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(5) The wave of suicides, murders and crimes which shows a horrifying

trend and may touch in some way, every American home! (6) The booming national industry of the great Northwest and the Southwest! These states will reach a new high in population and a great shortage of workers will result! Watch Washington, Oregon, California, Nevada, Colorado, Idaho, Utah, Arizona and New Mexico, for they are scheduled for the greatest gains! (7) The crisis in the Middle East when Russia seeks to capture Egypt politically along with Turkey! (8) The advancement of medicine to new heights, with new controls over cancer, leprosy and heart trouble! (9) The bloody revolt in Red China and the horrifying results of a plague and new famine! (10) The triumph of the Democratic Solid South in American politics, exactly one hundred years after the crippling Civil War! All Democrats

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#### DATELINE — THE FUTURE!

I predict that all private sailing craft will be more carefully licensed by the shore patrol. Each craft will be registered and licensed very much like aircraft. Sailing standards will be raised and the personal safety will be placed on disaster call. . . . I predict that the next trend in New Orleans music will be the modern swing of Afro-American rhythm based on a very pronounced jungle beat. . . . I predict that storm clouds are again gathering in Argentina for the one-time popularity of ex-dictator Peron is far from over. Many militant Peronists are still active, and in their hearts look to the day that Peron can return to power. His late wife, Evita, still remains the greatest symbol of feminism in this century. . . .

I predict that America will have further atomic tests in the Pacific which will outshadow any tests we have made to date. The fantastic de-

structive power of the atomic hydrogen bomb cannot be realized by the human mind. . . . I predict that thousands of men and women who are over forty years of age will be called back to work to replace younger workers who have not been found satisfactory. For precision work and technical skill the man and woman over forty will be in greater demand than ever before. The world will belong to the man and the woman over forty in 1959! With new added social security benefits, federal housing plans and adult education, your future is assured!

#### YOUR ENTERTAINMENT PARADE:

I predict that Sophie Tucker, the last of the red hot mammas, will permit her life to be filmed with all of the profits going to her many pet charities. . . . I predict that Paul Robeson, will make a special album of Russian propaganda songs to be released on a world-wide basis. Robe-

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## GLITTER GULCH

By HARRY PARKER

HAVING given way last week in order to make space for BRUNO BERNARD'S well chosen words about SAMMY DAVIS, JR. and RED SKELTON, we return to the same familiar stand, but this time with just a slightly different column. Generally we confine ourselves to news of "Casino Row," but so many things of import to the community have come up that this week's column turns out to be an exception. Last Saturday night found us seated at the Annual Chamber of Commerce Installation Banquet. Incoming President TOM UNDERHILL showed in his acceptance speech an intense desire to make 1959 a big year for the local chamber. Calling for a dynamic approach to age-old problems, TOM put forth the skeleton of an idea to unite the Chambers of Las Vegas, Henderson, North Las Vegas and Boulder City into a closer unit all striving to sell not just one particular area, but ALL of Southern Nevada. Here is a project that sounds great, but undoubtedly will take a great deal of patience in order to put it into operation. All of the area's businessmen who take a part in this step forward would do well to keep in mind the success of such a coordinated project in Southern California. One of the most interesting parts of TOM'S remarks dealt with a com-

parison of expenditures for advertising and publicity between Las Vegas and similar cities in known tourist markets. In almost every instance the expenditures in other communities ran from one hundred to four hundred per cent more and even higher in isolated cases.

During the course of the talk we picked out what could be a very worthwhile project for an ambitious and eager State Assemblyman to attempt to put through the State Assembly. In the State of Nevada there exists for some reason not even vaguely clear to this writer, a law prohibiting the State from expending any funds for the purpose of publicity and advertising. Many other states take an active financial part in selling their outstanding features and areas to the tourist trade. Of all the states, Florida appears the most active and effective, but state financed projects like Arizona's famed "Arizona Highways" certainly rate mention also. Since a number of State, County and City officials take pride in pointing out the existence of surplus funds here and there, perhaps they might consider an INVESTMENT in area advertising and publicity as a beneficial project for the area. If TOM UNDERHILL chooses to organize a committee within the Chamber to initiate such a

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**THIS WEEK'S COVER:** The bouncing package of talent and beauty who graces the TROPICANA line and our cover is MARGIE NELSON. This beautiful gal won the coveted award and title of "MISS U.S.A." in 1956. MISS NELSON is interested in enlarging her scope in Sho biz and seeks fame as an actress via legitimate stage. Our best wishes on her climb — er, pardon — her ascent to fame — And That's For Sure! . . . Photo by BERNARD OF HOLLYWOOD.



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**HICKORY Room**

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**T**HOUSANDS paid final homage to DR. MARGARET "MOM" CHUNG in San Francisco last Wednesday. This wonderful humanitarian passed away at the age of 68 from that dreaded "killer," cancer. Many, many more thousands all over the world, were also saddened by the loss of this great Lady. . . . A surgeon who gave her all to benefit humanity, Dr. Chung devoted her entire life to the service of mankind. . . . Her life was "rich" in friendships and included the world's most distinguished theatrical and military personalities. "MOM" was the very first woman to practice modern medicine in Chinatown. She was the eldest of eleven children all of whom she helped to raise. Her father was a Chinese merchant whose income never exceeded \$45.00 a month. Dr. Chung put herself through the University of Southern California Medical School by winning a scholarship. Dr. Chung received her degree in 1916 and later went to Chicago where she specialized in surgery at Mary Thompson Hospital. Later she became the Psychiatric Criminologist for the State of Illinois. . . . We could write much more about "Mom," but we just can't find the words. Numbered among her thousands of "Adopted Children," were the late F. D. ROOSEVELT, CAPTAIN EDDIE RICKENBACKER, SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL, SOPHIE TUCKER, ADM. CHESTER NIMITZ, CARY GRANT, ADM. "BULL"

HALSEY, SPENCER TRACY and numerous others. We feel a great personal loss with the passing of "Mom." As her son, Kiwi No. 362, we corresponded frequently and saw each other on many occasions. To have known her was a wonderful experience and we are grateful to have had the opportunity of being, A CHOSEN SON. . . . Again, we repeat, it is impossible to write in a few words about the accomplishments, personal magnetism and love that DR. CHUNG radiated.

The following is a message from this great lady to her "Sons" in the service during World War II and shows just a small part of "Mom's" fabulous heart.

**"May God always ride with you as Co-Pilot. May you always have blue skies, fair weather, smooth sailing and Happy Landings. Wherever you are, my Prayers for your safety and my Love wing their way to you.**

Devotedly  
"MOM"

And, with bowed head, we will again quote from the lips of the eternal woman —

**"May the Lord watch between thee and me, while we are absent, one from the other" . . . AMEN.**

One of the most beautiful lounges we've ever seen (bar none) is the newly refurbished and rearranged Starlight Lounge in the RIVIERA HOTEL. Almost near completion it's most comfortable and completely sets aside the entertainment from the

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gaming. Congratulations to President of the Hotel, BEN GOFFSTEIN, whose untiring efforts and imagination helped make it possible. . . .

A gala surprise birthday party was the big event at the EL RANCHO VEGAS HOTEL last Monday evening. The honored guest was the one, the only, JOE E. LEWIS. Practically everyone attended the party which started at 2:00 a.m. and we never did find out when it broke. Could be still going on? Many happy returns JOE E., and our best wishes for at least fifty more. . . .

One of the most delectable dishes we ever ate is the delicious Shrimp Victor at the COLONIAL HOUSE (Rebel Room). Named after DAVE VICTORSON it is a delicacy meant for kings. Please try it and you'll rave too! . . . .

T'was nice to welcome back to our midst, BILLY GRAY, PATTI MOORE and BEN LESSY, who have been creating havoc since they opened last Wednesday in the *Starlight* Lounge of the RIVIERA HOTEL. They are really terrific together, especially when Billy gets going on one of the patrons and says "Gee-eez, she don't know nuthin'!" He keeps on the same way until the end of the show and even his "victims" enjoy the hilarity. Billy just returned from an eight months business and vacation trip in Europe and this is his first engagement since arriving back in the U.S.A. Lovely Patti Moore and "Dance for Mama," Ben Lessy, Co-starred at the RIVIERA HOTEL on the same bill with comic SAM LEV-


ENSON. This is a great show and we suggest you see it. Regardless of how you get to the Hotel, just get there! . . .

