson, Debbie Reynolds, Rodney Dangerfield, and taping this week - when he was home to see his friends and house for about five minutes zany-man **RIP TAYLOR**. Speaking of Mel.....he is the all time Number One Attraction and favorite at the fabulous Contemporary Hotel's Top of the World showroom at Disney World, Orlando, Florida. A sky-high showroom that he visits two or three engagements a year.....And speaking of **RIP TAYLOR**, Rippy's off on his never ending round of nitery gigs with Los Angeles, San Francisco, Lake Geneva and this week Great Gorge Playboys Clubs completed. Rip opens October 28 at the Backlot at **STUDIO ONE** in Hollywood, but is still hoping to hop a late late flight on Friday, Oct. 31 to join the all night **LAS VEGAS BEAUX ART HALLOWEEN BALL** frolic at Circus Circus. Last year Rip flew in just to be a judge along with **ANN-MARGRET**, **STEVE LAWRENCE & EYDIE GORME**, **RICH LITTLE**, **MEL TORME**, **CONNIE STEVENS**, **ROGER SMITH**, **BOBBIE GENTRY**, **SHECKY & NALANI GREENE**, and **MITZI GAYNOR**. If he makes it again this year, he'll be panel-ing with **MITZI**, **BOBBIE**, **JULIET PROWSE**, **JOHN DAVIDSON**, **GLEN CAMPBELL**, **THE 5th DIMENSION**, **FOSTER BROOKS**, **ROBERT GOULET**, and others still to be announced. Taylor plans a total collapse come mid-December when he winds the last (for this year) two week stint at Harrah's Reno/Lake Tahoe. But isn't Rip also being wooed to join Cuichi Cuichi herself **CHARO** in a special New Year's Eve gala at the Sahara Tahoe???.....**FOSTER BROOKS** who's slowly but certainly revealing himself to be a super powerful vocalist in his Vegas stints, has raves, standing ovations, encores, and shouts of **MORE MORE MORE** coming at him every night at the Desert Inn (where he is co-starring with the glorious and gorgeous **JULIET PROWSE**) when he closes his show with a rendition of "My Way". Foster's rafter ringing lung power is an audience stunner after a 40-minute hilarious, vacant eyed, tipsy comedy routine.....The Dunes' "**CASINO DE PARIS**" will end this year's edition on November 27, and return in mid-December with an all new spectacular, produced of course, by **FREDERIC APCAR**. All of the current specialty acts - **THE REYCARDS**, **THE FERCOs** and **THE**

TOMMY OVERSTREET'S SONG IS WOMAN IN "COUNTRY MUSIC" AT LANDMARK



"THREE OF A KIND" SONGBIRDS, WHO SUPPORT TOMMY OVERSTREET IN "COUNTRY MUSIC" AT LANDMARK.

ARGENTINIAN GAUCHOS - will reportedly be leaving the show. First new act signed for the "Casino '76" is Swedish acrobatic comedy troupe, **THE STUPIDS** who've been starring at the Casino in Nice, France for the past eight months.....Director-choreographer **HUGH LAMBERT** (who only dances with his lovely missus, **NANCY SINATRA** in her Vegas shows) in town to stage the upcoming CBS-TV **DON RICKLES** comedy special which will be taping in and around Las Vegas all next week.....**PAUL ANKA**, who is, as usual, electrifying audiences in his special one week date now at the MGM Grand Hotel, has rescheduled his New York theater appearance to December 4 at the Uris Theatre. Paul flew to New York last month for a special 10 day engagement (with a different charity benefitting each night of the concert) and was forced to postpone it because of the on-going musician's strike on Broadway. Paul will also be coming home (he is a Vegas resident) for the Christmas holidays; he'll open December 26 at Caesars Palace.....

STRIP CHATTER.....ROY CLARK won't be the December attraction at the Frontier replacing **Debbie Reynolds**, after all. As a matter of fact, the Hughes Hotels entertainment director **WALTER KANE** is still negotiating with several top name attractions to fill the Dec. 10-29 slot with names like **MARTY ALLEN**, **ABBE LANE**, **LESLIE UGGAMS**, **JERRY VALE**, **PHYLLIS DILLER**, **MILTON BERLE**, **KAYE BALLARD**, **JULIET PROWSE**, **BOB**

Tommy Overstreet, modern country recording artist, and his exceptional band, **The Nashville Express** headline the Landmark's ninth edition of "Country Music U.S.A."

Turning out one hit after another on the ABC/DOT label, Overstreet's song is mostly about some special lady such as "Gwen (Congratulations)," "Ann (Don't Go Runnin')," "(Jean-nie Marie) You Were A Lady," "Heaven Is My Woman's Love" or several ladies as in his latest release "From Woman To Woman."

The smooth, deep baritone lays down a show in the Jubilee Room that is making a mighty lot of new country converts as he moves from one pure country tune to another, with the only "messin' a-

round" during a special number highlighting the Nashville Express and their rendition of "Okie From Muskogee" for which they just might be banned from Oklahoma.

Featured comedian in the country/western revue is Texas boy **Ben Sanders**, while female vocalization is presented by a trio of gorgeous songbirds, **Three Of A Kind**. **Georgia Mock**, **Patty Ricketts** and **Donna Sheridan** began their career together while individually performing at Opryland in Nashville. At the suggestion of a mutual friend of the girls', they did some **Andrews Sisters'** material, which proved to be so successful for them, they have adapted their country numbers to it.

NEWHART, **PAUL WILLIAMS**, and several others all cropping up as possibly available for the pre-holiday stint..... special 45th ANNIVERSARY EDITION of **THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER** will contain a special Las Vegas section and feature on the connecting links then and now between Hollywood and Las Vegas.

WEEKEND WANDERERS.....THERE'S ONLY ONE MITZI.....and she's at the Tropicana Tiffany Theater. **RUSH** to catch her.....**JOHN DAVIDSON**, the Riviera's new headliner for 1976, with **THE 5th DIMENSION** at the Riviera.....**JULIET PROWSE** (with her delicious crazy salute to Hollywood Went Latin in the 40's, and exquisite classic production "Bolero") and **FOSTER BROOKS** at the Desert Inn.....**PAUL ANKA** at the MGM Grand.....Country boys **GLEN CAMPBELL** at the Hilton, **EDDY ARNOLD** (at the Sahara), **JOHNNY PAYCHECK** (at the Landmark).....**BARRY ASHTON'S "VIVE PARIS VIVE!"** at the Flamingo.....

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