

# Entertainment

## BILLIE ROWE'S NOTEBOOK

### Agents of Unrest Sabotage Human Understanding

For several weeks White and Black agents of unrest have infiltrated the mental pace of this city. Who have been the beneficiaries? The demagogues and those assassins of goodwill with their horrendous emotional methods of public media negotiations. Even they know that prejudice, and any form of discrimination, are dangerous diseases, they ignore the fact that reverse racism is not an antibiotic. It is time that sane level-headed human beings rebel against any mental corruption designed to divide humanity. In a land built upon the premise of individual liberty, the essential foundation of freedom, these self-anointed community leaders have systematically kept an enormous segment of

Americans vassals of segregation. Always emitting words of unrest without any contingency plans, they loot our pride and bury our promise. Those racist hoodlums who allegedly caused the death of a young man should feel the full wrath of the law. N'Yorkers, the nation, on both sides of the color spectrum, should stand up for nothing else...Racism has been punished in Paradise and the snakes who caused the Waikiki Hyatt to bite the bias forbidden apple have felt the wrath of the Honolulu Liquor Commission. By a 3-1 vote

the board found the chain guilty of two incidents of discrimination on Jan. 11th, but not guilty on a third Nov. of '85. Unless its appeal reverses, the posh hotel will not be allowed to sell booze in any of its 1,234 rooms or any of its 6-restaurants and 2 bars. Though Mayor Frank Fasi declared he would not tolerate racial discrimination, the punishment was wrist-slapping light. The people involved are members of the armed forces. Marine Sgt. Juan Ortiz, Jr. and two Black Air Force pilots, Capt. Donald A. Mitchell and Lt. Jeffery Francis. They charged that they were bounced from the hotel's Spats disco club. In its attempt to beat the charges, the hotel mouthpiece presented Black males who testified they experienced no discrimination and offered VIP cards which waived cover charges.

**MARQUEE LINES:**--Lee A. Archer's peers at Gen. Foods will host his final retirement party Jan. 22nd. He will be toasted by top executives led to the fete by new Chair/CEO Phil Smith. Phil Davis, who has resigned as corporate vice pres, Avon employee relations, will replace Archer, the WW-11 air ace, in the veep chair of the world class food processor...Herb Douglas has retired as vice pres., Schiefflin & Co. after many productive years. However, not completely. He has been reenlisted as an

expert consultant. His man heart chore will be the continuation of the Jesse Owens worldwide award program to keep alive the exploits of the legendary '36 Olympic Games hero...Sam Cooke, wasted in an L.A. motel in the prime of life and the pinnacle of a great singing career, will be posthumously inducted into the Song Writers Hall of Fame...Greg' Shake You Down' Abbott isn't new on the scene. He is a man of many careers, among them teacher, writer and Wall St. researcher. He was also hitched to Freda Payne and made headlines suing her for support after their split. He's the pop of her son and the bro. of actress Dianne Abbot...The J. LuRob outfit would like to let all and sundry know that it has acquired the rights to "Sing, Mahalia, Sing." The musical is based on the same opus which traversed the hinterlands for 20-wks in '85 with applaudable success...The new mgr. of the refurbished Chgo Theatre plans to ditch heavy metal and turn to contemporary performers like Lionel Richie...Japanese theatre-goers paid on excess of \$5-million to view "Dreamgirls." The closing audience brought tears to the eyes of the cast, tossing flowers and streamers...**STAY LOOSE.** Billy Rowe is a syndicated columnist.

## Donna Summer Headlines Caesars Palace

Recording star Donna Summer returns to headline the Caesars Palace Circus Maximus Showroom February 11-16 in cocktail shows that also feature comedian Marty Cohen.

Summer, whose hit records in the mid '70s included "Bad Girls," "Last Dance" and "Hot Stuff," was once hailed "Queen of Disco." Her more recent single, "The Wanderer," "Love is in Control" and "She Works Hard for the Money," have all gone gold, and a 13th career album is planned for release soon.

Born in Boston, Summer began singing in her church choir. After launching her professional performing career in New York in 1967, she spent eight years on European stages, doing feature roles in "Hair," "Godspell," "The Me Nobody Knows," "Porgy and Bess" and "Showboat."

A popular Las Vegas performer, she says that her live stage experience has been a tremendous help as she has made what can for some artists be a difficult transition from the recording studio to a showroom. "Had I not had that experience, I would certainly have been scared to death on stage," she says. "Having been there from the very beginning has helped enormously."

Marty Cohen is a veteran headliner of such laugh factories as San Diego's Comedy Store, Dallas' Comedy Corner and many more. On tour with talents like Joan Rivers, Lola Falana and Dionne Warwick, he has performed at Caesars Tahoe and other resort showrooms across the country. Cohen was the attorney in NBC's telefilm "Can You Hear the Laughter? -- The Freddie Prinze Story," co-starred in TV's "Hardcastle and McCormack" and has appeared on various television game, talk and variety series.

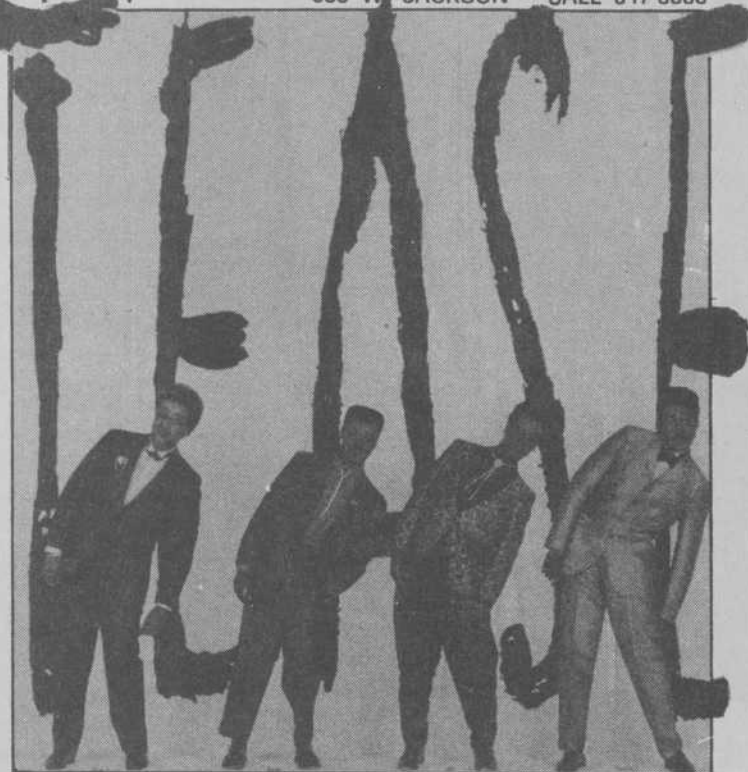
On stage at Caesars Palace Donna Summer and Marty Cohen perform cocktail shows nightly at 8:30 and 11:30 p.m., except Monday and Wednesday, when performances are scheduled at 10 p.m.

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