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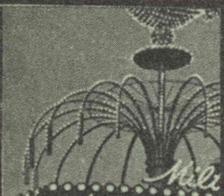
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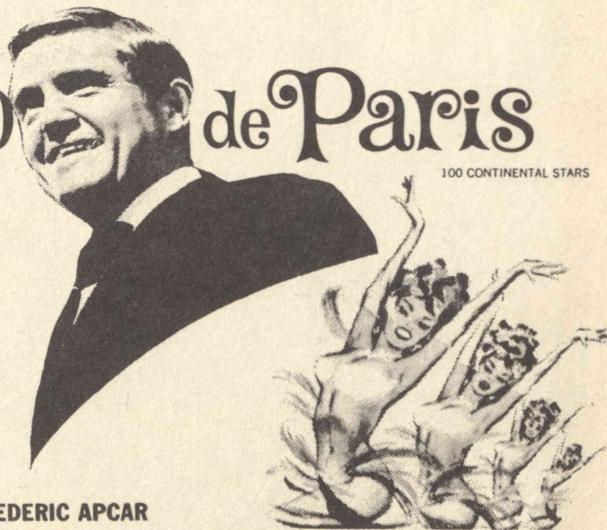
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The Christmas spirit is eternal.

It is our cumulative heritage from the past. But it is only eternal as it lives on through that one day in December and colors our lives and actions through dreary March or sultry August.

Henry Van Dyke has given us the living and enduring qualities of the real Christmas in this beautiful message:

"I am thinking of you today because it is Christmas, and I wish you happiness. And tomorrow because it is the day after Christmas, I shall still wish you happiness; and so on clear through the year. I may not be able to tell you about it every day, because I may be far away; or because I cannot even afford to pay the postage to go on so many letters or find the time to write them. But that makes no difference. The thought and wish will be there just the same. In my work and in the business of life, I mean to try not to be unfair to you or injure you in any way. In my pleasure, if we cannot be together, I would like to share the fun with you. Whatever joy or success comes to you will make me glad. Without pretense, and in plain words, good-will to you is what I mean, in the Spirit of Christmas."

To all, best wishes for a very real and joyous Christmas.

Sincerely,

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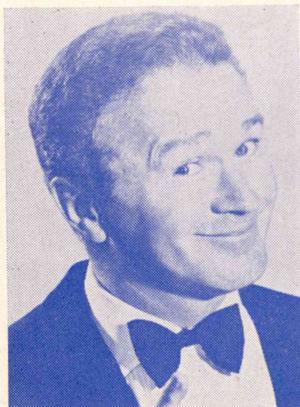
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### AN OPEN LETTER FROM CRISWELL PREDICTS

My dear Etta and Bruce:

Where did the time go?

Your kind note to me reminding me of the Holiday Issue was delivered during our heat wave in Hollywood.

Altho 1968 will be the year of Fate, we must all personally know that "One with God is always a majority!"

And as the endless, endless ribbon of time unwinds, we will realize more and more each day of 1968 that the more others try to discredit America they will only destroy themselves!

My personal regards to you, to Bruce and to your wonderful staff.

And may success overtake you at each and every turn!

And may you outlive every doctor you ever knew!

As ever  
Criswell.

### CRISWELL PREDICTS

My dear Friend:

We are all interested in the future for that is where you and I are going to spend the rest of our life, whether we want to or not!

Let us take an inventory of the past year with a preview of the year in the future!

Many who were with us last year have completed their journey, while others born within the last year will start theirs! 1968 will be filled with the comings and the goings of those who least suspect!

The gates of the universe swing both ways!

I predict that 1968 will be the year of fate!

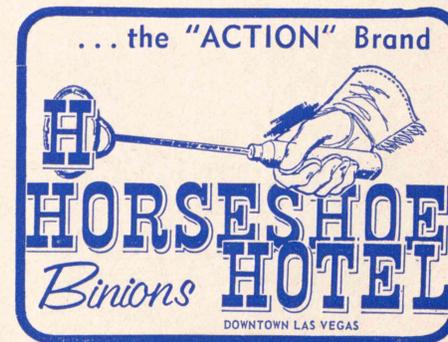
The Persian Tarot Cards, long a symbol of predicting the future, were in use while the Europeans were living in caves, Greece was an island of

goats, Rome — swamps and the rest of the world a vast wasteland! Let us see what the Tarot reveals for 1968, this coming year of Fate!

1-9-6-8 gives us a 3-6-9 trinity of money, advancement and personal wealth, but will be overbalanced by nationally-made evil, in the form of war, revolution, pillage and disaster! One is the symbol of the magician, a balance of duality! Nine is the symbol of the hermit, the trend to isolation! Six is the symbol of the lovers, where the woman is victor! Eight is the symbol of the woman, who rules with an iron hand! Solution will be that 1968 will be the year of the woman's complete rule and domination of the man! Remember 1968!

I predict you will be amazed at the amount of tragedy you will see in 1968! Floods will claim millions of acres! Storms will wreck cities, towns and hamlets! Changing coastlines will result! The rains will come so thick and fast that our sewers will not prove proper drainage and entire areas will be caught in a backlog of water! Health will be endangered and all drinking water must be boiled! We shall see what we shall see!

I predict that a rare disease will sweep the world and our miracle men





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of medicine will hint that it is a foreign type of plague, and not from this earth! Our spinning world is unprotected, due to the many space shots we have fired and germs of an outer space plague could very well find themselves a new series of victims, we of earth!

I predict that **Medicine** will lose respect in the eyes of the public as fraud after fraud will be uncovered and exposed! Many of the Doctor's claims will be exploded as the medical treatments were only performed on suffering laboratory animals, not on humans! One "super-drug" will be found to be fatal to humans, and thousands will die before the Doctors will withdraw this "super-drug" from the market due to its booming profits! This will prove to be one of the major scandals and top news stories of the year!

I predict that "**civil disobedience**" will strike deep into the heart of the universities, colleges and public schools! These misguided students, hopped up on marijuana, LSD, STP drugs and liquor will make shambles of our educational system! These very students, under the leadership of their teachers, who no longer must sign a loyalty oath and cannot be fired due to strong teachers' organizations and Red Liberal politics will reach new peaks of destruction! Many university and college buildings will be fired, anarchy will result, until martial law is declared, and many thousands of students shot down when they defy the armed law of the United States! Education is a matter of conforming and to organize talents, but not the wanton destruction which is now practiced! The Insurance companies will cancel all fire-theft-liability insurance coverage on our school properties as they will be classed as "the riot area" in one fell swoop!

I predict that many professors and teachers will openly flout the smoking of marijuana and permit it in class as a group project! Marijuana is an evil narcotic and no nation in the world permits its sale or use!

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
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ORAN K. GRAGSON  
MAYOR

Tolerance, brotherly love, freedom from fear and want, liberty, the rights of free speech and thought, the heritage and the cherished traditions which we as Americans enjoy have made this the greatest nation on earth. By these our lives are enriched daily but perhaps they become even more meaningful and purposeful during the Christmas season when men of faith everywhere pause to re-examine their individual goals and ideals and most important of all, to pay homage to Him who gave His life that all these things are possible.

In our world of business, in our world of politics, in our world of religious beliefs and concepts, in our world of races and minority groups and the societies of the free and the societies of the oppressed, perhaps the greatest single challenge to man today can be summed up in one word: Tolerance. Tolerance we as individuals have for those whose thoughts, whose beliefs, whose ideals and whose race, creed and color may differ from our own. Tolerance might be said to be the foundation of everything we are and everything that has purposeful meaning in our lives. Strength and inspiration go hand in hand with tolerance.

In some areas of our society where tolerance is little more than a word to which lip service is given, there is a great and urgent need to rekindle the light of understanding and respect and the values of human dignity for others, regardless of how divergent their views from our own.

To paraphrase an old but common expression to all, tolerance, like charity, must begin at home. As the members of a family unit are tolerant of each other, so they become tolerant of their circle of friends and tolerant of other members of their community and of their state and their nation. Who among us is to say that most or all of the tragic problems confronting mankind today could not be resolved were there a genuine and honest rededication among all men to tolerance in all matters.

We who are fortunate enough and proud enough to claim citizenship in this, the greatest nation on earth, must never forget that we are Americans first and that we are members of a particular race, a religious creed or a political belief, second. Historians and the most learned scholars agree that the very cornerstone upon which this country was founded and has grown and prospered is the solidarity of its citizens through tolerance and the respect for the rights and beliefs of others.

Each of us must take stock of our own attitudes; we must make an honest and sincere effort to erase for all time those prejudices which, frankly, each of us have. Though some of these we are able to suppress, others, particularly in recent years, have flared into tragedy and open violence across the land.

Would it require a miracle to bring this about. To me, we still are living and always shall be living in the age of miracles. It is beyond my belief, beyond my comprehension, that man through scientific achievements and through the vast, extremely complex formulae of our developing space age can literally reach for the moon and the stars and the planets beyond, and in this vast search for knowledge may one day literally control the universe. And yet, despite these astounding achievements undreamed of so short a time ago, man has yet failed in every attempt, in every effort, to achieve the highest and greatest goal of all—that miracle, if you will, to live in peace and harmony with his fellow man.

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## CRISWELL PREDICTS

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I predict you will see protest parades to legalize marijuana! Then and only then will America awaken!

I predict that America will awaken morally in 1968!

I predict that America will be the land of protest in 1968! The "Civil Rights" Groups — "Anti-War" and "Legalize Marijuana" groups will all join hands in monster demonstrations! And, with telling effects!

I predict that American citizens will take the law into their own hands to protect their property and life of their loved ones! Daylight robberies, street muggings, housebreakings, purse snatchings will all become a thing of the past in 1968, due to public action! The public will not only demand "civil rights" for themselves but also "civil protection"!

I predict that our Police with citizen backing will pull America back from the edge of anarchy in 1968!

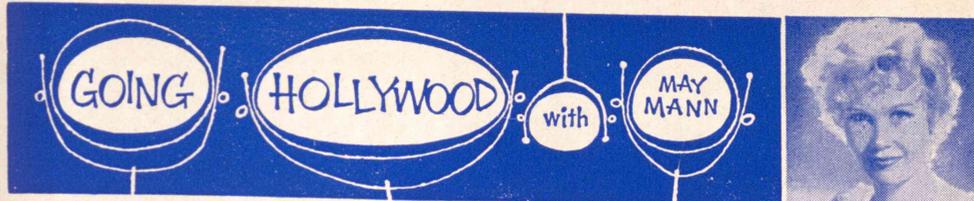
I predict that business will boom in 1968, with the Dow-Jones again reaching 1000 and staying comfortably there!

I predict that Death, the proud brother, will be more than active during this year of 1968 with even our foremost men and women being called from the scene! For some, we will shed very few tears, but for others our flag will fly half-mast! We will be two-thirds thru the 20th century and the toll of life will tell it!

I predict that England will suffer another Karmic cycle! The boast of heraldry, the pomp of power and all that wealth ere long will turn into a vast graveyard of despair and loss! 1968 will see the end of the English as we know them today!

I predict that the dreadful tyranny of one man imposing his will upon another will be most apparent in the new Russian-Chinese combine which will sweep into Asia and the Middle-East, just as Russia and Germany swept into Poland 27 short years ago!

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MERRY CHRISTMAS  
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Papa was always very special about playing records and serenading Mama. From midnight to one a.m. was the hour. Every night, I'd waken from the land of nod to wonderful, dreamy music. So would Grandmama. So would dear Aunt Martha and my Aunt Ray, who lived across the drive.

Since we lived in two big houses on Grandpapa's estate, which took up a half a city block, you could play music all night, if you wanted to. There were no near neighbors to be bothered by it. The only one who complained about Papa's musical treats was Florabelle, our maid. She'd shut all the windows of her apartment in the back of the big house, and stuff cotton in her ears. "Some folks don't know what hours are for sleepin'," she'd snort every other morning. "Time to rise is when sun's up. Time to retire is when sun's down."

Papa would laugh when she'd be muttering "such," as she served his breakfast eggs. Papa had his own business, and he didn't have to get to it until ten or so. He'd grab Florabelle around her stout waist sometimes and waltz her around the room, with her complaining every step! And he'd say, "Life is to live, my sweet! When the sun goes down, the moon comes up. Try sitting in the moonlight listening to sweet music. You'll dream of love and that man, somewhere in your life!" Florabelle would break away and act like she was real mad. But she'd be smiling a little on one side of

her mouth. She'd "allow" as how Papa "was a real card!" "A real Casanova to Mama." Mama never interfered on these occasions, because she was completely in love with Papa, as he was with her. Whatever each one did, the other thought was absolute perfection! That is, most of the times.

Anyway, when Papa began playing "Silent Night, Holy Night," and "O Little Town of Bethlehem," and "Away in a Manger," on his record machine, everyone knew that Christmas was on the move, ready to move right into our house! That was Yule mood music and everyone caught the spirit right away!

It was all right to climb out of bed and eagerly join Papa and Mama who were sitting in front of the big fire, cozy as could be, when it was Christmas music. And on this occasion, when I was newly six, Papa pulled me onto his lap. And he said, "I'm going to sing along with the next record. I want you to always remember the words of 'I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day.' Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, one of our favorite poets, wrote the words. I want you to memorize it and every Christmas from now on you will stand by the Christmas tree, after dinner, and recite it. Just like you do with 'The Pussy Cat' and 'The Plum Pudding'."

Papa deposited me at his feet, reached for his guitar and with the firelight casting a rosy red hue bright and warm on our faces, he softly sang and played along with the phonograph record. It sounded so Christmasy, that I can always see it! Papa, who looked like Tyrone Power, with his wavy dark hair, sitting there in his red velvet jacket, his black broadcloth neatly creased trousers, his eyes that danced with charm and fascination. And Mama, blonde with her hair piled atop her head, in soft curls, her

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blue eyes and her pink and white lovely complexion, wearing a gold chiffon housecoat with its layers of pink chiffon and velvet ribbons caught at the bottom with pink ostrich feathers. What a picture they were. And Papa was singing:

I heard the Bells on Christmas Day,  
Their old familiar carols play,  
And wild and sweet  
The words repeat  
Of peace on Earth, good will to men.

And I thought how as the day had come,  
The belfries of all Christendom,  
Had rolled along  
The unbroken song  
Of peace on Earth, good will to men.

And in despair I bowed my head,  
There is no peace on Earth I said,  
For hate is strong  
And mocks the song

Of peace on Earth, good will to men.

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep,  
God is not dead, nor doth he sleep,  
The wrong shall fail,  
The right prevail,  
With peace on Earth, good will to men.

It was now the day before Christmas. A white fresh snowfall laid a magic fairyland, Icicles hung from the eaves. And the kids had their skis and toboggans going down the hill along Grandpapa's place. And at times some farmer's sleigh would come by with jingling sleighbells. And everyone who came in would be stamping the snow off their feet outside, taking their boots off inside the reception hall. And they'd clap their hands when they took off their woollen gloves and head straight for the fire-

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**Hillsway**  
by ROLAND HILL



A few years ago I did a WHO'S WHO column for the Christmas Issue of Fabulous which encompassed people from all around the country. Because so many in Las Vegas have asked me to do a column of local Who's Who personalities, this year I have complied with the following. The people I write about herein are the finest citizens deserving to be in anyone's Who's Who. Some did not supply the pertinent information before deadline. That is the only reason they are not in this Who's Who. Read all the biographies carefully, because every person's life, name, and statistics are his most cherished assets.

**ADAM, Father Jack C.** Born October 10th in Pass Christian, Mississippi. He is an Episcopal Priest and his wife's name is Ranelle. They have two children, Nancy 16 and Beth 9. Father is a graduate of Arizona State Univ. and the Epis. Theological Seminary of the Southwest. The Adams family has lived in Mesa, Arizona and Central America. Father belongs to the Shrine, Scottish Rite, 32nd Degree Masons and the Saints and Sinners. He is now Director of St. Jude's Ranch for Children in Boulder City, Nevada and is certainly one of the most civic-minded and top clergymen of the area.

**ADAMS, Al.** Al is married and lives at 4101 Esmeralda with his wife Thelma. He is Sales Manager for Delta Air Lines with offices in the Riviera Hotel; is a Catholic; was born July 23rd in St. Louis, Missouri and graduated from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. He is '67 Chairman of the Aviation Committee; Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce; a member National Defense Transportation; a member of SKAL and also a member of the Hotel Sales Managers Association. The Governor named him Honorary General of Nevada and he was also honored by the Thunderbirds of Nellis. He has traveled much in this country, Europe and the Caribbean, and lived in St. Louis and Chicago before moving to Las Vegas. Al and Thelma are both very active, civic and social minded.

**ADAMS, Rev. Father James T.** Born July 3, 1930 in Oakland, California. He and his wife Evelyn have three children, William, Penelope and Thomas. He graduated from Holy Cross Theological Seminary in Boston, Mass. and the University of Athens, Greece. He is pastor of St. John Greek Orthodox Church at 1229 E. Carson in Las Vegas and belongs to the Optimist Club. He has traveled extensively in Europe, Greece, Italy and Portugal, as well as Canada and Alaska. The Adams live at 3217 Greenbriar Drive and are among the best loved citizens of our town. No man is more popular than Father Adams.

**ALLEN, Hardy.** Hardy was born Feb. 28, 1911 in Kinta, Oklahoma and now lives with his wife Clara and sons Gary and Ed at 1118 5th Place. I have known him for many years and have always enjoyed patronizing his very fine store, Allen & Hanson, located at 404 Fremont Street. This is one of the finest men's stores in town. It has grown from the little house around the corner on North Fourth Street into its present beautiful and large store. Hardy served in the Army Air Force as a T/Sgt. in the European Theatre.

**AMOS, Ron.** Born in Bingham Canyon, Utah, September 23, 1933, Ron and his wife Helen have three lovely children, Mike, Mitch and Mace. Ron is Director of Public Relations at Caesars Palace, has a B.S. Degree in Journalism from Utah State Univ. in Logan, Utah and took his graduate work at the U of Utah in Salt Lake City. For two years he was a Corporal in the U. S. Army at Fort Benning, Ga. Ron has a varied and award-winning background in the publicity, public relations, promotion and newspaper fields and before he affiliated with the C. P. he was with the Sahara Hotel in the same capacity. Before that he was Sports Editor of the L. V. Review Journal for five years. He is a past member of the Bd. of Directors of the National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Assn. of the Nat'l. Pub. Relations Committee for the Amateur Athletic Union. He is Exec. Secty. of Bluecoats, Inc., lives at 1629 Ingraham, and, besides writing, he loves to play tennis.

**ANDERSON, John F.** Col. Anderson is the Base Commander of Nellis Air Force Base and lives with his wife Peg and three children, John Jr., Alison and Sharon at 648 Dunning Circle. The Colonel is a Protestant, has a B.S. Degree from the University of Maryland and has been in the military service since 1942. He is the proud holder of the Military highest decoration, the Legion of Merit. He belongs to the Las Vegas Shrine Club, the Masons, Quiet Birdman, Kiwanis, Daedalian and the VFW. Where on this globe he hasn't lived I wouldn't hazard a guess but I do know he has lived in Texas, Arizona, Iwo Jima, Okinawa, Korea, Washington, D. C. and London, England, before moving here. The Colonel's mother is one of the leading Republicans in the state of Minn. He was born the 29th of December, 1920 in Buhl, Minnesota, up on the Iron Range.

**APPLEBY, Geraldine Dorothea McGeer.** Gerry, one of our more popular newspaper gals, was born on July 2nd in Vancouver, B. C., Canada and lives at 392 Wisteria Ave. South. She has one daughter, Diane Elizabeth Bancroft and two grandsons, Donald and James, who all live in British Columbia. Gerry was educated in Vancouver, is a Republican, an Episcopalian, and Women's Editor of the Las Vegas Sun. She has lived here since 1958 and has handled the Food, Fashions, and Social items for the paper, writes a "people" column and conducts the cooking schools. She once won first prize as Editor of a Canadian weekly for all of Canada and has had many, many honors bestowed on her. She has traveled across Canada many times, as well as this country and in Europe. She adores living here, mainly because of the lack of hypocrisy and the casualness of our town. Also the weather and the ever-changing color of the desert. Her hobbies are cooking, sewing and gardening but when she finds time for these is a mystery. Gerry is an avid attender and seldom turns down an invitation.

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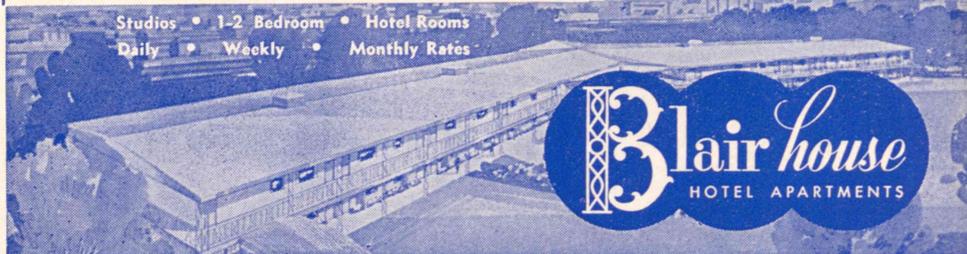
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**ARCE, Phillip Wm.** Phil lives at 2630 Sherwood with his wife Dorothy and son Joseph Phillip. He was born June 25, 1937 and is Hotel Manager of the Sahara Hotel. He was born in New York City. He served our country in the Marine Corps in San Diego, attended the American School in Mexico City, the University of Notre Dame and the University of San Diego. Phil Arce is a newcomer to our town and soon will be one of its most active citizens.

**ARNOLD, George.** George lives at 823 Palm Canyon in Palm Springs, but also has a home here on Desert Inn Road out near the Stardust Golf Course, and considers himself a native now. He was born January 18th in Hollywood. Except for his stint in the Navy, he has been in show business all his life. He has put together more successful ice shows and revues for night clubs than any other producer. George designs beds, an exclusive line, made all the costumes for Caesars Palace's opening show and just finished doing "Diamond Lil" with Mae West. He skated in an academy award picture and has made many movies.

**ARSERS, John A.** John was born April 24, 1926 in Spring Valley, Minnesota. He is now with the Convention & Special Sales Division of T.W.A. located in the Riviera Hotel. He and his wife Irene (Pinky) live at 19 Lexington Ave. He attended school in Chatfield, Minnesota, the McConnell Airline School in Minneapolis, and has taken special courses at Nevada Southern. He is a Methodist and a Democrat, served in the U. S. Merchant Marine as a Seaman during World War II in the North Atlantic. He was TWA "System-wide Sales Agent of the Month" in January of 1965, belongs to the Hotel Sales Managers Ass'n., and is former President of the New Ulm, Minn. Musicians Union. New Ulm is the Polka capital of the world and has some 21 bands playing out of there. John traveled the entire country playing in bands, during the Big Band Era.

**ASKEW, Olin D.** Bud was born May 24, 1914 in Birmingham, Ala., is single and lives at 1908 Griffith Avenue. He is Casino Floorman (Pit Boss) at the Frontier Hotel, is a grad. of Central High in Akron, Ohio and an Actress-Comedienne, par-excellence. Her family consists of a one-year-old Toy Poodle, named "Bon Bon." Currently, she is the star in "Bottoms Up" at the Caesars Palace in Nero's Nook. She is a Presbyterian and a Democrat, and is the holder of a B.S. degree from the University of Maryland. For three years in a row she received the "Best Actress Award" from the U of Maryland. She had her own Drama School for two years in Silver Spring, Maryland, has traveled much in the Azores, Africa, Iceland, Bermuda, Greenland, Bahamas and to all the military bases therein. She also taught third grade for two years and wrote childrens revues and musicals while teaching. She has the distinction of being the youngest member of the Professional Entertainment Branch, Department of the Army, to travel on holidays and semester breaks to entertain the military personnel stationed in remote out-

**AUSTIN, Nancy B.** One of the nicest gals in our town — Nancy has bought a home at 3862 Omaha Circle, was born July 19th in Washington, D.C. and is an Actress-Comedienne, par-excellence. Her family consists of a one-year-old Toy Poodle, named "Bon Bon." Currently, she is the star in "Bottoms Up" at the Caesars Palace in Nero's Nook. She is a Presbyterian and a Democrat, and is the holder of a B.S. degree from the University of Maryland. For three years in a row she received the "Best Actress Award" from the U of Maryland. She had her own Drama School for two years in Silver Spring, Maryland, has traveled much in the Azores, Africa, Iceland, Bermuda, Greenland, Bahamas and to all the military bases therein. She also taught third grade for two years and wrote childrens revues and musicals while teaching. She has the distinction of being the youngest member of the Professional Entertainment Branch, Department of the Army, to travel on holidays and semester breaks to entertain the military personnel stationed in remote out-

posts. Her hobbies are interior decorating, furniture refinishing, designing clothes and collecting antiques. No actress has endeared herself to all of the localities in Las Vegas as much as Nancy in the short three years she has been here. She is Miss Personality herself.

**BALL, Denny L.** Denny, his wife Linda, and son Steven live at 4304 El Cedral. He was born April 17, 1942 and is Manager of the Dazey Travel Service located at 4973 Paradise Road. Denny attended business college, is a Methodist and a Republican. He was born in Muscatine, Iowa, likes to bowl and fish, has traveled in the South Pacific, Mexico and the Caribbean and belongs to H.S.M.A. and the Vegas Valley JC's.

**BARRY, Guy.** Guy is a member of the Thunderbird Opticists and 1st V.P. of the Nat'l. Professional League of Christian Fellowship. He lives at 1400 Angel Dr. with his wife Doris and children, Denise, Guy and Diane. He is Public Relations Officer for the Bonanza Hotel. He was born November 15, 1925 in Downingtown, Pa. and attended school there. Then to UCLA, and in 1948 got his BA Degree from the U of Georgia. He is an Episcopalian and a Democrat. He served in the European theatre and North Africa as a Captain in the 101st Airborne Division, and is the proud wearer of the Silver Star, Bronze Star w/Cluster and the Purple Heart w/Cluster. At school he was All-American End at the U of Ga. in 1948 and was All-Pro Defensive halfback, NFL in 1953. His hobbies are sports, golf, swimming and bowling.

**BAUM, Jerome.** Jerry was born on May 10th in St. Louis, Missouri. He, his wife Gerry and their four children, Larry, Sharon, Sam and Jay live at 2904 Kings Way. He served in the Navy during World War II and the Korean Conflict as a Commissaryman 1st Class. Currently he is Ass't. Maitre d' Bacchanal Room of Caesars Palace. He is of the Hebrew religion and is Chaplain for the De Molay. His hobbies are Interior Decorating, reading and cooking. Jerry has traveled in all the states except Alaska and previously lived in St. Louis, Missouri and Arkansas.

**BAYLEY, Judith F.** Judy Bailey lives at her Hacienda Hotel, was born August 21st in Dallas, Texas and is the widow of the late Warren "Doc" Bayley. Since his demise she has plunged into the hotel business and Nevada scene with a vengeance. As a hotel owner, casino owner, and Chairman of the Board of the Hacienda she rates with the best of the "men" in our town. She was educated at St. Mary's Academy, North Dallas High School and Southern Methodist University. She has been honored for outstanding effort on behalf of the American Cancer Society and also the Nevada Heart Association and belongs to the Kentucky Colonels and the TWA Ambassador Club. Judy has traveled much in this country and abroad and has chosen Las Vegas as her home.

**BECKEL, Robert D.** Bob lives at 5 Wright St. with his wife Donna Lee and two children, Valerie Kay and Bobby, Jr. He was born the 2nd of January in 1937 and takes a lot of kidding about his home town by the name of Walla Walla, Washington. He is Solo Pilot with the USAF Thunderbirds at Nellis and has flown with them the world over. Has lived in many places and spent four years in Germany. He is a Captain, a graduate of the United States Air Force Academy in 1959 in Colorado Springs. Was 1st Wing Commander there and an All-American Basketball Selectee in

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# MIGHTY MIXTURE

By GARY STEVENS

**BITS AND PIECES HANGING ON A 1967 CHRISTMAS TREE:** Tinsel, toys and stockings glamourize the Yuletide trees. As one sits near such a setting, it is easy to relax and give full sway to imagination and memory. The human brain is a neat warehouse for time tested trivia. If you've read a great deal and fraternized near and far, the chances are very good that the retentive processes will hold you in good stead when you press the mythical button marked — Recall.

This is as good a time as any to let the ramblings come where they may. It just came back — the theatrical fact about a great thespian named **Edwin Booth**. After his deranged brother, **John Wilkes**, murdered **President Lincoln**, the actor refused to play **Washington**. We remember reading in a book called "**Curtain Time**," that the distinguished actor insisted if anyone in that area wanted to see him, they'd have to travel to Baltimore, his closest stop.

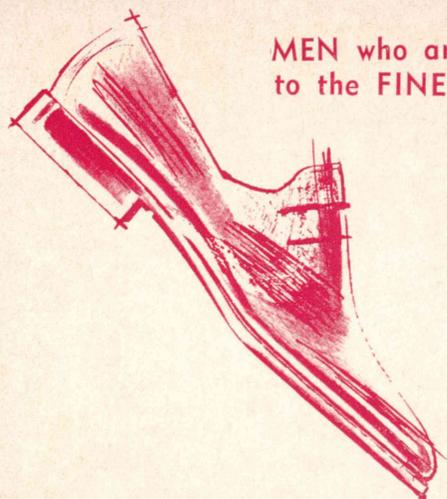
Merry Christmas, have a Tom and Jerry, the not-so-sweet but spicy kind. The reference to drinking reminds us of the great capacity of the late **Ben Hecht**. His typewriter partner, **Charlie MacArthur** could go off on a bender after a couple and be crooked for days. Not so with Ben. The writer was never servile to the bottle. He could take his blasts easily. Regardless of how many he downed, he could not become intoxicated. The authority for that choice alcoholic tidbit was none other than **Gene Fowler**, a boozing companion of **Hecht**, as well as of the fabled **John Barrymore**.

May this holiday be especially bright for you. It's been some years since the gentle **Bernard Sobel** passed on to the Great White Way of the Great Beyond. **Bernie**, best known as

Ziegfeld's press agent, was a witty, articulate, urbane man. On Oct. 24, 1953, he handed us a copy of his book "**Broadway Heartbeat**" and inscribed some cherished words — "wonderful friend with affection." In that book he had pages about his famous employer, **Ziggy**. This paragraph lingers with us: "In winter, he wore a grey beaver-lined coat which made him look like a patrician bear."

The "office party" in December is a tradition in the metropolis. All in the name of holiday spirit, mind you. The suppressed unwind, the social drinker gets plastered, the prim secretary who covers her ears when a dirty joke is told January through November, is all mouth and willing. Back in the late Thirties, we walked in on the end of a swinging get-together and remember a puritanical telephone operator liquored out of her complexes. She hit us with a Knock-Knock approach. She said: "come on, ask me one. Say knock, knock." We complied. "Knock, knock," we responded. "No," she shouted in loud Seagramese, "I shay it, you shay — whosh there?" She did the k-k. We sheepishly asked — "who's there?" She answered — "Freda." And like we were supposed to ask, we asked "Freda who?" "Freda you," she smiled, "but five dollars to anyone elsh." This is to report Christmases later, her kind offer has not been taken.

**H. Allen Smith** has written about 30 books in the last 30 years. We think of him often, perhaps because he is an unpretentious humorist. He got high in literary circles being the low man on a totem pole (his first big book); he made a cat named **Rhubarb** a national entity. This is the time of year to toast Mr. Smith, a pretty good imbiber himself, for escaping from



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mundane acquiescence. This is the example. Most people worship the writings of William Faulkner. H. Allen comes right out with it. He says he's read and reread Faulkner and gets nothing out of this prize winning novelist. In seeking support for his conclusion, he claims Bergen Evans and Clifton Fadiman agree. No comment from this scribbler at this festive time of the year, save this clinical comment. Anybody who dug Benchley and lionizes Twain can't be too wrong. A sprig of holly to you, Mr. Smith.

The menage who mingle under the mistletoe should appreciate this final item. If saying "cheese" is the answer to a photographer's request that you smile pretty for the lens, use this word for kissing. Just say "good," holding the word for an extra second or two. You're all set and puckered. End of lip aid. Have a great '68.

What a pity it is that nobody knows how to manage a wife but a bachelor.

"Home, Sweet Home" must surely have been written by a bachelor.

JACK CORTEZ'

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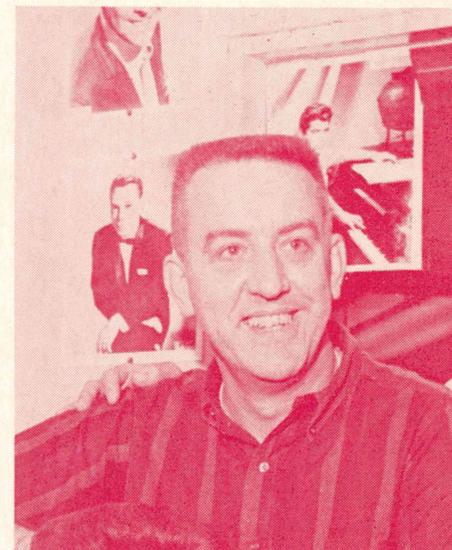
## SHOW BIZ

# •• HOT LINE ••

By BOB JOYCE

HI THERE, BOYS AND GIRLS — all set for jam packed thrills and adventures? Goody . . . let's go. First off, I might explain the above title for this literary masterpiece. I do a radio show six days a week over KRAM, of which four are devoted to talking to people about the entertainment field. I mean all facets of show business . . . from old movies, new movies, radio (old and new), music (old and new), night clubs, vaudeville, burlesque (old and new) and television (old — at least it always seems to be). These phone tete-a-tetes usually wind up in a "what ever happened to —" or "what are they doing now" or, simply, "Remember?" So, with that in mind, I thought you might be semi-interested in some rare information and seldom heard facts. Hang on tight . . . here we go.

Remember these names? Thurston Hall, Pierre Watkin, Wade Boitler, Johnathan Hale, Allison Skipworth, May Robson, Jesse Ralph, Maey Boland, C. Henry Gordon, Sid Saylor? These are but a few of the thousand names that graced the silver screen during the 30's and 40's. They're all members of the greatest and most talented acting club in the world — the character actor or actress. You may not remember their names but if I showed you pictures of their faces, you would in all probability say, "Oh yeah . . . I remember." For example, Thurston Hall played the banker, lawyer, rich father, always with cigar in mouth. Or take Johnathan Hale . . . he was "Mr. Dithers" in the "Blondie" movies of the thirties. May Robson is best remembered as "Aunt Polly" in the 1937 movie, "Tom Sawyer." The only reason I mention these people is . . . they all have relatives living in our town of Las Vegas, I talk to them everyday and ask the inevit-



BOB JOYCE

able question, "Where are they?" Sad to say, most of them are no longer with us. I've found that Las Vegas has been fortunate in having the "Who's Who of Movies" either working, living, or visiting here. I remember Preston Foster as your host at the Old Frontier Hotel . . . talking to the late Hoot Gibson about his money worries, caused by bad investments . . . I remember spending two memorable hours with a gracious gentleman who used to live with me 15 weeks a year when I was a child. The fifteen weeks were 15 chapters of the movie serial. His name . . . Wild Bill Elliot. He got the "Wild Bill" from his first major western, the movie serial of "Wild Bill Hickok." No one, other than his immediate family, took his passing with greater sorrow than I. I remember one night my wife and I were watching one of the last of the great minstrel men named Dave Burton entertain at the Cabaret Room at the Frontier. Who did he have singing

and dancing with straw hat and cane to "Lullaby of Broadway?" **Rory Calhoun**, whose first movie role was in a movie called "The Red House." That picture starred **Edward G. Robinson** and little **Lon McAllister**. But we came away raving about **Rory Calhoun** and a sleepy eyed, sultry hunk of femininity, name of **Julie London**. Her first movie, too. Now Julie is one of the prettier reasons to visit Las Vegas, as she works here at least twice a year. I remember back in 1960, while strolling through one of the lounges, I saw a familiar face sitting by himself, sipping a tall cool one. No one was paying much attention to him. Having had a wee bit of courage poured into me, I steeled myself and walked over and said, "I thoroughly enjoyed your TV show back in 1955 over CBS." He looked at me and said, "Thank you. I didn't think anyone remembered that show." His name was and IS **Johnny Carson**. My personal favorite of all the quick minds in the business.

The wonderful world of burlesque is starting to rise from the ashes like a Phoenix in some areas in this land. Las Vegas is home to that rare breed of man . . . the burlesque comic. We have **Hank Henry**, **Sparky Kaye**, **Eddy Ennis** with **Eddie Fox**, plying their trade at the **Hacienda**. . . **Irv Benson**, **Jack Mann** and **Marty May** with the legendary **Harold Minsky** at the **Silver Slipper**. . . This world of burlesque is my personal favorite world. The quick blackouts, the double entendre jokes, the outlandish ill-fitting costumes, the double take, the slow burns and the **GIRLS**. In fact, the biggest cliché in the world is a guy saying, "Oh, I go to a burlesque show just to see the comics." Don't kid yourself! All of us red-blooded-type American boys dig the girls. But in my case, it is true. . . I admire and respect these wonderful men whose style of comedy is timeless. A tradition that started in ancient Greece . . . really flourished in the 1920's and '30's, then suffered humiliation and almost complete annihilation. One by one, the burlesque

houses of the U.S.A. started to go dark. What happened to the comics? Some you may remember. **Bert Lahr**, **Phil Silvers**, **Red Buttons**, the late great **Rags Ragland**, **Joey Faye**, **Red Skelton**, the late **Bobby Clark**. **Danny Thomas** was a candy hawker . . . **Robert Alda**, famous for his portrayal of **George Gershwin**, was a juvenile singer. Some of the comics got out of the business entirely. Some temporarily . . . only to come back. Theirs is an art you can't learn at acting school or college. You learned by doing. If I had my way, there would be a burlesque theater in every major American city. I spend a lot of time backstage at the **Slipper**, talking to

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# HISTORY OF GAMBLING!

By **DAVE BARRY**

THE FOLLOWING article has been prepared over a period of 462 years. I did it all myself. I'm tired. Ever since I first became fascinated by gambling I've always wanted to find out how it all began. I went to the Public Library and, after being told to keep quiet, I proceeded to do some research on how gambling started. What you are about to read is a condensed version of my book, "The History of Gambling."

The reason this column presents the condensed version is because I lost the rest of the book in a dice game. The winner walked off with my Preface, my Illustrations and my Index. This column is what's left. That makes us both losers.

According to all the material gathered during my research, gaming first started with Adam and Eve. The serpent was the local bookmaker and he was laying odds that Eve would take a bite out of the Apple. Adam, who

was busy making hats, bet one leaf and lost.

Other chapters in the early history of the world clearly indicate that gaming was a popular sport. The reason **Pre-Historic Men** lived in caves was because gaming was considered illegal in those days and only the caves were operating. As soon as the sucker dropped his pile of rocks, he lit out in search for additional wampum.

In those days it was very difficult to get **Women Blackjack Dealers**, which accounts for all those photos you see of the early Pit Bosses dragging the reluctant girls into their caves. It wasn't for what you think. They were merely replacing women dealers.

The reason replacements were necessary was because the players were really sore losers. If they lost a bet they lifted their clubs and proceeded to bash in the dealer's head. This caused the management no end of embarrassment. Clubs were hard to replace. Women dealers with fresh heads weren't.

The blows on their heads were actually a blessing. It curled the ends of their hair and this was probably the first Italian haircut. Other women found their height suddenly shortened. Some even disappeared. Not ALL of them. We're here to prove it!

Gaming then showed up in Rome. **Nero** was hired as a lookout and would play the fiddle as a warning. **Brutus** stabbed **Caesar** because he welched on a bet and **Marc Anthony** made his famous speech, "Friends, Romans, Countrymen, lend me your ears." The poor guy had run out of money.

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**DAVE BARRY**



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**THE ALADDIN**

736-0111 PREVIEW  
 BAGDAD THEATRE—Dec. 22-Jan 18.  
 "The Odd Couple," starring Phil Foster  
 and Joe Flynn (Twice Nightly; Reserva-  
 tions Only).

"The Odd Couple" moves into the Bagdad with a lease of hilarity that's bound to delightfully disturb the neighbors as Neil Simon's classic Broadway comedy success chases poker with laughter for an enviable evening of sure-odds fun . . . Stars Phil Foster and Joe Flynn know how to play their cards perfectly as the happy-go lucky, so sloppy "Oscar Madison" and the finicky, so immaculate "Felix Ungar," casting away their wives, sharing an apartment, and fighting forever more amidst a full house of divergent buddies and the charmingly lovely English "Pigeon" sisters . . . It's a memorable house-  
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**CAESARS PALACE**

734-7431 REVIEW  
 CIRCUS MAXIMUS — Nov. 30 - Limited  
 Engagement  
 Judy Garland (Midnight show only); Nov.  
 30-Dec. 25, Lou Rawls, Jackie Mason,  
 Malmoe Girls (Dinner show only).

