

LAS VEGAS

SHOWBIZ



GENTRY's sudden wedding scheduled for this past week in Las Vegas. It's too early at presstime to say if the nuptials came off as planned (mid-week). If so, congratulations and happy wedding bells. As coincidence would have it, the newlywed (?) Bobbie is scheduled to make her first appearance as a new bride at Harrah's Reno opening next week. You do recall that Bobbie was once married to Bill Harrah, don't you?.....THE REYCARDS

BILLY SWAN BRINGS ROCKABILITY TO LAND



BILLY

Billy Swan presents his own particular musical style -- a bouncy mixture of country and rhythm & blues, closely resembling the "rockabilly" sound first introduced to the music scene in the mid-fifties by Johnny Cash, Carl Perkins and Elvis, when he was initially recording on the Sun label -- in the Jubilee Showroom for a two week engagement through August

STRIP GLITTER..... **ABBE LANE**, back at the Sahara with Jerry Lewis, will be getting back to a recording studio when she closes here to cut her first single and an album to kick off the new pact she has signed with a recording label. Abbe who's albums have been international best sellers hasn't made a new release in several years for U.S. distribution. She's spending part of her Congo Room stint going over new music and selecting songs for her discing....**BURT REYNOLDS**, **DON RICKLES**, **DIANA ROSS**, **PHYLLIS McGUIRE**, **VIKKI CARR**, **HENRY MANCINI**, **KITTY KOVER**, among the glitter-makers in to cheer **JULIE ANDREWS** in her worldwide nitery bow at Caesars Palace. **STEVE & EYDIE** who followed Julie in at Caesars came in a night early just to catch the show.... **JOHN DAVIDSON**, who just closed a smashing debut engagement at the Las Vegas Hilton earlier this week, has a new variety musical tv series awaiting the go-ahead from NBC-TV as a mid-season replacement. John and his entire family will also be starring on a Christmas special for NBC. His next scheduled Vegas appearance will be February of '77 if he's not tied up with his series tapings.... **JOAN RIVERS** locked in her suite at the MGM Grand between and after her nightly shows, to polish off her upcoming movie script "The Rabbit Test" scheduled for a start filming date in November. Joan has also been signed by MGM-TV to write a new situation comedy pilot and possibly spin off series to be set in Las Vegas called "SHOWGIRL". Obviously, it's a comedy venture about the lives and experiences of three Las Vegas girls who are working in a big Strip spectacular very much like the MGM's "Hallelujah Hollywood".....With Joan's Las Vegas based series in the works, that makes about half a dozen projects with Strip backgrounds. Joan's is the first to become a reality but hopefully not the last. Television could and should be Las Vegas' next major entertainment industry.....

and **THE ARGENTINIAN GAUCHOS** who were both featured star acts in last year's "Casino de Paris" at the Dunes will once again be co-headliners in a new revue opening later this month at the Aladdin Bagdad Theater..... **The Elvis Presley Story**, a Tribute by Elvis lookalike **ALAN** opens this week at the Tropicana in the former "Folie: Bergere" showroom..... **FREDDIE PRINZE** makes his next Vegas appearance guesting with **ANDY WILLIAMS**, at Caesars Palace, opening September 30. Then he'll return in December to gueststar with **SHIRLEY MacLAINE**.... Broadway star **CHITA RIVERA** guests with **ENGELBERT HUMPERDINCK** opening next month at the Riviera.....

NOTES FROM ALL OVER..... Broadway and bistro favorite **LISA KIRK** prepping an all new act for a long awaited return to the Las Vegas scene. Lisa who recently starred in "Mac and Mabel" with Robert Preston and Bernadette Peters, just got back from another Broadway show, a dramatic role opposite Sylvia Sydney. Her socko appearance last month at the MGM Grand, for the Pontiac Dealers convention, with Barbara Eden and Leslie Uggams, caused enough of a stir to persuade Lisa to get a new nitery act together -- watch for her soon!!..... That's Lisa with an "S". Liza with "Z" Minnelli returns to the Riviera Hotel for a special hotel anniversary engagement opening December 3..... **JACK JONES** who hasn't been in Vegas for nearly a year, returns as special gueststar with Alan King, opening September 16 at Caesars Palace. Also coming to the Palace, the exciting **MOISEYEV RUSSIAN DANCE FESTIVAL** with a cast of 175, opening September 9-15..... **PATRICK** The All American Male Stripper, signed by producers Barry Ashton & Wolf Kochmann for their new spectacular opening in October at the Americana Hotel in Miami..... "Hollywood Square" host **PETER MARSHALL** joins **BOB NEWHART** at the Frontier Hotel opening August 26.....

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IT HAPPENED IN LAS VEGAS..... Last weekend, the town's rumor mills were buzzing about **BOBBIE**



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