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VEGASTARS

And now for the good news -- building rate in July skyrocketed to an alitime high, more than double new construction of last year... August brings in 26,000 conventioneers, up an unexpected 8000 as American Chemical Society switched from SanFran to Vegas because of a culinary strike there While domestic and international skedded air traffic declined the first half of this year, McCarran International Airport registered a 3.4% increase.....Foreign moneybags are the new prospects according to SID GEFFEN, prez of International Productions, Inc., who plan to bring major wholesale tour ops and buyers from U.K., Canada, Japan, Europe, Middle - East, etc. into contact with hotel, airline, ground carrier and other tourrelated biz reps at a seminar next March 17-19 at the Hacienda, GEFFEN, responsible for organizing the annual American Society of Travel Agent shows around the world, said airlines furnish free transportation to the buyers, 75% of whom are not from the U.S., and their rooms are paid for by International Productions.

New New Wave group DISTURBING THE PEACE were ensconced at the Troubadour, but all was peaceful.....After FREDDY FENDER'S and GEORGE LINDSEY'S week at the Silverbird, ROGER MILLER & GARY MULE DEER return through Sept. 2....PAUL ANKA and ANN-MARGRET have back to back weeks at Caesars Palace starting Thursday.

On Cleopatra's Barge, PERFECT CIRCLE squares away for a sail through Sept. 3.... DOUG HENNING brings his high - class hocus pocus to the Hilton for two... JERRY LEWIS & JOEY HEATHERTON for dinner and BUD-DY HACKETT & JAMES DARREN midnight is the Sahara split sked with LEWIS carrying on for a fortnight preparatory to his MDA Telethon (live from Sahara Labor Day weekend) and GEORGE CARLIN moving in the HACKETT slot after a week. In the Casbar, JACKIE GAYLE and WAYLON & MADAME have it out comedically. On deck, BUDDY GRECO and "RAWHIDE REVUE" Aug. 18....Impressionist BABE PIER is back in the Hacienda Lounge with JAY ORLANDO TRIO. Last Monday's jazz bash spotted vibe-ist TERRY GIBBS and next week MARLENA SHAW sings. ROBERTA SHER-

WOOD added to "Ice Fantasy" in Main Showroom Meadows Playhouse holds over "Fiddler On The Roof" with ART ENGLER's Tevye.



KRYTSOF, Poland's reported No. 1 songstar, debuts Sunday eve in Frontier's Americana Room for talent buyers here. Krystof holds six gold albums and a gold single in Poland, plus racking up impressive totals in U.S.S.R., Czechoslovakia and Germany...... Silver City's PAUL DELICATO spearheads that casino's blood drive honoring the late MAJOR RIDDLE, who died from result of a rare blood disease....Tapdancer turned exotic PATTY WRIGHT, who co-starred with STEVE ROSSI in "Burlesque '79" at the Holiday International last year, won Miss Nude Ohio ribbon. She'll have a shot at Miss Nude America at national parade in -- Naked City, Indiana....MORRIS, who mimes and mimics ELVIS at the Landmark, has a new comic opening act from the midwest, ROBERT ALLEN Former exec. secretary DIANNA PUGH for JIM HALSEY, left her Tulsa digs for lolling around Europe. You can take the girl out of the country, but you can't take, etc., etc...

MAC IS BACK

Mac Davis returns to the plush Celebrity Showroom of the MGM Grand Hotel, August 14, with an exciting features show that brand new treatments of his most famous hits, a moving tribute and a Elvis powerful Gospel medley that brought the house down when he played the room in

May. Following a dynamic song and dance num-ber, "Traffic Jam," introduces his hits medley which offers all new renditions of the songs he has including written "Watching Scotty Grow," "Baby Don't Get Hooked On Me," "Stop and Smell the Roses," "Something's Burning," and the The Ghetto," "Mornies" "Don't Cry Daddy."

The special Gospel Medley, with his dance troupe "Strutt," brings the house to its feet upon conclusion of the final number in the set entitled, "I'm Saved."

Mac's special comedy guest for the two weeks is Tom Dreesen, who was recently called the best new comedian around by Bob Hope.

The curtain goes up for Mac Davis and Tom Dreesen, twice a night, through Aug.

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