JOHNNY BACHEMIN, sensational dancing and singing star, currently in the *Sinbad Lounge* of the DUNES HOTEL, has the audiences raving about his "had to be born talents." Never saw any man work as hard and enjoy so much of it. He dances like mad, sings like a matinee idol and plays piano like a virtuoso! What more could anyone ask? Old-timers (?) may remember Johnny when he Co-starred with DOROTHY LAMOUR at the LAST FRONTIER HOTEL and brought the "house down". Johnny and his group that includes HOYT HENRY on the trumpet are really tops and the patrons sure love 'em! . . . .

Channel 13's TAFFY HILL tossed a SPUDNUT party last week for the younger set and was one of the busiest gals you ever saw when some three hundred youngsters turned out for the event which was held in the SPUDNUT SHOP on Charleston Boulevard from 1 to 3 p.m. It was one of the biggest children's parties ever held in FLV and after expecting approximately twenty to fifty children, Taffy headed for a few days' rest after handling the huge turnout. You can catch this titian haired lovely over channel 13 Saturday from 10 to 11 a.m. and on Sunday from 8 to 9 a.m. Her children's shows are among the most popular to ever play before local teevee cameras.

Sometime next month IRWIN MO-  
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**R**AGING Mr. Hockenlocker" — this poignant call at the TROPICANA brings to life the irrepensible comic SHECKY GREENE now appearing there with the ROBERTA SHERWOOD show. SHECKY is an effervescent, unpredictable fella whose material is so vast that he can hold an audience for hours. From the entrance "count down" of his main room act to "blast off" it is merely a warm-up for this one time Chicagoan. SHECKY and his collaborator, FRANKIE RAY, grew up together in the "windy city" where, as under privileged kids, they attended the "off the Street" Club. This club did so much in shaping their young lives that it is still very close to their hearts and they are now writing a TV pilot about it. It will be called "Off the Street Club" and SHECKY will be its star. Should be an instant seller to possible clients for its heart warming story, humorously depicted by funny man SHECKY. Needless to say, a percentage of the profits from this late summer release by SHECKY GREENE ENTERPRISES INC. will go to this club to continue its support. SHECKY is ably abetted in his desires and aims by his lovely wife, JERI. Writer FRANKIE RAY'S son MARK, age 10, was one of the fortunate children to escape from the recent holocaust of Chicago's Our Ladies of the Angels School where so many youngsters perished. Get yourself a copy of the recording — "Shecky in the Lounge"

— it's a "duzy" and it's selling — for free — according to "Mr. Hockenlocker." . . . .

THE BOB DE VOYE TRIO, great dance artists who recently closed at the TROPICANA, open January 26th in KEN MURRAY'S BLACKOUTS in L. A. The "price of fame" the kids couldn't be renig from a one-nighter in New York's WALDORF ASTORIA and had to make the 6000 mile trek (to and from) to fulfill this engagement. . . . New Years notes from JANE MORGAN, lovely star of the Riviera's Ziegfield Follies show, vacationing at St. Thomas, Virgin Islands and from SHIRLEY O. MILLS, gorgeous and talented artist who appeared here at the DUNES. SHIRLEY is currently in L. A. before leaving on an extended tour. . . . TROPICANA bus-boy TIM FOLEY, young and personable, is a former Water Skiing Instructor and a L. V. newcomer. Just wait till this summer when he can enjoy our very great LAKE MEAD and compare it with PENSACOLA, FLORIDA, where his mother still resides. . . .

BILL JOST, CAPTAIN, FLAMINGO lounge, tricked wife JOSIE out of their new house then moved in a surprise gift — a Baldwin piano. New home, dog, piano — sweet music and contentment. No wonder JOSIE smiles as she totes your libations in the Stardust Lounge. . . . Our town's favorite little pixie, LIZANNE TRUEX, in for the opening of the new TROPICANA show produced by

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EARL BARTON, and bubbly over a recently completed picture with comic DANNY KAYE. LIZ assisted EARL BARTON, who did the choreography for "Five Pennies" (The life of RED NICHOLS) and she also was thrilled over dancing with DANNY in this truly great picture. We, and all her good friends, are so happy that LIZANNE will be returning this summer — (our SCOOP) — as the beloved bride of a great guy EARL BARTON. What a wonderful team of talent to grace our city. Congratulations to two very nice kids and may they have a great and happy future together — privately and as a production team! . . .

Blonderful dancer DOTTY HARMONY, TROPICANA lovely, lives up to her name. She's signed to record for Liberty Records and we hope she gets one of them there gold ones as a result of this date. Good Luck, gal. . . . JULES PHEIFFER, New York Producer of "The Last Waltz" and "Goodnight Ladies," in a huddle with AL BORDIE and LEW KANE, and

talking to Strip execs. re: "Star and Garter Revue" Featuring BOBBY CLARK and GYPSY ROSE LEE. GYPSY'S life story is to be produced on Broadway this year, title unknown at this time. . . .

It's not generally known, but pretty songstress JILLA WEBB, who thrushes for HARRY JAMES, earned two Masters Degrees: one in Detroit — other in Chicago in the Art of Dancing. An accomplished ballet dancer, JILLA felt that the vocallure had a stronger urge — yet she keeps in dancing trim which accounts for her poise and grace on the stage of the Flamingo Lounge. . . . What a happy holiday season was enjoyed by HENRI and MYRNA BOURDET when daughter, MRS. M. FAVERS and her little daughter, of L. A. spent Christmas and New Years in our FLV. HENRI is one of very fine Captains in the Tropicana Theatre Restaurant. MYRNA is a whiz of a knitter, as lucky friends will aver. . . .

Visitors in town last week were MR. and MRS. FRANK FYRER of Portland, Oregon. FRANK is popular DEE JAY at Portland Stadium. . . . Bravo gals, for a job well-done, to MAE BURKE and MARIE GALLOWAY, who so capably filled in backstage in the TROPICANA Wardrobe Department, while head Wardrobe Mistress ANNABELLE SHORT underwent surgery a short time ago! We're glad you're back BELLE, but take it easy now, you can rely on these gals to make your task lighter. Your co-workers missed you — get well and strong, very soon. . . .

Best Wishes for a Happy Birthday to a lovely person, LOIS THOMAS, food waitress in the TROPICANA Coffee Shop who celebrates next Tuesday (Jan. 20th). Hubby MEL, who is at the front desk in the RIVIERA thinks she gets prettier and younger each year. We have two avid fans of this pillar in LOIS' youngsters ANN and PAUL PRATT back in Phoenix, who eagerly await our FLV MAGAZINE each week. Maybe oughta have a 'Round The Town' Fan

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**T**HE OTHER night while spending an hour or so talking with and listening to charming KAY PARSONS in the LAS VEGAS BOWL, KAY handed us a book listing titles, composers and lyricists of hit tunes from 9115 through 1958. Only the top melodies of each year were included, but it certainly was a revelation to go over these titles, collecting the memories that many a song brings back and associating them with events, persons or acts that can be remembered. Also kind of afraid we dated ourselves, because from 1932 on there were very few of these hit tunes that didn't register. We're going to take another longer look at this column and then try and come up with a column or two that will be of interest to "Lounge Stars" and "Lounge Hoppers" all over town. . . .

