

C'est Okay



French film comedian Ferrandel watches approvingly as fellow comic Bob Hope plants a kiss on cheek of actress Anita Ekberg during a bit of clowning for

photographers at Paris party last Friday night. The three co-star in "Paris Holiday" soon to be filmed in the French capital. (AP Wirephoto)

KEAVY RECALLS OLD DAYS Film Scenarist Built Screwball Mansion

By HUBBARD KEAVY HOLLYWOOD — On the living room wall his current girlfriend's picture was framed by an object oval in shape and designed for a more utilitarian purpose.

The chandelier was an inverted baptismal font, admittedly stolen from a church being renovated. You entered the house through a tunnel and a shaft, which was topped by a regulation manhole cover in the center of the living room. He served highballs in soup bowls.

This partially describes the craziest house I ever visited in Hollywood. It was built by Jack McDermott, a scenarist, whose passing a few years ago ended a strain of competition which would keep a man in an ulcerous condition the whole time. Jack had tamed some wild pigeons, but he went further: he dyed them pastel shades.

A house is a sign of success in movieland. Big success, big house. Harold Lloyd, who made it before high taxes, still maintains a mansion in Beverly Hills, the taxes on which, last time I checked, were \$18,000 a year. Not far from him is an older, and larger house, which Thomas H. Ince built in the Twenties. Its scores of doors were fitted with gold-plated door knobs.

When Norma Shearer and the late Irving Thalberg lived on the ocean front at Santa Monica, they had the usual appointments of Hollywood success — six-car garage, oversized swimming pool, projection machine recessed in the living room and the only sound-proofed, light-proofed bedroom I ever heard of.

When Norma told me about that on a visit, I used the old gee whizz approach that I'd learned in South Dakota and said I couldn't believe it. So she took me upstairs, pressed a button that rolled up drapes over the windows so you couldn't hear the surf booming 50 yards away and you couldn't see your hand in front of you at midday.

When Ralph Bellamy and Frank Conroy came here in the 30s, they weren't making enough money to buy a house so they rented one in the hills. It had been built for some scholarly

Iran Security Chiefs Warned: 'Clean House'

TEHRAN (UP)—Iran's security chiefs have been warned they have just one month to "clean house" specifically, to wipe out the bandit gang that killed three Americans last month—if they want to keep their jobs.

Premier Manouchehr Eghbal laid down the law Sunday to National Police Chief Ali Q. Golphira and his principal aides. Eghbal told them he would hold them personally responsible for any further acts of banditry.

"It is disgraceful that, despite all the arms and other facilities available to our security forces, a handful of bandits can roam the country with impunity and such incidents can occur," he said.

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Carroll, Issaquah, Wash., and Brewster Wilson, Portland, were shot down in the wilds of southeastern Iran by a gang led by bandit king Dad Shah.

The band broke for the Pakistan border, hilly pursued by police who so far have rounded up about 20 of the bandits.

Dad himself is believed to have committed suicide. His brothers, Ahmed and Mohammed, were captured by Pakistani border guards when they tried to slip into the neighboring country.

Ahmed has admitted firing the first two shots in the volley that killed Mrs. Carroll when she sought to flee the murder scene after Wilson and her husband had been killed.

Carroll and Wilson were officials of the U.S. Program of technical aid to Iran.

LUCKY 'SEVEN' NEW YORK (UP)—Barl Schwartz, 35, president of Barl Schwartz International Textiles Ltd., announced Monday that starting May 1 every executive in the firm must take a week's paid vacation every seventh week.

"We're all hard workers here," Schwartz said. "It's a dynamic firm."

LEGALS FINANCIAL NOTICE Notice is hereby given that I have filed in the Circuit Court of Marion County, Oregon, Probate Department, my verified final account as Administrator of the estate of FLORENCE MAUDE SCHUBERT, deceased, and Court has set Thursday, April 25th, 1957, at 9:15 A.M. of said day, in the Circuit Court Room of the County of Marion, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing said final account and all objections thereto.

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