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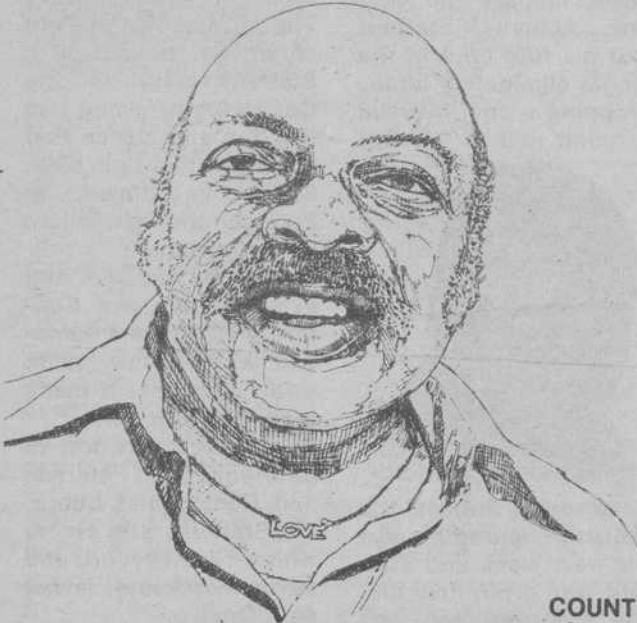
eye that tells you he enjoys every minute of what he does.

There was no doubt that the opening performance on Thursday night meant much to Sammy, for he was MAGIC. It was nostalgia time for him and he was really the consummate

very special event.

**POSTSCRIPT** It is said that "What is past is prologue." Well that certainly holds true of the current engagement of Sammy and the Count at Caesars Circus Maximus.

'In the wee small hours' of Tuesday morning (2:30 a.m., to be exact), they put on a special performance for Las Vegas entertainers



COUNT

performer, the total performer as he sang, danced, and did impressions with a verve that we haven't seen for a long time. It was great to hear him sing old favorites like "Hey, There", "This Is My Beloved" "Teach Me Tonight" and "That's Why The Lady Is A Tramp."



Cos

A really nice added surprise for everyone was the guest appearance of Cos (Bill Cosby), who dropped over from his show at the Hilton to say hello to Sammy on opening night and to pay tribute to the Count.

It was truly a memorable evening, not just for Sammy and the Count, but for all of us who were lucky enough to be present for this

and the press. I would not have thought it possible, but that performance was even greater than their opening show last Thursday night.

There must be something extraordinarily stimulating about performing for one's peers, for both Sammy and the Count and his band were really turned on. The audience was the most enthusiastic that I have ever witnessed and the more appreciative they became, the more fabulous Sammy and the Count became. As Sammy sang in his musical version of "Stop The World, I Want To Get Off", he "Felt like a giant" and he "soared like an eagle".

Those who were present at this event knew that they had witnessed a truly once-in-a-life-time great performance. For Sammy, the Count and his band and everyone in the audience, it was really "April In Paris."

Sammy Davis, Jr. and Count Bassie closed at Caesars Palace on Wednesday, Nov. 4.

# Redd Foxx At Hacienda

Latin Fire Follies, the spectacular presentation currently in the Fiesta Showroom of the Hacienda Resort Hotel Casino, is a true South of the Border revue.

With cast members representing Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Peru and Argentina, Latin Fire Follies combines spectacular dancing and music in its powerful 90-minute presentation.

Concieved and staged by Freddy Manjon and Manolo Torrente, the cast of 20 stays in motion throughout the production with exciting Latin dances including the versatile Gloria Normanda as accompanied by Mario Torres on the bongo drums.

Latin Fire Follies is presented twice nightly, except Monday, at 7 p.m. (dinner show) and 11 p.m. (cocktail show).

Redd Foxx, rated for his outrageously funny routines, teams with Slappy White for cocktail shows at 9 p.m. and 1 a.m. nightly, except Mondays.

## Veterans Day Commemorated

Veterans Day, Nov. 11, will be commemorated on public television with special programs on the experiences of the Vietnam War veteran. "The Vietnam Veteran: A Matter of Life and Death Special" will air on PBS, Channel 10, Wednesday, Nov. 11 at 9:00 p.m. This special program combines two documentaries "Frank: A Vietnam Veteran" and "Warrior's Women" along with special reports on the black veteran and veterans who have found themselves in prison with "post traumatic stress disorders."

"Frank: A Vietnam Veteran," the first documentary presented during the evening, looks at the problems of the returning vet through the eyes of one, who today is a social worker living in Boston.

The second documentary in the two-hour special is "Warrior's Women," a story of the women Vietnam veterans came home to. Four women speak candidly about the problems,

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dinary. She needs to be on B'way; on the movie screen; on the TV tubes much more. She strikes like lightning and thunders across the spotlight, dancing, prancing, singing or reacting to moments of mirth or melancholia, the interchange necessary to mediate good theatre. Hers is a menagerie of talent that sparkles with an unbelievable variety. The costumes designed for her by Judy Dearing censored not a syllable of her well proportioned body.