The Celebrity Lounge of the EL CORTEZ HOTEL currently is featuring one of its all time top entertainment lineups. With the return of THE DUBONNETS — TANYA, MAC and TIL — they now have that unit plus EDDIE BUSH and THE VERSATILES — EDDIE, BILL, CHUY and JACK — and THE INSTRUMENTALISTS — GEORGE, CLAUDE and BILL. Not only do all three of these units sell like no others we can recall in this Lounge, but they also represent ten of the nicest people in the entertainment business. They're all as pleasant as their music and a trip into this spot over the next few weeks or months will be an exposure to real warmth in both song and friendship. . . . Had a phone call the other day from vivacious KAY STEVENS of the KAY STEVENS TRIO who played the Carnival Room of the FREMONT HOTEL last year. KAY and TOMMY AMATO (her trumpeteer husband)

were passing through town on the way to Reno and an engagement at the RIVERSIDE HOTEL. They were traveling with HELEN and MARIO MANCUSI, Owners of the swank and popular MANCUSI SUPPER CLUB in Chicago — one of the top eateries in that town where they recently filled a lengthy engagement. KAY was enthusiastic about a flock of new material that they will soon be introducing to the act. It's all built around the highlights of Broadway's great musical, "The Music Man." MIKE DEAN, who used to play accordion with the group, decided to stay off the road from now on, especially since his pretty wife will soon present him with their fourth young one. Replacing MIKE is FRANK GARI, a talented exponent of the electric piano and organ. We fully expect to see the KAY STEVENS TRIO in Las Vegas come spring and probably playing their initial Strip engagement. . . . Both MARY KAYE and her brother NORMAN'S wife, SHIRLEY, are expecting the Stork in April. No reports in from FRANKIE ROSS yet. Meanwhile the group remains at the EL RANCHO VEGAS and may head for a Phoenix date at the KO-KO CLUB when this stint

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*Shecky Greene*

is over. . . . One of our long time friends and a top musician, RALPH GARI, (ANTONIO MORELLI ORK at the SANDS HOTEL) will soon be toodling a sensational sax in a series of special concert appearances. . . . HANK PENNY filled in the other night for an ailing TEX RITTER in the *Captains' Lounge* at HOTEL SHOWBOAT and the "Country Boy" turned in his customary great job. . . . GINNY GREER and THE GALLIONS, now playing in the *Casbar Theatre* of the SAHARA HOTEL are an all new group since last appearing here in March, 1958. Hubby REX is the same! But — replacing brother VAUGHAN GALLION, who retired, is ED COSEY (of Scranton, Pa.) on Bass. The father of seven youngsters,

at home in Covina, California, with wife MADELINE. Five girls — 2 boys CHERYL 17 oldest — BILL, TERESA (TERRY) — LYNNE — "E. P." (Ed Paul), LOURI and little DOT, one and a half years old. After that "passek" of youngsters, the COSEYS' must have "DOTTED" (?) the line! Whew! ED and REX met while doing the DUDE MARTIN SHOW over KTTV in Ellay. ED also was a long time with RAY NOBEL at the COCOANUT GROVE. Also new and replacing retired CLYDE RIDGE is young RAY LEWIS (22 yrs. old). A graduate of an Eastern Conservatory of Music RAY has appeared as a featured accordionist on the LAWRENCE WELK TV'er and has also been featured artist at CIROS' on the SUNSET STRIP. From Richmond, Va., RAY is married and his ANITA has kept him in a frenzy as the new little over-due bundle has not yet met the deadline. Little PAMELA is same age as the COSEYS' youngest, DOT. Congrats are in order. A great Combo, of beauty and talent.

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SHOW REVIEWS OF STAGE AND SCREEN PERSONALITIES APPEARING THIS WEEK IN FABULOUS LAS VEGAS

## DESERT INN

December 30th thru January 26th

Show: Miss Peggy Lee with Evelyn Freeman and Tommy Roberts; The Bernard Brothers; The Donn Arden Dancers with Art Johnson and Carlton Hayes and his Orchestra.

Sparkling MISS PEGGY LEE lends her charm and outstanding singing voice to this current stage attraction in the Painted Desert Room. The versatile recording artist and composer has brought in her own complement of stellar performers — EVELYN FREEMAN and TOMMY ROBERTS — whose "exciting voices" blend beautifully with MISS LEE'S in a program of happy song. MISS LEE'S entire act was staged by the brilliant NICK CASTLE. . . . THE BERNARD BROTHERS are a companion act of

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## The Dunes

December 25th thru Indefinite

Show: Harold Minsky's "Nuit de Paris" Featuring Carrie Finnell; The Marquis Family; Trio Cottas; Ben Beri; Naja Karamura; Gwen Harmon; Bob Kennedy; Allen Conroy; Irving Benson; Jack Mann; Vicki Denas; Jimmy Cavanaugh; The Minsky Models and Mannequins and Cee Davidson and his Orchestra.

HAROLD MINSKY'S "Nuit de Paris" greeted the New Year in a blaze of spectacular costuming, glorious, eye-filling nudes and dancing dolls and a ream of belt-stretching humor. . . . Featured performer is lovable CARRIE FINNELL, that impish lady of the stage with the uncanny pectoral control. CARRIE'S torso terpsichory consistently brings peals of laughter from both the male and fe-

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## El Rancho Vegas

December 24th thru Indefinite

Show: Joe E. Lewis with Austin Mack at the Piano; The Mary Kaye Trio; Dick Rice and his Orchestra.

This newly refurbished and redecorated Opera House Restaurant is the scene of a rollicking TOM DOUGLAS produced capsule of comedy and song co-featuring the one and only JOE E. LEWIS plus the fabulous MARY KAYE TRIO in their initial EL RANCHO VEGAS appearance. . . . "Joltin" JOE, everybody's favorite comedian, insures a festive mood for Holiday Season crowds & you can be sure his gags, to the accompaniment of AUSTIN MACK'S keyboard finesse, will break in the new room in record time. . . . One of Las Vegas' all-time favorites and most famous

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## Flamingo

December 15th thru Indefinite

Show: Pearl Bailey; Lou Bellson; Coles and Atkins; The Flamingoettes and Jack Cathcart and his Orchestra.

Flamingo Room patrons have the pleasure of spending their holiday visitations to this lavish room with matchless PEARL BAILEY, the entertainment thunderbolt of this spa. "PEARLIE MAE" has concocted some special material for this indefinite session and with holiday crowds on hand the prospect is for SRO business or at least for extremely tight seating accommodations. Here is a stage personality with as much talent as any to ever work before lights. Each of her shows is a memorable experience as she shares with you her great gift for entertaining. . . . The

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## HACIENDA

Indefinite

Show: The Four Tunes; Johnny Olenn; The Grover-Shore Trio; Shirley Scott and The Modulators.

Appearing in the smart Jewel Box Theatre are a string of fine top-rated Lounge attractions headed by the fast and flashy FOUR TUNES, exponents of modern tempos and revived, souped-up arrangements of the standards . . . JOHNNY OLENN follows in the same trend with a modern approach to music built around a group of fine instrumentals . . . Bringing a great change of pace to the program are the smooth and long-popular GROVER - SHORE TRIO with countless arrangements of foot-swinging standards and pop tunes. They're one of the all-time favorites among local

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## Riviera

January 12th thru Indefinite

Show: Xavier Cugat; Abbe Lane; Jack Carter; The Dorothy Dorben Dancers; Ray Sinatra and his Orchestra.

From the clever opening production with pert and sassy kittens parading through a back yard tenement scene straight through the performances of the three stars, the current Clover Room production presented by SAMMY LEWIS is an eye-opening, fun-filled show. . . . CUGIE and luscious ABBE collaborate in a Latin type fun and dance-fest that embraces songs and dancing by ABBE, clever repartee by the one and only CUGAT and special song material presented by the both of them. You'll also enjoy VITORRIO and D'NATALIE'S clever Spanish Dancing and ABBE'S

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## SAHARA

(Not a Review)

January 13th thru February 9th

Show: Donald O'Connor; Sidney Miller; Olive; Los Gatos; The Saharem Dancers; Louis Basil and his Orchestra.

STAN IRWIN presents one of Las Vegas' most popular guest performers, dandy DONALD O'CONNOR who has danced his way into the smart Congo Room for a four-week siege of top-drawer musical comedy. With DONALD is his able accomplice in merriment SIDNEY MILLER, he of the fertile comedy brain and master of a thousand rib-tickling guises. Recently revamped with a political connotation, their "Song Writer Bit" proves to be the comedy highlight of the show. For added strength and greater variety DONALD takes you

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## The Sands

(Not a Review)

January 14th thru January 27th

Show: Frank Sinatra; Betty Kean and Lew Parker; The Exciting Texas CopaGirls; Antonio Morelli and his Orchestra.