NERO'S NOOK  
 Ritz Brothers; Rosario Galan Ballet; Fifth  
 Dimension; Billy Fellows; Marion Colby  
 (6:30 P.M. to 5 A.M.) Afternoons, "Bottoms  
 Up" (2:30 P.M. & 4:30 P.M.)

A magical rainbow of incomparable brilliance enlightens the Palace as the enthralling Miss Judy Garland colors a startling concert of extraordinary show business with the reknowned ingredients that result in emotional experiences of tears, laughter, thundering shouts, and shattering ovations. The magnificent voice. The casually humorous asides. The dominating mannerisms. The quivering feeling. The quick dance steps. The trumpet-  
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735-1122 REVIEW  
 CRYSTAL ROOM — Sept. 28-indef.  
 "Pzazz! '68," starring the Snyder Brothers;  
 Jeremy Vernon; Bambi McCormick; Rudy  
 Cardenas; The Agostinos; Galla Shawn;  
 Carlton Hayes Ork. (8 P.M. & Midnite)

LADY LUCK LOUNGE  
 Davis & Reese; Hip Parade Revue; Jacob  
 Sisters; The Promises; Serenaders (5 P.M.  
 to 5 A.M.)

SKY ROOM  
 Vido Musso (From 9 P.M.)

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 ing showmanship has spread exten-  
 sively and unbelievably fast over this  
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 wood Happening" that leaves nothing  
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 '68" is a brilliant, startling production,  
 with an unprecedented lavishness that  
 can range from the Mod to the mu-  
 sical to the memorable. The ideas of  
 stager-creator-director Donn Arden  
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**THE DUNES**

735-4741 PREVIEW  
 CASINO DE PARIS SHOWROOM—Dec.  
 22 - Indefinite  
 "Casino de Paris"—All New 1968 Edition  
 starring Rouvaun; Bill Chase Ork. (8 P.M.  
 & Midnite)

PERSIAN THEATRE  
 "Vive Les Girls!" starring Jerry Antes—  
 All New 5th Edition; Mickey Turner. (11  
 P.M., 1 A.M., 2:45 A.M.)

SULTAN'S TABLE  
 Arturo Romero & His Magic Violins;  
 Stacy Carroll (From 6 P.M. to Midnite).

TOP O' THE STRIP  
 Russ Morgan; Art & Dotty Todd; Leo  
 D'Marco (From 10 P.M. to 4 A.M.)

The Dunes observes a lavishly  
 French Christmas as it unwraps a  
 spectacular package containing an all-  
 new edition of the reknowned "Cas-  
 ino de Paris" extravaganza, gloriously  
 ribbon-tied with eye-popping produc-  
 tions, fast-moving choreography, daz-  
 zling effects, and an outstandingly-  
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## EL CORTEZ

382-1500 REVIEW  
 VIP LOUNGE—Dec. 14-Jan. 10  
 Cathy Ryan & The Gents; Terry James Quintet, with Lisa Marne; Bill Kane (5:45 P.M. to 5:15 A.M.)

Three stockings of holiday fun have been hung over the VIP's warm fireplace, making for delightful sessions of relaxed entertainment . . . Admirably gowned, and smartly coiffed, dynamic Cathy Ryan's back with her Gents, reclaiming her permanent stake to the Nevada nitery circuit in  
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## FLAMINGO

735-5646 PREVIEW  
 FLAMINGO ROOM—Dec. 22-Jan. 11  
 Wayne Newton; Jackie Kahane; Russ Black Ork. (8 P.M. & Midnite)  
 DRIFTWOOD LOUNGE  
 Mariachi Brass; The Jets; J'Adorables; Peter & Hank; Bob Sims (2:15 P.M.-5 A.M.)

A joyous sled of musical thrills plows through the Flamingo Room as the reknowned "Mr. Excitement" takes the reigns of this memorable Christmas outing . . . Wayne Newton's a masterful driver, his extraordinary  
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## FREMONT

384-3851 PREVIEW  
 FIESTA ROOM—Dec. 21-Jan. 17  
 Red Buttons; Kathy Keegan; Al Jahns Ork. (8:15 & Midnite).  
 CARNIVAL ROOM  
 Fran Griffin & The Good Guys; Pretty Kittens (8 P.M. — 3:30 A.M.)

The Fiesta Room's Santa Claus is, of course, Red — Academy Award-winning Red Buttons, whose riotous clowning and youthful exuberance and enthusiasm are welcome additions to anyone's fireplace stocking. Red's  
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## FRONTIER

734-0110 PREVIEW  
 VENUS ROOM—Dec. 22-Jan. 11  
 Ed Ames; (2nd act unavailable at deadline); The Kids Next Door; Al Alvarez Ork. (8:15 & Midnite).  
 POST TIME THEATRE  
 Gogi Grant; "It's Hell" Revue, starring Jerry Lester, with Phyllis & Bobby Sherwood (7:30 P.M. to 4:30 A.M.)

Ed Ames leaves Daniel Boone's side as "Mingo" to step off on a war-path of song in the Frontier, attacking each with the vigor and excitement that's established the former Ames  
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## RIVIERA

735-8533 Preview  
 VERSAILLES ROOM—Dec. 20—Indefinite  
 "Funny Girl," starring Mimi Hines & Phil Ford (8:15 & Midnite)  
 STARLITE THEATRE  
 Shecky Greene with Herbie Dell; Lee Raymond; Curtain Calls (7:30 P.M.-2:30 A.M.)

The luckiest people in the world are those who see "Funny Girl," the blockbusting musical hit that's moved into the Versailles with the same sparkling glitter that decorated its  
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## SAHARA

735-4242 Preview  
 CONGO ROOM — Dec. 22-Jan. 29  
 Buddy Hackett; Sergio Franchi; Louis Basil Ork. (8:15 & Midnite)  
 CASBAR THEATRE  
 Don Rickles; The Treniers; Latin Fire Follies; PsycheDella 4515 (7:15 P.M. to 6:30 A.M.)  
 BEACHCOMBER  
 Lauri Perry (From 9 P.M.)

Buddy Hackett plays a jolly, rollicking Kris Krinkle for Sahara patrons, innumerable bags of hysterical humor on his sled, just waiting to be  
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## SANDS

735-3464  
 COPA ROOM — Nov. 22-Jan. 2  
 Sammy Davis, Jr., with George Rhodes, Musical Director; Bob Melvin; Antonio Morelli Ork. (8:15 & Midnite)  
 CELEBRITY THEATRE  
 Louis Prima with Gia Maione; Sam Butera & The Witnesses; Gary Crosby; Sands Playmates Revue; Ernie Stewart Trio (9:30 P.M. to 5:15 A.M.)

The throngs stand back as Sammy Davis belts his way through a tremendous program of his well-known songs, spirited dancing, exuberant  
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## SHOWBOAT HOTEL

382-7575 Review  
 MARDI GRAS ROOM — Dec. 5-28  
 Leo Wolf; Al De Paulis; Johnny Paul, Host (6 P.M.-3 A.M.)

The 'Boat's celebrating a delightfully simple, good ol' fashioned Christmas, with just the perennial Mardi Gras family of talent, including Leo Wolf, Al De Paulis, and host Johnny Paul, attending the festivities. . . . Leo's tuneful piano artistry trims a unique musical tree beautifully, while Al's accordion-vocals provide the mer-  
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## STARDUST

735-2545 Review  
 CAFE CONTINENTAL — Oct. 13, 1966-April, 1968.  
 Le Lido de Paris — "Grand Prix" — 7th All-New Edition, starring Gino Donati, Frederick & Gina, Gil Dova, The Canestrellis, Rico, Les Bluebell Girls, and cast of 100. Eddie O'Neil Orch. (Curtain times 8:15-Midnite. Third show Sat.—2:15 A.M.)  
 STARDUST LOUNGE  
 Big Tiny Little; The Novelites; George Rock (6 P.M.-5 A.M.) (Opening December 29 . . . Nalani Kele & Her Polynesian Revue)

The Stardust has its biggest winner  
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## THUNDERBIRD

735-4111 Preview  
 CONTINENTAL THEATRE—Dec. 6-Jan. 2  
 "Cookin' With Gas!" featuring Tornado Tonja, Chuck Gabriele, Gary Le Mel, The Three Goetchis; Extra Added Attraction, The Great Darwin; R. V. Brand Ork. (8:15 P.M. & Midnite)  
 THUNDERBIRD LOUNGE  
 Curtis Lee V, with Patti York, featuring Baby Doll. (10 P.M.-4 A.M.)

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**SATURDAY — December 23**

- 8:00 **3** **8** **13** Cartoons (c)
- 9:30 **13** American Bandstand
- 10:30 **13** Cartoons (c)
- 11:30 **13** Movie
- 12:00 **3** "The Bluebird"
- 1:00 **3** The Lone Ranger (c)
- 13** Wide World Of Sports (c)
- 1:30 **3** The Westerners
- 2:00 **3** "Slim Carter"
- 8** "Red Canyon"
- 3:30 **3** The Untouchables
- 4:00 **8** Football Highlights (c)
- 4:30 **8** AFL Football Highlights (c)
- 13** Maverick
- 5:00 **3** Something Special
- 5** The Big Picture (c)
- 8** Championship Bowling (c)
- 5:30 **5** Movie
- 13** Lawrence Welk (c)
- 6:00 **3** Accidental Family (c)
- 8** CBS News (c)
- 6:30 **3** Mothers-In-Law (c)
- 8** Wild, Wild West (c)
- 13** Iron Horse (c)
- 7:00 **3** The Addams Family
- 5** Roller Skating Derby (c)
- 7:30 **3** Maya (c)
- 8** Nutcracker Suite
- 13** Batman (c)
- 8:00 **5** Merv Griffin Show
- 13** Off To See The Wizard (c)
- 8:30 **3** Get Smart (c)
- 8** My Three Sons (c)
- 9:00 **3** "Wild Seed"
- 8** Hogan's Heroes (c)
- 13** Dating Game
- 9:30 **5** Christmas Film
- 8** Petticoat Junction (c)
- 13** Newlywed Game
- 10:00 **8** Mannix (c)
- 5** Outrageous Opinions (c)
- 8** Joe Pyne Show (c)
- 13** "Angry Silence"
- 11:00 **3** "Operation Petticoat" (c)
- 12:00 **13** "Journey To The 7th Planet"
- 12:30 **8** "It's A Great Feeling"
- 3** "Beyond/Reasonable Doubt"

**SUNDAY — December 24**

- 8:00 **8** Dell Wade Show (c)
- 9:30 **3** Hanukah (Sp.)
- 10:00 **3** Playground, U.S.A.
- 10:30 **3** Family Theatre
- 13** Issues And Answers (c)
- 11:00 **3** Movie
- 8** Joe Pyne Show (c)
- 12:00 **13** Judge Richards
- 12:30 **13** Movie
- 1:00 **3** AFL Highlights
- 1:30 **3** F.B.—N.Y./San Diego (c)
- 2:00 **13** NBA Basketball (c)
- 4:00 **8** Laramie
- 13** Sports With Sandy
- 4:30 **3** Forrest Duke Show (c)
- 5:00 **3** Kingdom Of The Sea (c)
- 8** "Story Of Mankind"
- 13** Burke's Law
- 5:30 **3** G.E. College Bowl (c)
- 5** We Went To Sunday School
- 6:00 **3** The Monkees (c)
- 5** 20th Century (c)
- 13** Christ Is Born
- 6:30 **3** Gilligan's Island (c)
- 5** Abbott & Costello
- 7:00 **3** Don't Eat The Daisies (c)
- 5** Christmas Film
- 8** The King Family
- 13** The F.B.I. (c)
- 7:30 **3** Disney's World Of Color
- 8:00 **8** Ed Sullivan Show (c)
- 13** "Moll Flanders"
- 8:30 **3** F Troop (c)
- 5** David Susskind (c)
- 9:00 **3** Bonanza (c)
- 8** Smothers Brothers Show (c)
- 10:00 **3** High Chaparral (c)
- 8** Mission Impossible (c)
- 10:30 **5** Science Fiction Theatre
- 13** The Shepherd's Play
- 11:00 **3** Ray Coniff Xmas Special (c)
- 11:15 **8** "It's A Pleasure"
- 12:00 **3** Midnight Mass (c)
- 13** "Wait 'Til Sun Shines Nellie"
- 1:00 **3** "Think"
- 8** "Come To The Stable"
- 13** "Story Of Mankind"

**★ ALL PROGRAMS SUBJECT TO STATION CHANGES ★**

**MONDAY — December 25**

- 11:00 A.M. **13** North-South F.B. (c)
- 2:00 **13** NBA Basketball
- 2:30 **3** "The Cheaters"
- 8** Edge Of Night (c)
- 3:00 **8** "It's A Wonderful Life"
- 4:30 **3** Hey Kids
- 13** Peter Jennings News
- 5:00 **5** Gypsy Rose Lee (c)
- 8** Leonard Bernstein Concert
- 13** News—Weather—Sports
- 5:30 **3** Huntley-Brinkley Report (c)
- 5** Movie
- 13** Perry Mason
- 6:00 **3** Newsbeat (c)
- 8** The Big News
- 13** Peyton Place (c)
- 6:30 **3** "Horizons West"
- 5** Mike Douglas Show (c)
- 7:00 **8** Death Valley Days (c)
- 13** Big Valley (c)
- 7:30 **8** Gunsmoke (c)
- 8:00 **3** Man From U.N.C.L.E. (c)
- 5** March Of Time
- 13** Rat Patrol (c)
- 8:30 **8** The Lucy Show (c)
- 13** Felony Squad (c)
- 9:00 **3** Danny Thomas Show (c)
- 5** Movie
- 8** Andy Griffith Show (c)
- 13** Target, The Corrupters
- 9:30 **8** Family Affair (c)
- 10:00 **3** I Spy (c)
- 8** Carol Burnett Show (c)
- 13** News—Weather—Sports
- 10:30 **5** Outrageous Opinions (c)
- 13** Joey Bishop Show
- 11:00 **3** News, Weather, Sports (c)
- 11:30 **3** Johnny Carson (c)
- 8** "Mrs. Mike"
- 13** "Story Of Mankind"

**TUESDAY — December 26**

- 2:25 **8** CBS News (c)
- 2:30 **3** "Kathy O"
- 8** Edge Of Night (c)
- 13** "Westbound"
- 3:00 **8** "My Favorite Brunette"
- 4:30 **3** Hey Kids
- 13** Peter Jennings News
- 5:00 **5** Gypsy Rose Lee (c)
- 8** The Flintstones (c)
- 13** News—Weather—Sports
- 5:30 **3** Huntley-Brinkley Report (c)
- 5** Movie
- 8** Big News/CBS News (c)
- 13** Perry Mason
- 6:00 **3** Newsbeat (c)
- 8** Walter Cronkite (c)
- 6:30 **3** The Monroes (c)
- 5** Mike Douglas Show (c)
- 8** Big News/CBS News (c)
- 13** N.Y.P.D. (c)
- 7:00 **8** Four Winds To Adventure (c)
- 13** Hollywood Palace (c)
- 7:30 **3** I Dream Of Jeannie (c)
- 8** Daktari (c)
- 8:00 **3** Jerry Lewis Show (c)
- 5** Merv Griffin Show (c)
- 13** The Invaders (c)
- 8:30 **8** Red Skelton Hour (c)
- 9:00 **3** Movie
- 13** Garrison's Gorillas
- 9:30 **5** Wm. Buckley "Firing Line" c
- 8** Good Morning World (c)
- 10:00 **8** CBS News Hour (c)
- 13** News—Weather—Sports
- 10:30 **5** Outrageous Opinions (c)
- 13** Joey Bishop Show
- 11:00 **3** News, Weather, Sports (c)
- 11:30 **3** Johnny Carson (c)
- 8** "Adventures Of Mark Twain"
- 13** "It's A Wonderful Life"

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**WEDNESDAY — December 27**

- 2:30 **3** "This Happy Feeling"
- 8** Edge Of Night (c)
- 13** "Follow A Star"
- 3:00 **8** "Little Kidnappers"
- 4:30 **3** Hey Kids
- 13** Peter Jennings News
- 5:00 **5** Gypsy Rose Lee (c)
- 8** The Flintstones (c)
- 13** News—Weather—Sports
- 5:30 **3** News—Weather—Sports
- 5** Movie
- 13** Perry Mason
- 6:30 **3** Laredo (c)
- 5** Mike Douglas Show (c)
- 13** Custer (c)
- 7:00 **8** Thunderbirds (c)
- 7:30 **3** The Virginian (c)
- 8** Lost In Space (c)
- 13** Second 100 Years (c)
- 8:00 **5** Merv Griffin Show (c)
- 13** Movie
- 8:30 **8** Beverly Hillbillies (c)
- 9:00 **3** Kraft Music Hall (c)
- 8** Green Acres (c)
- 9:30 **5** Lowell Thomas (c)
- 8** He and She (c)
- 10:00 **3** Run For Your Life (c)
- 5** Sportin' Life
- 8** Jonathan Winters Show (c)
- 13** News—Weather—Sports
- 10:30 **5** Outrageous Opinions (c)
- 13** Joey Bishop Show
- 11:00 **3** News—Weather—Sports (c)
- 11:30 **3** Johnny Carson (c)
- 8** "Leave Them Laughing"
- 13** "My Favorite Brunette"
- 12:00 **13** "Three Steps North"

**THURSDAY — December 28**

- 2:30 **3** "Weekend With Father"
- 8** Edge Of Night (c)
- 13** "Snowbound"
- 3:00 **8** "Raiders Of The Seven Seas"
- 4:30 **13** Peter Jennings News
- 5:00 **5** Gypsy Rose Lee (c)
- 8** The Flintstones (c)
- 5:30 **3** News—Weather—Sports (c)
- 5** Movie
- 13** Perry Mason
- 6:30 **3** Super Bingo (c)
- 5** Mike Douglas Show (c)
- 13** Peyton Place (c)
- 7:00 **3** The Deputy
- 8** Branded
- 13** Good Company (c)
- 7:30 **3** Daniel Boone (c)
- 8** Cimarron Strip (c)
- 13** Flying Nun (c)
- 8:00 **5** Merv Griffin Show (c)
- 13** Bewitched (c)
- 8:30 **3** Ironside (c)
- 13** That Girl (c)
- 9:00 **8** Movie
- 13** Burke's Law
- 9:30 **3** Dragnet '68 (c)
- 5** Across The Seven Seas
- 10:00 **3** Dean Martin Show (c)
- 5** Your Man In Vegas
- 13** News—Weather—Sports
- 10:30 **5** Outrageous Opinions (c)
- 13** Joey Bishop Show
- 11:00 **3** News—Weather—Sports
- 11:30 **3** Johnny Carson (c)
- 8** "Keys To The Kingdom"
- 13** "Little Kidnappers"
- 12:00 **13** "The Red Cloak"

**FRIDAY — December 29**

- 2:30 **3** "The Sun Shines Bright"
- 8** Edge Of Night (c)
- 13** "King On Horseback"
- 3:00 **8** "Cry Vengeance"
- 4:30 **3** Hey Kids (c)
- 13** Peter Jennings News
- 5:00 **5** Gypsy Rose Lee (c)
- 8** The Flintstones (c)
- 13** News—Weather—Sports
- 5:30 **3** Huntley-Brinkley Report (c)
- 5** Movie
- 13** Perry Mason
- 6:00 **8** Walter Cronkite (c)
- 6:30 **3** "The Fighting Seabees"
- 5** Mike Douglas Show (c)
- 13** Will Sonnett (c)
- 7:00 **8** Wagon Train (c)
- 13** Cowboy In Africa (c)
- 8:00 **5** Merv Griffin Show (c)
- 13** Hondo (c)
- 8:30 **3** Star Trek (c)
- 8** Gomer Pyle, USMC (c)
- 9:00 **8** Movie
- 13** Judd (c)
- 9:30 **3** Boxing/Olympic (c)
- 5** The March Of Time
- 10:00 **13** News—Weather—Sports
- 10:30 **5** Outrageous Opinions (c)
- 13** Joey Bishop Show
- 11:00 **3** News—Weather—Sports
- 11:30 **3** Johnny Carson (c)
- 8** "Slightly Scarlet"
- 12:00 **13** "Prisoner Of Iron Mask"
- 1:00 **3** Forrest Duke Show
- 8** "Broken Star"
- 13** "Raiders Of The 7 Seas"

**MON. thru FRI**

- 8:00 **8** Captain Kangaroo (c)
- 13** Temptation
- 8:30 **13** How's Mother-In-Law
- 9:00 **3** Snap Judgment (c)
- 8** Candid Camera
- 13** Everybody's Talking
- 9:30 **3** Concentration
- 8** Beverly Hillbillies
- 13** Treasure Isle
- 10:00 **3** Personality (c)
- 8** Andy Of Mayberry
- 13** The Fugitive
- 10:30 **3** Hollywood Squares (c)
- 8** Dick Van Dyke Show
- 11:00 **3** Jeopardy (c)
- 8** Love Of Life (c)
- 13** The Newlyweds (c)
- 11:30 **3** Eye Guess (c)
- 8** Search For Tomorrow (c)
- 13** Dream Girl (c)
- 11:45 **8** Guiding Light (c)
- 11:55 **13** Marlene Sanders (c)
- 12:00 **3** Let's Make A Deal (c)
- 8** Secret Storm (c)
- 13** General Hospital (c)
- 12:30 **3** Days Of Our Lives (c)
- 8** As The World Turns (c)
- 13** Dark Shadows
- 1:00 **3** The Doctors (c)
- 8** Love/Splendor Thing(c)
- 13** Dating Game (c)
- 1:30 **3** Another World (c)
- 8** House Party (c)
- 13** Family Game
- 2:00 **3** You Don't Say (c)
- 8** To Tell The Truth (c)
- 13** Viewers Digest

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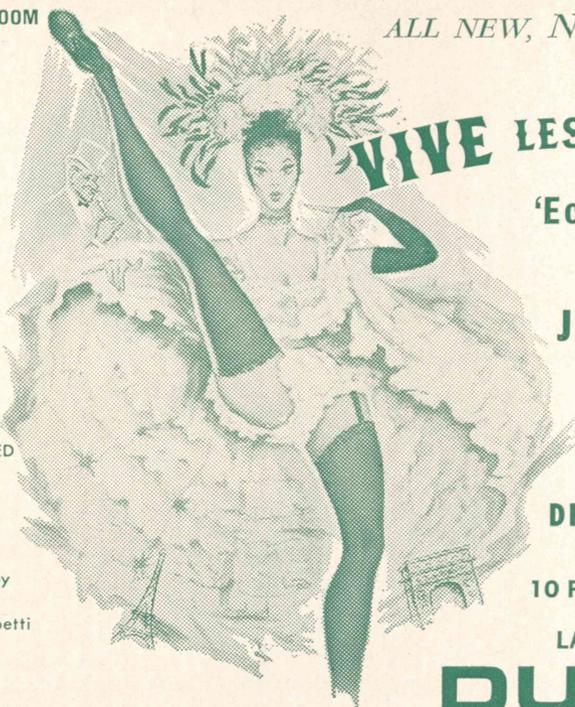
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## HISTORY OF GAMBLING

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Napoleon was a famous gambler who was always short. In England, people were losing their heads completely. Columbus sailed to America on three ships . . . the Nina, the Pinta and the Santa Maria. This boy Christopher gambled on a new route and won.

He was followed by Magellan, who was the kingpin of all poker players. He played all inside hands and, to this day, poker players everywhere remember the "Straights of Magellan." In those days the Spaniards were using gold coins instead of silver dollars. This was started by the famous Cortez, whose great grandson now manages a magazine in Las Vegas.

Gaming then went underground, which accounts for all the buried treasure. Just about this time a very famous knight, Sir Walter Raleigh, spread his cloak out on the ground to start a crap game. This was mistaken

by the Queen for courtesy and she stepped on it. The Queen made the King, they pooled all their Jack and formed a deck of cards.

By now a new group of reformists were gathering in England. They were striking for new decks of cards and rode on their bicycles campaigning. This movement was responsible for the famous "Bicycle Decks." The cards soon turned dirty and, as no new decks were being manufactured, a new group formed . . . the Puritans.

They believed in freedom of speech and too many losers were audibly backing this crusade. They chartered a boat and planned to leave for America as soon as the London fog lifted. They waited many years. Finally they all got lit up and found their way to the boat and sailed for the promised land. The ship was named the "Mayflower," in honor of Irving Mayflower, who found the boat.

To pass the time en route they sought relaxation in gambling. The  
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## A Mary Christmas

By MARY RETTIG

AWARDS ARE A BORE for everyone but the winners — and their families, of course — which gives whatever readers who have yawned through my "Stars On The Strip" selections for the past several Christmas issues a break this year. There aren't going to be any! Having been on a leave-of-absence from show reviewing since June, I'm only qualified to comment on two-thirds of the year. (If you think that statement betrays a shaky knowledge of fractions, you probably are not aware that columns for the Christmas issue are turned in in mid-October, so I have always considered that date the beginning of the new show year.)

If I had begun my leave-of-absence in October instead of June, it would have been seven years to the month since I first joined the staff of this magazine as Show Reviewer, later being given the more exalted title of Entertainment Editor by my thoughtful bosses, who know everyone likes to have a title.

It has been a fascinating era for me, during which I have been privileged to review most of the greats of show business, many of them on numerous occasions. The latter statistic is one of the reasons I decided to take a leave-of-absence. Even as the human body is said to rebuild its tissues every seven years (or something like that — I never was very good at physiology), I concluded I needed some mental rebuilding after seven years of show reviewing. Truth to tell, it is difficult to stay objective when constantly exposed to such a wealth of superior talent as is our regular diet in this entertainment capital. It is also difficult not to become blasé. A performance or a production that electrifies and dazzles audiences might seem run-of-the-mill and pedestrian



MARY RETTIG

to the eyes of a critic who has seen too much.

Besides my needing a break in the routine, my legal room mate, Heinz Rettig, was demanding I take one. In addition to his active work schedule as Nevada Director of NCCJ, including moderating the "Think" TV show on Channel 3, he gallantly accompanied me to most of the show openings, which, like any good thing, had become wearing for him, especially when it meant giving up what little time he had for relaxation. Soooo, the leave-of-absence.

It was a difficult parting for many reasons, especially because it means fewer contacts with numerous people of whom I am fond — the staff of this magazine, fellow reviewers and 4th Estaters, and the personnel in the hotel show rooms who have all been so wonderful to me over the years. Fortunately, my publicity work keeps

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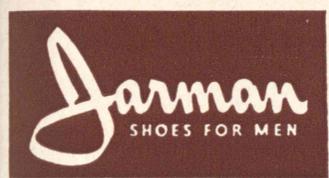
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me in contact with hotel publicists. It also meant missing some smashing shows, from all reports. During the last few months, I have seen only a few — Lorne Greene at the Bonanza, the Woody Allen-George Chakiris-Checkmates bonanza at Caesars Palace, "The Odd Couple," also at Caesars, Rusty Warren and Godfrey Cambridge, both at the Aladdin, and Robert Goulet & Norm Crosby at the Sahara — great shows every one, but think of all the others I had to miss!

Not that I've split with show business. In my publicity and free lance writing work, I spend most of my time with entertainment and entertainers, and wouldn't want it any other way. I see great lounge acts and shows, which are headline attractions in other great hotels and supper clubs in the nation, and attend a certain number of celebrity parties.

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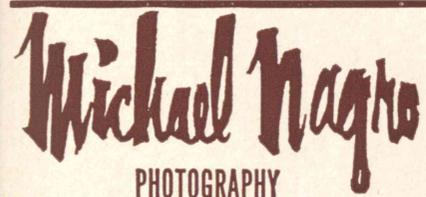
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and they'll have a pretty good idea. I'm not referring to the ever-youthful spirit with which most performers, of all ages, are blessed, although they do retain a zest for living, normally considered the exclusive property of the young. What I am referring to is children's behavior at parties.

Do you recall the way the little boys gathered in groups at one side of the room, presumably for moral support, while the little girls gathered on the other side, peeking at the boys and admiring each others clothes? Well, it's a little different at celebrity parties, but the spirit is the same. The celebrities gather in groups recalling old times and discussing mutual interests and, on the fringes, there are the other guests. These include managers,

agents, some members of the press, publicity people, and non-performing wives of the stars. The wives, in their pretty dresses, discuss clothes, children, and keep a casual eye on the starry menfolk. They also play guessing games as to the identity of other girls as they arrive.

At celebrity parties there are always lots of glamorous young females in glittery mini-mini dresses, accentuated eye makeup, and high-styled hair-do's. They join the celebrities. Inquiry reveals that most of them are (a) Hollywood starlets, (b) show girls or dancers, (c) wives of hotel owners, or (d) the wives of personal managers or agents, frequently former Hollywood starlets.

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Once Upon A Christmas

By STAN IRWIN

"MERRY CHRISTMAS," said Mr. Forbes as he handed Bill his bonus envelope, and I hope the new season brings you improved health. I'm sorry it couldn't be more but, after all, we did pay you for the days you were out." Bill accepted the envelope with a gratitude and humility displayed only by butlers in the movies . . . formal . . . sincere . . . yet slightly whimsical.

"Thank you," Bill said. "Thank you very much, and a very Happy Christmas to you, Sir . . . and a Prosperous New Year." How silly, to wish The Mr. Forbes a Prosperous New Year. Now Bill's thoughts reverted to the envelope he held in his hand. He squeezed it in an effort to mentally calculate exactly how much the envelope held. It didn't feel too bulky. Yet, Bill mused, there might be bills of larger denomination. If only his fingers were pressing five hundred dollars, he could leave at once for that life-saving operation. Yes, it was liberal of Mr. Forbes to pay him for the days he was unable to report for work because of illness, but medicine is so expensive, as well as food, clothing, surgery . . . and the doctor. Oh, yes, the doctor. He, too, must be paid.

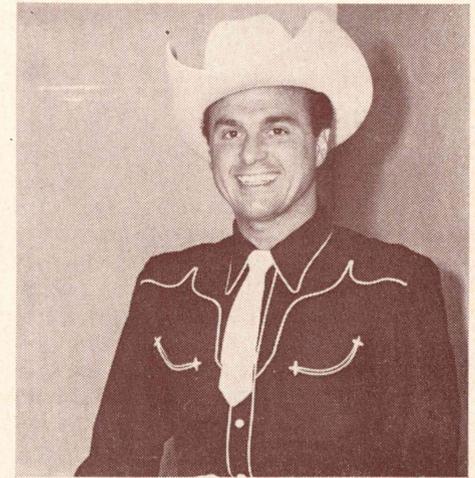
His thoughts were interrupted by a raucous, "How about a drink?" Bill was so engrossed, he didn't answer the question. He was wondering if he should tear the envelope open . . . look at the bonus . . . see if it was enough to meet the present crisis. He wondered if he should now explain to Mr. Forbes that he needed money to regain his health, to return to the office and work more diligently, more usefully, more productively. Old "J. F." would like that. He'd like to

squeeze water from a rock. Perhaps at this time of the year he might be moved by this "Good Will Toward Men" stuff. Bill was still trying to evaluate the amount of the bonus in the envelope.

"How about a drink, Bill. You know, Christmas cheers and all that!" "Excuse me, Mr. Forbes. What did you say? Oh, a drink . . . I'd love to, but you know . . . doctor's orders. I'll take a raincheck if you don't mind. Maybe next Christmas. After all, you did wish me better health."

"Yes, Bill, and I meant it. Men of your talent and calibre are hard to find. If you're in better health, it means more and better work for Forbes & Co."

How commercial can you get, even on Christmas? Bill knew Mr. Forbes wasn't the type to give anything away, much less good wishes, without an ulterior motive. He felt now was the time to tear the envelope open and flash its paltry contents in front



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of Forbes' face and scream his indignation, for intuition told him the bonus was as lacking in substance, as Forbes was in spirit.

If it wasn't that Mr. Forbes' secretary entered the room, the worm would have turned, the lamb would have become the lion; the servant, the master; timidity would have become strength; self-consciousness, confidence. But, as was his way, Bill merely said, "Perhaps next year, Mr. Forbes. Perhaps next year." Bill exchanged holiday greetings with the secretary as he left.

With envelope in hand, he raced to the employees' lounge, his curiosity rising within him. The ubiquitous question . . . would there be enough money to pay for the surgery and hospital? The short walk, which usually took seconds, seemed endless. Bill found himself making mental bets and the stakes were high . . . Enough money meant his life . . . a winning hand. A trivial amount . . . a courteous token from the esteemed vault

of "J. F." . . . meant death.

Bill pushed the door open to be met by convivial celebrants milling around in groups, sending flashes of brown and red liquids bobbing around in cocktail glasses like buoys on a rough sea. They were all exchanging sincere holiday greetings. The drone of human voices buzzing like bees around a nectar pod became very irritating. How could a Christmas be merry to a man whose life hung in the balance . . . entirely dependent upon his holiday bonus. The room became oppressive. The lounge began to spin. Familiar faces blurred. The room was turning in myriad directions. Saturns traveling through space . . . people . . . things . . . things . . . people . . . round and round. How ironical if I were to die now, Bill thought, before I know what is in the envelope. He stumbled to the locker, as a drunken bargain hunter to a counter. Automatically he turned the key, removed his belongings, found

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## CRISWELL PREDICTS

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We shall relive history again in 1968!

I predict that **Famine** will stalk the world when Russia will systematically starve those who defy the "Red Liberal" way of life! Remember it was Khrushchev who always said, "First, I am a Red Liberal" and became the butcher of the Ukraine to prove it! Can we no longer doubt!

I predict that it is impossible to be "a little bit pregnant" just as it is impossible to be "a little bit **commu-nistic**"! We must either call a halt or go along with the deluge! I predict that South America will enter military dictatorship to prevent anarchy!

I predict that these predictions may seem rather harsh but study the **financial pages** of today and you can see the headlines which will appear in your newspaper on the front page next year!

I predict that a small **electric automobile** out of **Japan** will sweep the world markets and for less than \$750

you will have safe travel up to 60 miles per hour and 500 miles distance for one simply battery recharge!

I predict that in your home you will have new and startling **household aids!** Everything from sonic cleaning to sonic cooking! The push button home will come much nearer reality in 1968!

I predict that **high styles** will remain, more daring than ever before! You girls will seek the "little boy look" which will give you a new lease on feminism, while you men will seek the "feminized look" of a softness but manliness underneath! Your clothes will be so designed to show your muscles and the hair upon your chest! The swaggering days of King Charles II will be revived!

I predict that **credit cards** will play a greater part in your life as never before, and you will never be overdrawn at the bank, as every account will have a system of credit and of balances!

I predict that our **food** will be more compressed and we will eat less bulk,

# merry christmas

# happy new year

*From the  
Management  
and Staff*



but food of concentrated value!

I predict that 1968 will be the year of fate for nations — for people and for industry!

Personal patriotism will become a watchword as we drift toward a national conformity!

You and I will soon face 1968 fearlessly!

I predict that Santa Claus will be a Republican in 1968! There is so little time to do so much!

Obey the laws of God and you will prosper! We cannot break the law, we merely break ourselves against it!

May all your shattered dreams be mended overnight and the riches of the Universe be yours in 1968!

Always in your future,  
Criswell of "Criswell Predicts."

## GOING HOLLYWOOD

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place to toast the circulation back into them.

The huge holly wreaths with their wide, red satin ribbon bows were up at all of the windows. And the doors as well. My family really believed in decorating for Christmas. Mistletoe was hanging from all the strategic right places. Poinsettia plants flown in from California were everywhere. The mantle over the fireplace was covered with pine boughs and cones and their fragrance spread through the great rooms. Outside the house was wreathed in twinkly Christmas lights which twinkled on the white snow, which always came early in Utah to pack into six feet or more deep when I was a child. The crystal drops sparkled on top of the whiteness, and caught the firelight from

the hearths which shone on it as early as four each afternoon, when dusk set in at wintertime.

Now, all was left was the big Christmas tree standing there waiting. Papa and Mama told me Santa Claus would come and trim it in the middle of the night. And always, there was the proof! For early Christmas morning it stood twinkling in all its glory with the old ornaments everyone knew so well. And also a few new ones for surprises.

This was at last Christmas Eve. Mama had some last minute shopping to do for Florabelle. Since we lived at Grandmama's house, and Grandmama always had all of her six children, and their children home on each holiday, it was a big big celebration. Florabelle began complaining right after Thanksgiving dinner, about what a "big ordeal Christmas is going to be this year." And always Papa hired a couple of extra maids for Christmas day to help Florabelle, as he told her "to lighten your preponderous burden of feeding all of us."

Mama was the kindest, most sympathetic soul in the world. She could never say no to a request for help, no matter who asked. As Florabelle snorted, when hungry men came to the back door for a handout, "They is just tramps, but your Mama and your Grandmama says never to turn away a hungry soul. They are eating us out of house and home. If I had my way, I'd take the broom after them all. They got a sign, I am sure, on this place somewhere. And every new bunch of hoboes who hit this town on a freight, they have already been told in advance where to go for handouts. It makes me mad. They're

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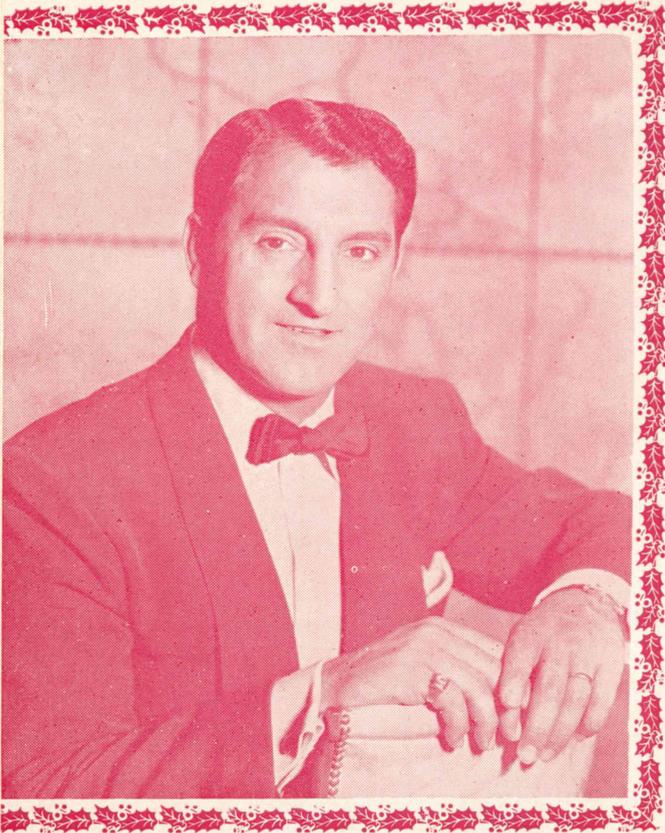
just bums, the whole lot of them!" No matter how many times Florabelle said it, Mama said, "Don't turn a hungry soul away!"

Mama was that way. She was beautiful, and famous for her beauty. No one in our family ever hoped to equal it. She was proud of her 21-inch waist and 5 feet 6½ inches height. She was always being asked to model at the society events where fashion shows were featured. But family decorum being as it was, and Mama the daughter of a President in the Mormon Church, it just wasn't possible! Besides, Papa, of a conservative Boston family, wouldn't have allowed it either. But Mama and Aunt Ray, her elder half sister (since Grandpapa had had two wives just before polygamy was banned in Utah) were very fashionable. They loved furs and hats and Paris gowns. They were known for them. Mama loved the color pink. She wore it often. She was quite a vision to see with her big pink hats with flowers and plumes and whatever the mode was which began ac-

tually during the flapper days in my memory. Mama's cousin was **Hazel Dawn**, the famous (Mormon) Broadway musical comedy star known for her hit "The Pink Lady," and in movies, too.

When we'd walk down the avenue to go shopping, people on the street, often poor derelicts, as Grandmama said, would stop Mama, respectfully calling her "The Pink Lady Princess." After the compliments, they'd tell her their woes. And always Mama slipped into her handbag and gave them a dollar. Papa supplied her with silver dollars, and he'd check her purse to be sure she had them for handouts. Everyday was Christmas with Mama, and the flowers she'd order from the florist to cheer up people! But then Papa made lots of money. And he said money was to enjoy. And surprises were the nicest way to live!

