

# Entertainment



## 'BENSON' LEAVES AS FIFTH DIMENSION RETURN TO RIV'S SOLID GOLD

Robert Guillaume, TV's 'Benson', was greeted at his current farewell party sponsored by the Riviera Hotel by members of the Fifth Dimension. Guillaume closed on March 13, while the Fifth Dimension opened for their second engagement with Solid Gold on March 14. Guillaume is shown above with Ron Townsend of the Fifth Dimension.

The Fifth Dimension can be seen at 8:00 and 11:00 p.m. every night except Sunday in the Riviera's Versailles Theatre. Cost for the show is \$17.50 per person and \$12.50 for youths under the age of 16. Special dinner/show combinations are also available. Ask for details.

## SEARCH FOR GOLD FINALS - MARCH 24

SEARCH FOR GOLD finals are Sunday for winners Tony Warren, Hilda Vincent, JTO & Bobby Duck, Charlie Frye and Tammy Lee. The McCall Twins will participate in the April finals due to a previous commitment.



Tony Warren

The three weeks of March competition have been exciting with fresh new talent unfolding before the eyes of the 'Search' audience. March 24 is the big day for these artists to 'go for the gold'. The winner will receive a one week paid engagement in the Riviera's hit show 'Solid Gold'.

SEARCH FOR GOLD, the Riviera's production starring Red Saber and Veva Foote, continues to be 'the hottest place to be on Sunday nights' as Saber and Foote present Las Vegas' upcoming talent to the public. Each week the Versailles Theatre sees SRO crowds turn out to root for their favorites.

'BEST OF GOLD' will be presented on March 31, with many of the former winners appearing for encore performances.

Persons interested in becoming contestants on SEARCH FOR GOLD should call Talent Coordinator, Red Saber, at 796-1340

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## Sorority Prepares For Ebony Fashion Show

The Alpha Rho Chapter of Gamma Phi Delta Sorority Inc. sponsors the Ebony Fashion Show 7 p.m. April 7 at the Aladdin Hotel to benefit the Dialysis Unit at Southern Nevada Memorial Hospital.

The 27th benefit fashion show for Ebony is produced and directed by Johnson Publishing Company. Over the years Alpha Rho has donated thou-

sands of dollars for charitable purposes in the community, and for scholarships to needy students for higher academic achievement. This is the second year Alpha Rho is donating proceeds of the show to SNMH.

Fortickets, call 385-5174, 642-1118 or the Nevada Black Chamber of Commerce.

## BILLIE ROWE'S NOTEBOOK

### NATIVE AFRICANS SPEAR STEREOTYPE ROLES HALT FILM

N'YORK CITY:--Karen Blixen's book, 'Out of Africa', is conceived in some quarters of the Motherland as out of reality with today's native sons and daughters. A battle over stereotype roles and low pay, at press time, has brought the Universal/Mirage production of its adaptation to the screen to a standstill. The role of Africans in the screenplay has been editorially word-blashed by the Kenya Times which wrote: 'To require independent Kenyans to now play inferior to a white memsahib in a movie, just because Karen Blixen in her book saw Kenyans as inferior, is taking it too far. The Ministry of Information & B'casting should not allow foreign film firms to come her and insult us on our own soil just because some racist author wrote a racist book ages ago.' Male Kenyan extras are claiming that to film Africans half naked is a slap in the face of Kenya's dignity. They also demand that they receive more than the \$3.70 per day waages and be given suits or similar modern attire instead of shorts. They further objected to Africans on the set being ordered about by white 'memsahib'. The picture stars are Meryl Streep and Robert Redford.

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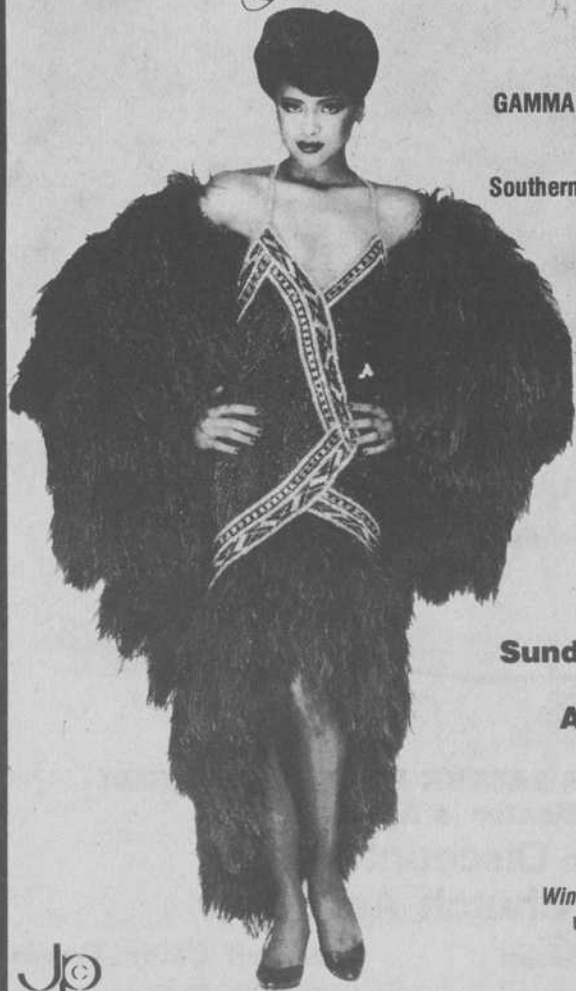
miniseries, deleted the only two racial characters in the book which inspired the show? 'Gladrags,' the homosexual, who was Buddy Hudson's early procurer and detective Leon Rosemont, who was white and his Afro-American spouse Millie, were totally eliminated from the script... So happy to see our major organizations beginning to recognize more of our own. The Jackie Robinson Foundation, along with EDGES, which leads the way, will both honor John H. Johnson, the president & publisher, Johnson publications, this year. He, by the way, has been elected to replace the late Dr. Jerome Holland on the Chrysler Corp. board of directors. The Boy/Jet founder is on 4 other Fortune-500 company boards... That interview Billy Dee Williams mouthed out while in town a few sevens ago didn't help his image at all. His ego appeared too visible... There are those who're not without honor in their own hometown. Lead by Napoleon Holmes, Ossie Davis and spouse Ruby Dee were honored in N'Rochelle at the Palace. The soiree was for the benefit of Africare...

...Red Foxx is feeling good about the new sitcom pilot he has developed for NBC-TV. It could get him back in the box in the style to which he was once accustomed...

STAY LOOSE... BILLY ROWE IS A SYN-DICATED COLUMNIST.

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