JACK ENTRATTER presents the singer who undoubtedly rates as America's top jazz vocalist, FRANK SINATRA. For the entire two-week engagement, reservations will be harder to get than a glass of milk at an Irish picnic. FRANKIE'S program of song highlights his singing career through the years, drawing on top numbers from record, stage and movie frames. And, there are enough of them to keep the thin singer at the microphone for days at a time. . . . A new act to the local boards is BETTY KEAN and LEW PARKER,

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## STARDUST

July 2nd thru Indefinite

Show: The Revue de Lido de Paris — "C'est Magnifique" featuring a cast of Sixty Continental Artists, The Bluebell Girls and Eddie O'Neal and his Orchestra.

Capacity throngs continue to pass through the portals of the magnificent Cafe Continental to view the Club Lido Revue — "C'est Magnifique" — in all of its classical splendor. From the overture through the finale it is an exciting, electrifying and astounding production with a cast of sixty Continental performers who enact their respective roles with heretofore unseen finesse on the local scene. Its lavish scenes unfold with mystifying speed through the medium of multiple hydraulic lifts and frame the individual performers with such spectacularity it is difficult to grasp their vast scope. In between the body of the elaborate productions — The Grecian Pool Scene, The Neopolitan Street Scene; Maxim's and The Parisian Extravaganza — are a series of outstanding European acts, entirely new to the American showgoing public. . . . Amazing juggler ERIC BRENN juggles a houseful of dinnerware in a breath-taking race against gravity. Sheer speed and perfect balance are the only tools this artist needs to bring you an act of astounding impact. . . . Premier ice skating artist JACQUELINE DU BIEF gives a graceful exhibition of the flawless style that won her countless medals and international acclaim. She's a vision in white and a symphony of supple, perfectly controlled motion. . . . GINO DONATI, fiery operatic tenor from the famed La Scala Opera House in Milan, covers the field of

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## Thunderbird

December 23rd thru Indefinite

Show: "Carnaval de Patee" Starring Robert Lamouret; Vicki Benet; Le Trio Martelli; Tosca de Lac; Les Mademoiselles de Ensemble.

Following a long show black-out for remodeling of the old Navajo Room HOTEL THUNDERBIRD vaulted back into the entertainment scene with a vengeance with its opening show of spice and dazzling acts. Staged and Directed by HAL BELFER, the show has been given the full Continental treatment with spectacular and intricate production patterns and costumes highlighted by several outstanding European acts and a bevy of gorgeous, undraped girls. . . . One thing certain, you'll leave this show carrying exciting

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## Tropicana

(Not a Review)

January 7th thru February 3rd

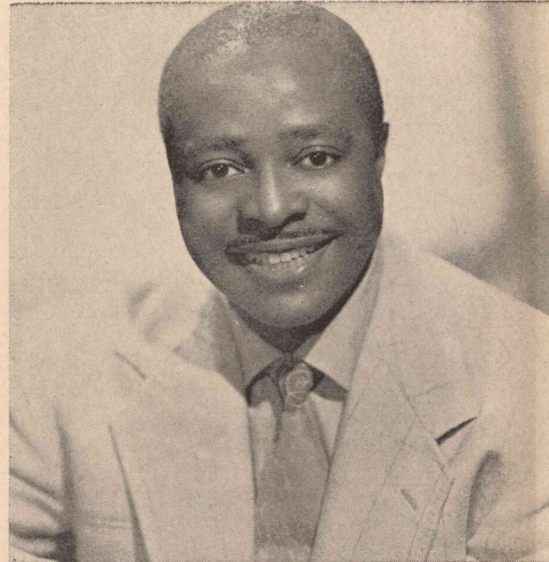
Show: Roberta Sherwood; Shecky Greene; The Most Beautiful Girls in the World and Nat Brandwynne and his Orchestra.

Here is the voice that literally crashed entertainment headlines! From a rather obscure beginning, the matchless, emotion packed voice of talented ROBERTA SHERWOOD thundered into nightery scenes across the nation and was projected into millions of homes via recordings. Once this ageless mother of three, one of the most energetic and youthful you'll ever see, got a full head of steam there was no stopping her. Her boundless energy and vital personality captured the hearts of all, just as her incomparable voice stimu-

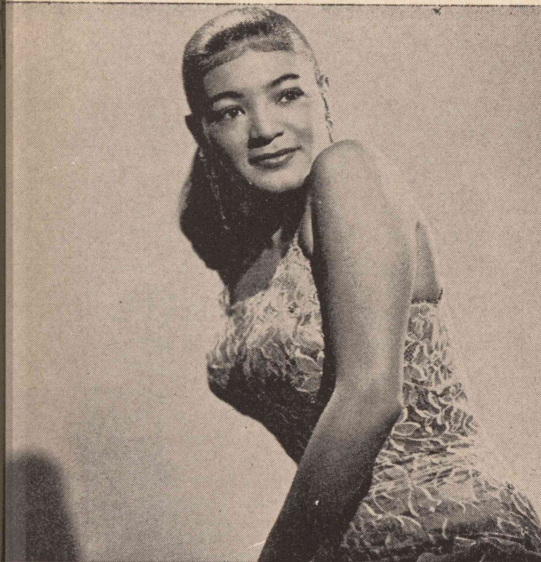
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**A** GAIN this week we continue  
to bring you the recently  
personally compiled "Who's  
Who" by author, columnist and world  
traveler, Roland Hill.

**LAZZAR, FANNY.** I do not know  
too much about her personal or home  
life, but I do know that FANNY  
started out with a borrowed \$4,000  
and has parlayed it into the very top  
restaurant in this country, FANNY'S  
at 1601 Simpson Street in Evanston,  
Illinois. She has been given more  
awards than any other person in the  
food business and her's was the first  
restaurant to be awarded by the In-  
ternational Epicurean Society of Lon-  
don in this country. She has turned  
town a quarter of a million dollars for  
her recipes — she makes the best  
darned spaghetti in the land — and  
her restaurant is a mecca for gour-  
mets, movie and TV stars, and so-  
ciety. She is a human dynamo for  
work, personally supervises her rest-  
aurant in all its details, cares for her  
aged father like it were the only  
thing she had to do, and still has time  
for friends and travel.

**LEWIS, MAXINE.** She is a gradu-  
ate of the Children's Professional  
School in New York where all the  
top stars are from, was born on Au-  
gust the 10th in that wonderful town  
of Asheville, North Carolina, and  
came to Las Vegas via the stage —  
singing at the EL RANCHO, and  
how she came to be the talent booker  
and entertainment director from her  
spot on the stage I will never know.  
Just one of those things. Later I knew  
her well when she handled all the  
shows and publicity in the lovely  
Ramona Room at the Last Frontier  
Hotel, and still later at the Flamingo.  
She is a hard worker member of the  
Variety Club and is now the publicity  
manager for the TROPICANA

**HOTEL.** Her sister, "Moussey" is  
married to movie star William  
Powell. Maxine is a striking beauty,  
vivacious, a stunning dresser, a very  
good friend to have, and certainly one  
of the best liked and most popular  
girls in Las Vegas.

**LUCAS, NICK.** Born August 22nd,  
in Newark, N. J. His fine wife is the  
best homemaker in Hollywood. Her  
name is Catherine and their one  
daughter, Emily, is married to a  
newspaper man in Colorado. Nick is  
world-famous as the SINGING  
TROUBADOR and has sold millions  
upon millions of records and is one  
person who is still tops and hasn't  
been beaten out by the rock 'n roll  
era. As a night club entertainer he has  
no equal and as a person and a friend  
he is perfect. Golf is his hobby.

**MC KIERNAN, HORTENSIA.**  
Owner and dynamic head of the ever  
popular EL CHOLO CAFE on South  
Fifth Street in Las Vegas. She was  
born on April the 16th in Los Angeles  
and comes from one of the oldest and  
finest Spanish families in California.  
Hortensia has brought her old recipes  
with her to make her food at the  
EL CHOLO world-famous. Her hus-  
band is James and they have two  
sons, Alfred and Robert. This is the  
7th restaurant this family has been  
interested in — formerly they had the  
RAINBOW INN in North Hollywood  
and the Sea Food Grotto here in Las  
Vegas. Hortensia is an accomplished  
artist and paints for a hobby and  
plays the guitar and sings very well.  
Very active in the Business and  
Women's Professional Club, she is  
now in Mexico on a well-deserved  
vacation. Her EL CHOLO cafe is the  
most popular rendezvous of the  
"stars" while playing or visiting in  
Las Vegas.

