



# MUSOLIT CHIT-CHAT



(Music, Society, and Literary News)  
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Our thanks for the many fine compliments and encouragement received on our first column of last week. Please remember that your joys are ours too, so we MUST work together. The more good news you bring us the happier we'll all be.

### WELCOME HOME:

--to handsome M/Sgt. Lonnie P. Richardson who recently returned from Vietnam where he spent a year, goes a very warm welcome. Lonnie is presently enjoying his 30-day leave with his delightful family on Veronica Street before going on to California. His charming wife Mary, wearing deep purple oriental-silk blouse over fitted white silk pants, a gift hubby brought her from the Orient, sat beaming and talkative as we tried to interview her Lonnie. We found ourself writing more about Mary who is a teacher at Madison Elementary school, is very active in Scouting and has taught Sunday School at Nellis AFB for many years. The Richardsons are the proud parents of two lovely youngsters. We learned a lesson here -- never interview a man in the presence of his wife.

### IN THE WORLD OF FINE ARTS:

--we salute Mrs. Louise Camera, petite but dynamic piano accompanist for the Las Vegas Musical Arts Workshop who is so efficient in her accompaniment with clean and clear interpretations. She is quite often referred to by such noted conductors as Leo Damiani and Edward Brahms, as being an orchestra all by herself. She really makes a piano talk.

Born of Italian-American parents in New Haven, Connecticut, she received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Annhurst College, South Woodstock, Conn., where she majored in Romance Languages. She took her Masters Degree from the University of Connecticut with a major in Spanish. She studied private piano lessons for eight years with Professor Francesco Riggio in New Haven, Conn., and attended the National Conservatory of Music in Montreal, Canada.

Louise now teaches private piano at home, accompanies the Musical Arts Workshop Choral and Young Audiences Vocal group. She is such an expert at the piano, that last year while appearing at Kit Carson Elementary School with Young Audiences, she very capably brought back tone and life to the old upright piano. We remember giving her an excellent rating on our rating sheet.

Her husband Leo Camara, is a noted percussionist with the Stadust Hotel, Lido Review. He is also leader of the Las Vegas Percussion Quartet sponsored by Young Audience. Leo teaches percussion instruments privately and at Nevada Southern University.

Their two children, Charles seven and Diane  
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## McCormick Greet 'Boss' (COMMENTS, from page 3)



Freddie McCormick, personal companion for Alan King is pictured greeting the versatile comedian-actor upon his arrival here recently.

King is presently appearing at the Sands along with songstress Gail Martin.

peared in court on behalf of the defendant, although the lawyer had not seen the complaint before and did not have any such knowledge of the defects of the complaint previous to his appearance in court. The case is still in the District Court awaiting further proceedings.

Let's look at another example. On March 25, 1968, the defendant was arrested in Las Vegas for "carrying weapon in auto." The officers did not know anything about the weapon in the automobile, didn't have any right to search the automobile, but did. When they found the weapon they locked him up. When he appeared in court, knowing nothing about his rights, he admitted that he did have the weapon in the automobile. Without counsel to advise him of his legal rights, he was found guilty by the judge in Part I and fined the sum of \$500.00 and incarcerated for 125 days for lack thereof. Then it was that he hired a lawyer. The judge refused to set an appeal bond and a writ of habeas corpus had to be obtained. The complaint was found to be invalid. It had never been sworn to before a magistrate. The judge had no jurisdiction over the defendant. The complaint was dismissed in District Court. The police were authorized to file another complaint. This was executed before one of the Municipal Court Judges on June 3, 1968. The judge also issued a warrant and in the middle of the night the police went to the man's house and took him out of bed, without any warning. No notice was given his attorney of the actions they were taking. The defendant's attorney sued out another writ of habeas corpus. Decision is pending on it now. The above examples concern Negroes.

Next week we shall discuss incidents involving white persons.

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## BRICKTOP RETURNS

Redheaded "Bricktop" is back in the night club business in Rome. During the late 50s and early 60s, Bricktop had one of the most popular night spots in all of Europe. One could count on seeing anyone and everyone from the stateside visiting at Bricktop's. National magazines have repeatedly featured this famous club.

Bricktop retired from the nightclub scene some time ago upon doctor's orders. Subsequently it was medically determined that her health was to be better if she continued in business rather than stay out. Hence, she returns to the scene upon doctor's orders.

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