Seeing Mama make so many people happy with her gracious generosity, rubbed off on her one and only child — me. And, at times — when I tried to express that generosity in my own



*With all  
best wishes to you for a  
Merry Christmas  
and a very happy New Year  
Danny Thomas*

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND  
HAPPY NEW YEAR

MITZI & JOHN  
HUGHES

— CASINO —



way, I wound up in a peck of trouble. Fortunately, Papa and Mama, no matter how exasperating I might have them involved, or the whole family (like when I trundled half the Christmas dinner to a widow lady, a ham and turkey and all from the kitchen table a couple of hours before serving time. And Florabelle took an actual fit and threatened to quit for good!). Oh well, but that was last year, last Christmas when I was only newly six. Now I was almost seven, and quite adult about more things.

Mama went about the market to get more oysters, for the turkey stuffing for Florabelle's third turkey. She was going to roast it Christmas Eve even, "to be sure there will be ample, what with thirty-two mouths to feed at Christmas dinner!" Meanwhile, I fastened my attention on Santa Claus.

This special Santa Claus wasn't fat and jolly with blue eyes and rosy cheeks like all of the other Santas. Papa had already explained it to me, they were not the real Santa Clauses, but his assistant stand-ins, who took

the messages for him. So he would know just what to bring in his big pack Christmas morning! This Santa Claus looked so sad, and he was sort of skinny. And the cotton stuffing for his belly under his red Santa suit had shifted. He looked very pathetic.

"Santa Claus," I said to him. "Will you be flying up to the North Pole to help the real Santa Claus tonight?"

"Nooooo," he murmured sadly. "Nooooo, I won't be."

"What will you do, Santa Claus?" I asked with true concern.

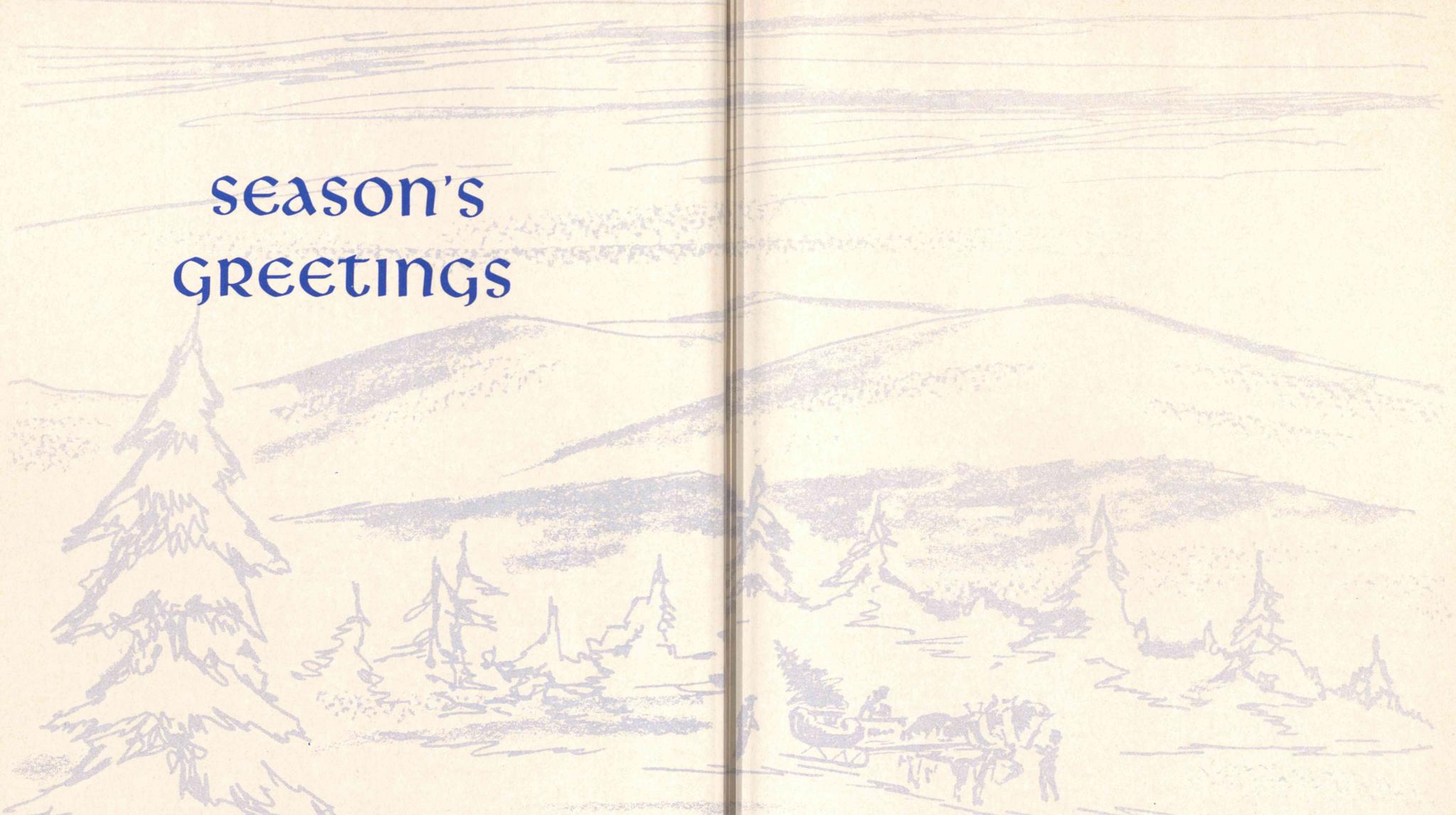
"I will go to my cold little back hall bedroom, and be cold and alone," he said sadly.

I felt so sorry for this poor, dear, precious Santa Claus, with such terrible dreary prospects for Christmas!

"Won't you be eating a wonderful Christmas dinner and turkey with all of your lovely family?" I asked, brightening.

Santa Claus shook his head with a woebegone sadness. "I have no family," he said. "Nobody."

"Ohhhhh," I exclaimed. "Won't you



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come to our house and eat Christmas dinner with us?"

He shook his head no. But, being a do-gooder like Mama, I insisted and persisted.

"O please come, Santa Claus. It will be a wonderful surprise. Everyone will be so happy to see you. Besides, Florabelle is cooking three huge turkeys, and there will be almost three dozen people to dinner," I said. "We'll love making you happy on Christmas! Please, please, please!"

Santa Claus, considering the prospects, brightened as I continued suggesting such happiness.

"Now, maybe I will take you up on that," he said. "Maybe I just will!"

"Oh, we'd love to have you," I reassured him. "See that lady in the sable coat? That's my Mama, and she'd just love it for you to come to dinner," I said with full confidence.

Santa Claus asked where I lived. I told him the address. He said, "Don't mention it to your Mama or your Papa or anyone. I'll come in my Santa Claus suit, and surprise all of you, maybe!"

That was just the most wonderful surprise on earth. I could hardly contain my excitement. To think a Santa Claus was coming in person to our house for Christmas. It was too beautiful to believe. Would Mama and Papa and Grandmama and everyone be proud of little me to have been able to bring about such a tremendous event!

Santa and I made a pact of secrecy. We put our fingers to our lips with a "Shhhhhhh," as Mama came over to take me home. Of course, I introduced them to each other as I was reared to be very polite. (How many times I'd had to stand face in the corner when I wasn't!) Mama wished him a Merry Christmas, and put one of her silver dollars in his tin cup. All of the way home I was giggling and excited, and Mama said, "What is it?" I told her I had the most wonderful surprise in the whole world for her and Papa and everyone for Christmas. She smiled and reached down and kissed me and said I was "the most precious little

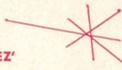
girl" and she was the luckiest Mama to have me.

Christmas morning began with Papa repeating his midnight Yule serenade. Everyone tumbled out of bed, and ran to the big drawing room where, sure enough, there was the Christmas tree sparkling with lights and loaded with gifts. Everyone was wearing dressing gowns and robes and slippers. And we all gathered around for the presents. And me, being the only child, was in rapture at the new dollies, but ohhhhhh oh! the new miniature Cadillac toy automobile with a small motor and really ran! It was a copy of one of Papa's big Cadillacs. Papa and a nice president of General Motors were brother Elks, and they'd had this toy auto made up for me and for his little boy. I was soon driving all over the drawing room, down the fifty-foot hallway, zooming around through the library into the dining room, where Florabelle and her staff were already laying the tables for the adults and a second table for the children!

Florabelle took over as traffic cop, when I came blowing the horn with my fast'mobile into the kitchen, and then the pantry, and then through the small kitchen and breakfast room, and onto the service porch. She screamed that if I didn't stop driving around so crazy, I would upset somebody carrying something! She went right in and told Papa, "You will have to get this child out of this toy car, and make her stay out of my way until dinner is over!" I was grounded!

All of the uncles and aunts and cou-

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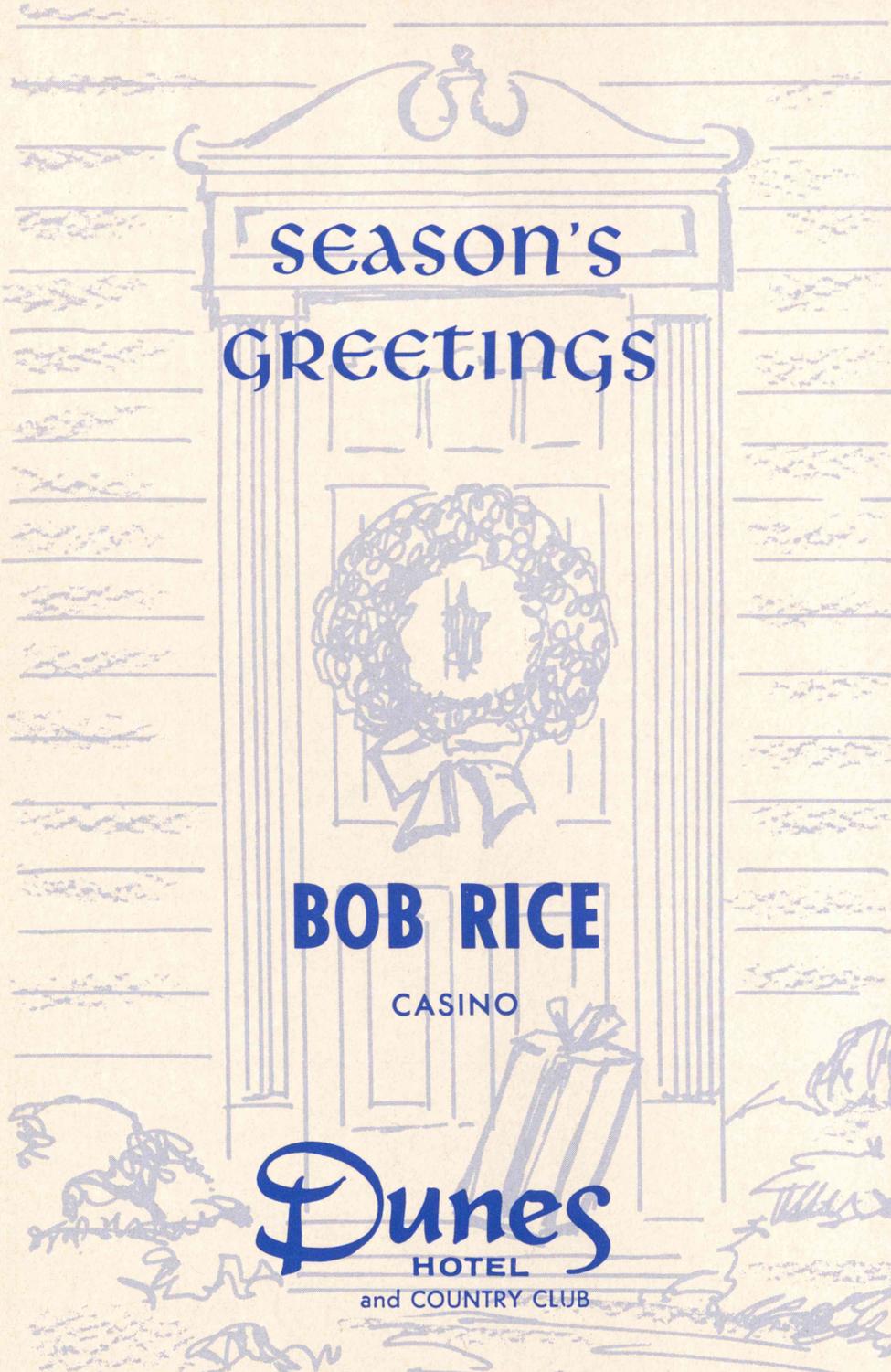
sins and relatives began pouring in at four o'clock sharp for our big family Christmas dinner. It smelled heavenly. The roasted turkeys were on big platters, the baked corn custard, the roast suckling pig, the whipped cream potatoes with eggs and onions, and iced fruit compote with red and green coloring, the pans of hot light-as-a-feather rolls coming out of the oven, the turkey gravy, the oyster dressing! The platters of crisp celery and olives and Grandmama's pickle-lilly, spiced peaches, tiny red apples, cranberry sauce, the plum pudding, the mince and pumpkin pies. And then the Yule goodies. Tables in the living rooms abounding with boxes of rich chocolates, sliced fruit cake, apple cider, bowls of nuts, and the big oranges, bananas and shiny red-cheeked apples. And even a pineapple or two flown in from Hawaii.

After all of the ladies exclaimed over their new Christmas dresses, their new jewels and whatever their Christmas gifts, and Mama had proudly taken a dozen or so compliments for the ruby and diamond pendant hanging from a strand of real pearls

In Memory Of

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Ted Lewis



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*Season's Greetings*

*From*

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CAESARS PALACE

*Nat Hart & Staff*

from Papa, and all of my cousins had looked at my new miniature white Cadillac with its red wheels and real motor, and tooting horn (which we could drive only after dinner, and with Florabelle's permission) well, the dinner bells chimed. And everyone walked into the big dining room and sat down for the feast.

It was at this precise moment that the front doorbell chimed, also. And our butler, who was doubling in duty for the day, since he was actually Papa's chauffeur, driver, handy man and gardener, depending on what was needed, opened the door. He came in and whispered, "A Mr. Santa Claus is here, sir," to Papa. Papa looked like he thought he was joking. I jumped up with glee, and said, "This is my big surprise! Santa Claus is here to have dinner with us!"

I ran to meet Mr. Santa and Papa and Mama excused themselves from the table. While Grandmama called after them, "Please come back! We have to ask the blessing and the food is hot — now!" Uncle Jim said he was

starved, and could we do without the blessing on the food, for which he received a withering glance from Grandmama, who said, "You know, Grandpapa would turn over in his dear grave if he ever thought a child of his would make such a suggestion; to eat without first thanking the dear Lord for it, and our blessings!"

By this time, I was introducing dear Mr. Santa Clause to Papa and Mama. And Mama with a sudden look of recognition, said, "Oh, you are the Santa we saw in the market late yesterday afternoon!"

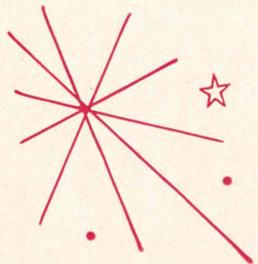
Santa said, "Yes . . . your little daughter here invited me to come and surprise you for Christmas dinner!"

Of course, Papa and Mama were the soul of good propriety and social etiquette. Their dismay turned to warm gracious hospitality. Papa walked Santa into the dining room while Mama hastened to tell Florabelle to squeeze another cover on the table, wherever possible!

So it was we had Santa Claus for dinner. With heaping plates, we were



*As the old  
familiar carols  
echo on the winter air  
may you know  
the joys of Christmas  
and its peace  
beyond compare!*



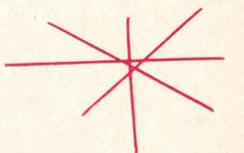
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**Frank**

FABULOUS LAS VEGAS

**Sinatra**

DECEMBER 23, 1967



Forty-nine



*Holiday Greetings  
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**RIVIERA**  
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**Vegans!**

May your holidays  
swing!

**Don Kelley**

and the

**SWINGIN' LADS**

soon enjoying our feast — except Santa. He was having trouble keeping the drippings off his snowy white beard. Finally Papa said, “Come now, Santa, be sensible. You can’t enjoy eating with that beard and mustache. You can take it off. The children will understand that you are here to represent Santa Claus as his helper.”

With a sigh of appreciation Santa, to our astonishment and childish wonder, doffed his white beard. And there he was, suddenly just a bare-faced man with a kind of scrawny face that needed shaving. He didn’t say another word, diving into his food, like someone who hadn’t eaten in years and years. I noticed he took something out of his mouth, too, and wrapped it in his napkin and set it by his plate!

After three platefuls Florabelle came in from the kitchen to supervise the two new-hired-maids-for-the-occasion to clear the table. As one was taking the dishes, and placing them on the service cart to be wheeled to the kitchen, she suddenly stopped by Santa Claus! She stood there frozen. Suddenly she bent over and looked down at him real good! To everyone’s astonishment she grabbed Santa Claus’ face in her two hands and turned it around to look square in her face! Then she screamed!

“Why you no good thief! You bum!” she exploded. “You . . . !” she shrieked. She was slapping his face, pulling his hair and Santa Claus was leaping from his chair. He started to run for

the front door! The new-hired-maid-for-the-occasion never let go of him, hanging on and pulling him back. Before Papa or anybody could stop her, she broke a plate on his head, calling him all sorts of uncomplimentary names! “Where’s my money?” she yelled. “Give me back my money!”

Papa leaped up, too, and tried to take over, but this didn’t seem possible, what with Santa Claus now breaking her grasp and running for the door, and she after him! He made it, and when we got to the open door, he was making fast tracks in the snow down the path to the gate. Papa held on to our new-hired-maid-for-the-occasion who was screaming, “I’ll have you in jail! Police! Police! Police! Police!”

Papa finally got her into the library and he closed the door. Mama took me by the hand back to the dining room. “Please,” she said, “Everyone, let’s go on with our dinner.”

Florabelle was very glum about the whole thing, and curious to know what Papa and our hired-maid-for-the-occasion were saying in the library. Mama reproved her with her strictest, firmest “Florabelle! It’s none of your business. Please continue with the dinner!”

After a while, like a play or a movie, Papa came out of the library. And a very quiet maid-hired-for-the-occasion disappeared into the confines of the big hall headed for the back of the house, where the hired help



*May Christmas be Joyous  
and the New Year  
Happy and Bright*  
**Donald O'Connor**

change their clothes and things.

Papa inquired firmly to me and Mama, "Did you know that man?"

Mama said, "No. He was a perfect stranger. But don't blame 'Baby,' she was just trying to make us all happy by having Santa Claus here on Christmas!"

"Well," Papa said, "I appreciate the spirit in which Santa was invited and all. But the maid tells me that Mr. Santa Claus is her long departed husband. She says he is newly out of the penitentiary, having been confined there for four years on theft. She was visiting him in prison, when another woman showed up and said she was his wife, too! She says last week he looked her up, told her he was sorry, and divorced, and he loved her and won her affections. He said they'd be married again. After staying with her two days, he borrowed twenty-five dollars from her to go out and hunt a job! And that's the last she had seen of him! She's so mad she wants to kill him. If she gets her hands on him again," Papa said, "I think she will!"

When the two maids-hired-for-the-occasion came to get their pay from Papa, after the dishes and all had been taken care of and everything in Florabelle's kitchen was shipshape, as she'd say, the one who was so mad at Santa was grinning and actually laughing.

"You know, sir," she said, "I wouldn't have missed Christmas here for nothing. To think I'd run into that no-good skunk of a husband of mine! But it's all right now. You see, he left his choppers in his napkin by his

plate on the table. He always does that because it troubles him to eat with them. Well, when the table was all cleared there they were! And I've got 'em. If he wants his false teeth back, he's got to come and ask me for 'em. And I won't give them back till he gives me my twenty-five dollars!"

"It's been a nice peaceful Christmas like we thought it would be," Papa told Mama as they sat by the tree and listened to his midnight serenade of Christmas carols.

Of course, the music awakened me to listen, too. I silently tiptoed out of bed and crawled carefully to the doorway of the library, where I stayed hidden in the heavy drapes to listen to what Papa was really saying to Mama.

"A real convict with his record was probably going to case this house and rob it tonight," Papa said. "We are very lucky that Florabelle hired that maid, and that Santa Claus took off his beard to eat his Christmas dinner, or she might not have recognized him at all. Poor woman — poor man without his teeth. It was fate. But we must have a talk with May about trusting strangers!"

"You are such a darling, such a dear," Mama murmured, snuggling closer to Papa's neck. His arms held her closer to him. And the phonograph was playing so beautifully and so happily, I thought, as I fell asleep there on the floor under the drapes.

We Wish You a Merry Christmas  
We Wish You a Merry Christmas  
We Wish You a Merry Christmas  
And a Happy New Year!

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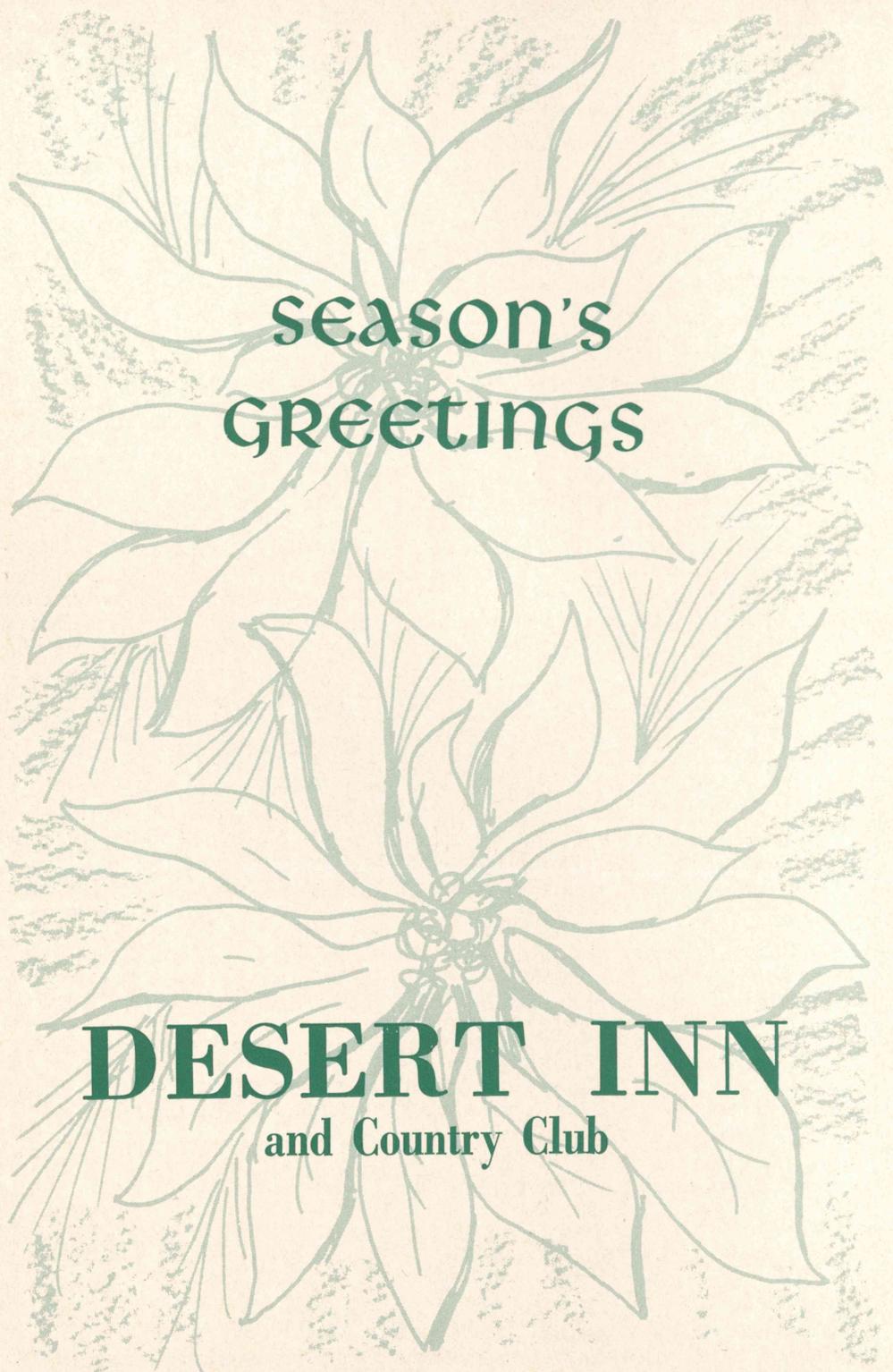


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The first blizzard of the winter is as nothing compared to the deluge of annual forecasts due any day now. Economic forecasting has always been a curious mixture of wishful thinking, whistling in the dark and hope springing eternal. Although consisting largely of mumbo-jumbo and non sequiturs, it is taken very seriously by all concerned. From the dregs of our experience, we have gleaned a few precepts to follow.

The trick in forecasting is to say absolutely nothing — in several thousand well chosen words. Lead off with a heavy barrage of statistics. This will confuse everyone, including yourself. But never use round figures. If the national debt is \$274,658,923.17, be sure to say so — and don't laugh off the 17c. After all, this is equivalent to a nickel when the Republicans were in before.

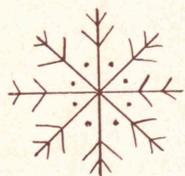
Avoid loose predictions like saying business will be up 10% or down 5%. That indicates basic uncertainty. Be precise — if it can't be checked. Specify that business will rise 7.32% next year unless something happens (something always does). This provides an out, no matter what.

Don't overdo your optimism. A disillusioned bankrupt may save the forecast and throw it in your face someday. On the other hand, there is an unwritten law against being pessimistic. No one wants to be a killjoy and, besides, real estate salesmen can be pretty nasty if you queer a deal for them.

The best thing is to be strictly ambiguous, like Nostradamus. It is good clean fun, and quite simple, once you get the hang of it. So hie with us now to the Land of Make-believe where the wish is father to the thought and two plus two may equal five, six or even ten.

**SAMPLE ECONOMIC FORECAST**

Barring war or peace, there is practically nothing to worry about. Of course, adjustments will occur and some businesses will go "poof" but, viewed broadly, this is a healthy thing. Less competition, you know. Indications are that people will continue to eat, sleep and have babies throughout most of 1968. Don't sell America short, but, if you do take a gamble and lose, remember we told you so.



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The annual report has become a thing of beauty and a joy for printers. Gone are the days when corporation presidents simply sent out a terse mimeograph stating that the company earned so much last year compared with so much the previous year.

Today it takes a CPA to tell what a company made after reserves, amortization, taxes and "adjustments", whatever they are. The facts are further obscured by the inclusion of countless charts, graphs and "candid" pictures of executives looking busy and employees looking happy.

Preparation of the report calls for the joint efforts of the Advertising Dept., Publicity Dept., Public Relations Dept., Sales Dept., New Business Dept., Old Business Dept., and any expendable vice presidents not specifically engaged in the company's main business, that of making and selling widgets. Designed primarily as a promotion piece, and hang the expensive, it may even win an Honorable Mention, Class C Award, along with a few hundred other companies in the same field.

The most complicated, and dullest, part of any report is the President's Message. It must strike exactly the right balance between optimism and conservatism. If things appear to be going too smoothly, stockholders may get the unthinkable idea that the management is overpaid. If difficulties are overstressed, they may deduce that the job is too big for present incumbents.

The best course is to treat so casually or so technically of company affairs that no one can figure out what happened. In closing, be sure to come out strongly against communism and high taxes. This shows a firm grasp of the foreign situation as well as of domestic problems.

Of course, only two people will ever read the great opus all through: (a) an assistant statistician in some brokerage firm, (b) Old Man Smithers, age 83, who owns ten shares of stock. The latter will also attend the Annual Meeting and make his traditional speech criticising the company's dividend policy and its lack of foresight back in 1902 when it failed to buy out Henry Ford.

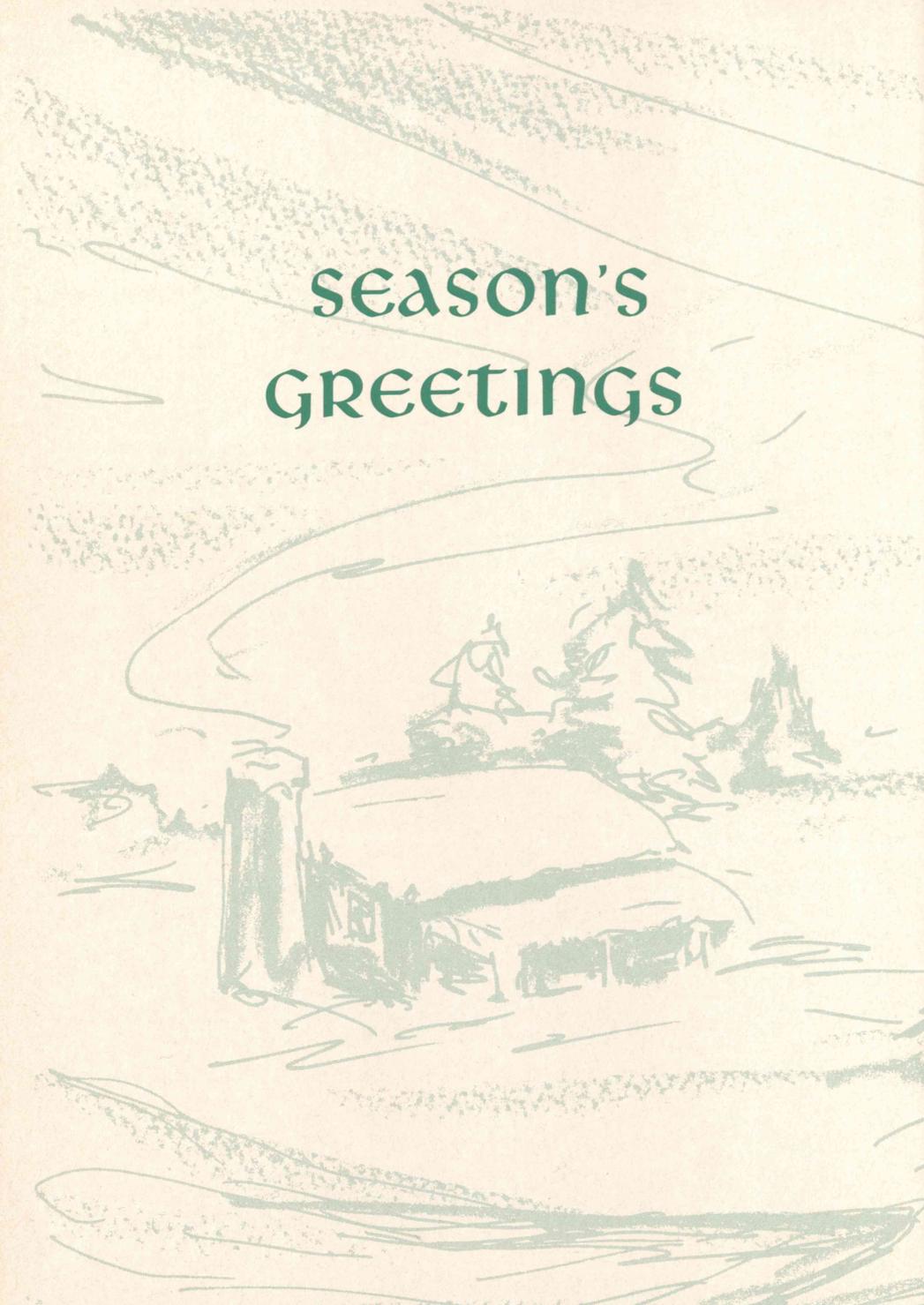
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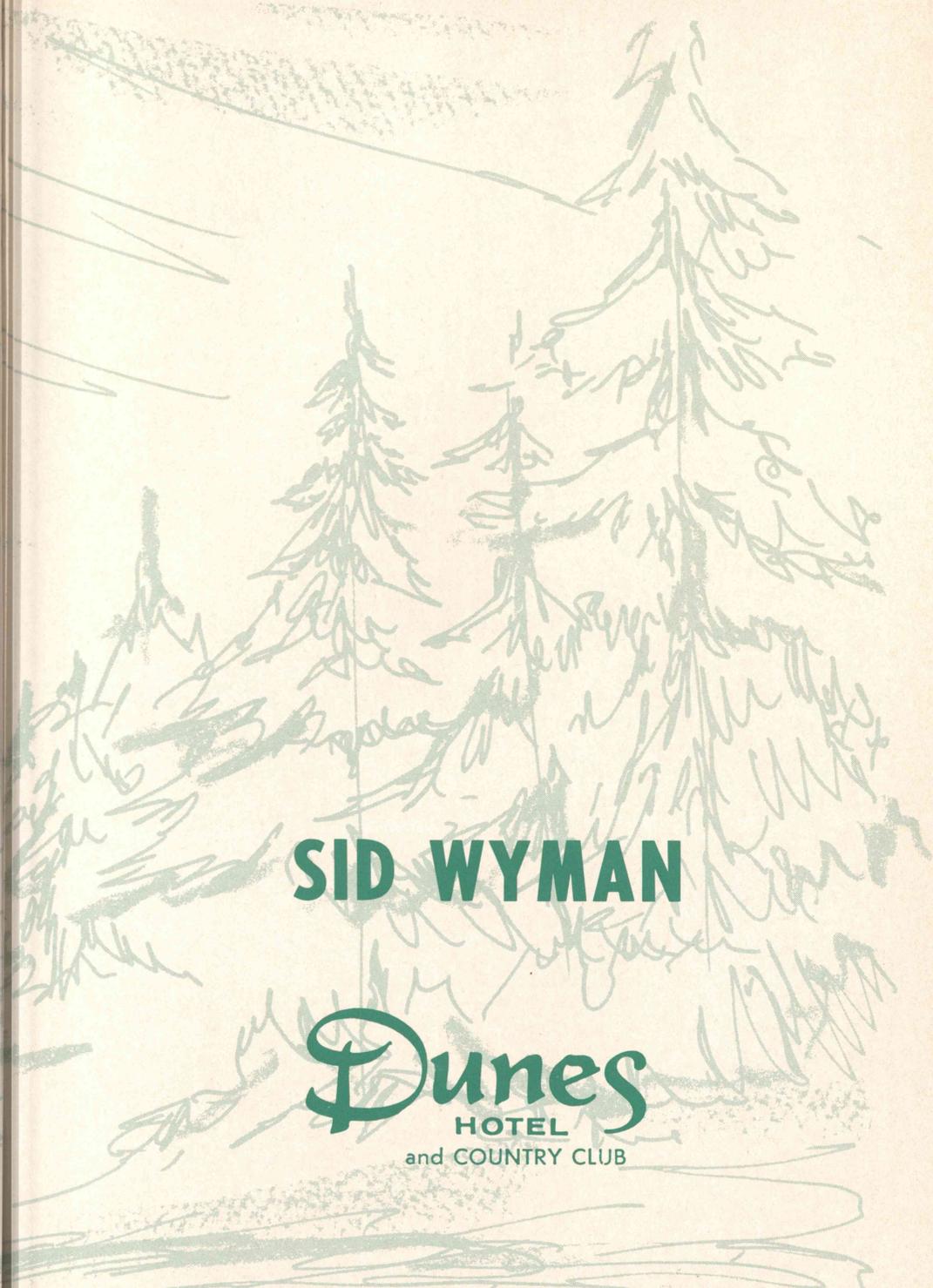
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### HILLSWAY

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1959 at the Academy. The Beckels belong to the Lutheran Church, and are among the most popular folks at Nellis. When not flying Bob hunts and fishes.

**BELL, Rex Anthony.** Tony Bell's famous parents (now deceased) were the handsome Rex, our Lt. Governor and most prominent citizen, and Clara Bow. Rex, Jr. was born Dec. 16, 1934 in Santa Monica, California and had many chances to go into the movies just as his parents, but he has chosen law as his career and is a student at Willamette College of Law in Salem, Oregon. He has attended Notre Dame University and got his B.S. Degree at the U of Nevada. He is a Catholic and a Republican. He belongs to the Nevada Air National Guard and is Vice President of the Student Body at Willamette Law School. He has received the Bank of America Award in Science and Mathematics, a letter in high school for football as well as baseball and track, and got a Freshman letter at Notre Dame for track. He has lived in Reno and Las Vegas from the age of 6 months to 31 years and now is in Salem.

**BENT, Douglas H.** He and his wife Rose have four in their family, Victoria, Robin, Harold and Dana and live at 5305 Del Rey. He was born on the 14th of April in Boston, Mass. and is General Manager of the Silver Nugget in North Las Vegas. After high school at Weymouth High he had several years of special college courses, spent 15 years in the Army as Warrant Officer and served in the European Theatre during the last big war. He lived in Germany for 12 years, has traveled this entire country, and belongs to the Optimist Club (was past president), the VFW and the American Legion.

**BODDY, Philip L.** Phil lives with his wife Marjorie at 5105 Smoke Ranch Road. They have three children: Philip Jr., Rick and Joan. He was born April 16, 1911 in Chicago, Illinois. Phil has the enviable job of Manager of the swank Gourmet Room in the Tropicana Hotel — one of the finest hotels in the world and the Gourmet Restaurant is without a doubt one of the finest places to dine in this country. After high

school Phil studied restaurant management and learned his lessons well because he is an excellent restaurant executive. He is Episcopalian, a Democrat, plays golf, tennis, reads a lot and likes to study people. Handsome, friendly, suave and an impeccable dresser.

**BODER, Les.** Everyone knows this fine gent as "Moustache." He lives at 616 Kenny Way with his wife Grace. They have three children, Patricia, Gloria and Tony and three grandchildren, Mike, Kelley and Casey. Les was born on April Fool's Day in Chicago, is the Manager, Buyer of Men's Wear for Monte Factor/Jerry Rothschild with stores in the Stardust and the Frontier Hotels. Les is an ardent Catholic, good church worker, and a Democrat. A grad. of University of Nebraska, he belongs to Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity and has won many athletic honors. Has traveled much abroad and lived in California before coming here. His hobbies are golf, swimming and being outdoors as much as possible.

**BOLYARD, Betsy C.** Betsy lives at 713 East Sahara with her husband Lewis, who is now with the Broadway Store. He formerly was leading man in "Music Man," "Most Happy Fellow," "Carousel" and "Pal Joey" but has given up performing to live here. Betsy is the charming hostess in the Palm Room at the Stardust Hotel. She was born May 30th in Danville, Penn. and attended Sacred Heart Academy. She is a Catholic and a Republican. She has traveled much due to her husband's work and for fourteen years lived on 57th Street in Manhattan.

**BORAX, Don D.** "Chief," as he is affectionately called by all, lives at 1112 S. 10th Street with his wife Ruth. He was born in Boston, Mass. January 14, 1896 and is Casino Host in the Desert Inn. In the first World War he was in the U. S. Navy in hostile waters as 1st Class Boatson Mate. Don was former Chief of Police, Deputy U. S. Marshall in the State Police, Sheriff's Deputy and a Detective in the L. A. Police Force. For 17 years he was Security Chief of the Desert Inn and in September of this year he was promoted to his present position as host. He has spent 40 years in Law Enforcement work — quite a record. He belongs to the Masons, Shriners, Elks and the Legion Plus 31 Club. Fishing and hunting are his hobbies.

**BRAVERMAN, Irving.** Born on May the 10th in Chicago where he was with the Lincoln Ice Co. He moved to Las

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MR. & MRS.

## CHARLES RICH

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Vegas in 1960. He is a Real Estate Salesman for the Sahara Realty Company at 953 E. Sahara. He is Jewish, belongs and is very active in the Variety Club, the Masons, B'nai B'rith and the Shrine Club, has traveled extensively, even around the world. Irving is married to one of the loveliest women in our town, Toni, who comes from one of the most solid and popular families in St. Paul, the Johnson family, which has huge holdings and businesses. Their one son Lewis Johnson owns the FABULOUS Paul Bunyan Motel in Roseville, a suburb of St. Paul, and the popular Paul's Club, and their daughter Donna Koppelman lives in Minneapolis. The Bravermans live in the Mel Cooper Apts. at 360 Desert Inn Road and certainly are among the top hosts in our town.

**BREWER, Gerald W.** Jerry was born January 6th in Kellerton, Iowa and with his wife Yvonne lives at 2208 Margaret. They have four children, Barbara, William, Mary and James. He graduated from school in Nebraska, is a Protestant and a Democrat and is now a Pit Boss at the Showboat Hotel. During World War II he spent 43 months in the service. He was a S/Sgt., serving two years in the C.B.I. Theatre. He lived 15 years in Idaho on the Salmon River and at Sun Valley, has traveled much of this country, Canada, Mexico and in the Pacific. His hobbies are hunting and fishing; he belongs to the Masonic Lodge — Kerak Temple.