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## DESERT INN

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excellent choice whose pantomiming prowess is a fable among the international show-going set. Hilarious is the word for their great act. . . . Two new and exciting production numbers from the prolific talents of DONN ARDEN afford the DONN ARDEN DANCERS an excellent pair of dance segments that add greatly to the lustre of the show. . . . Music is by CARLTON HAYES and his fine ORCHESTRA.

## DUNES

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male contingents audience side. . . . THE MARQUIS FAMILY of educated chimps return to the Arabian Room with more of their infectious monkeyshines. . . . The "dognastics" of the TRIO COTTAS are fantastic as three great danes vie with the two men and a girl portion of the act in a flurry of flying arms, feet, paws and fur. . . . BEN BERI displays a fine technique in juggling mastery. . . . Fiery South American exotic NAJA KARAMURA writhes through a sensational routine of inflammatory dancing. . . . Rollicking comedy is turned out by IRVING BENSON, JACK MANN, VICKI DENAS and straight man JIMMY CAVANAUGH in a series of laugh-filled skits and sketches. . . . Production singers GWEN HARMON and BOB KENNEDY set the vocal pace for production numbers by the exquisite MIN-SKY MODELS and MANNEQUINS and ALLEN CONROY'S specialty dancing is spotlighted throughout. . . . CEE DAVIDSON and his ORCHESTRA provide the moving sound behind the entire show.

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## EL RANCHO

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acts (they claim FLV as "home base"), THE MARY KAYE TRIO, swing into this room with new contract, new songs and comedy material and the well wishes of their countless fans and friends. Go to this show prepared to enjoy a double-barreled collection of song, riotous comedy and unmatched all-around entertainment . . . DICK RICE and his ORCHESTRA mete out musical fare to match the greatness of the show.

## FLAMINGO

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entire show is typical PEARL BAI-LEY from start to finish and in addition to her starring role, PEARL wrote, directed and produced the entire package — one of her greatest to date! . . . With her is her hubby and ace drummer man, LOU BELLSON, who certainly needs no introduction to Vegas showgoers down through the years. One of the finest drummers in the business, LOU showcases his startling musicianship in a rollicking selection of swinging song. . . . Rounding out the bill are COLES and ATKINS, a pair of the greatest tap dancing specialists in the world today. With flawless rhythm, excellent expression and flashing feet, they treat you to the tops in their trade. . . . Pretty little Tahitian Miss, MOANA GLEASON, has the roving eyes roving overtime with her hip-swinging routines. . . . The special holiday choreography devised by BUSTER BURNELL gets added lift as the dazzling FLAMINGOETTES parlay it into beautiful routines. . . . JACK CATHCART and his ORCHESTRA supply a tuneful mixture of music to accompany the entire entourage to perfection.

The difference between the right word, and the almost-right word can be the difference between the lightning-bug . . . and lightning!

## HACIENDA

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showgoers . . . SHIRLEY SCOTT and THE MODULATORS feature charm-in' SHIRLEY on vocals plus well-balanced instrumentals and group vocals in a pleasing manner.

## RIVIERA

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sexy contribution on "Torrero" plus the Mambo Jazz by VASQUEZ and COSTELLO. . . . Comic JACK CARTER sails onstage with all new song, dance and comedy material and treats the patrons to some wild moments of laughter-inciting antics. His miming of JOE E., HARRY BELAFONTE, TONY BENNETT, NAT KING COLE, and ED SULLIVAN is the greatest! . . . Special credit belongs to THE RUDELS, an exciting trampoline crew; dancers BERT MAY and ERNIE PRESTON and singers MARTHA RICH and HARRY NOFAL, who support the gorgeous DOROTHY DORBEN gals in the production segments. . . . RAY SINATRA and his Orchestra "Latinize" the score brilliantly.

## SAHARA

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on fast moving flashbacks of his movie and teevee roles — all speedy and effectively staged. . . . Threading their way into this standout music, dance and comedy session are diminutive OLIVE and the always appreciated LOS GATOS. . . . Backgrounding the show are the SAHAREM DANCERS in a pair of stunning SHAW-HITCHCOCK originals featuring the voice of SYLVIA WILSON.

. . . LOUIS BASIL is the capable navigator of the musical chores and plots a course worthy of resounding applause as his ORCHESTRA beats out support.

## SANDS

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a husband and wife comedy team with a load of eccentric comedy and clever material. BETTY is no stranger to FLV, having appeared here many times with her sister JANE. LEW will be remembered by many as the original comic in "Mr. Wonderful" and for his great work in "Are You With It." . . . The exciting Texas COPA-GIRLS aid the cause with a pair of stunning production capsules and ANTONIO MORELLI and his ORCHESTRA provide all of the companion sound to a great show.

## STARDUST

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opera to mayhem with enthusiasm as he and his partner execute a series of unbelievable contortions and acrobatics while GINO continues singing his classical arias . . . GEORGES CAMPO with LINA MARVELL stage screamingly humorous buffoonery in pantomime. Both performers are artists in the field and among the best pantomimists to ever appear in this country. . . . A new act to the show is the thrilling acrobatic trio, THE THREE SPENCERS, a direct-from-Paris-product dispensing the epitome of acrobatic prowess. Such daring tricks and intricate body-tossing have seldom been equalled in the biz. . . . The glorious voice of singing star DOROTHEA MAC FARLAND sets the musical pace for all of the productions and the focal point of each is exciting REUBY BRUCE and the daring and saucy BLUEBELL GIRLS. . . . EDDIE O'NEAL and his ORCHESTRA are superb as they provide the entire cast with some of the most beautiful show music ever heard locally.

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- 1:30 **13** Jack's All Night Theater
- 8:00 **13** Kartoon Karnival
- 9:00 **13** Uncle Al's Show
- 10:00 **13** Bid & Win
- 10:45 **13** Taffy Time
- 12:00 **2** College Basketball
- 12:30 **13** Bob Bailey
- 1:30 **8** Hockey
- 2:00 **2** Women's Champ. Bowling
- 2:30 **2** Movie 2
- 3:30 **13** Movie
- 4:00 **2** Cartoon Cavalcade
- 8** Americans At Work
- 4:15 **8** Santa Anita Races
- 5:00 **2** Movie Two
- 8** Popeye
- 13** All Star Golf
- 5:30 **8** Lone Ranger
- 6:00 **8** Mighty Mouse
- 13** Lawrence Welk
- 6:30 **2** Cimarron City
- 8** Talent Show
- 7:00 **8** Perry Mason
- 13** Sammy Kaye Show
- 7:30 **2** D. A.'s Man
- 13** Dick Clark Show
- 8:00 **2** Perry Como Show
- 8** Wanted: Dead or Alive
- 13** Sailor of Fortune
- 8:30 **8** Have Gun, Will Travel
- 13** Jubilee, USA
- 9:00 **2** Steve Canyon
- 8** Gunsmoke
- 9:30 **2** George Burns
- 8** State Trooper
- 13** Texas Rasslin'
- 10:00 **2** Big Movie
- 8** Movie
- 10:30 **13** Movie
- 11:30 **2** Nite Cap Theatre
- 12:00 **13** Movie

