

Monday 3/30/81

5:00 AM **4** All Star Soccer

6:00 AM **3** Michelob Lite Cup Skiing: Women's Slalom

7 [TMC] MOVIE: 'Ride a Wild Pony' A poor Australian farm boy and a crippled rich girl vie for the love and ownership of a lovable pony. Robert Bettles, Michael Craig, Eva Griffith. 1976. Rated G.

7:00 AM **3** MOVIE: 'Sorry, Wrong Number' A woman overhears a murder plan arranged on the telephone. She tries to get help as the killer closes in to keep her quiet. Barbara Stanwyck, Burt Lancaster, Ann Richards, Wendall Corey. 1948

8:00 AM **4** NHL Hockey: Edmonton vs. Pittsburgh

7 [TMC] MOVIE: 'The Black Hole' A fanatic doctor and his robot crew prepare for a journey through a terrifying space phenomenon, a black hole. Ernest Borgnine, Maximilian Schell, Yvette Mimieux. 1979. Rated PG.

10:00 AM **3** MOVIE: 'Young Fury' A gunslinger and renegade, pursued by outlaws, returns home to die and finds his son is the leader of a gang of young hellions. Rory Calhoun, Virginia Mayo, Lon Chaney, Richard Arlen. 1965

7 [TMC] MOVIE: 'The Passage' An American family is lead on a perilous escape from Nazi-occupied France by the underground. Anthony Quinn, James Mason, Patricia Neal. 1979. Rated R.

9 MOVIE: 'The King and Four Queens' A soldier of fortune finds himself surrounded by four women as he searches for the money their gunmen husbands stole. Clark Gable, Eleanor Parker, Jo Van Fleet. 1956

10:30 AM **4** F.A. Soccer: 'Road to Wembley'

11:30 AM **4** NCAA Hockey: Division I Championship

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1:00 PM **12** MOVIE: 'Station Six Sahara' The strained bitter existence of five men is briefly interrupted by a woman who crashes with her divorced and jealous husband into their midst. Carroll Baker, Peter Van Eyck, Denheim Elliott, Ian Bannen, Biff McGuire. 1964.

2:00 PM **4** National Collegiate Basketball Championship 3rd Place Game

7 [TMC] MOVIE: 'Running' A marathon runner seeks an Olympic victory to prove he's not a loser. Michael Douglas, Susan Anspach. 1979. Rated PG.

2:30 PM **8** MOVIE: 'The Oscar' On Oscar Award night in Hollywood, the favorite nominee is watched by friends who helped him but were trod on for his fight to achieve stardom and the Oscar. Stephen Boyd, Elke Sommer, Milton Berle. 1966

4:00 PM **7** [TMC] MOVIE: 'A Clockwork Orange' The head of a gang of toughs, in an insensitive futuristic society, is conditioned to be-

come physically ill at sex and violence during a prison sentence. Malcolm McDowell, Patrick Magee. 1971. Rated R.

5:00 PM **3** MOVIE: 'They Shoot Horses Don't They' Part 2

4 WCT Tennis from Milan: Singles

8 NCAA National College Basketball Championship Game

6:00 PM **2** ABC News

6 CBS News

9 Monte Carlo Show

10 3-2-1, Contact

11 First Row Features

12 Kung Fu

6:30 PM **2** News

6 Barney Miller

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10 Systems Management

7:00 PM **2** 53rd Annual Academy Awards

6 Merv Griffin

9 News

10 Statehouse '81

11 Livewire

12 Happy Days Again

7:30 PM **3** News

10 MacNeil-Lehrer Rept.

12 Welcome Back Kotter

8:00 PM **4** Hockey Show

6 Bugs Bunny 'The Bugs Bunny Easter Special' (60 min.)

8 MOVIE: 'Love Story' Shortly after his wife's death a young man reminisces about their first meeting, their courtship and their hard but happy years getting him through law school. Ali MacGraw, Ryan O'Neal, Ray Milland. 1970

9 Prisoner Cell Block H

10 Great Performances: Dance in America: 'The Tempest' This American ballet centers around Prospero, who lives on an enchanted island with his daughter Miranda. Starring Evelyn Cisneros and Tomm Ruud. (2 hrs.)

11 Festival of Praise

12 MOVIE: 'Dangerous Friend' A hip young man haeds a cult of teenagers who live in a land of drugs and casual promiscuity. Robert Lyons, Richard Thpmas, Gloria Graham. 1971

8:30 PM **3** MOVIE: 'A Song Is Born' A group of professors become involved with a nightclub singer, wanted for questioning in connection with a murder. Danny Kaye, Virginia Mayo, Benny Goodman. 1948

4 ESPN Sports Center

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9 Odd Couple

11 Ross Bagley

9:00 PM **4** National Collegiate Basketball Championship 3rd Place Game

6 M*A*S*H The 4077th is attacked by a sniper and new duty assign-

ments are issued.

9 MOVIE: 'Witness for the Prosecution' The story of a young man's trial for the murder of a wealthy woman 'friend'. Tyrone Power, Marlene Dietrich, Charles Laughton. 1957

9:30 PM **2** John Devner and George Burns/Two of a Kind

2 John Denver and George Burns get together for a variety of music and comedy. (60 min.)

6 House Calls Charley becomes jealous of Ann's friendship with a patient.

10:00 PM **6** Lou Grant Lou runs into problems while dealing with the night staff. (60 min.)

8 There's a Meeting Here Tonight

10 Time Machine

11 Dr. James Kennedy Religion

12 News

10:30 PM **2** Show Business A report on the world of entertainment hosted by David Frost and Sandy Hill. (60 min.)