**BRIARE, William H.** My friend Bill was born July 13th in Long Beach, California, attended St. Ignatius High School and graduated from the University of San Francisco where he held an athletic scholarship. He and his lovely wife Jo live at 810 Shetland Road with their six fine children: Linda, Billy, Don, Jim, Bob and Tim. He is a devout Catholic and a red hot Democrat. He is President of the Briare/Felgar Insurance Agency. He is past president of the Sertoma Club, the 20/30 Club, Lions Club, Knights of Columbus, Elks and is Past President of the Catholic Youth Organization and a member of the Executive Board of the Boy Scouts of America. He was also Chairman of the Catholic Welfare Board, and is President of the Nevada Association of County Officials as he is now a valued and much liked member of the Clark County Commissioners. He was formerly a member of the State Legislature where he served two terms — they elected him the most valuable member in his first term. He has been awarded the "Young Man of the Year" for the State and has been given the Distinguished Service Award, is a Kentucky Colonel and an Aide-de-camp to the Governor of New Mexico. Bill is also Past President of the Nevada Young Democrats and a Regional Director of the Young Democrats of America. Bill has the platform ease that few in politics ever attain, an excellent speaker, an exemplary family and church man — he has everything and in due time will go right up the ranks to Governor, Congressman, Senator, and perhaps further.

**BRUNO, Helen.** She was born on June the 1st in Denver, Colorado and now lives at 4701 Kay Place. Helen is Catholic, belongs to the Catholic Daughters of America, is a graduate of the University of Denver, and is Executive Secretary to John Romero at the Sahara Hotel. In her very active life she finds time to do Oil Painting, gardening, loves fine music, singing and sculpturing.

**BRYAN, Patricia N.** Top choice for "Hostess With The Mostest" in town is Pat Bryan. Pat lives in a gorgeous home out on Sunrise Mountain where she owns much acreage. Her home is most unusual, starting with the spiral staircase that leads you to the living quarters from her playroom and garage on the lower level. Her pool with the terrific backdrop of Sunrise Mountain is lovely and her home is

exquisitely decorated and furnished. Pat, naturally, was born on St. Patrick's Day back in Alexandria, Minnesota, where her father and mother were one of the most influential families of the state. Her mother's garden was so FABULOUS that every year all the women's clubs and garden clubs from the Twin Cities would make a pilgrimage up to see it and be served lunch. Pat attended Abbot Academy in Andover, Mass., UCLA and Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois from which she received her degree. She is a member of Delta Delta Delta Sorority. If you ever are lucky enough to get an "invite" to her home at 630 Sari Drive, don't turn it down — she loves to give small, intimate dinner parties for from three to six guests, but then every once in a while her guest list reaches well over a hundred. She is a charming, well-poised and interesting hostess — a real person to know. Her friends are legion.

**BURBACK, Roslyn.** Just about the most pleasant hostess in town is Roz of the Palm Room in the Stardust Hotel. She lives at 2566 Sherwood with her husband Henry. They have four in their family, Doreen, Helene, Kathy and Barbara. She is Jewish, attended school in St. Paul, was born May 27, 1917, has traveled much in the western part of this country and lived all her life in St. Paul, until she moved to our FABULOUS city.

**BURDICK, Robert D.** Bob used to be in Las Vegas as head of publicity for the Stardust and Desert Inn so has many friends here. He was born on Jan. 24, 1934 in Kansas City and spent two years at Stanford University and received his B.A. in Political Science at Occidental College. He is a Republican and a Christian Scientist. With his wife Sharon and sons Brent and Britten they have their family home at 1068 Devonshire Dr. in San Diego. Bob is now Public Relations Director for the United States International Univ. — Calif. Western Univ. at San Diego. He served in the Air Force Reserve for 6 years, is a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon, Press Club, Public Relations Society of America, Optimist International, and the Public Relations Club. His bio. is in "Who's Who in the West;" participated in football, basketball, baseball, tennis and track and was the recipient of the Nellis AFB Appreciation Award on leaving the DI and Stardust Hotels employ. He has traveled all over this country, Honolulu, Mexico and has lived in various parts of California and then in Nevada.

**BURT, Paul L.** Paul, one of our young eligible bachelors, lives up on Sunrise Mountain at 630 Sari Drive, was born April 9th in Buffalo, New York and does Computers-Data Processing for Pan American Airway — Jackass Flats (N.R.O.S.). He served as a Sergeant in the U. S. Air Force in Tokyo, Japan during the last war and is the recipient of the Commendation Medal of the U. S. Air Force. He has traveled in 34 countries and lived in Saudi Arabia for eight years. He is a musician of some note and plays the drums. In his "spare" time, he manages to play with his trio for private parties and in clubs.

**CANNON, Howard W.** Born Jan. 26th, 1912 in St. George, Utah, Howard lives in Washington, D.C. most of the time, with his wife Dorothy Pace. They have two children, Nancy and Alan Howard. The most popular U. S. Senator Nevada has had in many years, Howard is also an attorney, having received his B.E. from Ariz. State Teachers College in 1933 and his LL.B. from the Univ. of Arizona in 1937. He is a Democrat, served overseas for 20 months, was on active duty from 1941 to 1946 and was shot down over Holland where he evaded capture for 42 days, until his escape. The Senator belongs to the A.F. Reserve, the Nevada, Utah and Arizona

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A Happy New Year  
Mary & Bucky Harris*

The Sands



## MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

# EDDIE MOSS

Bar Associations, the Nev. Bd. of Bar Examiners, ROA, AFA, the C of C, Southern Nevada Industrial Foundation, the Military Commission of NATO Parliamentarians Conference, and is Co-Chmn. of the Hearst Foundation. He has received the Purple Heart, the DFC, the Air Medal and many other decorations and honors. He was elected Las Vegas City Atty. in 1949 and re-elected 3 consecutive terms and then was elected to the U. S. Senate in 1958 and re-elected in 1964. He serves on the Armed Services Committee, Aeronautical and Space Science Committee, the Commerce Committee and is Chairman of the Subcommittee on Privileges & Elections. His hobby as you can see is Public Life.

**CLAIBORNE, Harry E.** Harry is recognized as Nevada's leading criminal trial lawyer; he graduated from Ouachita College in Arkadelphia, Arkansas with an A.B. and got his LL.B. from Cumberland School of Law at Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama. He is a Baptist, a Democrat, and belongs to the Elks and Lions Clubs. With his wife Lynn and five children, Carol, Janice, Bruce, Shirley and Nancy, he lives in a beautiful home at 500 Rancho Road and has his law office at 108 South Third Street. He was born July 2, 1917 in McRae, Arkansas, and his hobbies are big game hunting, fishing and horsemanship. For military service, he was a Warrant Officer during World War II and worked in the Judge Advocate's Div. of the Air Force. He has traveled much in Hawaii, Jamaica, Virgin Islands, Haiti, Puerto Rico, Spain, Portugal, France and Mexico.

**COWAN, Ralph Wolfe.** Ralph was born Dec. 16, 1931 in Portsmouth, Virginia and has a pair of handsome young twin sons—Robert Page and William Timson. He is the popular artist at Caesars Palace, is a member of the Art Students League of N. Y. City, and was the artist for the 11th Airborne Division. As a Portrait Artist, he has painted two Presidents, many members of Royalty, movie and society celebs. This past six months Ralph and his apprentice painter, Edward Price Olander have painted Virginia Mayo, Dean Martin, Frank Sinatra, Jerry Zarowitz, Harry Belafonte, Johnny Mathis, Xavier Cugat, Mrs. Eleanor Hansberry, Ex. Gov. Grant Sawyer, Diana Ross of the Supremes and Mr. Barry Gordy. You'll wait for an appointment with Ralph — he is that excellent.

**CRISWELL, Jeron Charles King.** He was born in Princeton, Indiana, August 18, 1917 and is a commentator, columnist and TV personality. He has a B.A. degree from Cincinnati

University, is President of California Realty Society, V. P. of Indiana State Club, and V. P. of Funeral Directors Advisory. Real Estate Management and sales are his hobbies. He is married to Halo Meadows (Stonesifer), a playwright and actress. A strong advocate of "See America First," Criswell is invited to every affair in the California area and is popular as MC and host at all the big Hollywood parties and affairs. He is almost a regular on the Johnny Carson shows, and is known as Mr. Hollywood himself. He is long-time regular columnist "CRISWELL PREDICTS" in FABULOUS Las Vegas Magazine and many hundreds other periodicals and newspapers and is a member of the Hillsway Advisory Board.

**CULLEY, Ray F.** Ray lives at 2220 Glen Heather Way with his wife Kerry Ellen and four sons, Raymond, John, Robert and Richard. He is a graduate of Indiana University, is a Methodist and a Lt. Colonel Retired in the A. F. Reserve. He is District Sales Manager of Trans World Airlines, Inc. with offices in the Riviera Hotel. As such he is the winner of many Sales Awards from TWA. He holds memberships in the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, Kentucky Colonels, Rotary, NCCJ and SKAL. He is past president of the Las Vegas Rotary, Chamber of Commerce Sales Executives, and has received awards from the above as well as from the NCCJ, National Defense Trans Assoc. (NDTA) AFA. His hobby is Golf. He is a tireless worker for civic affairs and is the most avid "attender" of all affairs in town.

**DEITCH, James M.** Jim is Manager of the Las Vegas News Bureau, News & Publicity Division of the C of C — his office is in the Convention Center. He lives at 2416 Karl Drive with his wife Joyce and David 10, Jennifer 9, and Jeffrey 2. Is an Episcopalian and a Democrat and holder of a B.A. Degree in Journalism from the Univ. of Southern California. He was born April 5, 1927 in Chicago, Illinois. He was a S/Sgt. during World War II as a high speed radio operator, photographer, comm. chief. Jim belongs to Sigma Delta Chi, Nat'l. Prof. Journalism Soc., Soc. of American Travel Writers, SKAL and the Las Vegas Press Club. He is also a fellow Kentucky Colonel. He and Joyce just returned from a two week trip through Turkey with the Society of American Travel Writers.

**DICKEY, John P.** Jack, a fellow Minneapolitan by birth, was born on the 14th of December and lives at 8 Cassady

Street with his wife Lore and children, Christopher, 5 years old and Tanya just 3. He is one of the most personable, happy-go-lucky young fellows. A graduate of De La Salle and Central High Schools in Minneapolis and the Univ. of Minnesota, he is a Catholic with no political preference. He is a Captain in the USAF, is now Slot Pilot with the terrific Thunderbirds, has flown much in Europe, Germany and Asia, and is one of the most respected and loved members of the team. Golf is his hobby.

**DIOGUARDI, Phillip C.** Zeke, as he is known to his friends, was born Jan. 17, 1918 in Chicago. He lives at 1413 Bracken with his wife Mary Sybil and their two children, Michael and Michelle. He graduated from schools in Chicago, is a Pit Boss at the Stardust Hotel, a Catholic and a Democrat. He served in the U. S. Army in the Philippines and Japan as a T/4 Sgt. He has received hundreds of "thank you letters" from patrons who have visited the Stardust, and in 1958 he was given the City of Hope Plaque. He belongs to the American Legion, Italian American Club and likes sandlot baseball, football, swimming, golf, and reads much. He has traveled all around this country and in the Orient before settling down here where he is one of the most respected citizens in town.

**DIVINE, Charles E.** Buck as he is known by his friends, was born Feb. 8, 1905 in New York City. He lives with his wife Audrey at Lake Placid where he owns and runs the famous Christmas Tree Ski Lodge. For years now the Divines have been coming to Las Vegas and the Blair House which they call their second home — having transferred their preference for Florida to our city. He attended Indiana Central College, was in the Army Air Corps and belongs to the United States Bobsled Club. Bobsledding and skiing are his hobbies and he was a former member of the U. S. Bobsled Team. In between the winter season at Lake Placid, the Divines come here for their spring and fall vacations.

**DREW, John F.** Johnny lives at 333 Desert Inn Road in a lovely home right on the Desert Inn Golf Course with his charming, affable, friendly and vivacious wife, Jean — Jennie to everyone in town because everyone knows and loves her. Johnny is Executive Vice President of the Stardust Hotel; he was born November 20th in La Farge, Wisconsin and has lived here for many years. He is a gourmet par-excellence and loves to entertain and when he does, he is at his home or at the Stardust, the meals are always just right with all the right beverages and right foods being served. An invitation to the Drew home is coveted by everyone.

**DUKE, Forrest R.** The popular columnist and TV personality in town, known by all from far and near as the "Visiting Fireman," was born on November 23 in San Antonio, Texas. His wife's name is Renee and they have four fine children: William, 18, Edward, 12, Melissa, 13 and Forrest Reagan (Duke Jr.) is six. Forrest attended Pasadena City College and UCLA and was a Staff Sergeant in the U. S. Public Relations Division. He represents Las Vegas for both the Daily and Weekly "Variety" show business trade newspapers and also in the same capacity for the London Daily Mirror. He writes the daily column in the Review Journal and his Las Vegas column also appears in the Houston Post, Dallas Morning News, Phoenix Arizona Republic, San Bernardino Sun-Telegram, Las Cruces New Mexico Citizen and the Blythe, Calif. Palo Verde Valley-Times. Here in town he works for the Review Journal as columnist and is a commentator on KORK Radio and KORK TV. His office is at 737 N. Main. Aside from being a member of our Nevada Chapter of Kentucky Colonels, he finds

time to be an ardent member of the Las Vegas Press Club. He loves baseball, football, playing poker and the movies. In November of 1965, he traveled to London, Paris, Rome, Florence, Venice and Milan. In 1940, he was named "One of America's Outstanding Young Men" by the U. S. Jr. Chamber of Commerce.

**EDDINGTON, L. Paul.** One of the most handsome, and certainly one of the nicest guys in town, is Paul who lives at 725 E. Sierra Vista with his lovely new bride, Diane. Paul was born December 12th, 1943 in Salt Lake City, Utah where he attended the University, and also Parsons College in Iowa where he had a debating scholarship. He had a debate letter awarded him. His hobbies are golf and skiing. Paul works at the Stardust Hotel and is also Convention Manager of Creative Enterprises (all facets of convention service firm). He is a Catholic, a Republican, and belongs to H.S.M.A. and L.V. Food Sales Club. Beautiful Diane Emond and Paul were married less than two months ago — she is with the Russ Morgan Band as solo singer.

**EDDINS, Neil L.** Neil was born the 22nd of December, 1931 in Afton, Wyoming, lives at 3314 Wayne Street with his wife June, Patricia Ann 16, and Neil Jr. 5. He is a Major in the USAF and is Leader/Commander of the Thunderbirds. He has 16 years in the service, mostly in Europe and South East Asia. Flying Slot with the T'Birds, he is the first Las Vegas to ever lead this famed team. Before coming back to Las Vegas he flew 106 missions in North Vietnam in the F-105 Thunderchief and has been decorated with the Silver Star, Distinguished Flying Cross with four Oak Leaf Clusters, the Air Medal with 14 Oak Leaf Clusters, the Combat Readiness Medal and the Air Force Commendation Medal. Major Eddins attended the University of Wyoming and the University of Maryland. He came up from the ranks — he enlisted in the Air Force at the start of the Korean Conflict in 1951 and in 1953 was accepted in the Aviation Cadet program and graduated with honors in jet fighters at Greenville AFB in Miss. in March, 1954 as the top man in his class and the ranking cadet officer.

**EDEN, Herb.** Herb was born in New York City on November 11, 1930. Although his home is in Northridge, California, he's included with our famous people in Las Vegas because he is one of the top comedians to appear here several times a year. He is one of the best looking young stars on our local stages, is congenial, neat, dresses like a model for the best clothing store for men in the country, and is as popular as any star ever appearing here. He belongs to the Saints and Sinners and is a Jester at Large. The Governor of Georgia has made him an Honorary Colonel on his staff. Herb's hobbies are fishing, hunting, golf, boating and horseback riding.

**ENNIS, Bob.** Bob Ennis was born Dec. 1, 1937 in Dallas, Texas and is a graduate of UCLA in Business Administration and Theatre Arts. His home is in Scottsdale, Arizona, but he also lives in Las Vegas much of the time. He is Secretary & Business Manager to Rusty Warren and Marquis Enterprises in Beverly Hills, California. He is a Democrat, but very liberal. Was honored as the Man of the Year by the California Democratic Club and belongs to the Saints & Sinners, National Honor Society, AGVA, AFTRA, AE, and the Hollywood Shakespeare Society. Has traveled extensively throughout Europe and this country, loves horses, ice skating, dancing, fishing, writing and above all, the theatre.

**ESSINGTON, Edward K.** Ed is a very popular and good looking young bachelor who lives at 5508 Wilbur Drive. Was

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born on September 25th in Venice, Illinois and is the Maitre d' Blue Room of the Tropicana Hotel, having come up from the ranks from bus boy to his present position. He is Catholic, served in the Navy and belongs to American Legion Post 307. Having lived in Miami Beach and La Jolla California, naturally his main hobby is fishing. For a while he also lived in Palm Springs. He has adopted an entirely new hobby, motorcycle riding, which he does with a vengeance. In high school he was a 3 year Letterman in basketball. He is one of the best-liked employees of the Tropicana.

**FEINSTEIN, Nettie.** Lives at 3064 Kishner Drive, was born Jan. 12th in Cleveland and attended school there. Aside from Cleveland, she has lived in Akron, Ohio, Miami Beach and Los Angeles. Her husband is deceased. Nettie is very popular in town, is a Slot Cashier at the Stardust and is most active in the Temple Sisterhood and Hadassah. She likes our town best of all and especially likes her job where she meets so many nice people.

**FIKE, N. Edward.** Ed Fike, Nevada's most popular Lieutenant Governor, lives at 1800 Bannie Lane. He and his wife Joann Dayton have four children: Toni, Mike, Gary and Brian. Ed is a graduate of Westminster College and Cornell University, is a Republican, served in World War II in the Marine Corps in the South Pacific, also in the Korean Conflict. He was born February 5, 1925 in Hopkins, Missouri. The Lt. Governor is Founder-President of Lawyers Title of Las Vegas, Inc. and is President of the Nevada Escrow Service, Inc. He is Past Director of the Lions Club, Executive Board member of Boulder Dam Council of Boy Scouts, Past member of Board of Directors of Shrine Club, a member of the American Legion, Founders Board Member of Las Vegas Boys Club, past President of the Las Vegas Junior Chamber of Commerce and twice a board member of the L. V. Chamber of Commerce, and belongs to the Elks Club, Korak Temple, Oasis Lodge F & AM, and the Nat. Conf. of Christians and Jews. With all that he finds time to water ski, swim, play golf and ride horseback.

**FISHER, Leon.** Lee was born on March 4th, 1916 in Columbus, Ohio and lives with his wife Elna and daughter Lisa Jean Wendy at 4599 Carriage Lane. He attended school in Ohio and for five years was an Infantryman and a member of the Staff Judge Advocate Corps for Uncle Sam.

He belongs to the Saints and Sinners and the Jewish War Veterans. Has traveled in this country extensively as well as England and France, and finds time for gardening as a hobby, but his job as Director of Public Relations for the Dunes Hotel keeps him pretty well tied up.

**FITZPATRICK, Walter L.** "Walt," or "Fitz," as he is called by either name, was born July 21st in Providence, Rhode Island. He and his wife, Helen (Desmond) have five in their family: Mrs. Thomas Davis, Gail Marie, Sally Ann, Walter L. III, and Donna M. He graduated from the La-Salle Academy and also Providence College, both in Providence, R.I. He is now Managing Director of the Desert Inn, coming here when Howard Hughes took over. As a lieutenant in the U.S.N.R. he was a Communications Watch Officer in London, England and a Radio Planning Officer in Washington, D.C. He has lived in Providence, New York and Bel Air, Maryland and has traveled much, especially in Spain, England, Canada and the States. He loves to play golf and bridge, and belongs to the United Fund as Public Relations Director, is on the Board of the NCCJ, also the Boy's Club, was a Founder member and on the Board of Trustees of Blue Coats, Inc., and is now a member of the Nevada Resort Association. Mr. Fitzpatrick is a very welcome addition to our local scene and is already a very substantial citizen, civic-minded and very active.

**FOSTER, William B.** Bill was born Feb. 19, 1922 in Lexington, Kentucky and lives at 820 Mar-Jay Court with his wife Grace Combs, their three children are Peggy 27, Charles 25 and Wayne 26. All three are married and there are three grandchildren, Margaret Ann, Danny and Mike. He is a Police Detective in charge of the Auto Theft Detail in the L.V. Police Department with his office at 400 No. 1st St. He attended schools in Lexington, Ky., two years at Univ. of Ky. in Lexington, 6 mos. at the Southern Police Inst. in Louisville, 6 mos. at Northwestern Traffic Inst. at N.W. Univ. and over 25 short course classes, FBI and police, etc. In the military service he served as a Sgt. in the U.S. Marines in the South Pacific, earned four Purple Hearts, the Good Conduct Medal and a Presidential Citation from F.D.R. Bill belongs to the VFW and the American Legion. Was first President of the L.V. Lodge No. 1 Fraternal Order of Police, is Treasurer of the L.V. Police Protective Association and is a lifetime member of the Optimist Club. He is a Baptist and a Democrat. Fishing and hunting are

his hobbies. He is a valued member of our Nev. Chapter of Kentucky Colonels and serves as its Vice President. His travels are many — was all over the South Pacific during the war, has been in 46 of the 50 states. He lived in Lexington, Ky. where he was on the police force for 11 years when he moved to L.V. and has been with the Police Dept. here since 1955. Honors and citations he has garnered are far too numerous to mention here.

**GEISBAUER, Anthony E.** Tony and his wife Patricia Ann live at 1709 South 8th Place with their one son, Anthony William the V. Tony was born June 27, 1933 in St. Paul, Minnesota and is a Deputy Sheriff here in Clark County, under Ralph Lamb. He attended Johnson High in St. Paul and the University of Minnesota, is a Catholic and a Democrat and served in the U. S. Marine Corps as a Sgt. during the Korean Conflict. Here in town he belongs to the Fraternal Order of Police and the Tropicana Golf Club. He has lived here five years. He is the holder of nine letters in football, hockey and baseball. He is President of the Lawmen's League (Bowling) and Saturday night mixers and is a recent winner of Lawman's golf tourney and the Insurance Adjusters Tourney.

**GILES, Glenn V.** His wife is Tena Rae and daughters are Patti Gaye and Theresa Kaye, all at home at 907 E. Essex. Glenn is Assistant Cashier of the First National Bank of Nevada at 1912 N. Civic Center Dr. in N. Las Vegas. He belongs to the Optimist Club where he is a past president and a member of the Board of Directors. He is currently Lt. Governor's Aide from Zone 14 of the Pacific S.W. Dist. Optimists International. He was a member of the 20-30 Club back a few years ago. Glenn was born on January 29th in Fillmore, Utah, has traveled a lot in the Western States and likes scuba diving and golf.

**GLASS, Morris L.** This Who's Who is taken directly from Who's Who in the West — a Marquis publication, wherein my own bio. is. I quote "Glass, Morris L. (Leon), hotel exec., real estate, b. Titus County, Texas, Dec. 12, 1911, s Grover Cleveland and Tommie Bradford, (Welch) G.; student, U. Tex., 1930-33; m. Elizabeth Donwreath Ozier, April 3, 1959, Assistant dir. hotels, Catalina Island, 1947-50; mgr. El Tejon Hotel, Bakersfield, Cal., 1950-54, Royal Nev. Hotel, Las Vegas, 1954-55, Fremont Hotel, 1955 — Real Estate Broker, Las Vegas, Nev., 1961 — Served with the USNR, 1942-46. Named Outstanding Boss of the Year, Las Vegas Jr. C of C, 1950. Mem. Am. Legion, V.F.W., Internat. Footprint Assn. Democrat, Baptist, Mason (32° Shriner, K.T.). Club: Las Vegas Press (hon. mem.). Home 3182 Camelback Dr., Fremont Hotel, 2d and Fremont Sts., Las Vegas, Nev."

**GOLD, Aaron S.** One of the greatest Rabbis in the country and one of the best educated, he was born in Tarnobrzeg, Poland, May 12, 1923. He now serves Temple Beth Shalom at 1600 East Oakey, and lives with his charming wife, Rita at 1413 South 17th Street. They have four children: Sharon 18, Judi 16, Claudia 14, and Dodie 7. Rabbi Gold holds a B.A. Degree from Wisconsin State University, an M.A. and P.D. and Ed.D. from Columbia, and was ordained a Rabbi in New York. His three degrees from Columbia U. are in marriage, family life education and counseling. His religion is Judaism and he is a Republican by registration, but carefully votes for the right person regardless of party. He served as a civilian chaplain for five years at Suffolk County Air Force Base and now serves in the same capacity at Nellis. He is Vice President of the West Coast Branch

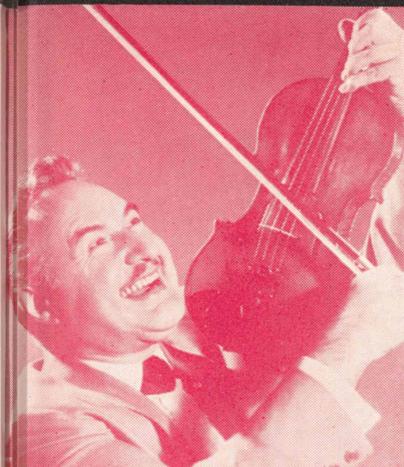
of Rabbinical Assembly and belongs to the National Board of United Jewish Appeal and the American Association of Marriage Counselors. He lived in Poland until the age of 8, then New York until 1946, Wisconsin until 1952, again on Long Island till 1957, Philadelphia until 1964 and in April of 1964 moved to Las Vegas. His hobbies are poetry, teaching on the University level, and writing.

**GRAVES, Madison B.** Maddy lives in a beautiful home at 2323 Palomino Lane with his lovely wife, Jane D. and four children: Madison B. II (Maddy Jr.), Horace C. (Holly), Lyndon B. (Buzz), and Jane D. II (Janie). He is the Senior Partner in the law firm of Morse and Graves and is certainly one of the very best lawyers in town. He was born November 5th in New York and has lived in our town since 1940. He has his A.B. and LL.B. Degrees from Harvard, is a Protestant Episcopal and Republican, and was a Lt. Commander in the U. S. Naval Reserve. He belongs to the Elks, Masons, Las Vegas Press Club, Eagles, American Legion, VFW, the C of C, Kentucky Colonels, American Bar Assn., Clark County Bar Assn., the American Indicators Society and the American College of Trial Lawyers. He is Past President of the State Bar of Nevada, Department Commander of the American Legion and was on the National Public Relations Commission. Maddy is a big man, handsome, jovial, easy to meet, fun to know, likes to play golf, sail, fly, swim, ride, play tennis, pool and bridge and likes little theatres. He has traveled much in Central America, Bahamas, Mexico, Canada, the South Pacific and all around our own country. His wife Jane is one of the top artists, interior decorators, and hostesses in town and is as charming as she is talented.

**GREEN, Jacqueline A.** Jackie is Publicity and Advertising Secretary at the Riviera Hotel, has traveled very much and has just returned from a trip to London and Paris. She lives at 3628 S. Spencer, was born May 14th in London, England and attended Friends' School, Saffron Walden, Essex, England, which was a Co-ed boarding school run by the Society of Friends, and also Southwest Essex Technical College and School of Art. She belongs to the Church of England, the Las Vegas Ski Club, Las Vegas Press Club and the Far West Ski Association. Beside skiing, she plays tennis and collects stamps. A very popular and vivacious gal is Jackie.

**GRIPPO, James.** Jimmy, the Official Greeter of Las Vegas by proclamation of the Mayor, lives at 3716 Central Park Circle with his wife Frances and daughter Roslyn. He was born January 25th in Italy in the town of Venosa. After traveling most of his life in Europe, Asia, India and all over the world, he has moved here where he has made his home the past two years. He is Catholic and a Democrat, is a Magician-Hypnotist-Mentalist and works at the Caesars Palace where the great and near-great from all over the world ask him to entertain them with his magic, sparkling repartee and genial company. He served with the Special Services for the armed forces of this country. Jimmy belongs to the Elks, International Brotherhood of Magicians, AGVA and the Assn. of Ethical Hypnosis. Everyone loves Jimmy and his unusual hobby is delving into the human mind. He has been honored and decorated by Kings, Queens, Presidents, business and social leaders from around the world and has so many honors it would be difficult to start naming them — his prize possession being his favorite ring, given him by the King of Siam.

**HACK, Maurice C.** The most prominent and best young dentist in town, Maury Hack, was born January 7, 1965 and



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lives in his beautiful bachelor apartment at 360 Desert Inn Road. He was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, attended school there and later went to the University of Tulsa, De Pauw University, Loyola Dental School in Chicago and took his Internship at the U. S. Naval Hospital at Camp Pendleton, California. He is an ardent Roman Catholic, spent three years on active duty in the U. S. Navy and was a Lt. Cdr. He belongs to Sigma Chi Fraternity, Xi Psi Phi, Blue Key National Honor Fraternity and was a winner of the Mosby Scholarship Award and was Class Secretary in 1959 of the Loyola Dental School. He earned a football letter at De Pauw University, and is even now a very ardent athlete as he fishes, swims, hunts, does both water and snow skiing and plays golf and tennis. Maury is a Doctor of Dental Surgery and has his offices at 912 E. Sahara. He has traveled much in the Far East, the South Pacific and Europe and, for sixteen months before locating here in Las Vegas, he was with the Public Health Service in Oslo, Norway. Maury is certainly the most eligible young bachelor in town, entertains beautifully and lavishly. He is also a member of the Nevada Chapter of Kentucky Colonels.

**HAGE, Glenn.** Because Glenn once wrote a book titled "Las Vegas Laid Bare," I consider him a part of our town; also he and wife Norma have visited here countless times and love Las Vegas. He was born Feb. 8, 1914 in Velva, North Dakota, attended high school at Franklin, Minnesota and the University of Minnesota. Glenn and Norma are frequent visitors at Hillsway-on-Ann Lake. He belongs to the Masons, Shriners, Rum River Golf Club, Minneapolis Athletic Club and the Minn. Press Club. He is Asst. Director of Publicity and Promotion for the Dept. of Ec. Development for Minnesota and now has an apt. at 525 South Lexington in St. Paul — they also own a very beautiful home overlooking Silver Lake in Princeton, Minnesota, where they entertain lavishly. Glenn has received five National Newspaper Association Awards for Better Newspaper Contest while publishing three Minnesota newspapers. The Hillsway column has appeared in them. The Hages are a highly traveled couple, have been all over the world, and at the drop of the hat are game for any excitement, party or trip. Glenn collects ivory, plays golf and has lapidary as his hobby.

**HAM, Artemus W. Jr.** A member of the outstanding law firm of A. W. Ham and A. W. Ham Jr., located at Suite 103-104 Friedman Bldg., 300 Fremont Street. Art was born January 27, 1920 in Las Vegas, believe it or not — there are so few young natives here. He and his wife Pattee and four children, Jackie, Carolyn, Art III and Jeanne live at 1337 Cashman Drive. Art attended high school here, got his A.B. degree in 1940 at the U. of Nevada, took his legal training at Stanford University in 1941-42 and got his LL.B. degree in 1948 from the Univ. of California Hastings College of Law. He is Protestant, a Republican and served in the U. S. Army in Europe during World War II as a First Lt. Art is one of the most influential young men in town and very much esteemed. He belongs to the Clark County and American Bar Ass'ns., the State Bar of Nevada of which he was a member of the Board of Governors in 1958; 2nd V. P. in 1966-67 and 1st V. P. for '67-'68. He also belongs to the American Judicature Society, the American Trial Lawyers Association, the Elks Lodge, the Masons and the American Legion.

**HANDLER, Adell R.** She was born March 7th in Philadelphia, Pa. but moved to California when just three months old. Her husband's name is Phillip and they have three in their family — Marc Richard, William Ira and Mrs. Gail Goldstein. She usually votes Democratic, but occasionally

strays if the right candidate comes along, is Jewish and went through school in Los Angeles, California. She commutes often to L.A. as they have their home there and other business connections, but here in Las Vegas she is the Owner-Manager of the very fine Blair House, located at 344 Desert Inn Road. The stars of the "Strip" stay here. When not sewing and decorating glassware, Mrs. Handler is busy taking care of this fine place that has such a very good reputation.

**HARRIS, Mac.** One of the most popular Maitre d's in town lives at 3334 Arapaho Circle. He was born Feb. 15, 1916 and has one daughter Laine, who is 7. He attended City College of New York, is Jewish and a Democrat. During World War II he served as M/Sgt. in the European Theatre of Operations. Before coming to Las Vegas, Mac lived in Miami Beach and Atlantic City. I first knew him back in the days when the old Royal Nevada was THE spot to go to in town. He is now running the Top O' The Strip at the Dunes Hotel, the most popular rendezvous in town from 10 o'clock in the evening on.

**HART, Nat N.** Nat lives at 2486 Leigh Avenue with his wife Sylvia. They are the parents of two — Mrs. Max Abrams, who has a daughter named Alisa, and Steven, who is in the Navy on the U.S.S. Enterprise. Nat is Hebrew American, was born February 25th in Chicago, Illinois and is now Maitre d' in the Bacchanal Room of Caesars Palace. His hobbies are furniture building, mosaic work and gardening. Nat has traveled much of this globe, especially in the Orient where he worked with the Japanese and Philippine Governments, acquainting them with American foods, service and customs. He handled the Japanese pavilion at the World's Fair in New York and is still consultant to these governments. For a time Nat and Sylvia owned the lush Gilded Rafters down in L.A., but have lived here for many years. The Harts are among the best-loved couples in town.

**HEIM, Martin.** Pianist-conductor-arranger-teacher Marty Heim was born on April 24th in Chicago, Illinois and lives at 704 Osprey Circle with his wife Audrey and three children, Marty II, H. Joy and Rick. Marty belongs to the Lutheran Church and is a registered Democrat; also to the American Guild of Organists, the National Music Teachers

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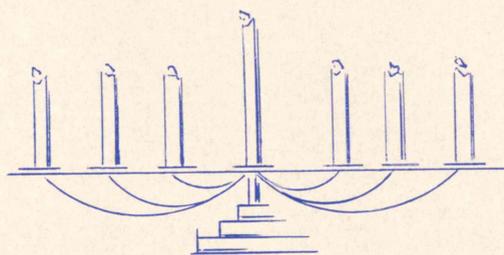


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Association and is Chairman of the Auditions Committee of Nevada Music Teachers Association. He spent 3½ years in the Combat MPs and the Air Force. He attended school in Evanston, Illinois and Wayne State U in Detroit, Michigan where he was awarded his B.M. degree. He has lived in Evanston and Chicago, Detroit, Madison, Wisconsin, Tucson, Arizona and now Las Vegas. His hobby is gardening. Marty has worked as pianist-conductor for the following great stars: Martha Raye, The Ritz Bros., Lainie Kazan, Lee Meza, Rusty Warren, Shecky Greene, Henny Youngman, Eartha Kitt, Rickie Layne and the 4 Lads.

**HILL, Howard R.** His nickname is Scoop and on Sept. 3rd he was born in San Francisco. His wife's name is Fran. He is Asst. Managing Director for the Nevada Safety Council with offices at 208 L.V. Blvd. South. He was formerly Juvenile Traffic Judge for Clark County. Howard holds a B.S. degree in Public Relations from Brigham Young University. Belongs to the Henderson Lions Club, Henderson Young Democrats and the L.V. Sundowners Lions Club. He is past cabinet Secretary and past Zone Chairman of Lion District 4-N. He plays semi-pro soccer as goalkeeper, is a moderator of "Youth Confidential", a weekly half-hour radio show on station KENO and is author of an article in a national magazine on "Motor Scooter" License program which he started in Nevada.

**HODGE, James C.** Jim was born in Chattanooga, Tennessee on May 31st. He is a graduate of Chattanooga University, is a Methodist and a Republican. His permanent home is at 3765 Central Park Circle here in Vegas but of course he travels much as he is a singer by profession and is currently appearing with the "Vive Les Girls" road group as the singing star. Previously, he was production singer in the "Casino de Paris" Show on the main stage at the Dunes Hotel. The traveling company played Tahoe last summer, then went to Vancouver, Canada for a month. Jim served in the Navy and belongs to Sigma Chi Fraternity. His hobby is tennis. He formerly lived in N.Y., L.A., Georgia and Tenn. He is very gifted, and a bachelor.

**HOUSSELS, John Kell, Jr.** Ike, as he is nicknamed, was born December 11, 1922 in Denver, Colorado. He and his wife, Ellen, and three children: J. K. Houssels III, Leslie Jeanne and James live in a beautiful new home at 380

Rancho Circle. He is President of the extremely luxurious resort hotel, the TROPICANA. After graduating from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1945, Kell graduated from the Stanford University Law School in Palo Alto, California in 1945 and practiced law here in Vegas before taking over the arduous duties of running the Tropicana from his father. He served in the Infantry as a 2nd Lieutenant. Kell, Jr. and his father were just recently honored at a huge banquet at Caesars Palace for their humanitarian works — they received the Eleanor Roosevelt Award and all of Las Vegas turned out to honor two of its most loved citizens. He belongs to the American Bar Assoc., State Bar Assoc., was 1965 Chairman of the United Fund Drive for Clark County; is Vice Pres. of the United Fund; is a Director of Variety Club, a Director of the Chamber of Commerce, is Exec Comm., Boulder Dam Area Council of Boy Scouts, belongs to the Nat'l. Ass'n. of Christians and Jews, and is a Director of the Nevada Taxpayers Association. He follows in his wonderful father's footsteps in that his hobbies are breeding and racing thoroughbred race horses.

**IRELAND, Richard T.** "Doc" was born Oct. 16th in Ohio and now lives at 5600 South 6th St. in Phoenix, Arizona where he has his University of Life Church on the old Wranglers Roost Guest Ranch. He and his lovely wife, Shirley Marie have three children — Donald, Mark and Robin. He has attended Ohio State, Morris Pratt Institute and Arizona State University. He first appeared here at the Aladdin — and is one of the world's great ESP exponents; his performances are sensational. Right now he is appearing in Greenwich Village and will be back here soon again. He has traveled everywhere save the Orient, has been honored too many times to mention and loves deep sea fishing, fencing, horse raising and breeding. His church is Interdenominational.

**ISAACSON, Frank A.** He and his wife Hilda live at 1710 South 6th Street and have two children named Helen Verna and Francis Abbott. Frank was born September 21, 1902 in Finland, is a Dispensing Optician with the Nevada Optical Company at 134 South 4th Street, belongs to the First Presbyterian Church and is a Democrat. He has previously lived in Finland, Denmark, Holland, Canada, Michigan and Minnesota. He belongs to the Optimist Club of which he is a past president, the Elks, Masons and the Shrine. Also

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the American Board of Opticianry. Fishing and bowling are his hobbies.

**ISAACSON, Victor.** Vic was born June 9, 1913 in Markham, Minnesota, is married to Esther and their daughter is Nancy. The Isaacson home is at 1721 Cochran Street. He is an Optician with the Nevada Optical Company, Inc. at 134 South 4th Street. He was a non-com in the Navy in the South Pacific during World War II. He is Past President of the Lions Club and is Leading Knight in the B.P.O. Elks, and is active in all civic and charitable affairs. The Isaacsons have been very successful in town and like to entertain their friends and business associates. He is one of the citizens who has made Las Vegas great.

**JAEGER, Bjorn J.** Bill as he is called, was born on Sept. 7, 1934 in Cologne/Rhine, Germany and is the Executive Chef at the Aladdin Hotel. He and his wife Ulrike live at 3572 Cochise Lane with their daughter Sharonne Rebeca. He is a Lutheran and has had five semesters of college. He has won two gold medals in cooking exhibitions, one in Duisburg, Germany and one in Las Vegas. He is a coin collector, likes to swim and to water ski. He has lived 9 years in Germany, 2 in Switzerland, 1 in Denmark, 6 mos. in Sweden, 1½ years in Paris and worked 9 months on board a ship on a trip around the world. He has lived a short time in Miami Beach, New York City and now 10 years in Las Vegas. Some of the great places he has worked include the Regina Palast Hotel in Munich, Germany, Hotel Du Rhone in Geneva, Switzerland, the Restaurant Grand VeFour in Hotel Westminster in Paris and the Waldorf Astoria in New York. Here in town he has worked at the Tropicana, Stardust, McCarran Airport and the Mint Hotel.

**JAEGER, Morris.** It is a pleasure to write about such a close friend as Morrie. He lives at 1720 Cochran Street with his wife Helen and son Mitchell. Morrie was born June 30th in Cincinnati, Ohio and attended school in Cincinnati. For 3½ years he was in the U. S. Air Force in the Pacific. The Governor of New Mexico has made him an Aide de Camp on his staff. He has lived here in Las Vegas for many years and is now a Shift Boss at Caesars Palace, moving over there from the Stardust when it opened. He is just about as nice as they come and as handsome. A perfect gentleman, he is extremely well groomed at all times. His hobbies are swimming and horse back riding.