**SUNDAY — January 18**

- 1:30 **13** Jack's All Night Theater
- 9:00 **13** This Is the Answer
- 10:00 **13** Bishop Pike
- 11:30 **2** Pro Basketball
- 12:00 **8** The Last Word
- 1:30 **13** Roller Derby
- 2:00 **2** Omnibus
- 13** Paul Winchell
- 2:30 **13** Bing Crosby Pro Golf
- 2:45 **8** Shock
- 3:00 **2** Meet The Press
- 3:30 **2** Chet Huntley Reporting
- 4:00 **2** Ten Little Indians
- 8** Film
- 13** You Asked For It
- 4:30 **8** You Are There
- 13** Texas Rasslin'
- 5:00 **2** Championship Bowling
- 8** Invisible Man
- 5:30 **8** Amateur Hour
- 6:00 **2** Dinah Shore Show (Color)
- 8** Death Valley Days
- 13** Colt .45
- 6:30 **8** Rin Tin Tin
- 13** All-Star Bowling
- 7:00 **2** Loretta Young Show
- 8** Annie Oakley
- 7:30 **2** This Is Alice
- 8** Bachelor Father
- 13** Maverick
- 8:00 **2** Steve Allen
- 8** Ed Sullivan
- 8:30 **13** Lawman
- 9:00 **2** How To Marry A Millionaire
- 8** G. E. Theater
- 13** Satan's Playhouse
- 9:30 **2** Man Without A Gun
- 8** Alfred Hitchcock
- 10:00 **2** "Fighting Man of the Plains"
- 8** "Babe Ruth Story"
- 10:45 **13** Premier Theater
- 12:00 **13** Jack's Midnight Theater

★ **THIS WEEK ON TV — JAN. 17 THRU JAN. 23** ★

**MONDAY — January 19**

- 4:15 **2** NBC News
- 4:30 **2** Buckskin
- 8** Hey Kids!
- 5:00 **2** Doug Fairbanks
- 8** I Spy
- 5:30 **2** I Led 3 Lives
- 8** Burns & Allen
- 13** Nicky & Bobo
- 6:00 **2** News
- 8** News
- 13** Voice of Firestone
- 6:15 **2** Sports
- 8** Doug Edwards
- 6:30 **2** Kit Carson
- 8** Name That Tune
- 13** Dr. I. Q.
- 7:00 **2** Jeff's Collie
- 8** The Texan
- 13** Patti Page Show
- 7:30 **2** Soldiers of Fortune
- 8** Father Knows Best
- 13** Bold Journey
- 8:00 **2** Restless Gun
- 8** Danny Thomas
- 13** Tales of the West
- 8:30 **2** Wells Fargo
- 8** Ann Sothorn
- 13** Citizen Soldier
- 9:00 **2** Peter Gunn
- 8** High Adventure
- 13** Famous Playhouse
- 9:30 **2** People Are Funny
- 10:00 **2** "That Lady in Ermine"
- 8** Report
- 10:10 **8** "Short Grass"
- 10:15 **13** "Dead By Morning"

**TUESDAY — January 20**

- 4:00 **13** Wild West Theatre
- 4:15 **2** NBC News
- 4:30 **2** Flight 2
- 8** Hey Kids!
- 5:00 **2** Eddie Fisher
- 8** I Spy
- 5:30 **8** Burns & Allen
- 13** Nicky & Bobo
- 6:00 **2** News
- 8** Report
- 13** High Road To Danger
- 6:15 **2** Sports Report
- 8** Doug Edwards
- 6:30 **2** Bob Cummings
- 8** Union Pacific
- 13** Sugarfoot
- 7:00 **2** Science Fiction Theater
- 8** Sea Hunt
- 7:30 **2** Dragnet
- 8** To Tell The Truth
- 13** Wyatt Earp
- 8:00 **2** Stage 2
- 8** Arthur Godfrey
- 13** The Naked City
- 8:30 **8** Red Skelton
- 13** Rifleman
- 9:00 **8** Garry Moore
- 13** 13 Star Playhouse
- 10:00 **2** "Claudia & David"
- 8** Report
- 10:05 **8** Sports
- 10:10 **8** "So Lovely So Dead"
- 10:15 **13** "13 East Street"

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**WEDNESDAY — January 21**

- 4:15 **2** NBC News
- 4:30 **2** Food Page of the Air
- 8** Hey Kids!
- 5:00 **2** The Tracers
- 8** I Spy
- 5:30 **2** The Price Is Right (Color)
- 8** Burns & Allen
- 13** Nicky & Bobo
- 6:00 **2** & **8** News
- 13** Lawrence Welk Show
- 6:15 **8** Doug Edwards
- 6:30 **2** Ranch Party
- 8** Eve Arden
- 7:00 **2** Roy Rogers
- 8** Last Class of 1959
- 13** Wednesday Night Fights
- 7:30 **2** Wagon Train
- 8:00 **8** The Millionaire
- 13** Ozzie & Harriet
- 8:30 **2** MacKenzie's Raiders
- 8** I've Got A Secret
- 13** Man With A Camera
- 9:00 **2** Milton Berle
- 8** Armstrong Theater
- 13** Donna Reed Show
- 9:30 **2** Bat Masterson
- 13** TBA
- 10:00 **2** "Disobedient"
- 8** Report
- 10:10 **8** "You Pay Your Money"
- 10:15 **13** "Under the Red Robe"

**THURSDAY — January 22**

- 4:15 **2** NBC News
- 4:30 **2** Jefferson Drum
- 8** Hey Kids!
- 5:00 **2** O. Henry Playhouse
- 8** I Spy
- 5:30 **2** Mystery Is My Business
- 8** Burns & Allen
- 13** Nicky & Bobo
- 6:00 **2** & **8** News
- 13** Pat Boone Show
- 6:15 **8** Doug Edwards
- 6:30 **2** Charlie Chan
- 8** 76 Sports
- 13** Leave It To Beaver
- 7:00 **2** You Bet Your Life
- 8** December Bride
- 13** The Real McCoys
- 7:30 **2** U. S. Marshal
- 8** TBA
- 13** Zorro
- 8:00 **2** Glencannon
- 8** Flight
- 13** Rough Riders
- 8:30 **2** It Could Be You
- 8** Playhouse 90
- 13** Playhouse 30
- 9:00 **2** Behind Closed Doors
- 13** TBA
- 9:30 **2** Tennessee Ernie Ford
- 10:00 **2** "Sentimental Journey"
- 8** Report
- 10:10 **8** "Massacre"
- 10:15 **13** "Desert Command"

**FRIDAY — January 23**

- 4:15 **2** NBC News
- 8** Hey Kids!
- 4:30 **2** Northwest Passage
- 5:00 **2** Ellery Queen (Color)
- 8** I Spy
- 5:30 **8** Burns & Allen
- 13** Nicky & Bobo
- 6:00 **2** & **8** News
- 13** Buccaneers
- 6:15 **2** Sports
- 8** Doug Edwards
- 6:30 **2** Tugboat Annie
- 8** Hit Parade
- 13** Life of Riley
- 7:00 **2** Cavalcade of Sports
- 8** Rawhide
- 13** Walt Disney Presents
- 8:00 **2** Mickey Spillane
- 8** Phil Silvers
- 13** O.S.S.
- 8:30 **2** 26 Men
- 13** 77 Sunset Strip
- 9:00 **2** M Squad
- 8** Rescue Eight
- 9:30 **2** Thin Man
- 8** Danger is My Business
- 13** TBA
- 10:00 **2** "Hanover Square"
- 8** Report
- 10:05 **8** Sports
- 10:10 **8** "Missing Juror"
- 10:15 **13** "Penny Paradise"

**REGULAR PROGRAMMING**

Monday thru Friday

- 8:00 **2** The Price is Right
- 8:30 **2** Concentration
- 9:00 **2** Tic Tac Dough
- 8** For Love Or Money
- 9:30 **2** It Could Be You
- 8** Arthur Godfrey
- 13** Peter Lind Hayes
- 10:00 **2** Romper Room
- 8** I Love Lucy
- 10:30 **8** Janet Dean
- 11:00 **2** Truth or Consequences
- 8** Love of Life
- 13** Liberace
- 11:30 **2** Haggis Baggis (Color)
- 8** Encore Theatre
- 13** Marko
- 12:00 **2** Young Dr. Malone
- 13** Day In Court
- 12:30 **2** From These Roots
- 1:00 **2** Queen For A Day
- 8** Jimmy Dean
- 13** Beat The Clock
- 1:30 **2** County Fair
- 8** House Party
- 13** Who Do You Trust?
- 2:00 **8** Life With Elizabeth (T. & Th.) Big Payoff (M., W., Fri.)
- 13** American Bandstand
- 2:30 **8** Verdict Is Yours
- 3:00 **2** Now!

## THUNDERBIRD

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memories of the stellar productions and dancing of LES MADEMOISELLES DE ENSEMBLE.