7 [TMC] MOVIE: 'Running' A marathon runner seeks an Olympic victory to prove he's not a loser. Michael Douglas, Susan Anspach. 1979. Rated PG.

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11:00 PM **4** Hockey Show

6 News

10 Dick Cavett Part 1. Dick spends this evening with siamese twins Kathryn McLaughlin Abbee and

Francis McLaughlin Gill.

11 Transformed

12 Benny Hill Show

11:15 PM **9** Nightbeat

11:30 PM **2** News

4 ESPN Sports Center

6 Quincy Quincy investigates the death of man during a magicians illusion. (60 min.)

8 Tonight Show Johnny's guests will include Angie Dickinson, Tom Snyder and Ray Price. (60 min.)

10 Captioned ABC News

11 Ross Bagley

12 Hogan's Heroes

11:45 PM **9** MOVIE: 'Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch' A woman with a large brood hopes her man will return some day. Fay Bainter, Vera Vague, Carolyn Lee. 1942

12:00 AM **2** Nightline

4 WCT Tennis from Milan: Singles

12 Independent Network News

12:30 AM **2** Three Stooges

6 Harry O Harry O finds himself involved in the Oriental art black market. (60 min.)

7 [TMC] MOVIE: 'Raw Deal' A convict escapes jail and seeks revenge on the gang that set him up. Dennis O'Keefe, Claire Trevor, Raymond Burr. 1948

8 Tomorrow Coast-to-Coast

12 Mission Impossible

12:45 AM **3** MOVIE: 'Charlie Chan in Reno' Charlie's in Reno, trying to clear the name of his client's wife on a murder charge. Sidney Toler, Ricardo Cortez, Phyllis Brooks. 1939.

1:00 AM **11** 700 Club

1:30 AM **9** All Night Show



"Coal Miner's Daughter" is one of the films nominated for Best Picture of the Year award at the 53rd Annual Academy Awards, airing live Monday, March 30 on ABC.

(Stations reserve the right to make last-minute changes.)

1:45 AM **6** MOVIE: 'Going Wild' A Penniless bum poses as crack flier and novelist at a Florida resort and trouble begins. Joe E. Brown, Walter Pidgeon. 1930.

2:00 AM **4** Varied Programs

8 News

2:15 AM **3** World/Large

2:30 AM **3** Open Up

7 [TMC] MOVIE: 'Prime Cut' The meat packing industry serves as the front for an underworld gang dealing in drugs and prostitution. Lee Marvin, Gene Hackman, Sissy Spacek. 1972. Rated

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3:00 AM **3** Hollywood Report

4 Auto Racing: Alabama 500

3:45 AM **9** Top/Morning

4:00 AM **3** Super Station Funtime

4 ESPN Sports Center

7 [TMC] MOVIE: 'Lions for Breakfast' Two young brothers, an old drifter and a dog pursue the dream of a better life. Jan Rubes, Jim Henshaw, Danny Forbes. Rated G.

4:15 AM **9** News

4:30 AM **9** Bullwinkle

TV PEOPLE

Jill Whelan: a star who loves her work

By Debra Morgenstern Katz

She stars in a successful, long-running TV series, she co-starred in a smash movie and she starred in her own summer series.

Amidst all that activity, she has collected more than 30 stuffed teddy bears and several more porcelain ones, she has finished furnishing one three-story Victorian dollhouse and has started on another, and she is studying the three R's in school.

Jill Whelan is a very mature 14-year-old.

The young star of "The Love Boat" took a few minutes out of her day to call New York for a telephone interview. It was 7 a.m. in California and Jill was getting ready to leave for school, which began at 8. When "The Love Boat" is being filmed Jill has a tutor on the set, but the show is now on hiatus, so she attends school.

She doesn't have many opportunities to see her friends while she is working, but she's seeing them all now because they're starring together in a school produc-



Jill Whelan

tion of "The King and I." Jill's friends are extremely important to her; in fact, she says, she was more afraid and nervous to audition for this school play in front of all her friends than she was to audition for a TV Movie of the Week the day before this interview.

When the show is not on hiatus, Jill says she gets in to work at 7 a.m. and gets out by 4. But she doesn't consider the schedule grueling — she thinks it's fun.

"'Love Boat' has been the best thing I've ever done,"

says the soft-voiced Jill, who plays Capt. Stubing's daughter on the series. "We're all pretty close and we have a lot of fun on the show. With the chemistry we have there, we're all kind of blessed."

Another role that was "fun" for Jill was the one of the heart-transplant patient in the slapstick hit "Airplane."

"If the people are fun, like they were in 'Airplane,' then it's not hard work to make a movie. They were crazy all the time in that movie."

For example, "the guy who played the lead in 'Airplane' had an old beat-up Mustang convertible. One day he went to get his car and the crew had filled the entire car with junk — soda cans, scrap wood — and he just laughed, jumped in and drove home."

Getting the role in "Airplane" wasn't hard either. When she went to audition, the producers asked her to lie down on the couch and make a face. She did, and she got the part.

In fact, Jill hasn't had to confront any real struggle or regret.

rejection yet. When she first decided to go into acting, she was immediately signed for commercials. Then, at the same time she was offered a role as one of the orphans in the touring company of the musical "Annie," she was also offered the role of Nancy in the ABC summer series, "Friends." She chose "Friends," and from there went on to "The Love Boat."

"It was easy," says Jill, giggling. Then she says mock-solemnly, "I was lucky."

Luck notwithstanding, it was Jill herself who provided the impetus for her own career. Her parents were hesitant and really didn't want her to go into acting as soon as she did.

"They wanted me to see what I could get out of both worlds first, and then decide which world I wanted to take."

But at 7 years old, Jill started acting in local theaters — her first role was in "The King and I" — and it was a choice she has yet to regret.