**JAFFE, Milton.** Milt is perhaps the most self-effacing person in our town and will never say or do a thing to promote himself, seek publicity, or accept compliments. He is just that way albeit he is one of the most substantial men in Nevada. He is Managing Director of the Stardust Hotel and in that position perhaps has one of the most responsible jobs in town, because the Stardust is the largest resort-hotel in the world, and certainly one of the busiest as it has known nothing but 100% success since the day

it opened its doors many years ago. He was born on August 19th in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and has made his home here these past many years where everyone likes him.

**JOHNSON, Arthur E.** Together with his lovely wife Florence, Art lives at 1900 Waldman Avenue. He was born March 29th in Jersey City, New Jersey and has traveled in Switzerland and Europe and has lived in Fort Lauderdale, Florida before moving here. NYU is his Alma Mater and later he was a Sgt. in the Ski Troops in Italy. He is a Christian Scientist which perhaps accounts for his even temperament and congenial attitude at all times. Art is an entertainer par-excellence at the Desert Inn and is currently in the "Pzazz '68" show. Art and Flo entertained at the Desert Inn just a couple of years after it opened. Art was singing Master of Ceremonies at that time (has a beautiful voice) and his wife Flo was an excellent dancer. Skiing, boating, sailing and swimming are his hobbies.

**JOHNSON, Lewis.** Because he almost commutes from St. Paul to Las Vegas and is so well-known out here he borders on being a native. He was born in St. Paul, August 25th and lives at 1140 St. Dennis St. in St. Paul. He has built and owns the ultra-smart Paul Bunyan Motel at 2965 N. Snelling and before that ran the Comstock Hotel in Moorhead where he put in the very nice Las Vegas Club, smorgasbord and all. He and his wife Rivian have two fine sons, Scott 17 and Dan 15. A graduate of the University of Minn., he is Jewish and served in the Army in Manila. At the Paul Bunyan's Motel, he has started a plush private club called "Paul's Place" and now has over 5,000 members. Lewis' parents are the Irving Bravermans here in Vegas.

**KAYE, Norman.** Born in Detroit and graduated from Albion College in Michigan, he now lives here with his wife Cheryl Jeanne Thompson and four children, John, Tracy, Richard and Spencer. He has one sister Mary who now has the new Mary Kaye Trio. Norman used to be in the trio and has played night clubs all around the world for twenty years. Norman's wife was "Miss Nevada of 63" and she also is a musician and a Decca Recording Artist. Norman belongs to many, many organizations, the main ones being the Variety Club, Screen Actors Guild, American Fed. of Musicians, AFTRA, ASCAP, American Guild of Composers and Authors, and the Nat'l. Ass'n. of Security Dealers. He is a stock broker, realtor, and licensed insurance agent, with offices at 4813 Paradise Road. He manages the great Rouvaun whom he discovered, as well as Dr. Michael Dean. He gives of his time and talents freely and is one of the town's best-liked and most solid citizens. He glows with enthusiasm when he speaks about the possibilities and future of Las Vegas. Norman, Poet Laureate of Nevada, has been honored for the 4th straight year with a special ASCAP Award — this was for a Rouvaun recording of "Give Me Love." His wife has also been honored by ASCAP for her musical composition, "Time To Pretend Again."

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**KELE, Kavionatanileinoku.** Shortened, this wonderful person now goes by the name of Nalani from the middle part of her long first name. The name translates to mean "The beauty of the stars forming a lei (wreath) in the heavens." Nalani has just purchased a home here in Las Vegas at 1245 Rancho Drive and her parents are coming to live with her. In Hawaii she lives at 46-241 Kapea St. in Kaneohe, Hawaii. She was born August 1st in Hilo and is a Polynesian Dancer-Singer, a choreographer and Director of Nalani Kele's Polynesian Revue. She and her group have been at the Stardust Hotel for the past eight years — that proves how perfectly wonderful and beautiful this act is. Nalani attended St. Joseph's Catholic School in Hilo, Hilo High, and San Diego University in California where she majored in accounting, believe it or not. The recipient of two Goodwill Ambassador Awards from the Hawaii Visitors Bureau, a branch of the Chamber of Commerce, in 1966 and 1967, she likes to swim, fashion design, and do interior decorating. When a group can stay on the same stage for eight years (Stardust) you know it has to be tremendous and Nalani is just that. She designs all the costumes, arranges all the music, directs and originates all the dances and sings and dances herself in every number. She is without a doubt the most talented person ever to hit the Las Vegas scene, and one of the most beautiful and very nicest. She is the Personal Manager of Rockele Enterprises, Inc. with offices at 3519 Ibis Street in San Diego.

**KIRKEENG, Melvin J.** Kirk is married to my niece, Florice (Lund) and they have four in their family: Tarina, a Sr. at Pac. Lutheran University at Tacoma, Washington, Kristine, a Sophomore at Calif. Lutheran College at Thousand Oaks, California, Dewey, a graduate of the University of Nevada, and Karla who is still at home in Junior High. They live at 1114 Cashman Drive. Kirk was born Sept. 17th at Lake Benton, Minnesota, graduated from St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota and spent the next four years at Medical School at the University of Minnesota. During summer vacations he and Florice worked in Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks. Upon graduation he took his internship at Orange County Hospital in California and then spent four years as a doctor in the Navy — mostly in the Pacific Theatre, but also did Convoy duty on the east coast. Upon discharge from the Navy the Kirkeengs settled in Cortez, Colorado where he was a general practitioner for four years, and upon being accepted back at the Univ. of Minnesota he spent four years studying eye and passed his Boards in Ophthalmology, then setting up his practice in Las Vegas. They have now lived here about 14 years. His hobbies, when he finds time, are boating, hiking and carpentering. Dr. Kirkeeng has his office at 2034 East Charleston.

**KNIGHTON, Felicia Anne.** Anne is a third generation native of Los Angeles where she was born on February 8th. She lives at 3321 Hastings with her two children, Jennifer Anne and Jordan. She was an Art Major at Los Angeles State and also at Nevada Southern University, and is a medical secretary and office manager for Drs. A. Ver Bruggen, J. E. Reinert and Leslie Spelman who are Neurologists. She has traveled in Mexico and the Hawaiian Islands, does paintings for a hobby as well as skiing, tennis, and is a very good cook. An ardent skier, she is a member of the Las Vegas Ski Club.

**KOGAN, Jack.** The top Television Personality in town, he is currently with KORK-TV Channel 3. Jack was born June 18th in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and went to school there. He is Jewish, served in the U. S. Army as a private, has traveled the country over, working at odd jobs, with a circus, and what have you. His travels took him into 40 of the 50 states before Las Vegas became his permanent home. He has been honored for his work with the City of Hope, Fireman's Plaque, Heart Association, and the Nevada State Children's Home, the latter of which is dear to him. His time and works donated to charities is well-known. His hobbies are reading and walking. He is a very popular bachelor and man about town.

**LADD, Florence O.** As Secretary of the Four Queens Hotel & Casino at 201 Fremont Street, this lovely lady keeps really busy and for the past 18 years she was with that great person, the late Ben Goffstein. She lives at 120 North 8th Street and was born April 9th in Jersey City, New Jersey. She is a Democrat and a Catholic. Florence has lived in New York City, Arizona, California and Wyoming before coming here 26 years ago. One of the most respected gals in our town.

**LAMB, Darwin W.** Our young County Commissioner was born on April 20th in Alamo, Nevada, and lives at 5000 Jean Avenue with his lovely wife Mary. They have two fine children, Ocey Darwin, who is 15 years old and Marion Clare, 10. Darwin is also associated with the firm of Lamb & One, Inc., located at 1229 South Main Street. He is a member of the L.D.S. Church, is an ardent Democrat and belongs to the Elks, the Optimists and the F.O.Y. One year he was given the Young Man of the Year Award which he richly deserved. Darwin's hobbies are rodeo, horses, hunting and youth programs. And he is a valued member of the Hillsway Advisory Board — a real good friend of this columnist and one of the most outstanding young men of Las Vegas and Nevada.

**LANDERS, Ann.** While not a Las Vegas personage, Ann is perhaps the most widely read and best-known person in the town. She is Mrs. Jules Lederer in private life — her husband owns Budget-Rent-A-Car. She was born July 4, 1918 in Sioux City, Iowa and attended Morningside College. The Lederers have one daughter, Margo. Ann has been a friend for many years and is certainly one of the most gifted writers of columns today. Her work is syndicated through the Field Enterprises. She was Chairman of the Eau Claire (Wis.) Gray-Lady Corps. A.R.C. 1947-53, Chairman of the Minn.-Wis. Council Anti-Defamation League, 1945-49, asst. Wis. Chmn. Nat. Found. Infantile Paralysis, 1951-53, hon. chmn. of the 1963 TB Christmas Seal Campaign. She also found time to be County Chairman of the Democratic Party of Eau Claire and a member of the League of Women Voters, Brandeis U Women.

**LANOUILLE, Fred K.** Makes his home now at 209 Cypress Street in Balboa, California with his wife Mary and three children, Kathy, Lisa and Mark. Up till recently he handled the entertainment chores at the Aladdin Hotel but is now Entertainment Director for the Newporter Inn in Newport

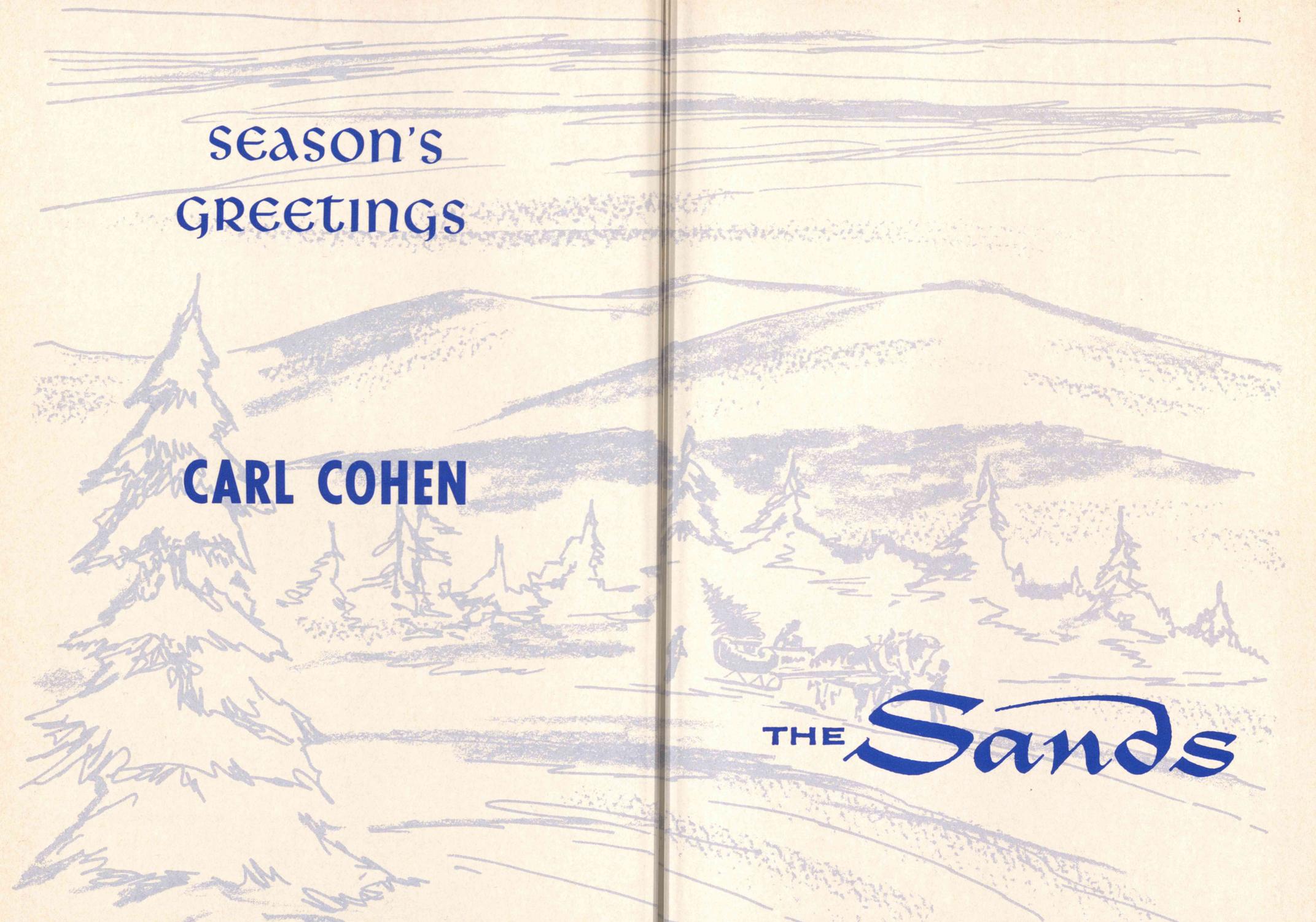
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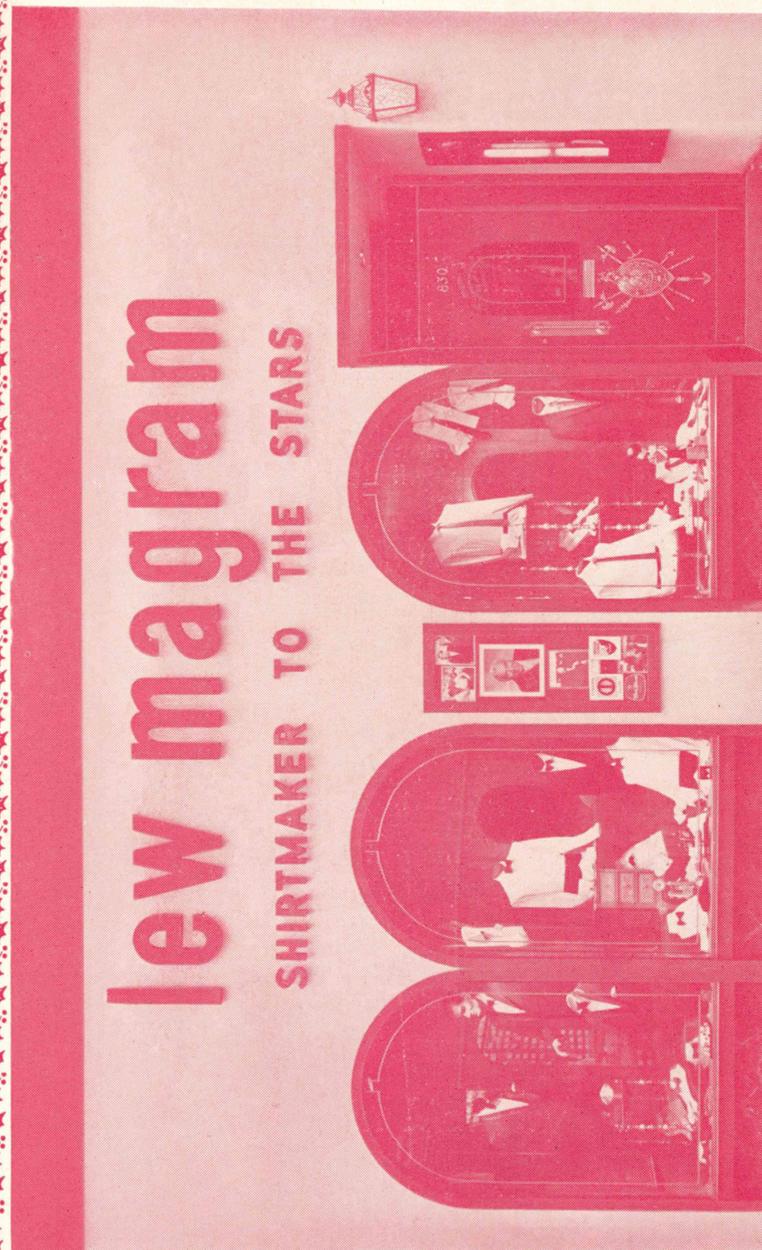
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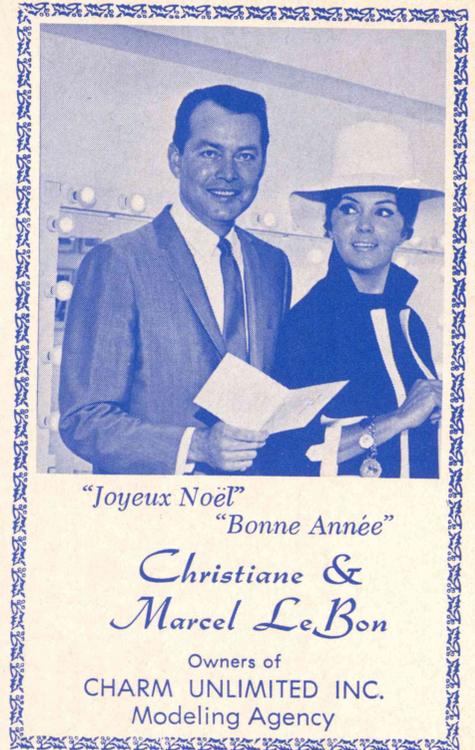
Beach, California and is also in personal management work. He was born July 3, 1936 in Klamath Falls, Oregon, graduated from Seattle University in Business Administration, is a Catholic and a Democrat. He was in ROTC in College, and belongs to the Kiwanis, Press Club, AGVA, AFTRA and the Chamber of Commerce.

**LAXALT, Paul D.** As Governor of Nevada he makes his home in the Governor's Mansion in Carson City. His wife Jackie and their six children—Gail, Sheila, John, Shelly, Kevin and Neena make up his family. Paul was born August 2, 1922 in Reno, Nevada, attended schools in Carson City as well as the University of Santa Clara and Denver University. He is Catholic and Republican and comes from a fine Basque family — his father was a sheepherder in the old country and his brother has written a wonderful book about the Laxalts. Paul served as a "medic" in World War II, seeing combat service in the South Pacific as a Sergeant. He holds an Honorary Doctorate of Law from Santa Clara U and belongs to the State Bar Association.

**LeBON, Marcel Pierre.** Marcel was first "found" by the great Maurice Chevalier and since has appeared as a top star on the stages of all the great cities of Europe and the North and South American Continents. He is absolutely as handsome as any star that appears here, in terrific shape, well-groomed and fashionably attired to the 'nth degree and has poise and stage presence second to none. With his very lovely and beautiful wife, Christiane, he lives at 1712 Kassabian Avenue with son Marc Christian Pierre. The LeBons run the Charm Unlimited Modeling Agency. Marcel is the President and the office address is 1835 E. Charleston. They train models and put on style shows for the conventions that come to town and for local groups. They also teach modeling, posture and fine manners. And they sponsor and produce the Miss Nevada (Miss Universe) Contests. Marcel graduated from the College Saint Louis in Brussels, Belgium and the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art in London, England. He is Catholic and belongs to St. Anne's Parish. He was in the Welfare Department of the Military in France and entertained the troops all over Europe. Here he belongs to the Kentucky Colonels, was Soccer Coach for St. Anne's Parish for the past four years, and is Institutional Representative of the Boy Scouts of America for the State of Nevada. He belongs to the Variety Club, Screen Actors Guild and the Amer. Fed. of TV and Radio Association and writes songs, plays tennis and soccer. He has traveled much all over Europe, this continent and South America.

**LIDDELL, Catherine L.** Kay was born on May 28th in Indianola, Iowa and lives at 904 South 4th Street with her four children, David, Pamela, Sissie and Erin Dawn. Kay is the finest waitress in Las Vegas and her friends come back time and again when they come to town because it is such a joy to have her wait on them. She is a Methodist, a Democrat, and works at the Riviera in Cafe Noir (coffee shop) since it opened. She is about the proudest mother in town — her family is about perfect and she raises them as they should be raised. Before coming to Las Vegas where she has so very many friends, Kay lived in California and Salt Lake City. She loves gardening and flowers. It is a joy to breakfast at the Riviera and have Kay wait on you — always cheerful, considerate and accommodating.

**LONDON, David.** David was born on March 6th in Cleveland, Ohio. He went to school in Los Angeles and attended college at the University of California at Berkeley, and graduated from San Francisco State College as a teacher. He taught for two years at Pacifica of California. He is a Great Grandson of two of Tzarist Russia's great singers. As a boy soprano, he became a soloist in the famous L.A. Robert Mitchell Boys Choir and appeared on radio and in concert and in many films with this choir. He served two years in the Navy and has appeared in the L.A. Civic Light Opera productions and also at the hungry 1 in San Francisco before he left his teaching to become production singer for the Riviera Hotel in Vegas. Later he appeared with Liberace, Katherine Grayson, Teresa Brewer, Harry Belafonte and others at the Sahara Hotel and at Harrah's at Tahoe. He then went to New York and played in "Fiorello," "Milk and Honey" and "Tovarich" — he has a total of 8 Broadway hits to his credit. He is a composer, writer, and has staged his own night club acts and has recorded, been on Dragnet, Ed Sullivan, Bob Hope and other shows on TV, and has done much industrial show work; his night club stints have taken him from New York to Chicago, Reno, New Orleans, Miami Beach, Los Angeles and now here in FLV. David has been acclaimed by critics and has a great career ahead of him with his composite talents that make a Jolson, a Cantor and a Griland.



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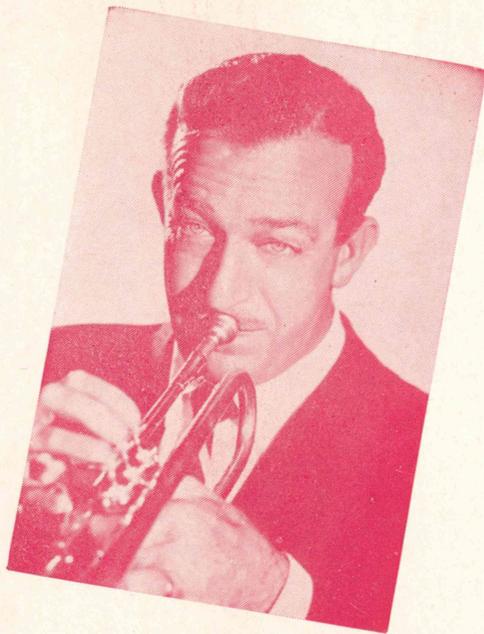
**LUCAS, Nick.** Nick, the Singing Troubadour, is just about the best-known star in the country. He was born August 22, 1898 in Newark, New Jersey, and looks like he should be in his thirties, but just last year he and his beloved Catherine celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary and Nick is still going strong — stronger than ever. Has all his hair, not a wrinkle and is as active as a teen-ager. He attended school in Newark, has one daughter, Emily (Mrs. L. A. Bissell) of Colorado Springs and 3 grandsons, Leonard in the Navy, Nick in College and Mark in high school. He is Catholic and a Republican, is a Musician and an Entertainer, belongs to the Saints and Sinners, a member of the Museum of Performing Arts, Elks Club, Hollywood Comedy Club and the International Foot Printer Association. Nick has entertained in Australia, England, Honolulu and New Zealand. Right now he is at the famed Diamond Jim's Club in St. Paul, owned by Hillsway Advisory Board member, John Thompson. Nick is still active in show business and just recently signed a contract with Accent Records in Hollywood. His latest recording is entitled "It's Been A Good Life." No one in the country over the age of 20 but knows and loves his famous "Tip Toe Thru The Tulips," also "Side by Side" and "Rose Colored Glasses." He enjoys walking, golf and swimming. Everyone loves him and his voice and dexterity on the banjo, guitar, et al is the same as when he started out. He is absolutely ageless. Nick has sold millions upon millions of records.

**MACE, Carole.** Carole is a Doctor's Assistant, X-Rays, for Dr. Herbert J. Rowe, D. C. at 518 E. St. Louis Avenue. She was born July 5th, 1938 right here in Las Vegas and lives at 4316 Mayflower Lane. She attended school here and also the Parker Chiropractic Research Foundation. In school she was Manager of the famous Rhythmettes and made a nation-wide good will tour for Las Vegas, sponsored by the Elks. She was also on the Ed Sullivan show. She has traveled this country and below the border and loves to howl, swim and water ski. One of the town's most popular bachelorettes.

**MaeWILLIAMS, Katherine T.** Katie, perhaps the most paged girl in town on the telephone, lives at 1824 Rexford Drive and was born February 26th in Chelsea, Massachusetts. She lived in Chicago before coming to Las Vegas several years ago and has been with the Stardust Hotel ever since — her position is Casino Secretary. That is her official title and she is just about the most efficient secretary ever to hit

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town, the pleasantest, and the most accommodating. Everyone loves her and respects her for her ability as an aide to the chiefs of the hotel. She loves to dance, and wears exceptionally becoming clothes and is always neat as a pin.

**MAGLIONE, Ralph J.** Every person has his favorites and I am no exception and writing this biography makes me the happiest because it is about the very finest person I have ever known (and I know quite a few you will agree) and the best friend I have ever had. Mag lives now at 5957 Fisher Road in Washington, D. C. and is attending the National War College for a year. He is a full Colonel in the USAF as a pilot. He attended Indiana U, Dayton U, Kent State U and graduated from the Univ. of Maryland where he received a BA in Economics. Right now he is attending George Washington Univ. on the side working on his Masters in International Affairs. He is an ardent Catholic and a non-partisan in politics. For two years Ralph was leader/Commander of the world-famous Thunderbirds here in Vegas and has flown all over the world and has been decorated and honored by kings and queens, presidents, etc. and has been entertained by the elite of all countries where the TBirds have appeared. His home town of Akron, Ohio had a Ralph Maglione Day in October in 1966 and he has received the Aerospace Award from Ohio Air Force Association, too. He is a Kentucky Colonel, an Admiral in the Texas Navy, an Honorary Coach of Key West, Florida and belongs to the Daedalians. Ralph is the most dedicated Las Vegas I know of and certainly the most decorated war hero, and can hardly wait until he retires from the Air Force to return and make his home here where he has thousands upon thousands of friends. And it isn't often one so fine and wonderful has just as fine and wonderful a wife, but Ralph has. She is Carol, who last year headed the Officer's Wives Club at Nellis, and they have one lovely daughter whom they adopted over in Germany—Annette.

**MAGOWAN, Jean H.** Lives at 1866 La Vante Avenue and was born on April 7th in Starkville, Mississippi. Jean has two sons, Kevin and Kelly. She attended school in Dallas and graduated from the University of Texas — is a Methodist and a Democrat. She lived in Texas all her life until moving to Las Vegas 17 years ago. Here she is Media Director for the Dunes Hotel & Country Club. She collects recipes and is one of the most popular gals in our town.

**MAHEU, Robert A.** Bob was born in Maine and lives now at the Desert Inn with his wife Yvette. They have four children: Peter, Robert, Christine and Billy. Bob is now Chief Executive Officer, Nevada Operations, for Howard Hughes. He is a Roman Catholic and a graduate of Holy Cross College in Worcester, Massachusetts. He left Georgetown Law School in 1940 and became a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. His first assignment was at Phoenix, then a transfer to Seattle, just before he married Yvette Doyon of Waterville, Maine. In 1941 he opened a resident agency for the FBI at Aberdeen, Washington. When the country entered World War II he received a commendation from the Bureau for the intelligence network he had set up along the Washington State coastline. In March of 1943 he was called to Washington for an undercover assignment under the direction of the late Assistant Director, E. J. Connelly, becoming his assistant in charge of a special squad of agents dealing exclusively in major espionage and intelligence cases. At the end of World War II he became supervisor of the Administrative Division of the N. Y. FBI office. In 1947 he resigned to start a brokerage firm in Maine. They lived in N. Y. for a time and then on to Washington where he worked for the Small Defense Plants Administration, now the Small Business Adm. He was Special Assistant there and in 1953 he formed the Robert A. Maheu Associates, Consultants in management engineering, civic and public relations. In Sept. of next year he will be one of three Americans attending a meeting in Rome, Italy, of the Council of St. Paul the Apostle. He is also a Director of the dozen-member American Foundation for Ecumenical Research and Studies. He belongs to the L.A. Dist. Att'y's. Advisory Council, YMCA Century Club, Jonathan Club, Riviera Tennis Club, Balboa Bay Club and the Society of Former Agents of the FBI. Since the advent of Mr. Howard Hughes in the State of Nevada, Mr. Maheu has functioned as the Chief Executive Officer of all Nevada operations. He is now on the Executive Board, Boulder Dam Area Council of Boy Scouts, and has been appointed by the Governor of Nevada to membership on the Governor's Manpower and Economic Development Conference; also the University of Nevada Board of Regents has appointed him to the Nevada Southern Land Foundation.

**MAXWELL, Constance V.** Connie lives at 1640 Arville Street, was born May 3rd in Aurora, Ill., and is an exceptionally fine portrait artist—she paints at the Dunes Hotel. She

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**McDONNELL, Thomas J.** There is so much to write about Tommy that you cannot possibly do justice to it in so little space, so will tell you a few of the facts about this fine and great man—as great a humanitarian as has ever hit Vegas. Born on St. Patrick's Day, naturally. In Evanston, Illinois and is an exemplary Catholic. First he was brick-layer, then he owned the Singapore Restaurant in Chicago where he met the great and near great of the world. From 1958 to 1964 he was Exec. Asst. to the President of the Stardust Hotel — now he is retired and lives at 3478 Paradise Road. He joined the 108th Eng. 32nd Div. in April of 1917 and was in four major battles — this group is one of the most honored of any war. He belongs to the VFW, American Legion, Catholic Actors Guild, Lambs Club, Variety Club, Press Club of L. V. and the Kentucky Colonels. He has been honored highly by Rose De Lima Hospital, the VFW, American Legion, the Calif. Chapter of 33rd Div. of War Vets Assn., the Richmond, Australia Lions Club, the Restaurant Division of Combined Jewish Appeal of Chicago, the Damon Runyan Memorial Fund for Cancer Research and is an Honorary Citizen of Jacksonville, Florida, an Honorary Citizen of Boys Town, Nebraska, an Honorary Citizen of the State of Tennessee and is also a Colonel on the Staff of the State of Tennessee and lastly Mayor Edward J. Kelley of Chicago presented him a cherished certificate by the Commission on National Defense for his work on that commission. All the thousands upon thousands of visitors to the Stardust sadly miss his smiling countenance.

**McELHONE, John Randall.** My handsome young friend Buck lives at 3211 Camel Back Drive with his beautiful and vivacious wife, Frances Lee (Leezie) and their two children, John Randall II and Cyrene Lee. He was born March 11th in Woonsocket, Rhode Island, is Vice President (Director of Marketing) of the Nevada Beverage Company located at 2416 West Desert Inn Road. He graduated from Notre Dame and did post grad work at the University of California. He is a Catholic and a Republican. Buck served four years in the Air Force (OSI) as a Captain. Buck belongs to the JC's, is Social Chairman, Council of Young Executives, the Phoenix Club, Canadian Club Man of the Year Awards, and is Western Regional Coordinator for 1968

at Seagrams Convention in Acapulco, Mexico. This past month or two he represented Nev. Beverage Co. at the October Festival in Munich, Germany. He also belongs to the Seagrams Family Achievement Association and the Notre Dame Alumni Assn. He has traveled all of this country, Canada, Hawaii, Mexico, Germany and Austria and for hobbies he water skis, hikes, hunts, and reads — mostly Political and Historical books and he loves to argue with me on the latter two subjects. His wife graduated from Oak Grove Prep School, Stephens College (one of the most fashionable in the country) and attended the Univ. of Mexico and is now taking advanced courses in Psychology at Nevada University. She is perhaps the only gal in town who has had two debuts, one in America and one in Rome, Italy. She is widely traveled, is V. P. of WAABI, Women's Assn. of Allied Beverage Industries, is a Life Member of the Menninger Foundation and belongs to Kappa Alpha Theta, Theta Alumni Club and Stephens Alumni Club.

**McELHONE, Randall J.** The most out-going, uninhibited, jolly personage in town is Randy, beloved by all. He lives at 1531 East Oakey with his lovely Dorothy Lee. They have three fine offspring, John R. (Buck), Donald and beautiful Allison Snow, once a cover girl as sweetheart of Sigma Chi on Life. Randy is President of the very substantial Nevada Beverage Company, went to Drake Business College and New York State University, is a Catholic, and a retired Lt. Colonel in the USAF. He belongs to the Lions, Kiwanis, Variety Club tent 39, Hualapai Club, LBI (Licensed Beverage Industry), WSWA (Wine & Spirit Wholesalers of America) and is a Kentucky Colonel—also he is on the Hillsway Advisory Board. He has had many Man of the Year Awards given him, the Award of Recognition National Airlines 3 Coast Club, the TWA Ambassadors Club and on and on. His hobbies are golf, travel, entertaining which he does lavishly in their lovely home, and story telling. He has traveled extensively in Europe, this country, Canada and Mexico. Randy is an easterner by birth, having been born in Paterson, New Jersey on July 24th, but is the west's biggest booster and wouldn't live any place than right here in Las Vegas. Big, handsome, ruddy, jovial, congenial, generous to a fault.

**McILVAINE, Red.** Red is a Radio-TV Entertainer and Announcer for KORK-TV, and a good one. He and his wife Gennie and their one daughter, Heidi, live at the smart Paradise Spa four miles south of the "Strip." He was born December 29th in Trenton, New Jersey, attended school there, lived in Los Angeles and Phoenix, Arizona, before moving to our town. He was in the USAF, Special Service during the War. His one hobby is flying.

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**McPEAK, Merrill A.** Tony as he is called by his fellow flyers lives at 13 Rickenbacker with his wife Elynor and two sons, Mark Allen and Brian David. He was born Jan. 9, 1936 in Santa Rosa, California and is Demonstration Pilot, a Captain, with the USAF Thunderbirds stationed at Nellis. Tony received his A.B. in Economics from San Diego State College, was president of Sigma Chi and belongs to Blue Key Fraternity. His biography is in Who's Who, American Colleges and Universities, for the year of 1957; he has served in Spain and England, and his hobbies are handball, reading, playing the guitar. His wife, Elynor has her M.A. in Economics and is now Academic Instructor in Business Administration at So. Nevada University. She is also in the American Colleges Who's Who.

**MELLAND, Jo Anne.** Jo is one of the most popular secretaries in town. She is Executive Secretary to Major Riddle and Charles Rich at the Dunes Hotel. She lives at 3067 Hebard Avenue with her three children, Kip, Connie and Scott. She was born on October 4th in Portland, Oregon where she attended school, is a Methodist and belongs to the Press Club. The great and near-great of the country are on speaking terms with Jo and everyone who wants a favor done at the Dunes contacts her. She is accommodating and pleasant all the time.

**MICHELL, Thomas.** Misha as he is called was born the 23rd of August in 1932 in Zagreb, Yugoslavia, and now lives at 217 Rosemary Lane South with his wife Marthe and their two dogs, Cizar and Tosca. Belongs to the Orthodox Church and served with the Yugoslavian Army, and for six years represented Yugoslavia in Waterpolo exhibitions. He is a graduate of UCLA School of Business Administration. For two years he was General Manager of Robert Hill's Chef's Inn in Corona Del Mar and for four years a Captain 'n the Brown Derby in Beverly Hills. Now he works in the show room as a Waiter at the Tropicana. He has lived in California, Caracas, Venezuela, Casablanca, Tangiers, Munich, Germany and Vienna, Austria before moving here. His hobbies are gardening and fishing. He and his charming wife have a very beautiful home and like to entertain guests. Mrs. Michell is in the "Folies Bergere."

**MILLER, Daniel D.** Danny sang with the famed Notre Dame Glee Club when they appeared at the local high school. He was born February 16, 1935. The Millers live at 1608 Aztec Way. His wife Mary Jane is an excellent housekeeper and cook and they have three fine children: Andrew, Valli and Danielle. Dan received his Bachelor of Philosophy Degree from Notre Dame University, is a Catholic, a Democrat, was born in Minot, North Dakota and served in the USAR as a First Lieutenant. He loves to hunt and fish, belongs to the Eagles, Military Government Association and Reserve Officers Association. He is the handsome and popular Recreation Director at the Tropicana Hotel.

**MODICA, Frank A.** He was born in Jamestown, N. Y., on February 11, 1928 and is one of the younger and more capable hotel-casino executives in town. He is Assistant to the President of the Showboat Hotel. He and his wife Joyce live at 2213 Beverly Way. He was educated in New York, belongs to SKAL, and traveling and golf are his hobbies. From 1945 to 1947 he was a Sergeant in the Army. Mr. Modica is a person who has come up from the ranks here in Las Vegas having been a dealer, boxman, floorman and bingo manager.

**MORGAN, Russ.** Perhaps the most traveled musician and the best liked one to hit our town is Russ, who lives with his wife Shirley, and mother-in-law, at 3236 Brazos Street

in one of the loveliest homes. They have four in their family, Jack, David, Judy and Patty. Russ was born in Scranton, Pennsylvania and his birthdate is April 29th. He attended schools in Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and Nanticoke, Pa. He is an Orchestra Leader, par-excellence, musician, arranger, composer, singer, and is currently (1967-68) at the Top O' The Strip at the Dunes Hotel. Russ belongs to the Masons, Shriners, Elks, Moose, Lions, Kiwanis and is one of our Nevada, Kentucky Colonels. He holds five Gold Records for Million-seller records, has an award for Best Recording 1949 from Cashbox Magazine and an Award from ASCAP for Best Theme Song. He is a coin collector, gun collector, loves to garden and do photography. He has traveled the complete United States, except Alaska, the Bahamas and now owns two homes here in FLV. Recently, he acquired much acreage up in Utah in the mountains where he hopes to spend his off time and relax and is busy with plans to build a mountain retreat there. Russ and his band is the most popular regular organization to ever play our town and they will be at the Dunes till they decide to quit.

**MURATA, Stephen K.** Steve is one of only two bachelors on the Thunderbird team at Nellis where he is a lieutenant and serves as Information Officer. He was born the 22nd day of July, 1942 in Washington, D.C. and lives at 1562 Melba Court, Mt. View, California, when not in the service. He holds an M.A. Degree from Stanford, is a Presbyterian and before coming here, served at Vandenberg AFB in California. All the men in the TBirds have great respect for him.

**MUSSER, Stanton R.** His wife, Dawn Elizabeth is almost as famous as Stan. She was former National Baton Twirling Champion and is presently teaching Baton Twirling and Posture Training at the N. L.V. Recreation Center and Youth Center on Nellis AFB. They live at 79 McCarran Blvd. with their children, Scott, Shari and Kristin. Stan received a B.S. Degree in Phys. Ed. at Gettysburg College and belongs to Kappa Phi Kappa (Educ.) and Phi Gamma Delta (Soc.) frats. Was an All-American End in H.S. and All-Penna State End in College at Gettysburg. He is a Major in the Air Force, flies Right Wing with the Thunderbirds and his decorations from Vietnam include the Silver Star, DFC, Air Medal with 3 Clusters, Combat Readiness Medal, Purple Heart and two awards of Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry. Stan has traveled all over the world with the TBirds and has lived in Germany for four years, Miami, Colorado Springs, and Arizona before coming to Vegas.

**NAFF, Nicholas F.** Nick was born in Spring Valley, Illinois. He and his wife Claudette have two children, Cory and Lycia. He is Director of Publicity and Advertising for the Flamingo and the International Hotels. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Journalism from the University of Detroit. He is a World War II veteran, having spent four years in the Army Air Force. As president of the Advertising Club of Las Vegas and State Chairman of the Danny Thomas ALSAC St. Jude Hospital, he keeps plenty busy. Nick spent fourteen years in the Los Angeles area before coming to Las Vegas 8 years ago.

**O'CONNELL, Kenneth P.** Ken lives in the Avanti Park Apts. and has four children, Alice Luise, Kenneth P. III, William Nathan and Timothy Shane. He is Managing Director of the Greater Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce, was born June 19, 1919 in Dalhart, Texas and attended Special Management Schools and many Seminars. He arrived in Las Vegas July 7, 1941, to help establish the first Air

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Corps (now USAF) Gunnery School prior to World War II. He was a T/Sgt. He belongs to everything, mainly the L.V. Rotary Club, SKAL Club of North America, ASTA, Past Pres. of Las Vegas Press Club, Hotel Sales Management Assoc., and the Senior Counsel, Amer. Chamber of Commerce Executives. As the most efficient and popular C of C man in the country, certainly, he has been given the Special Citation Southern Nev. Military Council, Special Plaque, So. Nev. Military Installations, and the Special Plaque as the Outstanding Citizen of Las Vegas. After his service he returned here in 1945. His hobbies are collecting of stereo music and writing. Ken joined the L.V. C of C in March 1959 as manager of Retail Merchants Bureau and was advanced to Manager in Feb. of 1964 and received the appointment as Managing Director in 1966. Prior to his Chamber work he spent 12 years in radio writing, production and management; two years in television production and promotion, and two years in advertising agency account as an executive.