## TROPICANA

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lated their musical taste. . . . Appearing with MISS SHERWOOD in her first Las Vegas headlining appearance is master comic SHECKY GREENE, undoubtedly one of the fastest and most effective monologists in the country. Another fast riser in the entertainment picture, SHECKY gives further testimonial to the adage that talent, wit and ability do pay off. . . . The luscious line, billed as the MOST BEAUTIFUL GIRLS IN THE WORLD, execute stunning productions and Maestro NAT BRANDWYNNE furnishes a cushion of background music for MISS SHERWOOD'S notes to rest and supports the balance of the cast with equal finesse.

## CRISWELL PREDICTS

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son also plans a world-concert tour. . . . I predict that Ginger Rogers will zoom to new popularity in her new series of TV films in which she will create the chronological highlights of each year. . . . I predict that the next international musical comedy hit will deal with the thinly disguised romance of Princess Margaret and Captain Peter Townsend. This hush-hush romance will prove to be one of the most popular musicals of our time. . . .

I predict that Broadway will welcome the return of Ina Claire in a new comedy with music based on the German folk opera, "Woman Below the Sea." . . . I predict that a new American musical based on the life of Clara Barton, the founder of the American Red Cross, and her heroic deeds of the Civil War starring

America's song bird, Jeanette MacDonald! This will be a dramatic presentation of the Civil War minus the usual bitterness. . . . I predict that Claire Booth Luce, who authored the Broadway script, "The Women," for an all female cast, will next write "The Men" for an all male cast. It will concern the personal careers of five leading citizens.

### FOR PEOPLE AND PLACES:

I predict that the disfavor the Kremlin shows for Stalin will reflect on his family, both living and dead. His son, once a top favorite with the Red Air Force, will strangely fall from grace. Stalin's wife, who died under mysterious circumstances, will have her body removed from its marble crypt and will receive the lime pit treatment. . . . I predict that an entire tribe of natives will be forced to move from their African jungle city resulting from booming industrialization of that area. There will be a migration of almost fifty thousand natives to other areas. This is the same type of migration we forced upon the Indians two hundred years ago. The more things change the more they are the same. . . .

I predict that the pomp and circumstance of the British people will be brought into full play to restore the present decline of interest in royalty. Many commoners will be permitted to see the various ceremonies heretofore only witnessed by those of royal blood. . . . I predict that a new method of corneal transplantation will be perfected and the blind will be restored to full sight, not possible before under other methods. . . . I predict the return of simplified, modern interiors with modified classic furniture made from plastic and aluminum. The rooms will be airy, spacious and the trend to pastel colors will be most appreciated. Life will become more simplified, more enjoyable with more leisure in the coming months of 1959.

**It's not difficult** to meet expenses these days. You meet them every time you turn around.

## GLITTER GULCH

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move and to recommend the necessary legislation, think we could put our finger on an enthusiastic volunteer to serve on it. The featured speaker, WALTER O. LE GRAND of Daytona Beach, Florida, unfolded a philosophy to the group that, put to practice in Las Vegas as it has been elsewhere, could certainly cure many of the ills found in this or any tourist area. We felt that it would be especially adaptable within our motel industry where for years a selfish few have repeatedly run valuable tourist business out of town with unfair practices and rate gouging. Originally a pet project of ROTARY CLUBS, this belief certainly bears repeating here and correctly put to use can effect a change from the negative to the positive. Simply, it is this: (1) It is the TRUTH? (2) It is FAIR to all concerned? (3) Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? (4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned? Known as the "4-way Test," it has worked most effectively throughout the country when adopted by factories, hospitals, schools and even city governments. Hope that the Chamber will follow through on the perpetuation of this "4-way Test" program in Las Vegas — we surely could use it! . . .

Last night the LAS VEGAS PRESS CLUB held its annual Installation Banquet in the FREMONT HOTEL which was preceded by a gala Cocktail Party in the Club Rooms. Outgoing President BILL STILES, KRLJ-TV Manager, presented the gavel to new Prexy GEORGE CHRISTNER of the LAS VEGAS SUN and Vice-President JOE DIGLES, Las Vegas REVIEW JOURNAL; Secretary ANN GIBB, KLRJ-TV; Treasurer JOHN ANGUS and new Directors of the Board ED PHILLIPS, Water District public relations man; RAY GERMAIN, BONANZA PRINTERS, and yours truly were then introduced and installed. . . .

KAY PARSONS delighted last week

as daughter NANCY MILLARD, pretty teevee starlet, and a party were here for a few days and nights around the town. Lovely NANCY just finished a pair of roles for the series "Highway Patrol" starring BRODERICK CRAWFORD and has several more shots in the fire. KAY, of course, is the fine pianist and songstress playing nightly at DUSTY SPRINGSTON'S LAS VEGAS BOWL. . . . Hope that ABE MARTIN, Twenty One Dealer at the EL CORTEZ HOTEL, has recuperated from his recent double pneumonia bout.

## THAT'S FOR SURE

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LASKY and MERV ADELSON, young local tycoons, will start construction on their new restaurant south of the COLONIAL HOUSE — in fact, just along side of it. It will be called the PLANTATION ROOM. There will be a complete wine cellar and dining both upstairs and downstairs accommodating approximately two hundred and forty persons. Naturally DAVE VICTORSON, Manager of the very popular Rebel Room in the COLONIAL HOUSE, will also manage the new Plantation Room. New spot should be open some time in June or thereabouts. . . .

We're very happy to report the good luck that befell our good friend DAN MERRIN. Several months before POPE PIUS XII passed away, the idea came to Dan to film the life story of the "Prince of Peace." He



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went to Rome and had an audience with the new Pope, JOHN XXIII, and received his blessing as well as those of all of the Cardinals in the Vatican City. Dan is now back in Los Angeles after two months on the Continent. Mr. Merrin has had offers galore from financiers who want to back the pic which he and Associate DOUGLAS LAWRENCE have the sole ownership of. Plans are for full color and wide screen and before long, after extensive screen writing and necessary planning, they will start shooting this picture that should be equivalent to "Birth of a Nation," "Ten Commandments," etc. When Dan arrived in the U.S., there was a letter waiting from Cardinal GIOVANNI MONTINI of Milan who was a prime candidate for Pope. It said, "I invoke upon you and your magnificent project to film the life of the late Holy Father all the blessings of Almighty God." What more can anyone ask? . . .

Another innovation at FRANK MUSSO'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT designed to add more pleasure to your dining experience there, is a newly installed stereophonic set. Need we say more? The byword is music, music, music and all in the finest tradition of the old masters and the world's finest musicians. . . .

The first of a fleet of six F-27 "Silver Dart" jet-prop aircraft purchased by BONANZA AIR LINES has completed its factory test flights and is now ready for delivery, President EDMUND CONVERSE announced

recently. Within the next few days a Bonanza flight crew will head for Hagerstown, Maryland, home of Fairchild, to ferry the new plane to Las Vegas. Scheduled service of the new forty passenger equipment will start in March, at which time the airline will have received three of the new units. The Reno-Las Vegas-Phoenix segment of Bonanza's system will be the first to receive F-27 "Silver Dart" service. . . .

We're hoping that by the time this issue is on the stands that HARRY FARNOW will be back on the job at the TROPICANA HOTEL where he is in charge of the Slot Machine Department. Harry is also the newly elected Chief Barker of Tent 39 of the VARIETY CLUB. The inauguration ceremonies take place Thursday, January 22nd at the DUNES HOTEL. Members and non-members are invited to attend. Tickets, available at Variety Headquarters in the HOTEL SAHARA and from all members, are priced at fifteen and twenty-five dollars per person. . . .

Regret to say that MURRAY SAUL is no longer employed at the STAR-DUST HOTEL as their "top" dealer. For replacement the management acquired the services of the best press agent in the biz. Also on the job is BILL PARRIS, the youngest grandfather we ever saw. A long time resident of L.V., Bill is seeking political office and will try to do whatever is best for L.V. and the State of Nevada.

Opening in the Opera House Theatre Restaurant this coming January 28th is the exciting direct-from-Paris revue, "LA NOUVELLE EVE," starring dashing ROBERT CLARY. Bids well to be one of the outstanding show packages for the year 1959. . . .

