

# OF THE STARS

Take stock in America.



Fans of DAVIS LEE ROTH are disappointed once more with the cancellation of his Feb. 20 rocker & shocker at Thomas & Mack Center. A December 16 date was postponed because of illness in the band with about 4000 tickets sold. Mebbe the rockers will be appeased by CHRISSIE HYNDE & THE PRETENDERS Feb. 22 in T&M's TARK SHARK TANK, given over temporarily to music instead of all that shooting...Oldtimers viewing the frontal razing of the Stardust Hotel can see remnants of the old Royal Nevada, merged with the Stardust after the RN folded in 1958. The old Greyhound bus terminal at the Stardust has also been demolished, with the new ticket counter moved to the Flamingo Hilton, also site of the new Strip "Leave the Driving To Us" bus terminal...LEE PETE is all over the air broadcasting from the Dunes with L.V. Sun columnist JOE DELANEY, also with a sports show from the Frontier and his newest spot Monday & Tuesday nights on KDWN dealing in sportstalk etc., at the entrance to the Riviera's race & sports book 10 p.m. to midnight...Happy Valentine to the recovered FRANK SINATRA, arriving this weekend at the Golden Nugget...And another Happy Hearts & Flowers to ENGELBERT HUMPERDINCK at the Las Vegas Hilton for another week...Meanwhile at the Sands, a neat twosome in the Grand Ballroom reveals DEBBIE REYNOLDS & DONALD O'CONNOR singing and dancing their little buns off through Saturday night.

BILL COSBY, who'll take it to the Hilton with TONY TILLMAN next Saturday will be a Columbia Pictures star with a start on April 20 of an as yet unnamed comedy. Writer is JONATHAN REYNOLDS...Already ensconced in his executive suite, DAN REICHARTZ, new prez and CEO of Caesars Palace, will cheer the 20th anniversary celebration on March 8 on Showtime CATV, spotlighting guys and gals who've headlined there, including ANDY WILLIAMS (he opened the joynt in '66), GEORGE BURNS, JOAN RIVERS, POINTER SISTERS, GARRY SHANDLING & a parcel of sportstars...Purloined from AMY ARCHERD's "Just For Variety" Daily Variety column: "PAUL NEWMAN at a party asked THEOBIKEL, 'Do you sing?' 'Of course,' said THEOBIKEL. 'Then, can you teach OLIVER NORTH?' "...On the subject of not singing because of the Fifth Amendment, look for a feature film on famous takers of the 5th from the Hollywood 10 during the '40s & 50s before the House Un-American Affairs Committee. During those shameful inquisitions it was none other than PRESIDENT PRUNEFACE, then Screen Actors Guild prez, who finked on his fellow union members. The upcoming film for United Artists, will be scripted by ABRAHAM POLONSKY, who was blacklisted by the HUAC for refusing to testify...SANDY HACKETT has moved his Talent Showcase to the Dunes Oasis Mondays 8 p.m. to midnight. If you're as funny as SANDY, call 871-6509 for an audition...After cancelling because of illness last year, MARCEL MARCEAU arrives for a one-

nighter in UNLV's Ham Hall Tuesday to benefit NEVADA DANCE THEATER. Co-sponsored by KVVU-TV 5, tix go for \$20-\$35 and \$100, now on sale at Ham Hall box office.



TOM CONSTANTEN, music grad of UNLV some years ago, postcards from Frankfurt, Germany, where he's performing his piano wizardry. "So far the audience response has been deliciously gratifying," he writes, "and for their part my hosts are keeping me well entertained," His dad, FRANK CONSTANTEN was a captain for many years in the Sands-Copa Room...MICKEY FINN SHOW coasted into the Barbary Coast when BRENDAN BOWYER and the IRISH SHOW BAND jiggled outward on tour. As usual MICKEY & LOONEY COHORTS will conduit a slambanger and dipsy-ddodler for a month in their new stage digs...Masochists are already marking their memo pads for opening of DON RICKLES at the Golden Nugget March 5-10...LAS VEGAS LITTLE THEATER is busy in UNLV's Grant Hall Theater through the 22nd sending up comedies "Mass Appeal" by BILLY C. DAVIS and "Painting Churches," by TINA HOWE. Principals in "Mass Appeal" are PAT THOMPSON & JEFF GRANSTROM while MARVIN BRODY & GLORIA HOFFMAN do the thesp daubs in "Painting Churches"...I thought RODNEY DANGERFIELD was locked into the L.V. Hilton, but March 9-16, he'll be getting plenty of dollar respect from Caesars Palace...One of our brightest brains and writers is WILBUR STEVENS, English prof. at UNLV, member of Nevada Humanities Committee, poet and theater critic for the L.V. Review-Journal. In the current newsletter of Nevada Humanities, WILBUR writes that the pro critic has a place in the Humanities. "As a critic, I am still unvogueish enough to go along with MATTHEW ARNOLD's famous dictum that true criticism seeks 'to know the best that is known and thought in the world.'"

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The Pointer Sisters (L-R) Anita, June & Ruth

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The March 8 gala will be designed to recapture the glamour of Hollywood in its golden era, with red carpet celebrity arrivals heralded by Roman trumpets and pageantry which features the University of Southern California marching band. Then, it's on to the Circus Maximus Showroom -- the stage where Judy Garland, Jack Benny, Red Skelton, Bill Cosby, Woody Allen, Carol Burnett, Bette Midler, Ann-Margaret, Frank Sinatra, Paul Anka and many more have shared their legendary talents. As the day draws closer and the RSVP list continues to grow, the television special promises to shape up as one of the entertainment events of the year.

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