**ODESSKY, Richard F.** Dick was born April 3rd in L.A., and now lives at 5753 Rhea Avenue in Tarzana, Calif. He and his wife Joyce have two children, Jeffrey 10 and Robin 8. He attended the L.A. Public Schools, East Los Angeles College and the L.A. City College. He is Jewish, a Republican and currently President of the Dick Odessky Public Relations firm at 6515 Sunset Blvd., in Hollywood. Holds membership in the Las Vegas as well as the Los Angeles Press Clubs. He was Alumni of the Year at East L.A. College, is an Admiral in the Great Navy of Nebraska and has had many awards given him — the one prized most is from the Thunderbirds out at Nellis. He is strictly a westerner, but has traveled much over this country and Mexico. He was entertainment columnist for the L.V. Sun in 1953, then came back in 1961 as Public Relations Director for the FABULOUS Flamingo Hotel where he was for six years. From there he went back to the coast to open his own firm. He has also been a reporter for the Herald-Express in L.A.

**PAIGE, Kiki.** What a bog. to write! She perhaps has the most interesting background of any show person. To put it in a nutshell within the bound of space allotted in this Who's Who is next to impossible. She was born in Calcutta, India and now lives with her mother, Betty, at 3846 Meikle Lane. She has been given awards from the VFW, the President for working on the front lines in the Korean War for 6 weeks and she received recognition in the Congressional Record. She loves horses, skates, skis, swims, shoots and loves to cook. And is as handy with a hammer and a saw as any man and loves to build — her lovely homes attest to that. She has traveled all her life with her mother and father who were show people. As a little girl she was in show biz (and it really was business in those days), where she did four and five shows a day and sometimes six and seven on Saturdays and Sundays. The Paiges did a Unicycle Act called Paige, Jewett & Kiki. She has been all over the world many times, and many times they were the first Caucasians in the hinterlands in Java, India and Sumatra. Her dad spoke 9 languages fluently and was always loved even by those who were not ready for the white man's ways. She was the first white child born in Eaden Hospital in Calcutta and part of Kiki's name is a God's wife's name — Sita. Her real name is Fransita Kiki Paige. They were a happy and devoted family. On the way to play a date with Judy Garland at the Palace in New York, her father was killed when a truck hit their car. At 13, Kiki took over as head of the family. She and her mother did an act until five years ago. Now Kiki plays it solo.

**PAPPA, James J.** Jimmy, (Mr. America himself) was born Nov. 9, 1933 in Shreveport, Louisiana and now lives at

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1712 Loch Lomond with his very beautiful young wife, Mary and the cutest son in town, Steven Anthony. Jimmy is Catholic, served in the Marine Corps as Drill Instructor, a sergeant at Camp Pendleton, was class president of his class in school, a 3 year letterman in football, 3 year letterman in gymnastics and a 2 year letterman in track. He now is Asst. Bingo Manager at the Silver Nugget. Jimmy is very happy since coming to our town which he loves, is busy decorating their new home and loves to garden.

**PATTERAKIS, Chris G.** Chris is a Pilot with the USAF Thunderbirds Team of 1966-67 located at Nellis Air Force Base. His rank is Captain and he lives at 4 Erwin Street with his lovely wife, Vicki Frazier and their four children — Donna 13, Patricia 11, Mark 9 and Alicia 2½. He was born July 23, 1935 in Van Houton, New Mexico — his permanent address is 1711 Bronson, Modesto, Calif. He attended high school in Modesto, Modesto Jr. College and also Fresno State. He is a Greek Orthodox Church member and is a Democrat. He served in the Air National Guard in Fresno, was an Instructor T-38 at Laughlin AFB in Texas and now is a valued member of the TBird team. He has received the Pride Award, USAF Football (USAF) and College 1st String team. He was Student Body President at school and Football Captain. Has flown extensively and traveled in Europe, and has lived in Texas, New York, California and now in Las Vegas. His very lovely wife Vicki Frazier is a star in her own right. She is a very fine singer and appeared around California a lot before she married. Chris' hobbies are playing the guitar, bowling and all kinds of music.

**PEOT, William.** Just about the most handsome bell man in town "Super," as he is called, works at the Dunes Hotel. Was born April 30th in Madison, Wisconsin and he and his wife Wanda have two children, Marnie Marie and William F., Jr. He attended the U of Wisconsin and Nevada Southern, has traveled in 31 states and Canada as well as Alaska and Mexico. He has the most unusual hobby along with skiing and shooting and that is playing with his Ocelot "Tiki."

**PRELL, Melvin S.** Mel is Administrative Assistant at the Aladdin Hotel. He is Jewish and went to UCLA. During the last war he served as a Sergeant in the South Pacific. Mel was born December 1, 1919 and lives at 2280 Michigan Way with his wife Edith (Eadie) and their two boys, Dennis

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and Neal. Being a native Californian (he was born in Los Angeles) he has traveled much in the west, also Canada and on the east coast. The Reiss-Davis Clinic has given him awards and plaques, also letters of commendation, for his charitable works. Coin collecting is his hobby.

**PRELL, Milton.** Milton was born September 6th in St. Louis, Missouri and lives with his wife, Debbie at the Aladdin Hotel which he owns as President of the Prell Hotel Corporation. They have one daughter, Sheila who is married to Ygal Sonenshine — they live in Los Angeles where Sheila is attending the Loyola Law School. Milton belongs to the Friars Club of Beverly Hills, the Racquet Club of Palm Springs, the Tamarisk Club of Palm Springs, the Hualapai Club of Las Vegas as well as the Las Vegas Press Club. He was honored as the "Man of the Year" in 1963; by the Boy Scouts of America and by the Boys Club of Nevada. Gin Rummy is his hobby. Milton Prell started the old Club Bingo, later building the Sahara Hotel. He is one of the most honored citizens of Las Vegas and one of its most respected.

**RAWLINGS, G. Barney.** The Rawlings, Barney and Hazel have four children, Kathy, Brent, Darlene and Nancy and two grandsons — they live at 2617 Mason Avenue. He was born April 29th in Provo, Utah and is Vice President in charge of sales at the Riviera Hotel. Barney was a Pilot in World War II and is still an active Lt. Col. in the Air Force Reserve. He is a graduate of the University of Utah at Salt Lake City, a Mormon, and a Democrat. He is about the most active worker in civic and church functions in town and is a real hero to all Air Force men. He is a member of the United Airlines Million Miler Club. Barney goes way back, when he was the Singing MC at the Thunderbird for many years and he possesses one of the finest singing voices. He travels all around the country to sing the National Anthem at conventions and meetings. He has had many honors and awards given him.

**RETTIG, Heinz.** Heinz 57 Rettig is Executive Director, Nevada State (Clark Co. and Reno Chapters), of the NCCJ with offices at 2140 Paradise Road. He was born March 22, 1920 in Germany and became a citizen of our country after moving here. He and his lovely wife, Mary, have three children: H. Noel, Larry C. and Holly M. and they live at 7724 Rancho Destino. Dr. Rettig attended Clark University, Andover-Newton Theological School, Boston U., Harvard, Portia Law School and is a non-sectarian in religion and an independent voter in politics. Mary has been show-reviewer for our FABULOUS Magazine for a long time and is one of the best-liked personalities along the "Strip," knowing all the show people who appear in our town. They are an extremely well-known and well-liked couple.

**RICH, Charles J.** A hard man to write about because he is so self-effacing and reluctant to have anything said about him. His friends respect and love him dearly. He certainly is one of the finest and most substantial men in town, an exemplary family man, and a perfect boss. His hundreds upon hundreds of employees will attest to that. Charlie was born March 24th, 1904 and lives with his wife, Evelyn at 2622 West Charleston. They have three in their family — George, Evelyn and Rowena. He attended school in St. Louis, Missouri and has lived in our town here for sixteen years. As Executive Vice President of the Dunes Hotel, he has one of the most responsible positions in town as the Dunes is one of the busiest, most luxurious and best thought of hotels on the "Strip" and is busy around the clock.

**ROMEO, Donald J.** Dr. Romeo, a physician and surgeon with offices at 3119 Kishner Drive, lives at 800 Clarkway Drive with his wife Barbara. They have eleven children: Stephen, Marcy, Michael, Teresa, Thomas, Patricia, Richard, Donald, Mark, Mary and Paula. He was born December 6, 1923 in Brockway, Pa., and attended Boston College and the Loyola Univ. School of Medicine. He is a Roman Catholic, a Democrat, and served in the army as a private in the Infantry in the European Theatre during World War II. Don belongs to the VFW, American Medical Assn., Nev.

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State Med. Society, Clark Co. Med. Soc., Phi Beta Pi, K of C, Catholic War Veterans, and the Clark Co. Medical Auxiliary Bowling League. His hobbies are athletics and playing the violin. He is Chief Examiner of the Nev. State Athl. Commission, was presented the "Man of the Year" award by Jack Kogan in 1964, and has traveled much.

**ROMERO, John S.** John was born, June 6, 1929 in Los Angeles and has lived in Las Vegas so long he has "forgotten" the other places he resided. He and Denece have three children — John Jr., Dana and Andrea and live at 1401 Strong Avenue. He is Executive Director, Advertising-Promotion-Publicity for Hotel Sahara. He is a graduate of San Jose State College, is a Conservative Republican, served in the Navy during the Korean Conflict, and belongs to the Kiwanis Club and the Elks. He has been Las Vegas and Nevada State (repeat) Handball Doubles Champion. His hobbies are handball, pistol shooting and playing the banjo.

**RONZONE, Richard J.** I have known Dick ever since I came to Las Vegas in 1940 — also his wonderful mother who founded Ronzone's of Las Vegas at 418 Fremont Street. Dick is President of this thriving department store that handles only the highest quality merchandise. He was born October 7th in Manhattan, Nevada, lives at 747 Rancho Circle with his wife Ann. They have two in their family — Rosalie and Phillip. He graduated from the U of Nevada and served as a Warrant Officer in the Army in Europe. Dick is a Rotarian, belongs to Nev. Retailers Assn. and is its Pres., the Reserve Officers Assn., Independent Retailers of California, and is on the Board of Regents of the Univ. of Nevada, the Executive Board of Nev. Alumni Assn., the Board of Directors of the National Retail Merchants Assn., and Lambda Chi Fraternity. He has been given plaques for Support of Athletic Activities at Bishop Gorman High School, the Boulder Dam Area Council of Boy Scouts, as Leadership Member; Boys Clubs of Clark County Founders Board Member and Outstanding Service to University of Nevada Alumni Association. A native born Nevadan, he is a Rock Hound, and loves to hunt and play golf.

**ROWE, Herbert J.** Born on October 19th in Akron, Ohio. Dr. Rowe now lives at 1733 E. Oakey Blvd. with his wife Malvene. Son Michael is in the U. S. Army at Fort Hood, Texas; Kenneth is in the U. S. Navy at San Diego, California, and Randi is a Clark High student. He is a Chiropractic Physician with his office at 518 E. St. Louis Avenue. Dr. Rowe was educated at the Akron University and Los Angeles College of Chiropractic. During World War II he was in the Infantry and was a prisoner of war of the Germans. Currently, he is President of the Sundowners Lions Club and also of the Clark County Association of Chiropractic Physicians. He is past president of the Nev. State Chiropractic Physicians and was a trainer for the Roller Derby in the Los Angeles area. He has lived in our town of Las Vegas for the past 22 years and likes to play golf and bowl.

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**SANDAHL, Brian J. B. J.** is the most accommodating clerk the local post office has, lives at 120 West Philadelphia and was born August 15th in Milwaukee, Wis. He attended Rancho High here in town, was in the U. S. Navy on the USS Ranger (CVA 61), an Aircraft Carrier. Has traveled much all through the Orient.

**SCHWARTZ, Edward P.** While Eddie Schwartz is not a citizen of Las Vegas (he will retire here someday as he knows and loves show biz and show people so well), he comes here so often and does so much to publicize our town thru his monthly bulletin to thousands around the country. He was born October 15, 1903 in Minneapolis and lives in a beautiful home at 1433 Cedar Lake Boulevard with his very lovely wife, Mae Catherine. They have one daughter, Mrs. Thomas Smith, Jr. Eddie is President of the largest and very best printing and publishing plant in Minneapolis — AD ART ADVERTISING, INC. at 1521 Hennepin Avenue. He is a graduate of the Minneapolis schools and attended the Univ. of Minnesota. He served in the Minn. National Guard and U. S. Army Engineers at Hanford, Washington, is a life member of the Elks Club 44, Board member of Variety Club of the Northwest, Cataract Blue Lodge, Scottish Rite and Zurah Temple of Shrine, the Minn. Press Club, SPEBSQA (Quartet Society), Midwest Showmens Club, Eagles Airie 34, Minn. Hotel Assn., Int. Geneva Assn., Minneapolis Golden Gloves, Advertising Club of Minneapolis, the Golden Valley Golf Club and is an Honorary Fire Chief of Minneapolis as well as a Kentucky Colonel. He also is past pres. of Mpls. B'nai B'rith. He has twice been given the Newspaper Guild of the Twin Cities AWONM Award. His office has autographed pictures of hundreds upon hundreds of the stars of stage, TV and screen and honors by the dozens that have been given him besides the ones listed above. He is a valued member of the Hillsway Advisory Board.

**SENNES, Raymond.** Rocky was born August 24th in Niles, Ohio, where he attended school. He and his wife Jeanne Kathrine live at 2719 Mason Avenue. Rocky is a Theatrical Agent & Producer and heads the Rocky Sennes Theatrical Agency with its office in the Stardust Hotel. He served 42 months in ETO during the war. Before moving to Las Vegas 7 years ago he lived in Ohio, Kentucky and California. Rocky attended Warren G. Harding High in Warren, Ohio and was voted the most outstanding and valuable player on the football team three years in a row and was given a

gold football — only two have ever been given out in the history of the school. Rocky is a Roman Catholic, a very active and civic minded citizen who has been given many honors for his generosity and good works during the past many years. He is very genial, fun-loving and extremely well-liked.

**SERRES, Harry T.** He prefers to be called Tom. He was born June 7, 1931 in Houston, Texas, is married and lives at 17A West Drive with his wife June and son Michael aged 11. He is Information Technician, USAF with the Thunderbirds at Nellis. Tom attended high schools in San Antonio, Texas and the Journalism School of the U. S. Navy in Great Lakes, Illinois. A Presbyterian and Democrat, he has spent 9 years in the Coast Guard and 9½ in the Air Force. In the Coast Guard he did Icebreaker Duty and Lighthouse Duty. He belongs to the George AF and AM Denton Lodge No. 24 in Waco, Texas and is past president of the Sondrestrom AB, Square and Compass Club in Greenland. He has twice won Air Force Newspaper Contests. Tom has traveled in Europe, Iceland, Greenland, Newfoundland, Labrador and the Northwest Territory of Canada, as well as all around this country with the T-Birds on exhibition flights. He will retire from active duty on March 27, 1969 and will move to Long Island, New York. His hobbies are Illustration, Cartooning and Photography.

**SHOOFEY, Alex J.** Alex came to Las Vegas immediately after his discharge from the armed forces in 1946 and went on the staff of the Club Bingo. When the Sahara opened, he was appointed comptroller, then manager of the hotel, and finally was named Exec. V. P. and General Manager of the Sahara in 1963. He was born in Montreal, grew up in New York and received his degree in Business Administration from the School of Commerce of St. John's Univ. He has done much for the Boys Clubs of America, the National Jewish Hospital in Denver, the Friends of Youth, and the Nevada Safety Council. He is also a former chairman of the Clark Co. T.B. Drive. In 1962, he married the former Joan Adams, Miss Nevada of 1957 and they have one daughter, Teri Lynn, just two. Alex is now head of both the Flamingo Hotel and the soon-to-be-built International Hotel.

**SIMMONS, Cecil B.** Cecil has been a part owner of the Desert Inn since he came to Las Vegas 8 years ago. He formerly lived in Dallas, Texas. He was born on the 18th

of August and his wife Katherine was born on the 28th of the same month. They have no children. Golf is his hobby. He is Casino Manager of the Desert Inn Hotel and is one of the Hughes top notch personnel. The men under him like him and he is respected by all. He is handsome, cheerful, efficient, always with a ready smile for everyone.

**SNOW, Joel.** Born February 14th in New York City, he lives in Las Vegas, Joel is Floorman in the Baccarat room at Caesars Palace. He is Jewish, a member of Temple Beth Shalom Men's Club, and a member of the United States Army Reserve. Joel is a graduate of the University of Miami at Coral Gables, Florida with a Physical Education Major. He received letters in Freshman football and baseball at the U of Miami and belonged to Sigma Alpha Mu Fraternity. He was Athletic Chairman for two years and loves all sports including water skiing, golf, etc. Before Castro he was a frequent visitor in Havana, Cuba. Besides his work at Caesars Palace, Jack is a part owner of the Carnaby Street Boutique — a mod dress shop in Commercial Center. A bachelor, he lives at 241 Sands Avenue.

**SPECK, S. Charles.** Charlie and his wife Helen live at 1424 Sweeney Avenue. He was born on July 19th in Ontario, Canada and is Credit Manager at the Dunes Hotel. He belongs to the Al Malaikah Shrine Patrol, the Royal Order of Jesters and the Metropolitan Club of Los Angeles. Charlie worked with the Gray Lines Bus Company downtown and later became Credit Manager of the old Last Frontier Hotel. He always has a broad smile and a kind word for everyone.

**SPENCER, Dolores L.** Dee to her thousands of friends, she is Society and Entertainment Editor for the Las Vegas Review Journal. She formerly was an entertainer. Born on Jan. 24th, 1925, she lives at 2331 Black Canyon Avenue with her family, two children, Valerie Jean 14 and Brad Palmer 20 who is an entertainer. She studied college work for six years with an English Major degree. Is Catholic, a Republican, and has many honorary memberships in local auxiliaries, is a member of the Press Club, Musicians Union, is past secretary of the Press Club and is on the Board of Trustees for St. Jude's Home. Many, many civic groups have honored her with citations and plaques. She has traveled and entertained in 48 states, Canada and Mexico. Her hobby is music, also reading.

**STOCKER, Mayme V.** The first lady of Las Vegas is our Mayme, 92 years young, who lives in a very beautiful home at 1550 Bracken Avenue. As alert as she can be and with a sparkling wit and constant smile, she keeps busy reading, writing to her friends, sewing and doing needle work. She has traveled the world over and can converse as easily on Sumatra, Thailand, India or Russia as most people can about their immediate locale. Just two years ago she and her son Harold took a trip around the world — it was her seventh. Mayme was issued the first gaming license in Las Vegas — June 20th, 1931. She then ran the Northern Hotel down on Fremont (now a Denny's Restaurant). She came here from her hometown of Reading, Pennsylvania where she was born on September 5th. Just this past birthday she hosted some 300 persons at a party at her home. She is a Republican, active in the Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, belongs to the Emblem Club, the Royal Neighbors, and the Daughters of the American Revolution — the latter group she just played host to at a meeting in her home. Her Thanksgiving dinner is served so elegantly on gorgeous china and white linens, under the beautiful chandelier in her long, living room, reminding me of the state dinners at the

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White House. Mayme is one grand person, one of the best-known pioneers of our town and one of its most substantial and important citizens.

**STOUT, Herb.** One of the most influential young men of Las Vegas, Herb is President of the Bank of Las Vegas and lives in a beautiful bachelor's apartment at 360 Desert Inn Road. He is one of the most eligible bachelors in town, holds a B.S. Degree from Denver University and served in the Air Force. He is V.P. of the Boy Scout Council here, is Chairman of NCCJ and belongs to Rotary and the Variety Club. His hobby is boats, but he is also an extremely fine pianist. Herb is jolly, handsome, very active, a good conversationalist, and popular beyond belief. No worthwhile civic or philanthropic project escapes him and he is generous beyond belief. He just recently became co-owner of the very fine Bali Hai Motel on Desert Inn Road too.

**SUTTER, Robert J.** Bob was born in Rosario, Argentina, September 27, 1926 and lives at 1909 East Oakey with his wife Carol Ann and their children Holly, Cammy, Debra Ann and Ricky. He graduated from Santa Catalina College, Buenos Aires, Argentina and has taken the Hilton Hotel special training course. He is Manager now of the exceedingly fine Hickory Room at the Riviera, is a Catholic and during the Korean War he managed an officers club as a Sgt. 1st cl. He has traveled all of South America and Central America, Europe and the Far East and worked for the Hilton Corp. for 17 years, the last 12 of which were as Maitre d' Beverly Hilton Hotel. His hobbies are golf, skiing and gardening.

**SWAIN, Mark.** Lives at 36 Country Club Drive on the D.I. Golf Course with his wife Joanne. He is Director of Sales at the Stardust Hotel. Was born April 3rd in McKinnon, Wyoming and attended Brigham Young University. He is a member of the L.D.S. Church and served in the Navy and Marine Corps. He has traveled all over America, Canada, Mexico and South America and has been in Alaska and Hong Kong. He is a Kentucky Colonel and is immediate Past Pres. of the National Licensed Beverage Association. His hobbies are hunting, guns, horses and hounds.

**TASH, Richard R.** Rick was born in Helena, Montana on the 19th of April in 1928 and now lives at 2304 Tam Ln. He is Public Relations Director at General Scientific Laboratories, Inc., 3177 South Highland Drive. A Methodist and a



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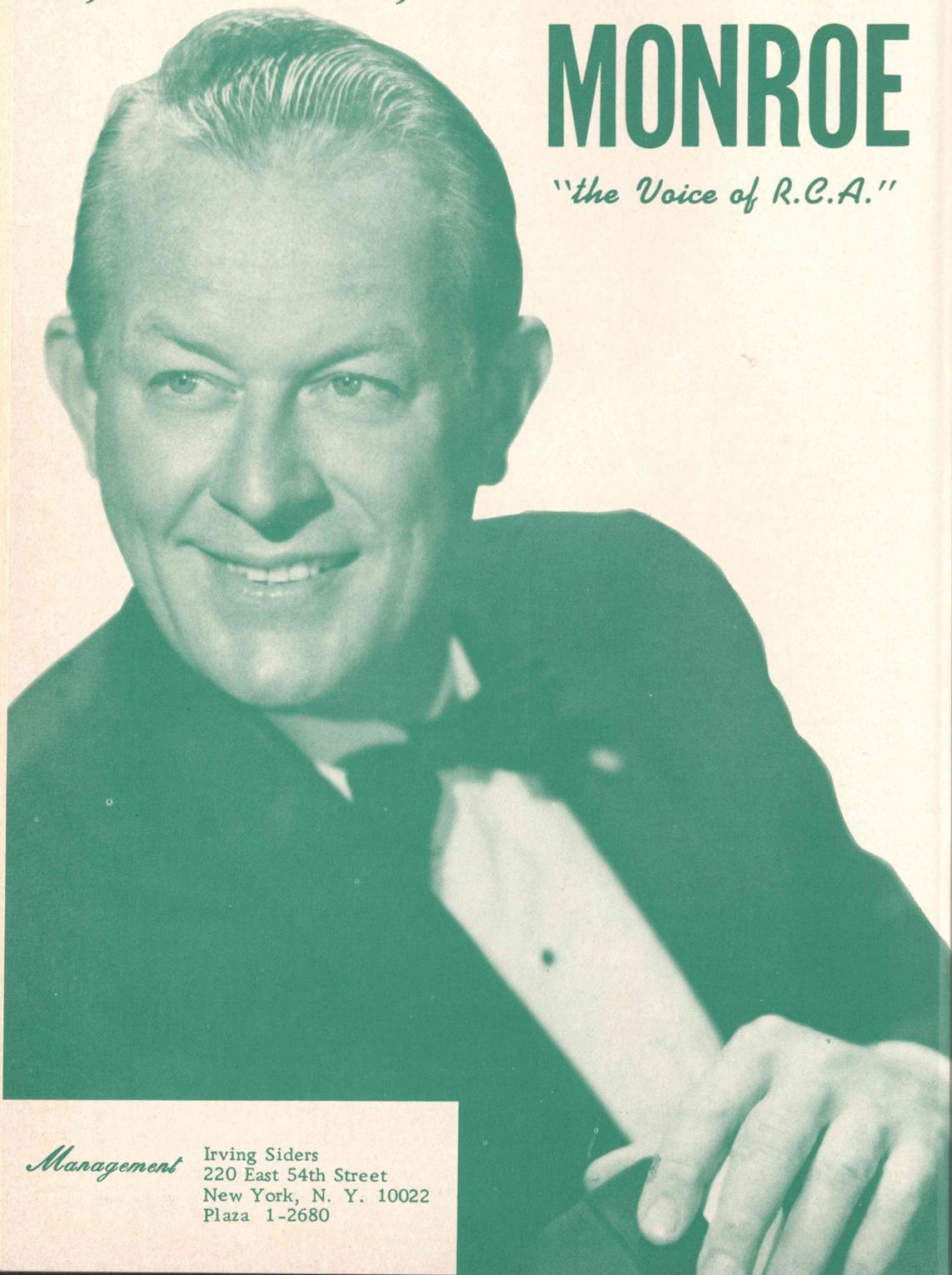
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Democrat, he served 14½ years in the Marine Corps in the Invasion of Okinawa out of Korea; was a prisoner for nine days and escaped. Was wounded and returned to the states for duty in Washington, then Norfolk, Cherry Hill, Cuba, Miami and Philadelphia. He belongs to the Nev. State Employment Association (is president), USW, Nat. Public Relations, and the L.V. Press Club. Also the 1st Marine Div. Assoc. and the Moose. Rick's wife and three children were killed in an earthquake. He is a graduate of Washington University in Journalism, and the Photographic School in Miami, topped his class in Leadership School, LeJuene, North Carolina and was 2nd in class in Bus. Adm. School at Norfolk, Va. He was with WITN-TV in Washington as staff announcer, and worked on the Leatherneck Magazine, and with WVSM as radio director. Was also Pub. Inf. Officer for the Nevada State Highway Dept. and did public relations work during Grant Sawyer's last campaign.

**TULANE, Michael.** He is Health Club Director at the Riviera Health Club high atop this plush resort hotel. He was born Sept. 21st and lives at 2405 Santa Paula with his wife Rosa Dagny who works with him in the Women's Section of the Health Club. Both are considered expert in their field and are very popular with their patrons. Mike has traveled extensively in all of Europe and served in World War II in the Air Force.

**VALDER, Ann.** Ann is one of the better newspaper columnists — she is also the Women's Asst. Editor of the Review Journal with offices at 737 North Main. She lives at 2125 Glen Heather Way and was born on June 5th. She is married, is a member of the Mesquite Club and for five years has been on the Board of Southern Nevada Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. She also is on the State Board of the American Cancer Society and on the board of the Old Spanish Trail of DAR and belongs to the PTA. She was awarded the 10 year member plaque of the Girl Scout Leaders and as a worker for Mental Health for three years. For 7 years she has worked with March of Dimes. The VFW gave her the Good Citizens Award and she also has two plaques from the Clark County Cancer Society. Ann has done much for Las Vegas.

**VILLA, Percy.** Percy writes about so many people himself. He retired in 1966, but keeps as busy as anyone in town, and writes a weekly column for the Las Vegas Israelite. He has a wonderful wife, Anabell and two fine children, Herbert J. and Carol Seliger. Percy was born on August 11th in Jessy, Romania, was educated at North High in Minneapolis and the University of Minnesota School of Journalism. They live at 419 Desert Inn Road in a beautiful apartment. He is Jewish, a rip-snorting Democrat, and is one of Vice President Humphrey's closest friends. In Minneapolis Percy was President of the Boys Club for over 30 years and used to stage boxing shows that raised from 10 to 20 thousand dollars every year. Every year when he lived in Minneapolis, he and his charities sent equipment to Judge David Zenoff for Spring Mountain Camp, also to the Henderson Boys' Club and many others. Thus, his Boys Club in Minneapolis has sent thousands of dollars worth of equipment to the Las Vegas territory. At the age of 18, Percy was a Golden Glover and retired to write a daily boxing column for the Minneapolis Star, covering boxing from coast to coast. A book he wrote a few years back, "Saving The Pieces," ran into 6 editions.

**WALTER, Georgia I.** Georgee was born Nov. 3, 1911 in Kewanee, Illinois and lives at 2117 Houston Drive. She is a widow with one daughter, Dolly Inez Savicz. She attended Mineral, Illinois High School, is an Episcopalian, and is one of the most popular postal employees in town. She works as a postal clerk in the main office in the Box-rent section. She loves to collect stamps (naturally), crochet and knit. Georgee formerly lived in Rockford, Illinois where she was a saleslady for her husband's business and in Sacramento, California, where she worked in the Motor Vehicle Dept. Her son-in-law is a pilot for TWA — his name is Joe Savicz and she has two grandsons, both of whom are ardent athletes.

**WARREN, Rusty.** One of the top stars and just about the most popular and best-liked to appear in Vegas is Rusty. She was born March 20, 1931 in New York City, lives (when she has time) at 4914 East Horseshoe Road in Scottsdale, Arizona, and has a home here. She is a Comedienne and Jubilee Recording Star, is a graduate of the Boston Conservatory of Music, has five Gold Albums and the 1962 NARM AWARD as the Best selling comedy artist. She belongs to AGVA, AFM, ASCAP and BMI. Rusty loves to fish, golf, travel and ride horseback. She has traveled all over the world, knows everybody who is anybody, does much for charity and is about the most out-going and uninhibited person, the life of the party.

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**WEINBERGER, William S.** Billy was born February 8, 1913 in Cleveland, Ohio. He and his wife Jean live at 4777 Koval Lane. They have two children, Barbara Ann Leidner and William D. Weinberger. Now he is Director of Food and Beverage Departments at the lush Caesars Palace Hotel. He is a graduate of Western Reserve Univ. of Cleveland and is Jewish. He served as a Lt. J. G. in the Navy where he was Commissary Officer. Although he hasn't been in town too long, he is well-known and liked by all. Due to his efforts, Caesars Palace continues to be the top drawing card in our town — a wonderful, wonderful hotel in all respects.

**WHITE, Kitty E.** On August 12th Kitty was born in Charleston, South Carolina and now lives at 819 S. Casino Center Blvd. She is an Executive Secretary at Caesars Palace, attended school in Sumter, South Carolina and Alma Prep School in Bound Brook, New Jersey. During the war she was Special Services Officer, a 1st Lt. and Army Hostess at Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland. She resigned her commission and became Property Officer, MCAS, at Santa Barbara, California. There she was given the Meritorious Award by the U. S. Navy and a letter of commendation by Secty. of War, Stimson. She has traveled almost this entire country and besides traveling as a hobby she bakes for friends, likes to read, good music and meeting people.

**WIESNER, Thomas N.** Tom was born February 28th in Wassau, Wisconsin and lives at 3851 Royal Crest with his "bride" of just about two years, Lynn, who happens to be one of the prettiest girls in town. Tom is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, as is every member of his family. He is an ardent Catholic, a member of the Elks and the C of C, and a Kentucky Colonel. He was Captain of the Wisconsin Football team and was chosen the Athlete of the Year at Wisconsin in 1960 and also the Most Valued Player. He traveled through France, England and Italy in 1966, as well as all around this country, loves to play golf, hunt and fish. He now owns the Wiesner Tire and Automotive Center at 1412 South Main in Las Vegas and is one of our up and coming young business execs.

**WILLIAMS, Carl.** He was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, moved to New York at the age of four and in 1940 moved to the West Coast where he lived until 1950 when he made

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Las Vegas his permanent home. His birthdate is October 23, 1918 — his home is at 301 Rosemary Lane where he lives with his wife Marguerite and three daughters, Kristin, Alison and Marguerite. He is Resident Manager of the Desert Inn Hotel — has been there since it opened its doors, is a Roman Catholic and belongs to Bonifaces — Hotel Greeters of America. He attended Lycee Jaccard in Lausanne, Switzerland and Riverdale Country School in Riverdale, New York. Carl spent three and one half years in Europe, traveling through Italy, Switzerland and France. Everyone rates him as the top hotel manager in town. He is ruggedly good looking, athletic and energetic.

**ZOPPI, Anthony G.** Tony was born November 8th in Newark, New Jersey and lives at 3244 Mel Av. with his wife Terry and two children, Ronnie and Larry. He is a Catholic, graduate of Upsala College and was a Lt. in the Army, now retired. Currently he is Publicity Director of the Riviera Hotel, coming here from Dallas where he was the most popular writer on a local paper. He received much fame and recognition from his coverage of the Kennedy Assassination and I understand is writing a book about that horrible episode.

One of the candidates for sheriff in a small South Carolina town was notorious for his dishonesty. When my seamstress told me she was going to vote for him, I asked why, since his opponent was a man of unquestioned integrity.

"Well," she said, "I looks at it this way — if a man ain't ruint when he goes into office, he's ruint when he comes out. And there ain't no use in ruinin' a good man."

### SHOW BIZ HOT LINE

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the whole clan.

To me, it's like taking a class in the theater. Possibly the most successful burlesque team in show business is **Irv Benson and Jack Mann**. Irv and Jack have been together about 25 years. They were teamed by a manager of a club in which both were working. Before that, Irv was a singer and hooper . . . Jack, an actor in repertoire theater. Both have wonderful stories of the people with whom they worked in years gone by. Rather than spook them with the re-telling, get Irv to tell you about his working with the late "**Fats**" Waller, or have Jack tell you about a cane that he owns, which once belonged to the immortal **George M. Cohan**. You'll find that, like most successful comedy teams, they work well together on stage, are good friends, but are rarely seen together in private life. Then there's **Marty May**. Marty and his lovely wife,

**June**, have been on my Saturday talk show more than anyone else. **June May** is **June Johnson** professionally. Her father was one of the real greats of vaudeville, Broadway, movies and TV . . . the late **Chic Johnson** of **Olson and Johnson** fame. In fact it was when **Marty** was subbing for **Ole Olson** in "**Sons Of Fun**" that he met **June**, a petite, pretty blonde with tons of talent and personality . . . also appearing in the same show. Then came **June**, spoon, moon and I DO. After a while, along came young **Bobby May** to carry on the family name and tradition. He is now a big TV star. You watch him but never see him every week as the robot in the TV series "**Lost In Space**." **Jack Benny** has figured into both **Marty's** life and **June's** life. It was **Jack Benny** who carried young baby **June** onstage to see her father. **Chic** was working a date and couldn't be at his wife's bedside for the stork's arrival, so when mother and baby were strong enough to join father, **Jack** met the train . . . went right to the theater . . . entered from the wings carrying **June**, much to the delight and surprise of **Chic** and the audience. **Jack Benny** has remained a close friend to both **Marty** and **June** to this day . . . even though **Jack** "borrowed" some of **Marty's** old vaudeville acts many years ago. **Marty** didn't tell me this . . . **Woody Herman** did! Then there's **Herbie Barris**, with over 40 years in the business. **Herbie** has the "envious" reputation of doing the best male strip tease in burlesque . . . plus being blessed with a good, comic face. Years ago, **Herbie** was playing at a club in New Jersey, when the owner came to him and said, "**Herbie** — I gotta new guy coming in tonight. Will you teach him a few of your bits of business?" **Herbie** agreed. The new

### Season's Greetings

**KENNY RYAN**

and Staff

**Aku Aku • Moby Dick**

**Stardust Hotel**

guy was a success then and is still a success today. His name is **Jackie Gleason**.

These people are "pros" . . . in everyday living, as well as on stage. If I dwelled too long on burlesque, remember, I said this is my favorite world of Make-Believe. These random thoughts that I have been sharing with you are but a few of the thousands that have been told me. Next holiday season, we'll continue and explore the other avenues of performing. So, dear reader, and I hope, listener, remember . . . the next time you enjoy a record, a concert, a dance band, club act, TV show, movies and burlesque, you are watching people who have dedicated their lives to achieving one goal. To entertain and amuse you. And, believe me, no price is too high to pay for a pleasant memory. **Happy holidays . . . and have a good '68, southern Nevada.**

Girl to girl: "It wasn't much of a proposal. He suggested we pool pay envelopes."

Every year it takes less time to fly across the ocean and longer to drive to the office.

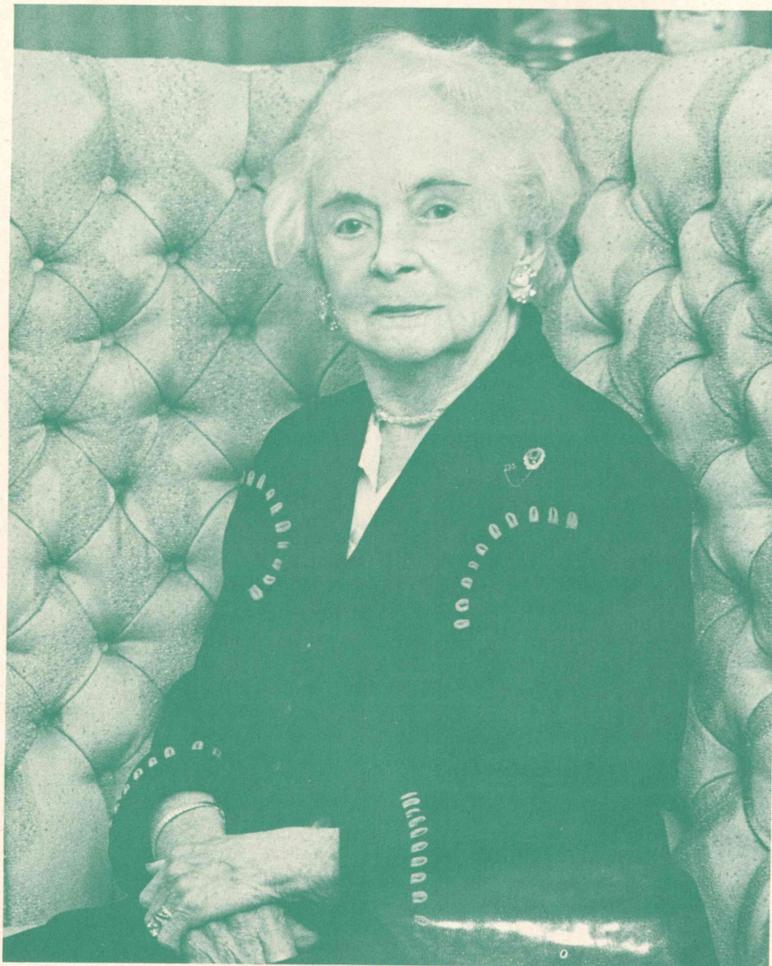
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### How Not To

The "how-to" field of journalism has been a godsend to professional writers. Breathes there an author who, goaded by economic necessity, has not at some time dashed off an article on how to play a zither, raise pandas, do card tricks or make love under water? For our part we shrink from telling people how to do things, although we fancy ourselves quite an expert on how not to do things.

A popular topic of the day is "How To Prevent A Recession." Many theories are advanced, some ingenious, some fantastic. Ours hasn't jelled yet, but we think we know what not to do. The views expressed are not necessarily those of our sponsors, business associates or any political party. We hasten to add, in all fairness, that these views are not necessarily not those of our sponsors, business associates or any etceteras.

Now that the excess profits tax has come to a timely end, businessmen are again looking for ways to cut expenses. They are busily salvaging paper clips and scrutinizing swindle sheets. They are even clamping down on the coffee hour (and we do mean hour). This is extremely short sighted. It is not only bad for morale but undermines the very foundation stones of prosperity. Make no mistake about it, irresponsible economizing could wreck everything.

Prosperity is based to a large extent on waste, inefficiency and doing what doesn't come naturally. Windows are a classic example of poor economy but good economics. They are expensive to install. We then cover them with venetian blinds and drapes, necessitating costly lighting and air conditioning systems. Although no longer used to admit light or air, they make continuous work for window washers, venetian blind dusters and dry cleaners.

It is bad business, however, if we produce things that last too long, or function too well. Durability? Bah! Efficiency? Bah! Frugality? A thousand times bah! Let us nip such nonsense in the bud. Let us resist to our last dollar these niggardly impulses. To keep the economic machine perpetually in high we must eschew and discredit once and for all the insidious doctrines of Dr. Franklin!



Chuck Leonard

Frankie Carr

Joe Mayer

## A MERRY MERRY CHRISTMAS and a SLAPPY NEW YEAR

to all our associates  
and friends

### *The Novelites*

(Now appearing in The Stardust Lounge)

### HISTORY OF GAMBLING

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boat went around in circles and one of the kids bounced his ball into a cabin and someone got the idea for **Roulette**. They were so dizzy from going around in circles and they didn't care if they never landed. They were having so much fun.

