

ENTERTAINMENT TRIP AROUND THE WORLD



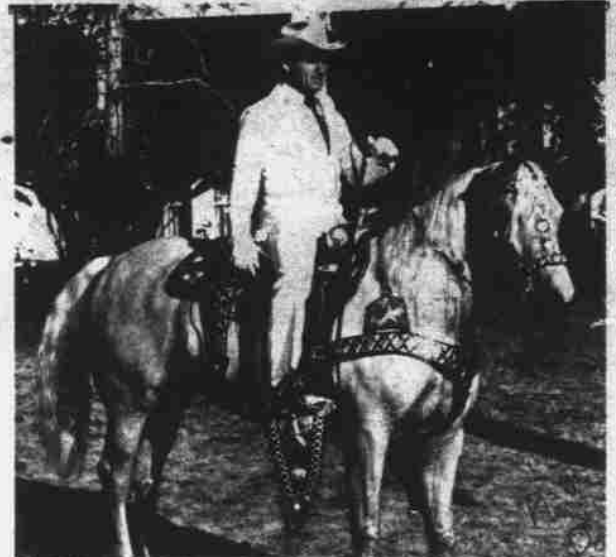
DICK MCINNES

Nice to be back from my annual flu trip. As the man said we can go to the moon but we can't conquer the common cold or the flu. Anyway tons of Vitamin C, Nyquil, aspirin and chicken soup, (ED. NOTE: There's a Jewish mama there, somewhere. J.T.) I'm back tripping around Hollywood and there's plenty going on. LOLA FALANA, a Las Vegas fave, is set to do four ABC specials. It almost was a regular series but Lola wants her shows to be special so she decided to go the special route. Don't you love her "Tigress" commercials??...MARY TYLER MOORE will take a breather from situation comedy at the end of the 1975 season on orders from her medico and then make a try for big screen stardom...the weather isn't the only cold thing in Chicago, a cool breeze from there says that LANA TURNER and LOUIS JOURDAN currently co-starring in "The Pleasure of His Company" on stage only speak on stage. The atmosphere off stage is definitely below zero....CANDY CLARK, Oscar nominee for "American Graffiti" was laid off work for almost a year recuperating from hepatitis but she's making up for lost time. She co-starred with DAVID BOWIE, the sex symbol of the 70's, in his first film, and has just finished a role in bio-flick for TV about JAMES DEAN, the sex symbol of the 50's.... MARTHA RAYE is off to Panama to spend

Christmas with the Green Berets stationed there. They personally requested that she come and they even pitched in to pay for her transportation. Maggie, by the way, has just completed a role on "McMillan and Wife" as NANCY WALKER's sister that just may earn her a permanent spot on the show when Nancy moves over to ABC for her own series next season.... NATALIE WOOD is mulling over an offer to make her stage debut at the Westwood Playhouse in "Sabrina." Nat will not do anything that will separate her from ROBERT WAGNER but this is just down the road a piece from her home so she just may do it.

JAMIE FARR was nominated as "New Female Star of the Year" by the Hollywood Women's Press Club for his hilarious role as Klinger in "MASH." He didn't win but he told me that he had an acceptance speech ready just in case. It goes like this, "For years people said I had sour grapes, and now that I'm starting to make it good, I get the raspberry from those guys because I'm playing a second banana who's walking around like a tomato making a lot of lettuce but as far as I'm concerned it's all a bunch of baloney." JOANNE WOODWARD will make her variety show debut on CAROL BURNETT's show. Now, that should be interesting... GEORGE BURNS will receive the first JACK BENNY Award on the Second Annual Comedy Awards in January. It's fitting not only because of the great friendship that George and Jack had but just because Burns really deserves it. He's excellent in "Sunshine Boys" and I bet he gets a nomination. Any takers? ...ROCK HUDSON is set to say "I Do, I Do" to JULIET PROWSE in London in January. Of course, I mean the musical...MEL BROOKS' next epic will be "Mel Brooks' Silent Movie" and there will be only one line of dialogue in the whole film...."Jaws" has passed the \$150 million mark at the box office.

Who says it doesn't pay to have a big mouth? Time to shut mine, have a festive holiday season and smile a lot this week.



STATE SENATOR JACK SCHOFIELD OF LAS VEGAS WILL WEAR COWBOY ACTOR TOM MIX'S CLOTHING (NOT SHOWN) WHEN HE REPRESENTS NEVADA IN THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES PARADE FOR THE FOURTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR. SCHOFIELD WILL RIDE IN AN EQUESTRIAN GROUP WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TV PERSONALITY GEORGE PUTNAM AND ACTRESS SUE ANN LANGDON.

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