That's a helpful and clever innovation recently inaugurated by HARRY THOMAS, Executive Vice-President of the BANK OF LAS VEGAS. Commercial and personal check users can now get checks printed immediately on the premises. We had two hundred and fifty printed just a few days ago and it only took seven minutes for the whole job. A variety of checkhold-

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Dealers on the Twenty One and Roulette tables at FLAMINGO HOTEL are delighted once again. Three of their favorite patrons and friends are back in town and vacationing at the Hotel. They are STELLA WEINSTOCK and Mr. and Mrs. HUBERT MOOG. If this vacation lasts as some of the previous ones it may go from four to six months. It seems that Stella W. and the Moog's are somewhat of a "shot in the arm" to all. Casino Manager CHESTER SIMMS and Pit Boss DEMPSEY FOSTER classify these people as the kind of company you'd want if you were going to be marooned on a desert island. . . .

We know that many of his friends will be happy to know that JOE SHAPIRO is now a Pit Boss on the Swing shift at HOTEL TROPICANA. He is one of the most liked men in the industry and was a Co-owner of the NEW FRONTIER HOTEL before it changed hands. . . .

The Builder's Convention to be held in Chicago January 20th at the MORRISON HOTEL, purchased the entire MINSKY Production from the DUNES HOTEL for one night at thirty thousand dollars plus all traveling expenses paid! The entire show will leave FLV Monday, January 19th on a special chartered plane. We know the conventioners will "have a ball"! . . .

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. DICK RICE (Ork Leader at EL RANCHO VEGAS HOTEL). Mrs. Rice presented hubby with their second child, pretty little KANDI LYNN.

Measurements were ideal for Las Vegas as the wee one checked in 21" long, and weighed 7 lbs. 11 oz. . . .

Another festive occasion for the EL RANCHO VEGAS was the evening of Saturday, January 10th when Columbia Producer JONIE TAPPS' daughter, SUSAN, and JERRY POLLOCK traded marriage vows at the Hotel. Best wishes to the happy young couple. . . .

Belated birthday greetings to Fabulous Staffer and SILVER SLIPPER Drummer with GEORGE REDMAN'S ORK, EDDIE JULIAN, who celebrated a milestone January 8th. . . .

Happy Birthday time: Growing up to fill his father's well liked shoes is Master MICHAEL MUSHKIN, who reaches the ripe age of 5 on January 18th. Michael's father is LARRY, proprietor of that popular downtown shoe salon. . . . FRANK FUNGE, our good friend and the well read night life columnist (IVAN PAUL) of the SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER, passes another milestone on the 22nd. Our best wishes to both young and old (er). . . . On January 20th a very happy couple will celebrate their 26th Wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. THOMAS MORRIS will cut a huge cake after the 1st show at the DUNES that night to commemorate the event. Mrs. Morris will also cut a few capers on the Dunes stage where she is known as the famous CARRIE FINNELL. May you nice people celebrate many many more happy anniversaries. . . .

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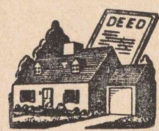
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## 'ROUND THE TOWN

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Club, eh? Very nice people and charming children. . . . From Phoenix, Arizona comes word that popular MARVELLE, here so long in the D-I Sky Room, is entrancing patrons of THE SAFARI CLUB, just outside the city. This Club plans on building a large, new room and MARVELLE is already booked to open same. . . .

We won't lose the great HARRY JAMES for too long — after closing at the FLAMINGO, he goes into the Hollywood Palladium then returns here for a five-weeker. . . . Let's say hello to the THUNDERBIRD Captains ROBERTO SAVEDRA (RIVIERA) and KOKO Club RALPH HILDEBRAND (SPA, RIVIERA), DOUGLAS ALLQUIST (Hickory Room, RIVIERA) TEDDY TADICK (Gourmet Room, TROPICANA), WAYNE SIMS (SANDS), EDDIE BANES (EL RANCHO) and BOB BURNS (local spots). A nice, courteous group of fellows. . . .

JANNETTE RUSSELL (Miss Brazel, former Minsky doll) and LARRY DANNENBERG, Ellay Real Estate Developer went and tied the knot just before Christmas. After an idyllic ACAPULCO, MEXICO, honeymoon this happy couple are now at home in L. A. GISELLE CAHNLEY will visit them on her vacation from the Dunes Show. . . . On a country-wide tour and spending several weeks in our FLV is GEORGE CULMSEE, of Sioux City, Iowa. MR. CULMSEE is a retired construction foreman who was with the Iowa Public Service (I.P.S.) for over forty-five years and is the proud dad of beautiful thrush GINNY GREER, now at

the SAHARA Lounge on a return engagement. By the way, join all their fans and catch GINNY GREER AND THE GALLIONS. See *Lounge Stars* for more info. DAD CULMSEE leaves this week to continue his tour.

Back all fresh from their vacations are Minsky Models, BETTY FIGLER, who was in the frozen East of New York City and SALLYE DONNELLY, back from deep down South in Tennessee. It's a little chilly here, eh? . . . Many happy returns of the day to pretty LYNN PARKER who celebrated her 17th birthday last Sunday by attending the sell-out Luncheon and Fashion and Hair Style Show at the RIVIERA'S Clover Room. LYNN plans on attending Pasadena Playhouse after graduating next Summer. Our best wishes go with you young lady — Good luck. LYNN'S mom is popular MAE PARKER now associated with SIRKKA and KATHLEEN in the RIVIERA BEAUTY SALON. . . . Happy Birthday to this Salon's "Jack of All Trades" and Receptionist, O' Dear on her January 20th Birthday. She's like one of the family as the proprietors and, also, ALICE and DEE, will tell you. . . .

While we're on the subject of Salons, etc. let's chronicle one of the most successful gatherings seen here in a long time and a FIRST for Las Vegas. The Clover Room was jammed to overflowing as the Las Vegas Hairdressers Association hosted the (Eight-State) Regional "A" Convention of Western States Hairdressers. Representatives from Arizona, California, Utah, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Nevada packed the Show Room as beautiful H. B. BURNETT fashions were shown with LENNY BURNETT as commentator. Then, the very newest of coiffures in a "co-

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ordination of color" form Apricot Ice, through Blue, Green, Three-Dimensional Purple to Mauves, Silver, Blondes and Frosteds — each keyed to the color and style of the fashion worn. BERNICE RIGGS was the Hair Style Commentator, and receiving accolades were the air-styles and color of two Sepia Models. Two of our local models were outstanding — MARLENE with her Lilac shade hair and beautiful fashions and LANA with her beautiful blonde Page Boy Bouffant. Truly everyone did a terrific job and the Pink and Grey Salon at the RIVIERA was a bee-hive of activity and beauty. Talent abounds in this important industry and we look forward to a return of this great group of Artists. . . .

Happy New Year to new Moms (Sisters, no less) and Pops. About ten days ago MR. and MRS. ROBERT KELSAY welcomed at SUNRISE HOSPITAL a 6 lb. 11 oz. little girl, their 4th (Dad at DESERT MOTORS) — and last Sunday sister, MRS. ED-

WARD MAHN, welcomed their first child, a son, also at SUNRISE HOSPITAL weighing in a 6 lb. 15 oz. (Dad is with FARMER BROTHERS COFFEE.) We hope the new parents and the wee ones many Happy Healthy Years. . . .

LOU HIRSH (diamond studded Owner of ROBERT POWELL DISCOUNT CO.) surprised his lovely wife LIN by gifting her with the tiniest of pedigreed toy poodles. They named it "Killer" — O.K. LOU that "Kills" the column for this week. . . .

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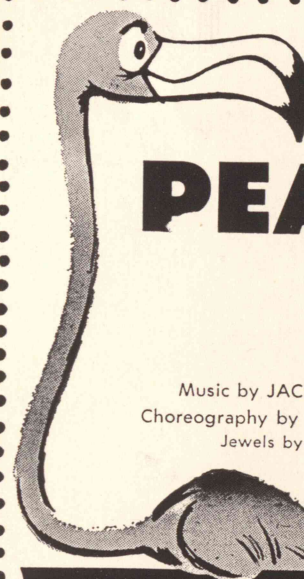
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