A group of **Scotchmen** were the first to sight land and they jumped right on shore. This was the beginning of the expression, "**Scotch on the Rocks**." The forest was cleared, the motels went up and the first chuck wagon meal was served to celebrate the new deal. The **Indians** were signed to a season contract.

A senator was immediately appointed to investigate the Reds, but the Indians were doing a little investigating themselves. When they found the Puritans crawling through the underbrush with armloads of turkeys they called it "**Creeping Capitalism**."

The new settlers began doing so

well financially, they began betting islands with the Indians and that's how they won New York. Brooklyn was thrown in as a joker.

When the Indians went busted, the gamblers lit out west, searching for new territory. They bumped smack into a character named "**Nick the Greek, The Second**."

This man was the forerunner of all his future generations of gambling offspring. He had a reputation of being able to entice anyone to gamble. He could even make an **Alpha Bet**. What games he used to run. The Sheriff was the dealer and you couldn't play unless you had a prison record.

Players called each other by their first few numbers and any game was permitted with the players wild. When a man raised another player he picked him up and threw him out. They changed players more often than they changed the deck.

The pot usually went to the player

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### SEASON'S GREETINGS

FROM

### BUD CRUMLY'S BARBER SHOP

Springfield, Illinois

### *The Latest Dope*

Have you been on edge lately? Tense and jumpy? Too many things to do? Making too much money? Well, the boys in the laboratories have now developed some drugs to help you stand the strain of prosperity. These drugs are known as tranquilizers. They are supposed to keep you from blowing a gasket as a result of spontaneous combustion or inability to assimilate the many blessings that are daily thrust upon you.

This development is a logical outgrowth of our propensity for tinkering with anything that can be tinkered with — including ourselves. It has become common practice to load up with stimulants by day to keep awake and with sedatives at night in order to sleep. Now it would appear that we can "take things" to speed us up or slow us down virtually at will, like the brakes and accelerator on an automobile.

The same goes for the body economic (so they tell us). We inflate for awhile, then deflate for awhile, on the theory that two wrongs will make everything right or cancel each other out.

Reminds us of a character in one of Stephen Leacock's stories who each morning and night would take a hot shower to open his pores and then a cold shower to close his pores. He finally reached the point where he could open and close his pores at will.

Meanwhile neither rain nor snow, nor people, nor business, shall be allowed to pursue the uneven tenor of their way without plenty of static from backseat drivers and second guessers. This makes for a lively time because these groups are never content to leave bad enough alone.

Getting back to the drug story, we must confess to some uneasiness. According to a recent report in *Business Week* "these tranquilizers apparently create a detached, indifferent attitude. The user is no longer troubled by emotional deviations, and can once more think logically."

The implications are frightening. What if American businessmen and their customers reach a point of not caring whether school keeps at all or, what is worse, begin to think and act logically?

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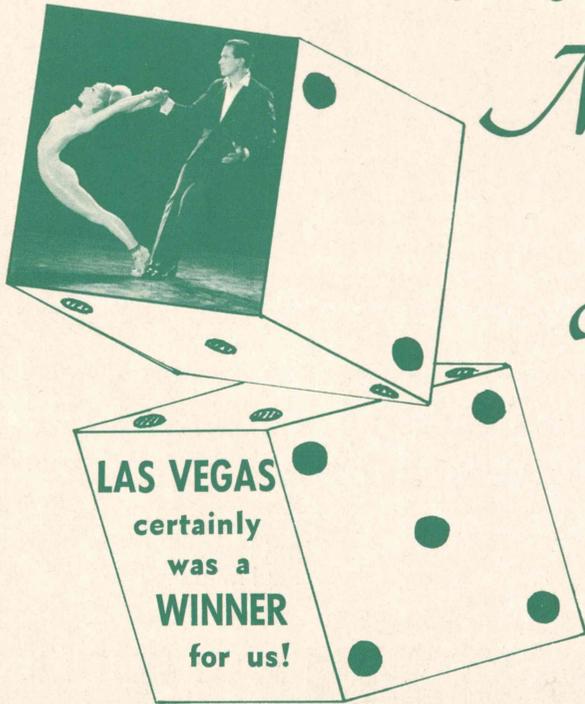
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# Riviera

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# Marcella and Ravell



SEASON'S GREETINGS FROM

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Bubby McDonald, Host — B. D. Estes, Proprietor

## *On Second Thought*

On this little space, where all is fun and frolic, we sometimes philosophize on matters that are none of our particular business. This unfortunate habit takes us pretty far afield at times and, as often as not, we have started to digress before getting half way through the first sentence. But this month we want to discuss a situation that seriously concerns us all. It is something that strikes at the very vitals of prosperity.

The problem we refer to is the prevalence of "THINK" signs in business establishments. Have you ever entered a man's office, brimming with enthusiasm over a new idea or a potential deal, only to be confronted with that ominous admonition to "THINK"? That has the same effect as a patrol car on a super-highway.

As you find yourself losing momentum, you do begin to think. Does this mean you, or the other fellow? If it does mean you, it is not at all complimentary. If it means that you are up against a practiced and habitual thinker, then you are also at a disadvantage. Either way, it was quite discouraging.

So your mind begins to wonder, "THINK," it says. Think about what? About Rodin's statue of "The Thinker" perhaps? Now there is a fellow who is obviously going no place. Looks tense and worried, apparently unable to reach a decision. Then it occurs to you that this alleged thinker could not have developed such a gorgeous set of muscles just by thinking. However, by now you are feeling so inferior that you slink away without divulging the purpose of your visit.

Ultimately, if you recover your confidence, you will probably go into business manufacturing signs which read "ACT NOW, WORRY LATER" or "LEAP BEFORE YOU LOOK." This should be a successful venture because, luckily, there are more unthinking people in the world than vice versa.

If people really stop to think, they might never buy that widely touted uranium stock, that heavily mortgaged real estate or that racy sports car. In short, too much thinking could disrupt our entire economy. As a well-known executive once said, "Whenever I think, I make mistakes."



## HOLIDAY GREETINGS

From Your County Commissioner

# BILL BRIARE



*Merry Christmas To All—  
And To All A Good Year!!  
George Kirby*

*Season's Greetings To All Our Friends  
In Las Vegas, Our Favorite City*

**Chuck Schwartz, V.P.  
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**HISTORY OF GAMBLING**

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with the biggest gun. When a man ran out of money they'd deal him out so he'd have enough time to steal some more. With the Sheriff playing, he had no fear of being caught.

Incidentally, the Sheriff's house was robbed more often than any other place in town. About this time, in the East, a gal was gaining nationwide fame as a card player. Her name was "Pokerhontas."

It seems that the Chief caught John Smith running an illegal gambling parlor and was about to chop his chips off when this Pokerhontas intervened and saved his stack and his life.

To this day, Americans pay tribute to the memory of John Smith by signing his name on motel registers all over the country.

**ALADDIN**

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warming as audiences make a first visit to this imperfect duo, paying the rent with their howls while getting Simon's genius for expert timing and writing as a dynamic receipt, keeping "The Odd Couple" at each other's throats for a rollicking four

weeks of undiminished madness . . . Popular Alan Drake is featured, leading the way for Carmine Caridi, Rik Colitti, Carmen Bonacci, Cece Whitney and Diane De Loraine to keep this vehicle at high pitch. (Toy)

**CAESARS PALACE**

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like microphone. The old favorites. The new torchers. The astonishing presence of the greatest, most captivating entertainer on a stage. Judy. An unforgettable revelation of magnitude. . . . Gene Palumbo conducts the famed Garland orchestrations with supreme respect and talent. . . . Soulin' the diners away is the deep, resonant voice of Lou Rawls, sockin' it to you with his blue musical tales and unique monologues that enter into an instant dialogue with an hypnotized audience of admirers. Exuberantly belting or soothing a Rawls hit or a modernized standard, Lou's unique repertoire enmeshes a distinct, moody personality that overwhelms with its meaning and sincerity, culminating only at a peak of rhythmic euphony. . . . Conductor-arranger-dancer extraordinaire H. B. Barnum rocks the singer's orchestra to perfection. . . . Accenting the humor is riotous Jackie

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**DESERT INN**

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can never be lost when executed into a mirrored ballroom, a Polynesian Paradise, a salute to Beau Geste, or even an excitingly realistic meeting of hippies and wild catters in "Boomtown" . . . Each act consistently follows the aura of the revue in a very professional, excellently polished manner. . . . The Snyder Brothers would be an asset to any top-rate talent line-up with their marvelous comedies, fine voices, and ovation-drawing impressions that can range from the Tijuana Brass to Elvis to General DeGaulle . . . The funny tales of Jeremy Vernon are a refreshing new approach to stand-up comedy success. . . . Bambi McCormick is a sultry, dramatic song stylist with a powerful voice that can enrapture listeners . . . Juggling great Rudy Cardenas once again is thrilling and delighting his fans with contortions of hats, cups, and balls . . . Balancing stars The Agostinos' applause is well-enhanced by the gasps they receive

for their amazing feats of strength, rhythm, and movement . . . And Galla Shawn flies through the air with the greatest of ease and beauty as trapeze star of the show . . . The original lyrics and music of Leonard Adelson and Jim Harbert are brightening, Bill Campbell's costumes are show-stopping, and Harvey Warren has designed Frank Sennes production with the skill of a genius, making this all-new, ever-so-spectacular show shine with . . . Pzazz! (Toy)

**DUNES**

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costumed troupe of international stars and specialty acts. Conceived, produced and directed by Frederic Aparcar, the direct-from-Paris pageant stars the striking voice of Utah's Rouvaun, the young show-stopper who rose to prominence in a previous stunning Casino debut . . . Bill Chase batons the famed "Casino de Paris" Orchestra to perfection. (Toy)

**PERSIAN ROOM**

The new "Vive Les Girls," titled "Ecstasy," is such heady stuff it has a catnip effect on nightly capacity crowds. An adults-only ball, a gasser for the broad-minded, it would be a credit to any posh theatre restaurant anywhere, with its inventive staging, creative costuming (ranging from a single, strategically placed rose to style-setting straw skirts), and series of show stopping production numbers and acts. Among the formidable tal-



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ents on display are the handsome, versatile star, **Jerry Antes**, an excellent singer, especially in his thrilling "Porgy and Bess" medley, and a top tier, magical mite **Denise Le Brun**, a sure bet for stardom, electrifying the crowd with an exciting, earthy voice bigger than she is, hilarious **Carazini**, the unbelievable chain smoke-eater, remarkable ventriloquist **Daniel Remy** and the eggstra special puppets he hatches on stage, **Nick Navarro**, high on the most brilliant dancer list, talented **Marie Jose'**, stunning **Heather Darvi**, and the trumpet star **Bill Chase** . . . The luscious, limber dancers are called "Le Ballet des Comedie Francais," and the least-dressed dolls are "Les Mannequins de Paris." . . . The riotous hip fairy tale depicted is based on the legend of "The Princess and The Pea." . . . **Fred-eric Apcar** conceived, produced, and directed the new hit, marvelously staged and choreographed by **Ron Lewis** . . . Those wow costumes were created by **Jose Luis Vinas** . . . **Earl Green** and his orchestra give **Bill Reddie's** inspired musical score ideal treatment. (Mary Rettig)

### EL CORTEZ

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FLV as she powerfully vocalizes her way through an up-to-date, swinging program. The good-looking Gents manage to easily shine in featured numbers, while still backing comely **Cathy** stylishly . . . Holding the jazz-rock spot fillingly is the exuberant **Terry James Quintet**, galloping through a spirited array of up-down beats and requests that feature lovely mini-mod singer **Lisa Marne** and a troupe of expert musicians . . . Topping the evening is off-beat singer-pianist **Bill Kane**, who draws as much applause for his musical prowess as he does laughs for his very special ditties. (Toy)

For years women have said they haven't a thing to wear. Well, this summer they're wearing it.

## Holiday Greetings

**PHIL BODDY**

& Staff

**James Skidmore**

**Eddie Tillman**

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We wish you  
a joyous Christmas  
and happiness  
throughout the  
coming year



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**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

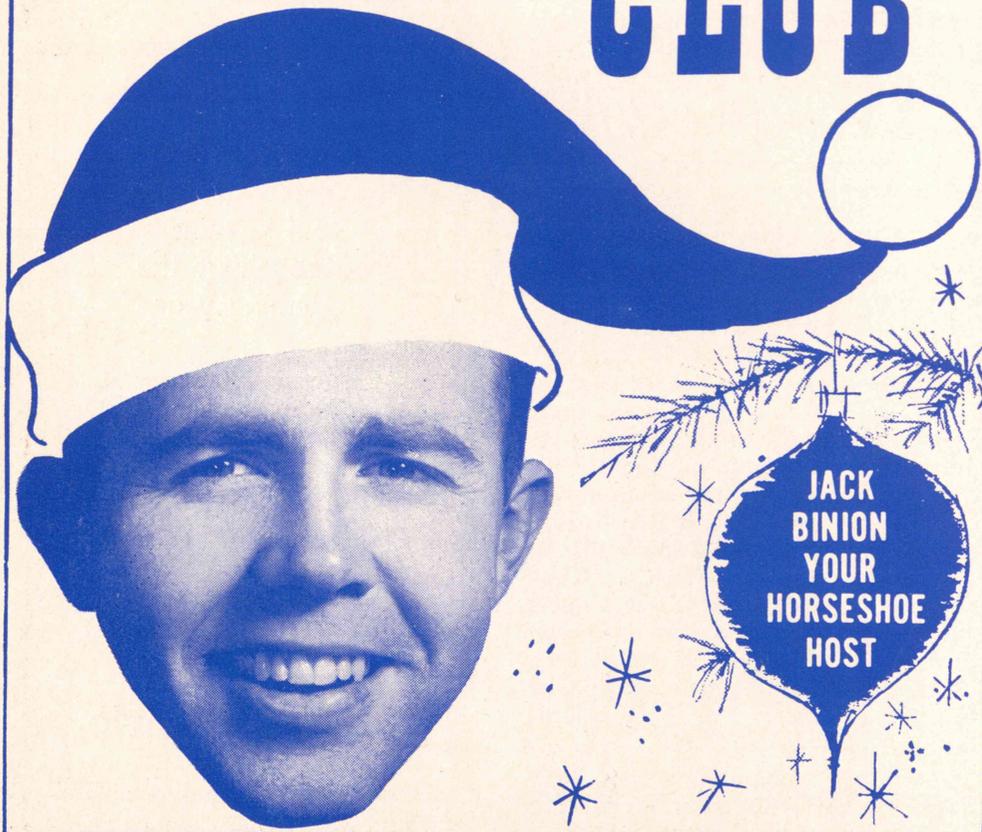
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BEST WISHES FOR A

*Happy Holiday Season*

*Frank Sennes*

Entertainment Director

DESERT INN

&

STARDUST HOTEL

**FLAMINGO**

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voice and electrical showmanship embedding a path of maximum impact upon an audience thoroughly beguiled by the fresh-faced singer's dramatic presentations . . . Along for the ride are perennial passengers **Jerry Newton**, adding balance to the trip with his onstage musical accompaniment and wittily acid comments, and musical conductor **Tommy Amato**, who joins the Newton Brothers for some rollicking trios . . . Opening comic **Jackie Kahane** paves part of the way for the oncoming vehicle with his soft-sell, side-splitting chronicles of daily life . . . **Russ Black's Orchestra** gives the musical inclinations with its jingling sounds. (Toy)

I guess my daughter's growing up. She dresses slower these days — and she's dialing faster.

The trouble with marriage is that every man is at heart a bachelor.

**FREMONT**

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puckish face, sincere desire to please, and infectious humor builds an instant rapport with the customers, harvesting a barrel of belly laughs and thunderous applause as he charms his way to the hearts of packed audiences with a dazzling array of sure-fire singing, dancing, and comedy routines. Whether reviving his classics "Sam You Made The Pants Too Long," "Strange Things are Happening," or enlivening a new, well-received version of a cleverly-lyriced "Downtown," this multi-talented St. Nick undoubtedly has something in his bag for everyone . . . Santa's helper is lovely English songstress **Kathy Keegan**, a 4'10" Christmas bonus whose listenable phrasing and full-voiced stylings have made her a recording sensation . . . **Al Jahns** leads his **Orchestra** of musical elves to their usual level of high productivity. (Toy)

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# Greetings and Good Wishes

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Stardust Hotel

## Gift Horse Has Last Laugh

*..Recently we went into a store and bought a necktie. The clerk wrapped it up and handed it to us with a cordial "thank you." Just like that. No premiums, no coupons, no colored stamps, not even a million-to-one chance on a Cadillac. We walked out with the empty feeling one has when he has been shortchanged....*

Of course, we should have rejoiced and been exceedingly glad. Our modest little igloo is already bulging with gadgets, widgets and whatchamacallems acquired in the process of buying other things. For example, cereal packages are more apt to contain toy airplanes or jumping jacks than cereal itself. We are now all set for our second childhood, which is fairly near anyway.

Modern merchants no longer concentrate on selling their products but the gimmicks or give-aways that go with them. As a result, Mr. and Mrs. America have developed the habit of buying carloads of stuff they don't need just to obtain free articles that they also don't need.

Who can resist that combination screw driver and potato peeler, or that Little Hercules stump puller, if they cost nothing? The fact that the necessity of pulling a tree stump may occur only once in a lifetime, if at all, bothers the buyer not a bit. Moreover, to get it, one may wind up with a fifty year supply of Oatsie Bloatsies or Atomic Dandruff Remover.

Personally, we are out of the market for barbecue grills—forever and then some. Our stock of grills has reached unmanageable proportions. We have them in all shapes and sizes. We have them with three legs, with four legs and no legs. We have them rigid and have them collapsible (their most dependable feature). We also have a few that we can't even assemble but which serve nicely as bird baths or ashtrays for cocktail parties.

We have bushels of ball point pens that don't write, rocket banks that don't rocket and whatnots that do nothing but take up space. We used to brood some about the possibility of being cremated by an H-bomb. It seems more likely now that we shall be buried alive under an accumulation of possessions which have no use or value.

## Season's Greetings

Marty Goldberg Larry La Penta Frank Bella Ricardo Mendez

THE LOUNGE  
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# Greetings

FROM THE

## LAS VEGAS McELHONES

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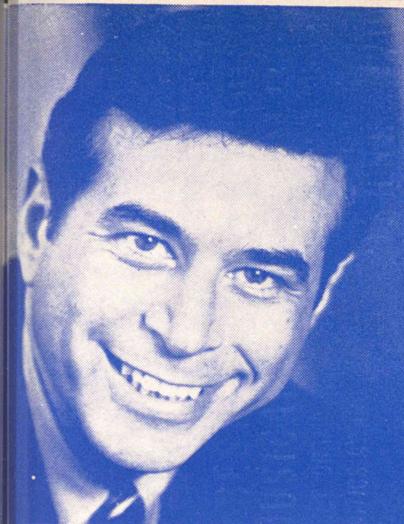
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## Delightful Holidays

from

### DAVID LONDON

P.S. See you at Caesars Palace

April 12-25, 1968

P.P.S. HAPPY NEW YEAR

#### FRONTIER

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Brothers member as a phenomenal success in long-running television and top-charting records. Scalping lyric with a raising rocker or smoking the peace pipe with a famous "My Cup Runneth Over," the large singer wins heap-big victories with an ever-deep, resounding vocal range and penetrating personality that inflates to valuable wampum in a performance . . . Ed's leading wagon train boards **The Kids Next Door**, staking their own claim to the wilderness with joyous harmonies, lifting jubilation, and powerful productions that allow the clean-cut guys and gals to rampage throughout all their talents . . . **Al Alvarez's Orchestra** musically scouts the scene closely. (Toy)

An opportunist: any man who goes ahead and does what you always intended to do.

#### RIVIERA

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successful two-year Broadway run . . . Breezing through this colorful life-story of great singer-comedienne Fanny Brice are the husband-wife delight, **Phil Ford**, as "Nicky Arnstein," and **Mimi Hines**, in the title role . . . Having smoothly replaced Barbra Streisand and Sydney Chaplin in the show's New York stint to packed houses, the pair shows well their experience in FLV, Phil deriving the most in identity with his prohibition-era police character, while Mimi astonishes with an amazing versatility and dynamism that displays an acting forte, while magnificently tackling the score's beautiful but difficult "People" or "Don't Rain On My Parade" . . . Embellished by an expansive cast of excellent singers, dancers, and actors, this "Funny Girl" can charm or move, rouse or soothe, with an indefinable magic that's made it utmost in family entertainment. (Toy)

*May your Holidays glow with Happiness!*



**JOHN THOMAS, maitre d'**



Jim Welch

Joe Rheume

Mike Venturelli

Gene Wosatka

Louis Van Der Hook

**Candlelight Room**



**Flamingo Hotel**



MERRY CHRISTMAS  
 May your joy go on and on  
 Through the NEW YEAR AHEAD!  
**GOLDEN NUGGET**  
 (DOWNTOWN)

**SAHARA**

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received with marked enthusiasm and show-stopping success. Spieling in his naïve, inimitable manner, of his all-too-sympathetic experiences, Buddy's laugh-provoking consistently flocks over-capacity crowds to the Congo and will undoubtedly be anyone's most memorable holiday gift. His instant communication is as unbelievable as some of his tales; his entertainment value as certain as the smell of chestnuts roasting on an open fire . . . Lifting the curtain and melting all ice is the shattering voice of **Sergio Franchi**, raising December temperatures as he sings sensuously and powerfully of men, women, and love, with a knowledgeable personality and direct style that has the gals cooing and the guys learning and admiring . . . **Louis Basil's Orchestra** jingles the fine musical accompaniment. (Toy)

Some people can stay longer in an hour than others can in a week.

**SANDS**

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comedy, apt impressions, and skillful instrumentations, nothing stopping him from establishing a binding magic over the room that unflinchingly holds the cheerers under mystifying captivity. The sharply-garbed powerhouse proves he's clearly a Senior in the entertainment school, overwhelming his principals for an early graduation into great annals of fame that come only with complete show business personality and know-how . . . 'Tis the season to be jolly with unique laugh-maker **Bob Melvin**, whose refreshing material and knowledgeable new approaches to stand-up comedy freeze the smiles on an audience's face . . . **George Rhodes** takes the reigns of **Antonio Morelli's Orchestra** for **Davis'** caroling arrangements.

(Toy)

Platonic friendship: the interval between the introduction and the first kiss.

**SHOWBOAT**

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riest of exciting holiday sounds, making both welcome perennials that assure the type of continuous entertainment weary mortals require in this hectic season. . . . Life of the party is sophisticated **Johnny Paul**, one of the most respected prestidigitators in the business. He's as impeccable in his role as host as the garb he sports, belonging to that circle of magicians that confounds, never permitting a hint at the methods he utilizes to create his illusions. (Toy)

**STARDUST**

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in the current fourteen months old 7th Edition of "Lido de Paris," the most electrifying of the succession of successful Lido's. An eye-popper from blast off, the opening production number alone had opening nighters gasping at such spectacles as astronauts walking in space and cellophane clad **Lido Belles** descending in parachutes. Later in the show, there's another inventive production thriller—the realistic sinking of a Spanish galleon after an exciting attack by pirates. . . . The lavish beauty of the extravaganza would be hard to equal anywhere, notably a **FABULOUS** Chinese number, ending in a human sacrifice to Buddha, and a delicious Brazilian bossa nova frolic, with a flight of doves over the audience. Costuming by **Folco**, consistently inspired, is a huge plus. . . . The talented dancing **Bluebell Girls** and undraped **Belles du Lido**, among the prettiest ever seen here, are winsome assets in every number. . . . Equally international are both the settings and the excellent acts including **Gino Donati**, with a fine operatic voice show-

With every good  
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cased in a sock singing-acrobatic act with droll **George Shardella**, who also appears earlier as a plane pilot, stunting in front of a comic-thriller film segment, superb ice-skating artists **Frederick & Gina**, mobile-faced **Gil Dova**, comedy juggler extraordinaire, the world famous acrobatic-trampoline circus alumni, **The Canestrellis**, and suave juggler **Rico**, very hot stuff as he coolly produces burning candles from scarves and mysteriously rolls a ball around a scarf edge. . . . Featured among the talented and huge singing - dancing company are **Stevie Danik**, a **Doris Day** lookalike, stunning **Vera Allen**, lithe **Aléco**, and beauteous **Henriette Audic**.

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Warm and Friendly Greetings  
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**Dome Of the Sea** **Dunes Hotel**



# Season's Greetings

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### *Happiness*

That fellow Gallup comes up with some highly significant findings once in a while. We were particularly intrigued by one of his recent polls which indicated that people would be happier if they had more money. You could have knocked us over with a deposit slip.

Dr. Gallup even ascertained the exact amount of money necessary to insure happiness. It seems that seven out of ten people interviewed were willing to settle for \$37.00 more a week. This is a relatively modest price to pay (in 1955 dollars) for universal, or at least widespread, happiness. One or the other political party should certainly be willing to promise us that much.

Meanwhile, banks and loan companies are happily undertaking the job. Presumably they make millions of people happy by lending them the money to buy what they want. The good doctor has us puzzled, however, when he reports that "men feel that they need more money to make them happy than do women." The reason may be that women already do most of the spending, for them a happy state of affairs, whereas men probably feel that money is their chief asset in making womenfolks happy.

What we need is a poll to determine what happiness is. Although the memory of our sophomore psychology course is quite dim, happiness was no doubt defined as "the state of being happy" or "the opposite of unhappiness," neither very enlightening. Philosophers have tried for centuries to distinguish between material happiness and spiritual happiness. The latter is theoretically more desirable but it is not an easy concept to sell to a gadget-happy civilization.

To our simple way of thinking, monetary happiness is largely a matter of relativity — of keeping ahead of the Joneses and of feeling "better off" than last month or last year. Time was when indoor plumbing was the height of luxury but today people are unhappy if forced to struggle along with one automobile instead of two.

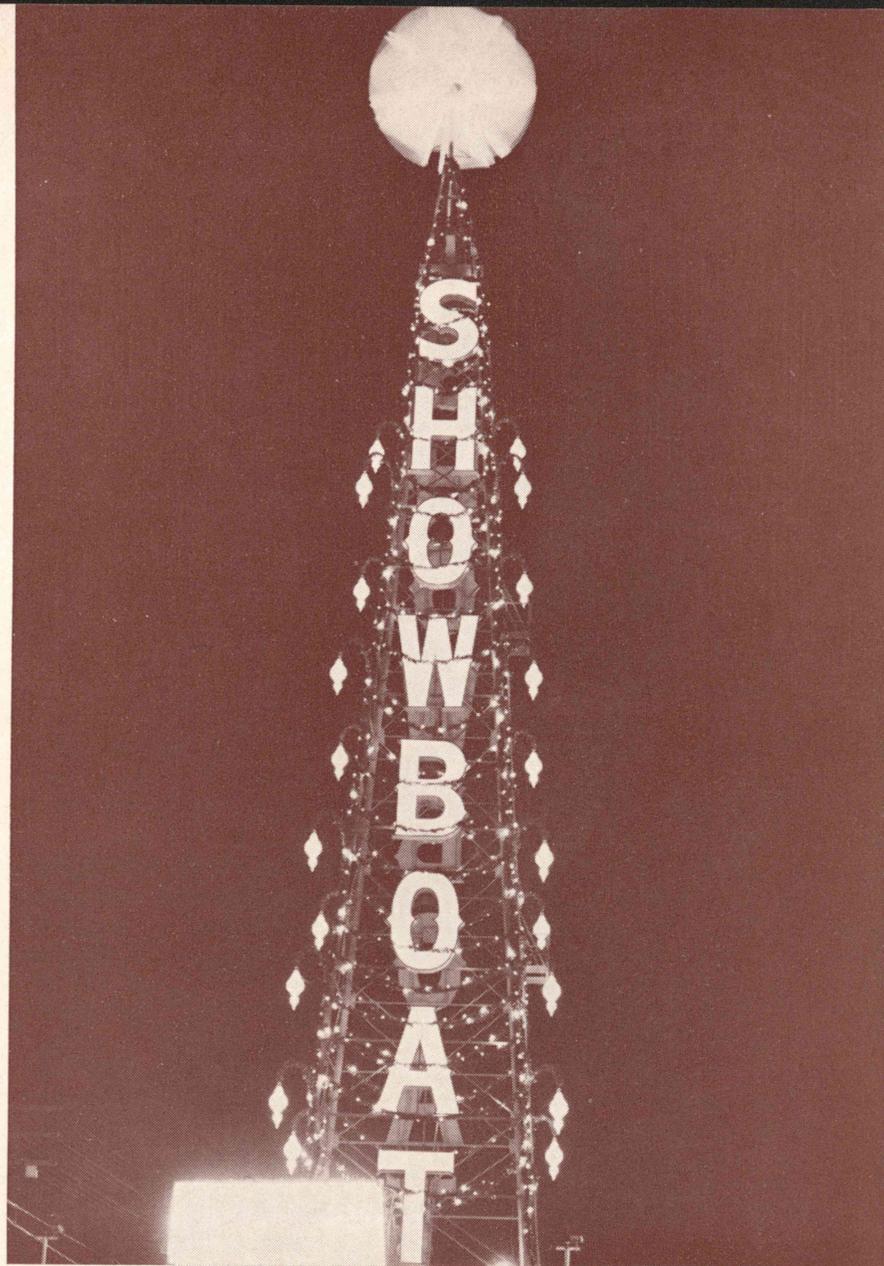
This is pretty shallow treatment of the subject, but our space has run out. Happy lendings!

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Dear Pater:

Ever since I can remember you have written me a long letter on Father's Day. These letters came to me when I was in school, in the service and lately in business. They have been full of fatherly counsel on a variety of subjects ranging all the way from sex to economics. This year let's reverse the procedure. I think you should be told some of the facts of life.

In retrospect you must admit that most of the advice you have given me has been wrong. For example, you always harped on the importance of working hard and going to bed early. I soon discovered for myself that hard work is for peasants and retiring early is for the birds. On the few occasions when I did these things I missed out on a lot of fun and good contacts.

Another mistake was your admonition not to gamble or go into debt. Everything in life is a gamble, including marriage and government bonds. Remember the fellow in the Scriptures who buried his talent, i.e., put it in a safe deposit box, but wound up losing it (probably inflation). On the other hand, a neighbor who played the stock market with his talent got two for one (apparently a stock split-up).

As for debt, well now. A man is no longer judged by what he owns, but by what he owes. One's standing in the community is measured by his borrowing power. As a result of taking wild chances on borrowed money, I shall soon be able to retire in comfortable luxury whereas you and brother Joe, who followed your advice, will probably plod along until age sixty-five and then be forced to live on Social Security.

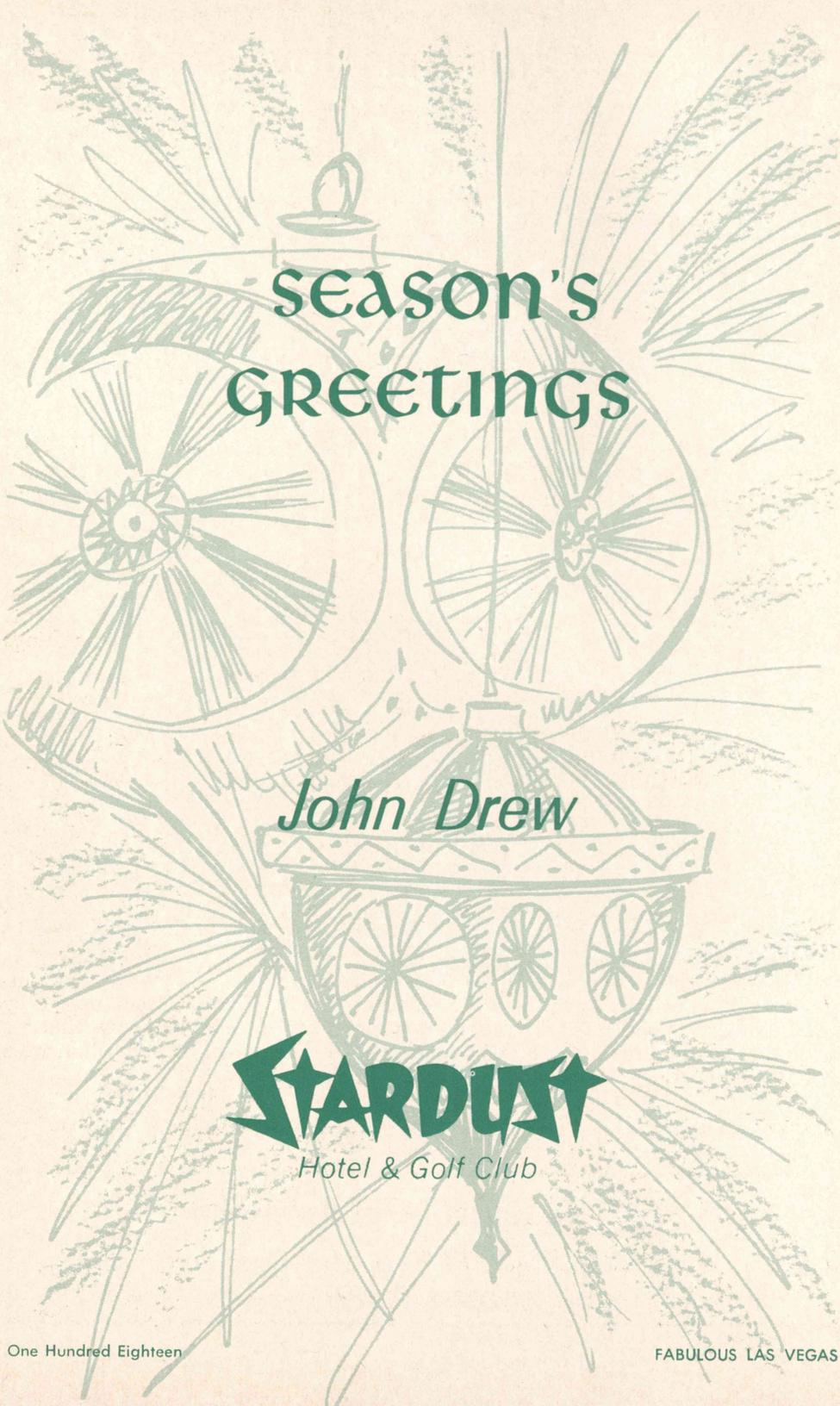
Meanwhile, however, my own boys are quite a problem. They are lazy, un-dependable and don't appreciate the value of money. When I tell them they must study hard and go to bed early, they just give me the you-know-what. I hope that you and mother can do something with them when they vacation with you this summer.

Sheepishly yours,  
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## STARDUST

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... Much credit to producer Frank Sennes, to Donn Arden, who staged and directed, Pierre Louis-Guerin & Rene Fraday, who conceived "Grand Prix," and to the magnifique musical backing by Eddie O'Neil and his orchestra. (Mary Rettig)

## THUNDERBIRD

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ment, while the vocal stylings of Chuck Gabriele gravies the proceedings and Gary Le Mel's comedy provides a delightful humor thirst- quencher. The Three Goetchis, unicycle and high wire artists, give some chills, and extra added attraction, The Great Darwin, makes for a thrilling dessert. . . . R. V. Brand's Orchestra provides the musical sauce for this full-course entertainment serving, that bears the mark of an expert chef.

(Toy)

A bachelor is one who thinks one can live as cheaply as two.

## TROPICANA

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Veterans, Swedish comedy septet; the three Mecners, Polish acrobats; The Bel Air Sisters; Yugoslavia's hold-over dancer Vassili Sulich; America's own Merlin Singers; Gus Augspurg & his Girl Friends; model Patricia La Forge; and delectable announcers Corinne Vidal and Felicia Atkins . . . With roots in the Folies trademark, richly-costumed girls and a trunk of expertly astonishing staging, this ravishing display blossoms high to Hermes Pan's exceptional choerography and excellent musical backing by Ray Sinatra's Orchestra. (Toy)

JACK CORTEZ'

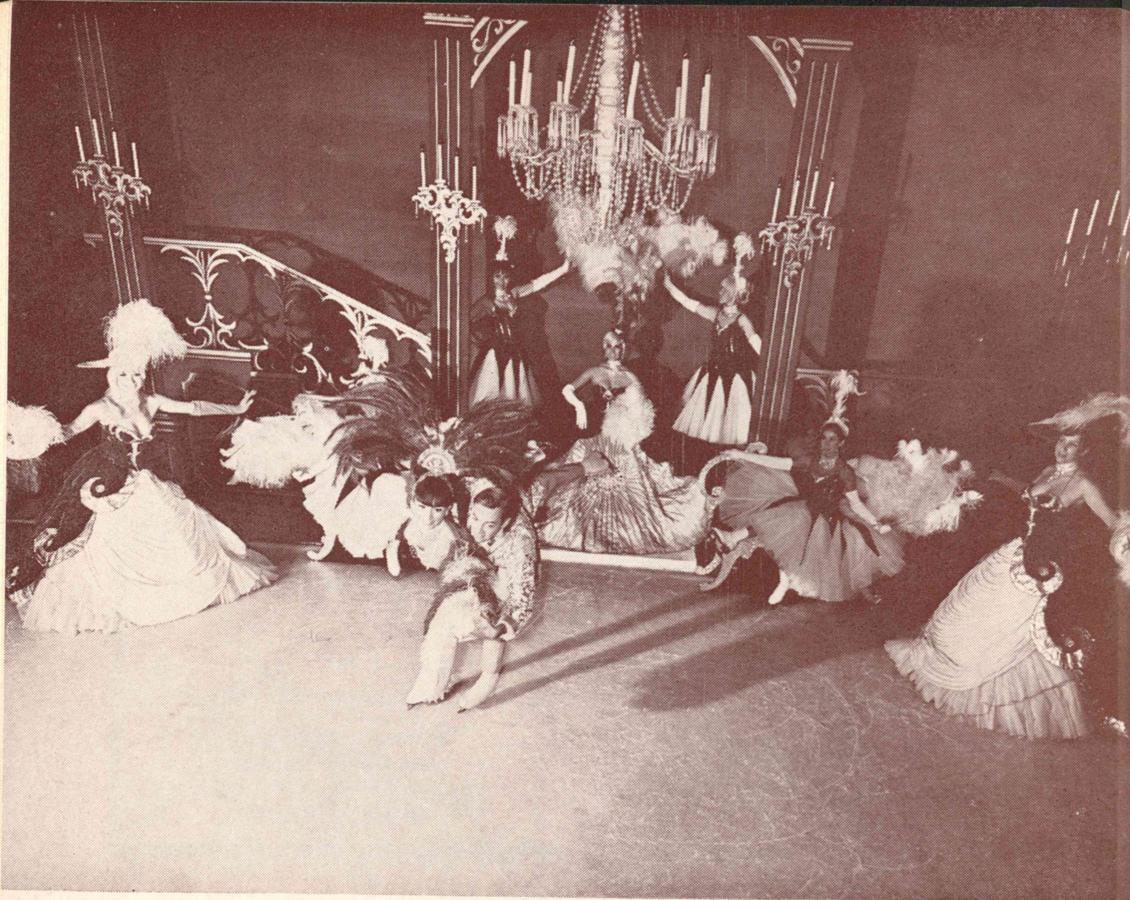
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### A MARY CHRISTMAS

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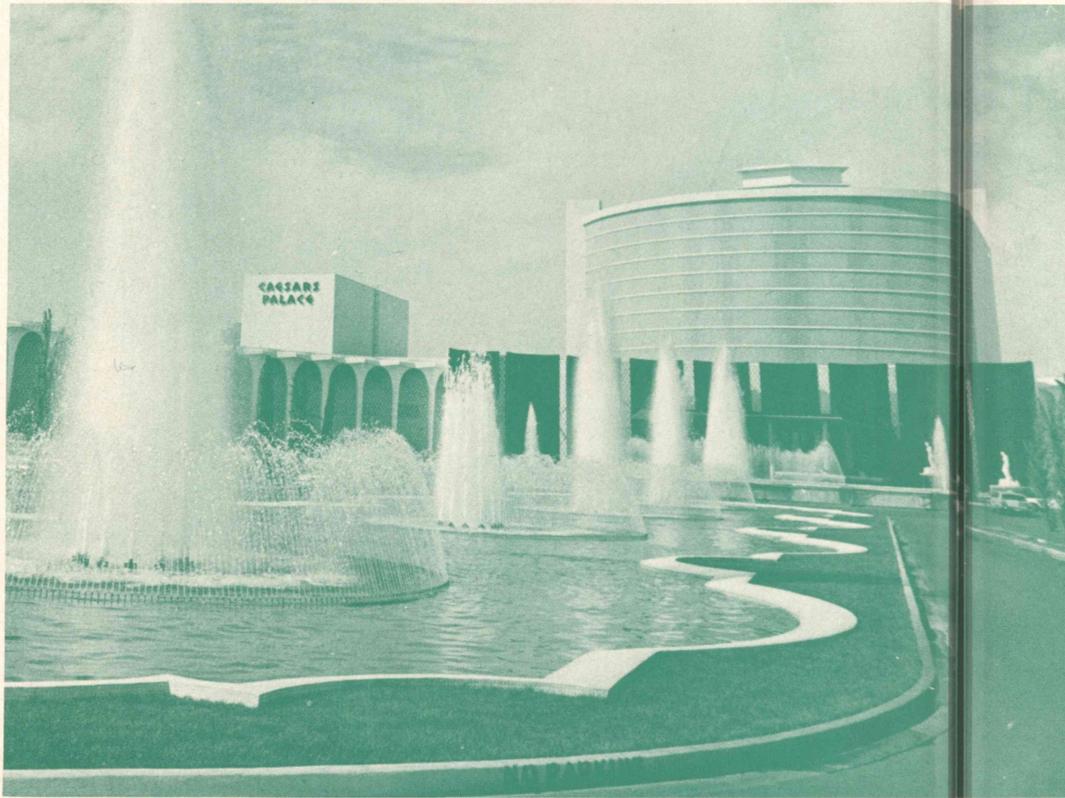
As at children's parties, there is more mixing among the guests as the time passes. Members of the press and photographers buttonhole the performers for pictures or interviews. The male stars finish cutting up touches with thier colleagues and — like husbands at parties anywhere — guiltily go looking for their wives to draw them into the conversation.