Then there are others who abound with talent. Ken Page is a magnificent actor whose stage growth continues to be sabotaged by bias. Also on the plus side is Ernestine Jackson, a sagacious actressinger who has been too long neglected by the big time. The same is true of Tiger Haynes and actorauthor Northern J. Calloway who is no longer in the show. "Louis" is further blessed with some of the sexiest dancer's this side of 42nd street, who give a moving wonder to the choreography and musical staging of Billy Wilson. All this and more, made the Henry Street New Federal

Theatre experience an evening to savor.



MARTHA LOUIS

**CHIT'CHAT:** — Martha Louis, a champion of a woman, had to rush back to Las Vegas from DeeCee where she was called to witness the dedication of the immortal heavyweight's Arlington Cemetery headstone, to bury her mother. The beautiful people and superstars of sports and entertainment from all over the world were in Vegas for Caesars Palace's major Parimutuel Oct. 16th. The proceeds will benefit the Joe Louis Foundation... That new Black Shoppers Guide that is about to make its debut in the churches full of money saving coupons, is the brainchild of Dr. Wyatt Tee Walker. The former aid to the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. is off for an all inclusive look at China... Perhaps the Nzingha Society, Inc.

plans to do without the support of the black press. Its upscheduled 5th Annual Auction & Arts Fair listed only blacks from the white electronic media as guest auctioneers. Would you believe that the bash is listed as a benefit for the Negro Ensemble Co... Pretty Cynthia Badi-Dashiell, east coast region promo mgr, MCA Records, plans not to get caughtup in that same bind. She plans to pay lots of attention to those who work for the black press... Bill DeFossett, nat'l prexy of the 369th Vets, has challenged other black org's to help erase the blight of the black community by building new housing and rehabilitating others. His vets are doing just that on three locations... Gordon Anderson, the distinctive and creative lensman, has donated his huge collection to the Schomberg Library. The wheels are natch so happy about the whole deal they're planning a 4-month eye-level presentation of his best. The collection includes exclusive shots of Josephine Baker, Nat King Cole, Duke Ellington, Moms Mabley, Pigmeat Markham and Billie Holiday among other immortals.

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WE ARE PLAYING THESE Nov. 6-12, 1981

ALBUMS	
1. SLINGSHOT - MICHAEL HENDERSON	16. EBONEE WEBB
2. I LIKE YOU STYLE - JERMAINE JACKSON	17. LOVE ALL THE HURT AWAY - AREATHA FRANKLIN
3. THE TIME	18. SEND IT - OZONE
4. PIECES OF A DREAM	19. I'M IN LOVE - EVELYN KING
5. CAN'T WE FALL IN LOVE AGAIN - PHYLLIS HYMAN	20. LOVE IS THE PLACE - CURTIS MAYFIELD
6. SWEET AND WONDERFUL - JEAN CARN	21. JUMP STREET - ROSE ROYCE
7. THE MANY FACETS OF ROGER	22. THE SECOND ADVENTURE - DYNASTY
8. FANCY DANCER - ONE WAY	23. CARL CARLTON
9. SUMMERS HEAT - BRICK	24. DREAM MACHINE
10. CLOSER THAN CLOSE - THE STYLISTICS	25. THIS KIND OF LOVIN - WHISPERS
11. STANDING TOGETHER - MIDNIGHT STAR	26. HAPPY LOVE - NATALIE COLE
12. BLACK TIE - MANHATTANS	27. LIFETIME THING - ISAAC HAYES
13. SOMETHING SPECIAL - KOOL AND THE GANG	28. CONCEPT - SYLVERS
14. TONIGHT - THE FOUR TOPS	29. EVERY HOME SHOULD HAVE ONE - PATTI AUSTIN
	30. BILL PRESTON & SYREETA

SINGLES	
CONTRIVERSY - PRINCE	ALL I WANT - TWENNY NINE WITH LENNY WHITE
LET'S GROOVE - EARTH, WIND & FIRE	MONSTER JAM - BROTHER TO BROTHER
INSIDE YOU - ISLEYS	BABY NOT TONIGHT - MADAGASCAR
LET'S GET CRACKING - SHOCK	HERE YOU COME AGAIN - THE EMOTIONS
BODY TALK - IMAGINATION	I WANNA FEEL YOUR LOVE - CANDY BOWMAN
I CAN'T LIVE WITH OUT YOUR LOVE - TEDDY PENDERGRASS	WANTING YOU - STARPOINT
I WILL FIGHT - GLADYS KNIGHT & THE PIPS	TASTE OF MAGIC - GODMOMA
TAKE MY LOVE - MELBA MOORE	
DANCING - MARY GOLD	
HEART OF GOLD - THE EXCORTS	
WELCOME ABROAD - LOVE UNLIMITED	
WTKKA WRAP - EVASIONS	