It is quite possible to attend a celebrity party without ever meeting the guest of honor. It has happened to me repeatedly. The star of the night is usually so surrounded by friends and party crashers it is impossible to pay your respects even if you wish to. There are exceptions, of course. At a recent Sahara party honoring **Robert Goulet**, Bob warmly made the rounds, speaking with everyone there, as did **Liberace** at his Sahara birthday party a few months ago. This is very unusual, because many of these fetes are so crowded with well-wishers, the

honoree can't move two inches in any direction, let alone recall who he's talked with and who he hasn't.

Although children's parties were full of disconcerting moments and uneasiness, I was always ready for the next one. So it is with celebrity parties. Even as I chide myself for staying up so late — for these gatherings generally start around 2 a.m. — I know that the next time I receive an invitation I'm likely to be there. The pleasure is greater than the problems, like not meeting the guest of honor.

Anyone who has read this far must be a friend, which of course includes my dear, dear friend **Etta Cortez**, Editor & Publisher of this magazine (who is sort of a captive audience because she has to read it in order to catch the Rettig spelling and grammatical errors). Perhaps you'd be interested in hearing what I've been doing with the free time made possible by the leave of absence from reviewing. For one thing, I went to **Disneyland**, for the very first time. This wouldn't be particularly remark-



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able except that I lived in Long Beach off and on during all the early years of this great attraction. Although it's only a stone's throw away — a heavy stone — I never got around to making the trek to Anaheim.

The male Rettig heirs, visiting here from their schools in Massachusetts, were responsible for getting their pa and me Disneyland-bound, and it's doubtful that the boys were more excited by the experience than we. Most of all I liked the **Swiss Family Robinson** tree house, not one of the most touted of the attractions but to me sheer enchantment. If I could find an architect who knew how to build such a tree house, that would be my dream home. Next best to that is the roof-top porch on our old house on the desert, boasting a view of "The Strip," downtown, and miles and miles in every direction. It's at its best late in the afternoon, when there is a golden sunset, and on balmy summer nights, when it's comfortable to sit outside dreamily watching the stars and dis-

tant city lights.

The roof-top porch won't be getting much use by the time this reaches print, but the house will look Christmasy with masses of red berries on the pyracantha bushes arching over the front porch — until the annual invasion of whopping big birds that make a special detour on their migration to feast on those berries. Inside, we'll be toasting our toes by the woodfires in our little Franklin stove.

The normalcy and ordinariness of our domestic lives, as outlined in the above paragraph recalls the remark all Las Vegans hear repeatedly from tired tourists — "How do you stand it?! The tourists seem to think that we, like they, spend all our time trooping from one hotel to another, from gaming tables, to lounges, to show rooms, and back again. There are many cities with a multitude of things for tourists to do, yet visitors to them are aware that the residents live normal lives. In this glamour city, these same visitors stare with disbelief when a resi-

dent claims he is not out making the rounds every night. Interesting, no?

But, then, just about everything to do with living in this desert island is interesting, and I'm happy to be a part of it. Merry Christmas and the happiest of holiday seasons to all of you. May the new year bring you your heart's desires.

### INTERVIEWER'S DILEMMA

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find someone to talk to. I finally hit, excuse the expression, a jackpot, finding three delightfully humorous, usually unserious, basically informative Minstrels to chat a little.

The other BIG ones were, fortunately, a little bit more organized. The **Imperials** spoke to me in their expansive dressing room at the **Flamingo**, with **Anthony** as their major spokesman. I went to the **Osmond Brothers'** room for their story, finding myself physically surrounded by a quartet of the most talented, yet most well-adjusted kids I had met in a long time.

I had met the **Blossoms** somewhat by accident during the **Righteous Brothers** interview. The girls provide the vocal backing for the **Brothers'** shows, and I thought it might be a good idea to run their unique story too. The interview ended up in stages, since each girl arrived a little bit later than the others — which was rather unprofitable for the last two. For, from what I hear, every time one of the girls is late for an

appointment, she has to pay the others \$50 each. I waited, and nobody paid me!

If **Bobby Rydell's** card seems a little bit choppy and dismembered, it may be due to the rather choppy and dismembered interview, conducted during breaks of a rehearsal on Bobby's opening day at the **Tropicana**. From what I hear, something sexy should go to **Bob Goulet**. And for **John Davidson**, undoubtedly a clean-cut, good ol' fashioned, home-spun card.

I'll have to mail away (at this late date) for some foreign cards to mail to my foreign interviewees who posed a mild language barrier during our chat.

**Aliza Kashi**, for instance. She's an Israeli singer who served in her homeland as a soldier; I couldn't believe it when I heard HER singing "If I Were A Rich MAN" amidst the **ROMAN** splendor of **Caesars Palace!**

Then there's **Mia, Aija, and Sue** — the **Kim Sisters** who, though amazingly fluent on stage at the **Stardust**, have a little difficulty when answering questions in the latter's coffee shop.

"What you like to drink?" Aija asked.

"Pepsi!" I answered.

"Ah!" she laughed, "You American all right!"

An average card dipped in gravy might do well for petite **Petula Clark**, whom I interviewed in **Caesars Palace's** very dark **Bacchanal** restaurant, over a lush dinner. My notes exited looking like a bowser bag — to say nothing of my once-black pants.

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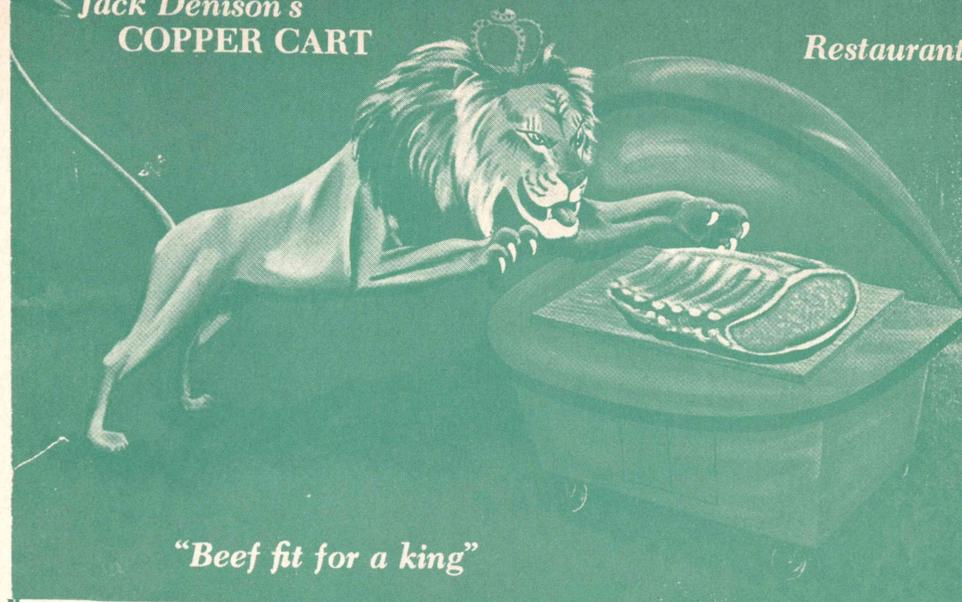
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I'll wait about a month or so until I write **Alan King**. He'll expect it, after I had been approximately three hours late for his interview. It seems I had inadvertently scheduled his interview for the same time as **Connie Francis**, so I flipped a coin — and he got tails. . . .

A couple of lovebirds go to **Steve Lawrence** and **Eydie Gorme**, who were celebrating an anniversary the day we met, and you'd swear it was their first.

Santa on his sled — to denote traveling — to both **Bill Cosby** and **Lainie Kazan**. To get my **Cosby** story, I followed the comic from his **Flamingo** dressing room to his chauffeured limousine to the Convention Center, where he was to play at a benefit basketball game. I asked a few questions in the locker room, a few on the floor, and waited for half-time to ask a few more. I tried to wrap-up in the car, and finally did — at the bar.

Lainie's was somewhat similar. We met in her **Fremont** dressing room;

took a trip to the **Silver Slipper** for her appearance at a boxing match (**Lainie** despises boxing, by the way); spoke a little over coffee in the restaurant; and finished on a rollicking ride back downtown.

That takes care of some of them. But there are so many more . . . **George Chakiris** . . . maybe something Greek . . . **Milton Berle** . . . something funny . . . **Red Buttons** . . . something red, what else? . . . **Gunilla Hutton** . . . something pretty . . . **Paula Wayne** . . . something dynamic . . . **Virginia Mayo** . . . something professional . . . **Jim Backus** . . . maybe a Merry Christmas jotted on a **KENO** ticket, to remind him of his main preoccupation during our talk . . . **Lana Cantrell** . . . something wild . . . **Jack E. Leonard** . . . something edible.

Looking over my scrapbook, it might be a good idea to completely forget **Florence Henderson**, although I will mail her an apology.

One of the main hazards of the publishing business is misprints. And

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Florence was a victim. The newspaper headline I wrote correctly said "New Star Started In 'Fanny'" — the headline printed said "New Star Started in 'Funny Girl'" — slight difference?

For **Eddie Adams** and **Rouvaun** . . . something musical (do they make musical cards?) . . . **Elaine Dunn** . . . some Santa's elves for this pixy-ish star . . . **Robert Horton** . . . something Western . . . the same for **Lorne Greene** . . . **Tony Martin** . . . something with experience.

An out-of-the-ordinary, fascinating card would have to go to both **Michael Dean**, the Sahara's hypnotist, and **Johnny Mathis** — a couple of the most interesting fellows ever to play this town. Maybe I'll dispense with a card and send a pep pill to **Juliet Prowse**, who for weeks romped through an extraordinarily demanding role as "Sweet Charity" at Caesars.

Add **Fran Jeffries**, **Joan Rivers**, and a couple of others, and that might do it. For Fran, something friendly. For Joan, something very original.

For everyone, a pinch of thanks and affection to go in the envelopes, indicating my sincere gratitude and deepest wish for a fine holiday and New Year.

For myself, a pat on the back for finally completing my list. But one final detail . . .

Do I remember the addresses?

I understand they're planning a TV series on Orphan Annie — if they can find a girl with no pupils.

## ONCE UPON A CHRISTMAS

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his way to the elevator.

It was a relief to be outside. The sun, shining through the glistening street decorations and stealing between the man-made architecture, formed prisms of iridescent hues. The effect resembled spotlights focused on a stage . . . a stage of life and death . . . and Bill played the leading role. The cool air cleared his senses and sent chills spiraling up and down his spine. The transition was pleasantly shocking.

Momentarily, Bill had forgotten it was early . . . the party had started at noon. He had expected to find darkness.

Hundreds of people, laden with gaily-wrapped bundles, formed a kaleidoscopic pattern as they hurried along with an alacrity that only the Yuletide brings. Bill neither saw nor heard them. In robot fashion, he trudged toward the park. It all became a game now. How many men knew how much longer they had to live? The envelope was the umpire, the decision-maker, the final word. He could open it . . . know his fate, or leave it alone, unmolested, taunting himself for another week. That's what the doctor said, "Bill, unless you undergo immediate surgery, I can't accept the consequences beyond seven days."

It was getting colder now and the savage slashes of the wind pierced

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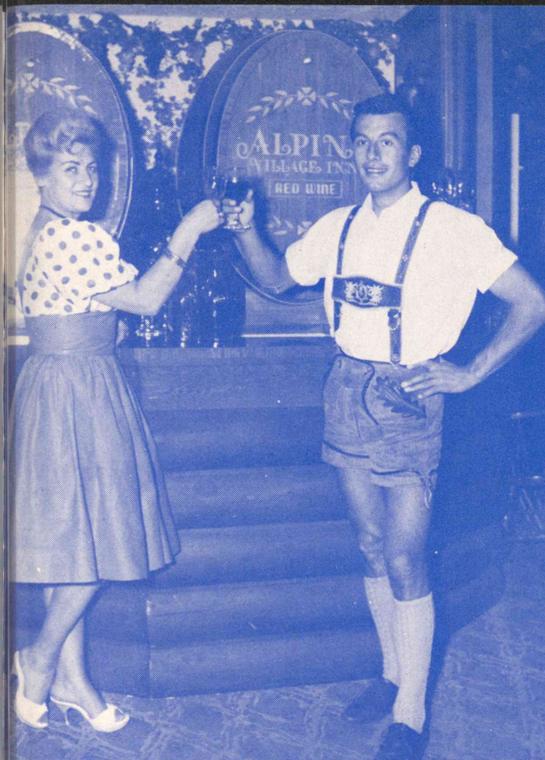
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his shabby coat. It's always more noticeable, he thought, when it blows across the open area of the park. He pressed his hat more firmly upon his head and wondered why he should worry about a hat at a time like this.

Passing the first two empty benches, Bill selected the third. The park was engulfed in sepulchral silence, except for the occasional appearance of a few stragglers . . . drunk . . . mumbling "Merry Christmas" to every tree stump, branch, lamp post and bench. Stupid fools, he thought, what do they know about life. You only appreciate what you don't have.

It was now a game of cat and mouse . . . "Tiger Or The Lady?" Funny it should bring that story back to his mind. Behind one door was the beautiful lady and freedom; behind the other, the ferocious tiger and destruction.

The lady or the tiger?

Bill now held the envelope in front of him. It was his judge and jury . . . no appeal to a higher court. He finger-

ed it, toyed with it, embraced it, and prayed . . . the cleansing, confessing confidential prayer of a man about to meet his Maker . . . but of one who was reluctant. He felt the emotions of a man in the death chamber . . . a prisoner strapped in an electric chair . . . a soldier facing the enemy's muzzle.

Bill was so absorbed in his plight, he failed to notice a poorly-dressed man on an opposite bench. The stranger was oblivious to him, also, concentrating on two or three newspapers in his hands . . . which he studied with the infinite care of a woman plucking her eyebrows.

Bill turned his attention back to the envelope. Would knowing be worse than not knowing? Now the "Tiger or the Lady" had become . . . the tiger or the tiger. Either door meant the same result . . . the same ending . . . the same final curtain. Until now, he had never known the meaning of "the strength of a coward."

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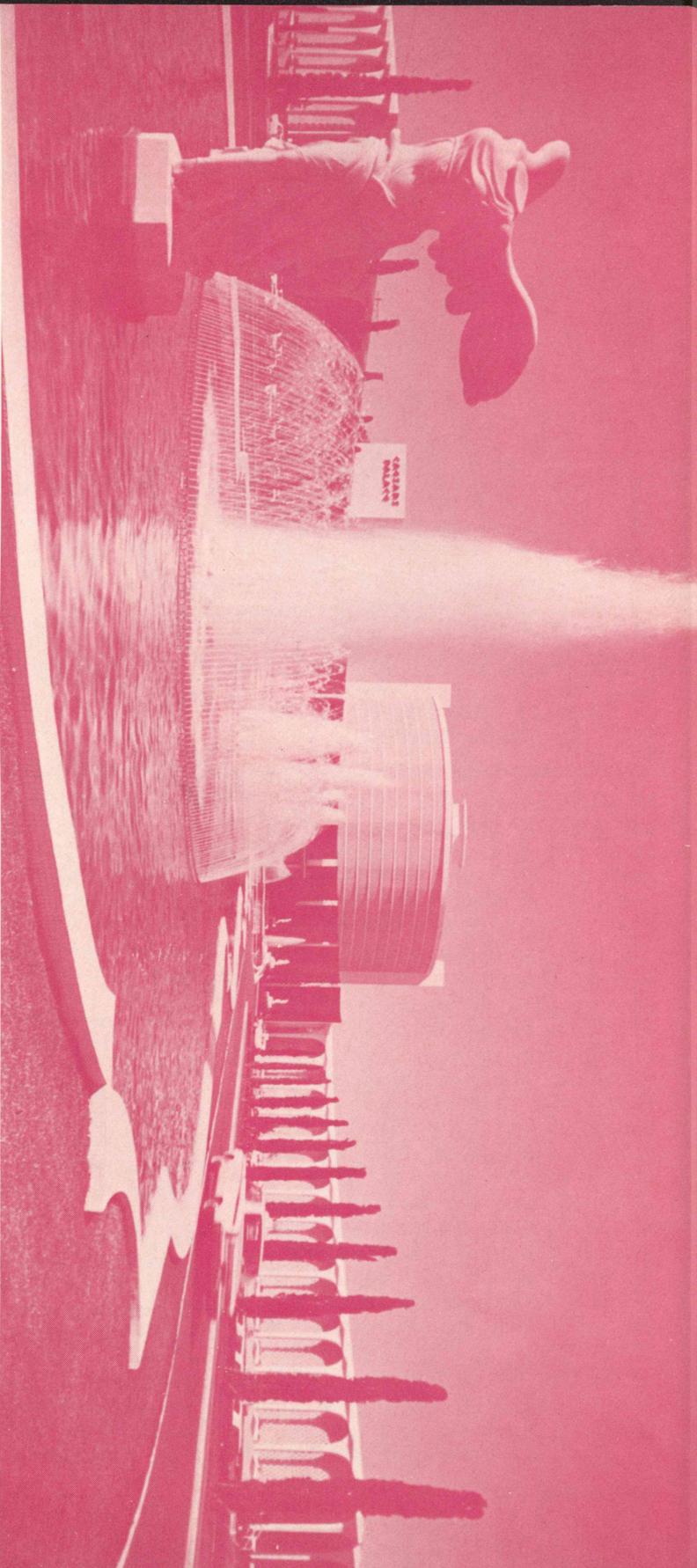
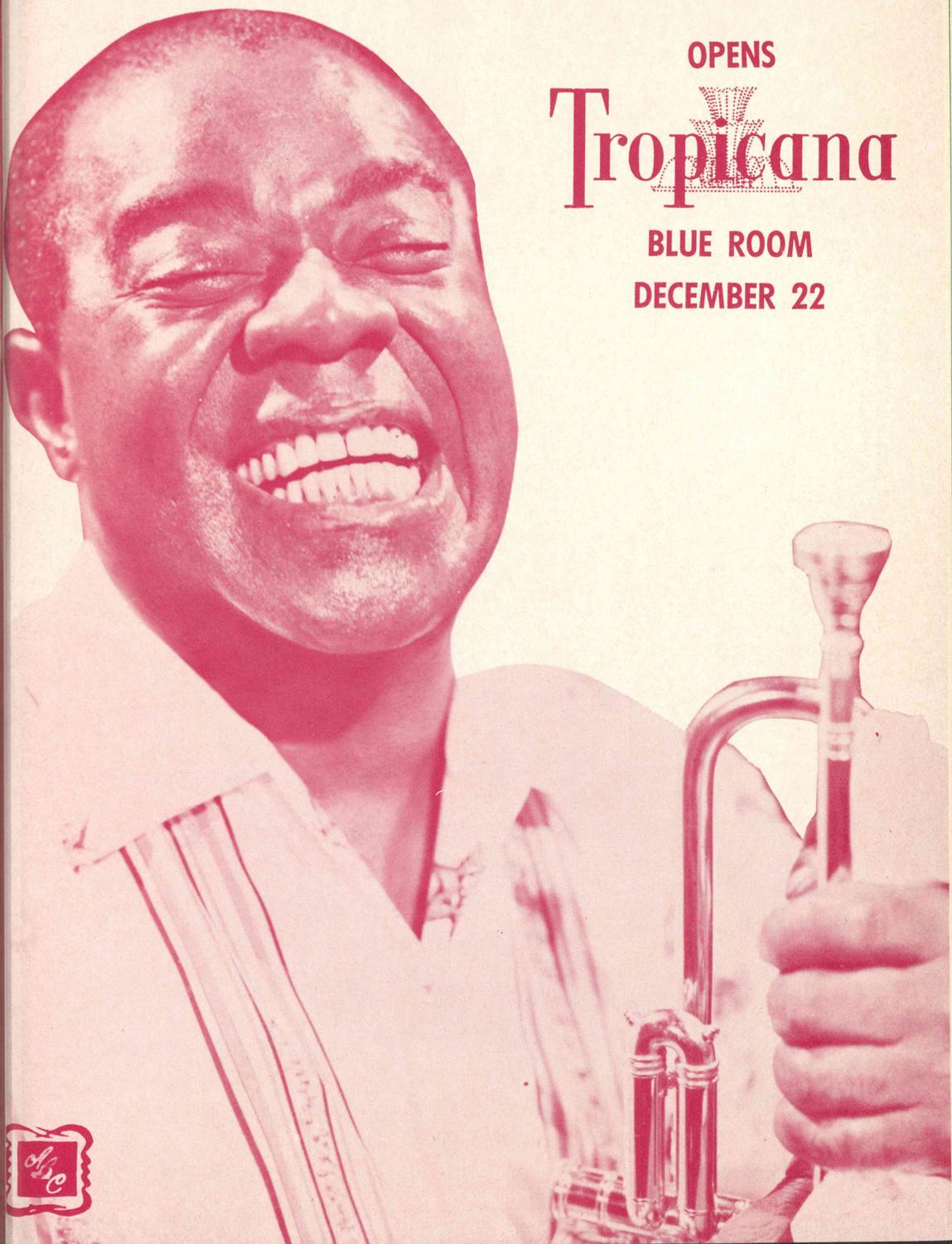
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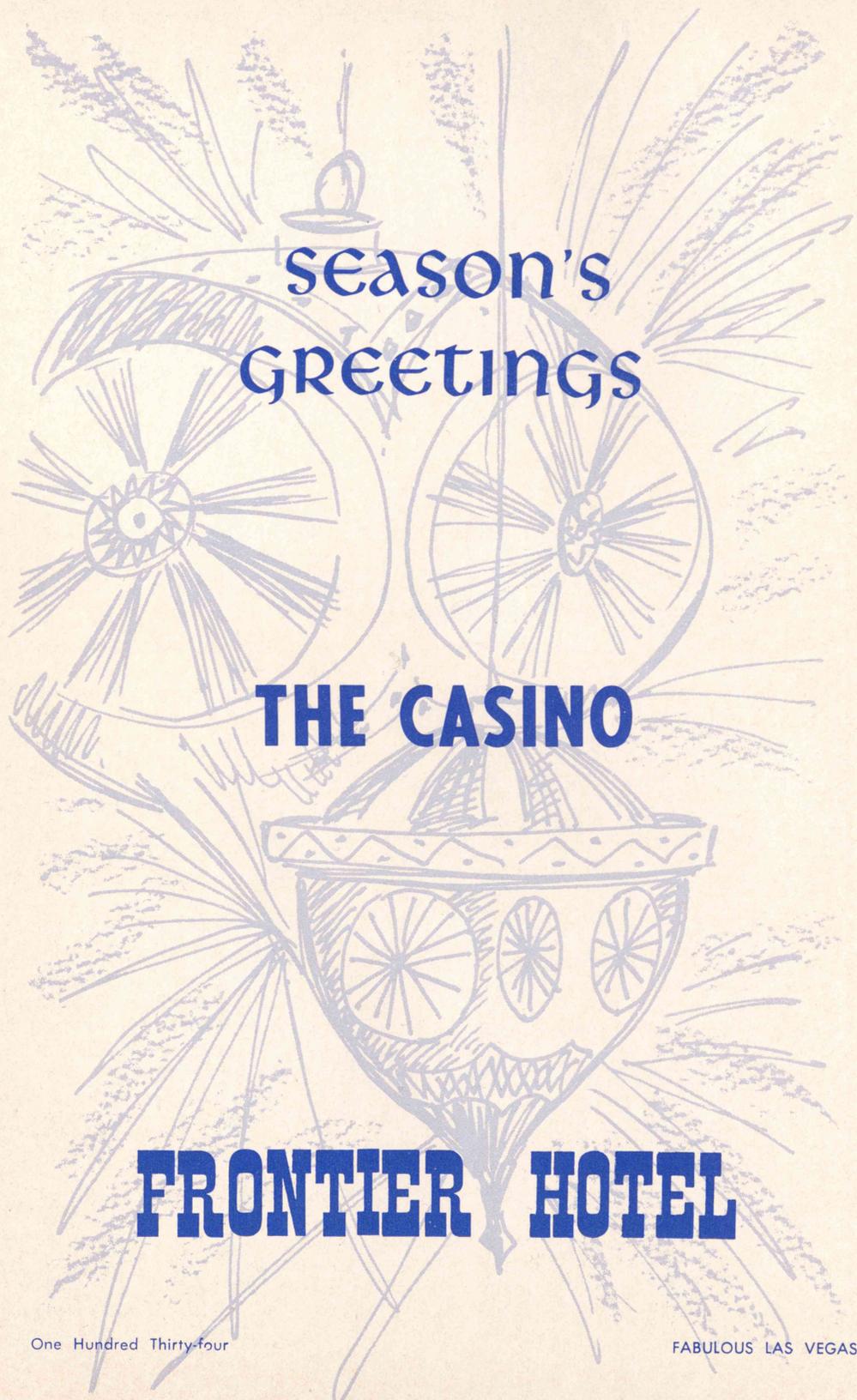
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**ONCE UPON A CHRISTMAS**

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He opened the envelope with the indifference of a man pulling a band-aid from someone else's finger. He removed the contents. His heart was pounding the staccato beat of a thousand typewriters . . . his hands were trembling . . . his body shook . . . his breath was as irregular as a suburban railroad on a stormy night.

It took but a moment and Bill knew the answer.

Just knowing was consolatory and he sighed resignedly. Bill felt no fear.

There were sixty-two dollars in the envelope and a note that read . . . "When you regain your health, come back and see us. Your job will be waiting for you. We are sorry we are unable to maintain you on our staff in your present condition."

Now, everything seemed absurd . . . Forbes . . . the Company . . . working . . . money . . . What did it really mean? During a lifetime, men fall

into different straits and elevations of success. But the true meaning of "all men are created equal" is not that they live in equality but rather that they die in equality. While I will never become the president of a large corporation, sharing equality with Mr. Forbes, destiny dictates that some day Forbes will share the equality of my death.

The distant voices of merriment . . . a symphony of sound piercing the crispness of the day, the pealing of church bells, the organ music heralding "Joy To The World," the sun looming high overhead like a flaming maple in an evergreen forest. How little of this beauty could permeate Bill's consciousness. How incongruous it seemed. Merry Christmas? Nuts!

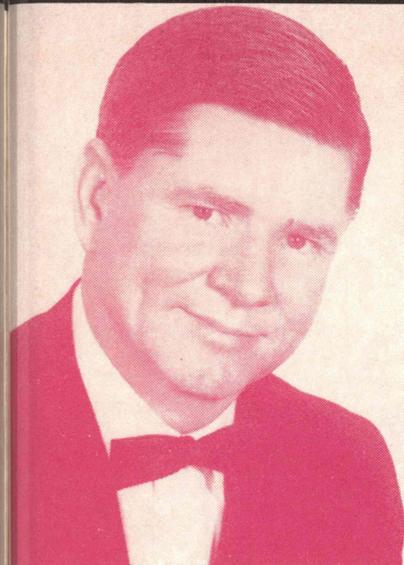
The forlorn figure on the adjacent bench, the one with the newspapers, came into Bill's view. Poor chap . . . doubtless no family . . . no loved ones . . . no goal . . . no dreams. If he had any of these he wouldn't be sitting

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Bill threw away the dismissal slip, put the bonus money back into the envelope. He stood . . . ethereally suspended by a spirit known to few men . . . and walked proudly to the man seated on the other bench. He placed the envelope containing the sixty-two dollars into the stranger's hand and whispered, "Charity is first!"

The next morning, Bill was awakened by the persistent ringing of his door bell. Who but a bill collector would be his first visitor in over two years on Christmas morning? What harm could a bill collector do now? Bill rolled out of bed, slipped his feet into warm slippers and opened the door. There was a stranger outside.

The caller spoke in guttural tones, in the manner of a Damon Runyon character. He said . . . "Bud, youse is pretty hard to find. If it wuzn't that

your name and address wuz on the envelope you slipped me in the park, I would have been mighty hoit hav-ing not had the chance to pay off the bet youse placed wid me."

"Bet," Bill questioned. "What bet?"

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"MERRY CHRISTMAS," cried Bill. "A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!"

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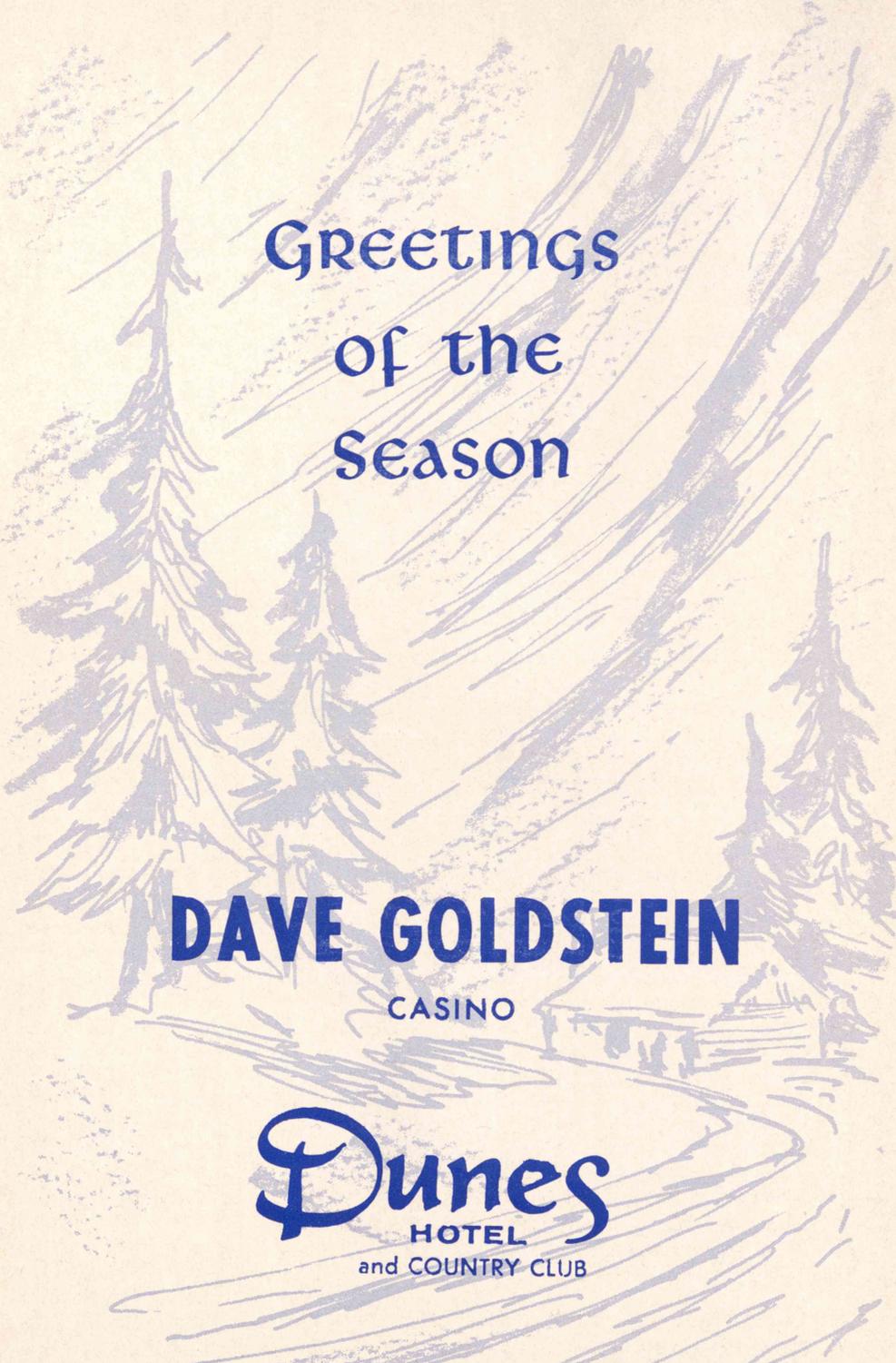
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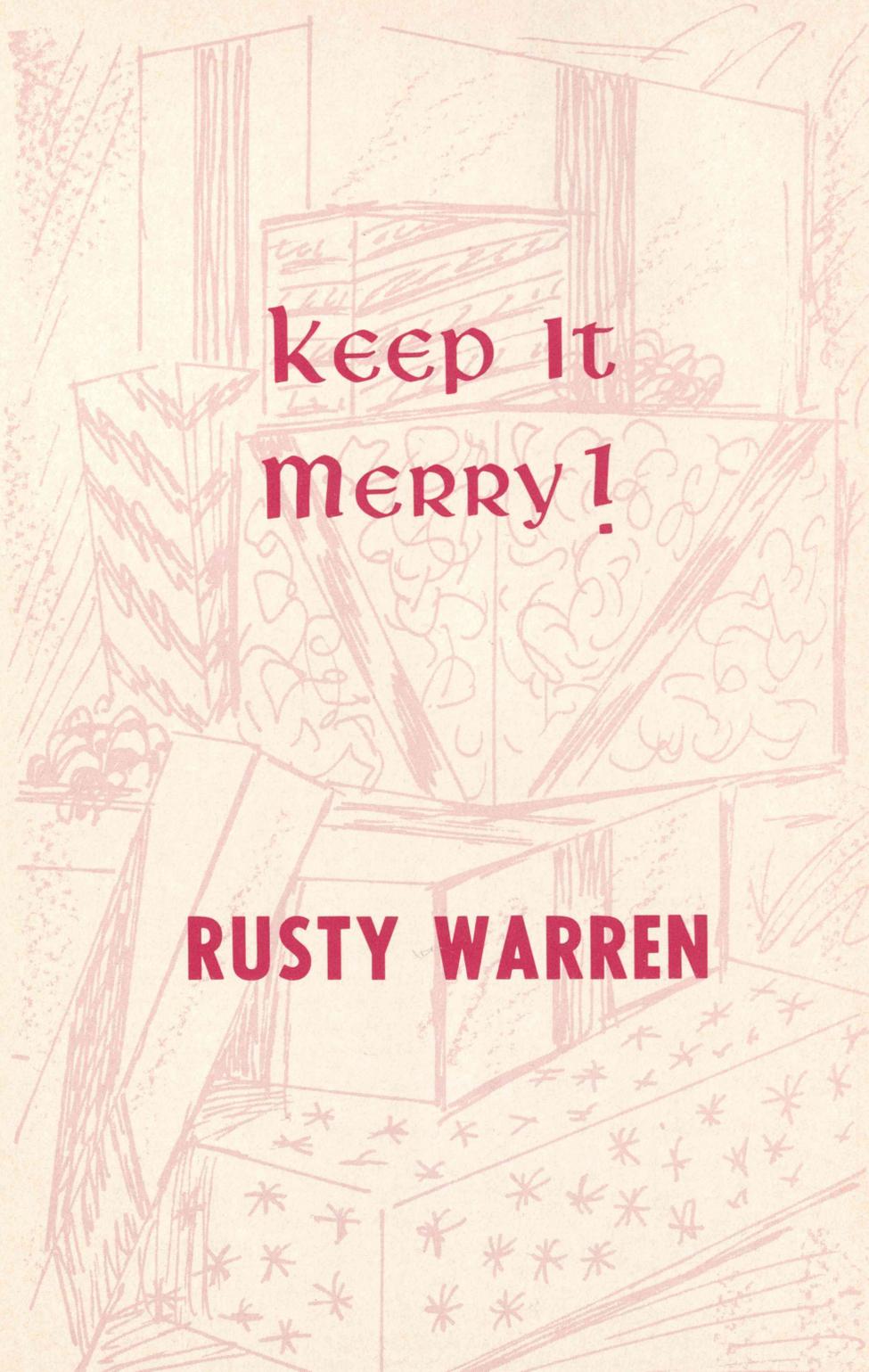
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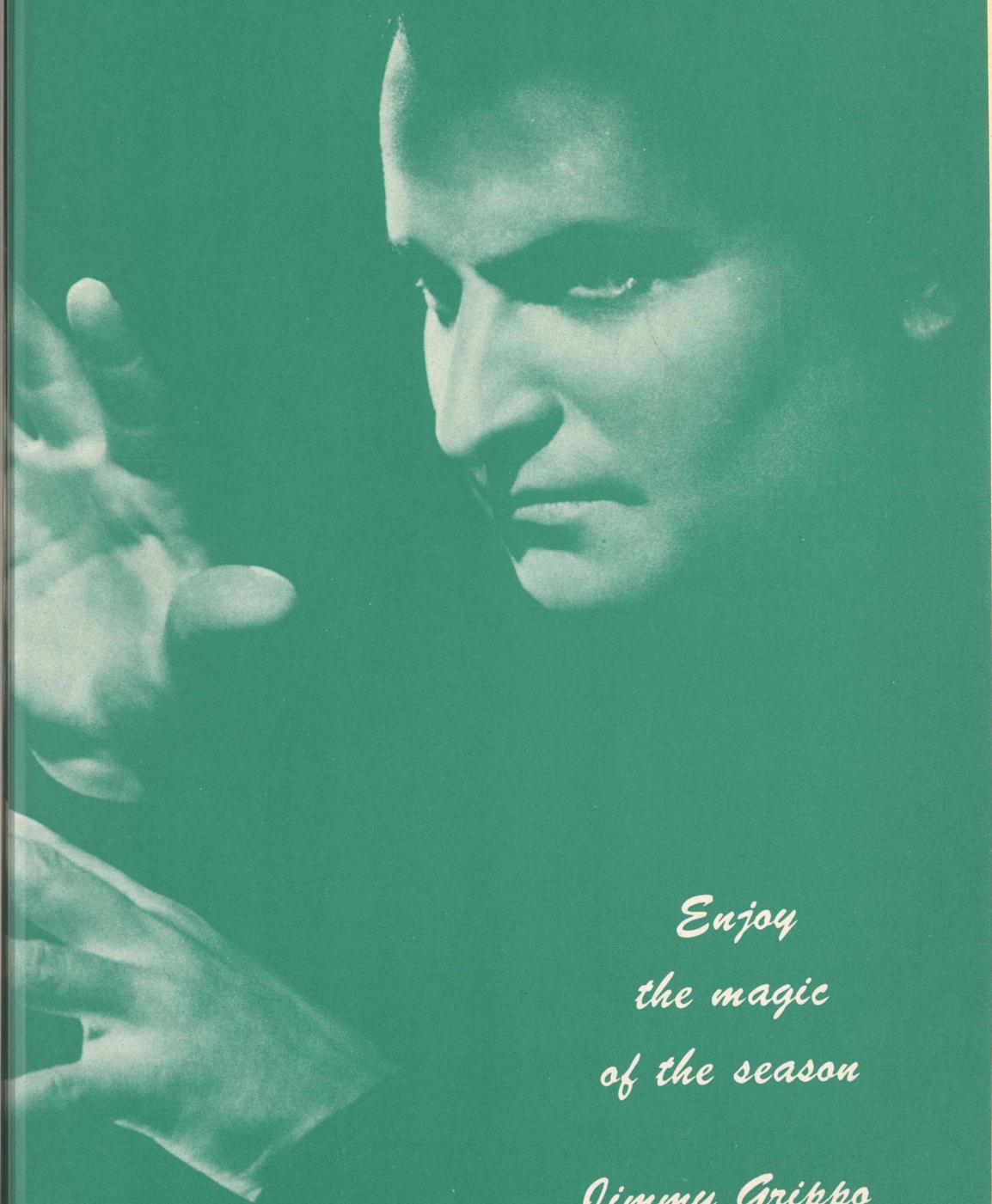
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