

Judy Garland, Unafraid, Makes Debut in Nightclub

Las Vegas, Nev.—(UP)—Judy Garland, calm and unafraid for the first time in nine years, made her nightclub debut last night as the highest paid saloon entertainer in the world.

For \$55,000 a week—a record in this town of skyrocketing salaries—Judy sang to a capacity of 850 cheering customers at one of the most star-packed openings in Las Vegas.

Only One Appearance

Judy performed at only one show on opening night, a privilege never accorded any other star. Entertainers from other hotels in this Broadway-on-the-desert, including Martha Raye, Jimmy Durante and Sophie Tucker, thus were able to leave their own shows to fill the supper club at the New Frontier hotel and cheer one of the last belt-'em-across singers in show business.

Judy, trim but still slightly overweight in a tight-fitting black sequined dress, sang old favorites such as "Come Rain or Come Shine."

She was one of Hollywood's last Las Vegas holdouts, never having sung in a nightclub before except for brief engagements in small clubs when she was nine years old.

Didn't Get Ill

After the show at a celebration party Judy confessed that for the first time in her stage career she did not get ill before the opening.

After four weeks here, Judy will take her troupe of 11 male dancers to the Palace theater in New York and then to the Palladium in London. Las Vegas critics rated the show "a tremendous hit" for the girl who once

tried to take her life in despair over a faltering film career.

"I turned down Las Vegas offers for years because people said it wasn't dignified," she said. "But after Noel Coward played Las Vegas, I thought why shouldn't I?"

2,000,000 Acres Due in Soil Bank

Washington—(UP)—The Agriculture Department reports farmers have agreed to deposit nearly 2,000,000 acres of surplus producing crop land in the government's new soil bank.

The department said Monday payments to farmers under these agreements will total more than \$37,000,000 dollars.

A total of \$1,200,000,000 was authorized by Congress for the soil bank this year.

The "preliminary and incomplete" report of soil bank participation is the first issued since farmers began signing up late last month. Acting Secretary of Agriculture True D. Morse said it indicates "widespread interest" in the program.

Cornelius Logger Killed in Accident

Forest Grove—(UP)—John Burns, 52-year-old Cornelius logger, was killed yesterday when a log rolled across him.

The accident occurred at the Shelton Bros. logging operations off the Sunset highway in Tillamook county.

Burns was employed as a chaser in the woods, securing cables around logs as they were pulled from a canyon.

Gangland Murders Seen as Possible Start of Battle

Chicago—(UP)—Police are checking today to determine whether the gang-style murders of two underworld characters signaled the beginning of a battle between rival hijacking mobs.

Chief of Detectives Patrick J. Deeley said there was little doubt of the connection in the slayings of Peter Salanardi, 44, wanted in New York for robbery and assault, and Joseph Restagno, 27, awaiting trial here on hijacking charges.

Salanardi's body was found early Sunday on the floor of an abandoned auto at Carpentersville, Ill., about 40 miles from here. He had been shot seven times. Stuffed in his socks was \$3,900 in large bills.

True Identity Revealed

Salanardi at first was identified as Restagno who had been missing since July 5. A fingerprint check later revealed his true identity.

California license plates found in the car were linked to Restagno. Then police recalled the finding of a bullet-riddled body wired to a log in a canal near here Friday. Another fingerprint check identified the dead man as Restagno, who had been dead about two weeks.

Restagno had been charged in connection with a hijacking of women's clothes valued at \$390,000. Police theorize it was possible Restagno was killed by representatives of an Eastern "mob" and that Salanardi was murdered in revenge.

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Minister To Tell Son Eyesight Will Be Lost

Orlando, Fla.—(UP)—A sorrowing Baptist minister said he would take his four-year-old son for a last look at the ocean today, and then tell the boy he must lose his sight.

The Rev. James M. Sibole said he and his wife would take their son, Mike, to New Smyrna Beach, about 55 miles north of here, to give the boy his last glimpse of the sea. Then, Sibole said, the time will come to tell the boy about an operation scheduled for Wednesday which will remove Mike's only remaining eye because cancer of the retina threatens his life.

The minister said he would try to sum up the courage to tell the boy tonight but indicated he might delay breaking the news until Wednesday morning, just before the operation at an Orlando sanitarium.

Nixon's Father Said In 'Good' Condition

Fullerton, Calif.—(UP)—Vice President Richard M. Nixon's 71-year-old father, Frank Nixon, was reported in "satisfactory" condition today at Cottage hospital where he received transfusions for hemorrhaging stomach ulcers.

The elder Nixon was taken to the hospital Monday with the recurrent ailment, but doctors said his condition was not critical.

The vice president was notified of his father's hospitalization by telephone, but was not expected to come here. Donald Nixon, another son, was at the elder Nixon's bedside.

Elisworth's Stand On Housing Blasted

Charles Porter, Eugene attorney and Democratic candidate for Congressman from Oregon's fourth district, Sunday renewed his charges against Congressman Harris Elisworth for his stand on the housing bill.

Porter spoke at a meeting of his Jackson county campaign committee at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Norton in Phoenix.

"I call on Congressman Elisworth to change his vote in the rules committee and work to permit the housing bill to reach the floor of the house before adjournment," he stated. "To my knowledge the Oregon press failed to report Congressman Elisworth recently used his position on the house rules committee to help bottle up the housing bill. If it fails to reach the floor of the house, he should be to blame," Porter declared.

The candidate pointed to the declining number of housing starts and said the Oregon lumber industry would be directly benefited by passage of this bill.

"Ellisworth's obstructionism and that of those who voted with him holds up amendments offered in the senate to aid in the construction of privately financed homes for elderly families," he said. "The housing bill not only provided for aids in construction, but for modifications in the FHA home improvement program to help modernize and rehabilitate millions of existing homes."

Only one of eight men registered for the draft in World War I actually became a member of the nation's armed military forces.

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—SEVEN

Alaska Mentally Ill Program Approved

Washington—(UP)—The Senate passed and sent to the House yesterday a compromise bill allowing Alaska to set up a program for the care of its mentally ill.

The measure \$6,300,000 for one or more hospitals or clinics in the territory, and additional money for expenses of the program.

For more than 50 years, Alaska patients have been sent to a private sanitarium in Portland, Ore., for treatment. A comptroller general's report recently accused the president of the sanitarium company of making improper charges totaling nearly \$250,000 against sanitarium receipts.

Canadian Swimmer Spans English Channel

Dover, England—(UP)—Canadian swimmer Jacques Amyot of Quebec swam the English channel from France to England today, the first person to make the crossing this year.

The 31-year-old French-Canadian plunged into the cold waters of the channel at Cap Gris Nez, France at 2:38 a.m. He crawled out of the water at South Foreland near Dover at 3:41 p.m. after a swim of about 38 miles.

His reception was meager. Hardly a soul was on the beach to greet him. He immediately returned to France on the trawler Roland Sonia, which had accompanied him on the trip.

Court Records

DISTRICT COURT
Delbert Lewis Seers, overload, \$200
John C. Banks, overload, \$107
James Vander Steen, illegal possession of fireworks, \$15
William Edward Shreeve, illegal possession of fireworks, \$15, bail forfeited, \$7.50
Lloyd Allen Shreeve, illegal possession of fireworks, \$15, bail forfeited, \$7.50
Calvin J. Hansen, truck speeding, \$7.50
George Eskeld Darting, no operator's license, \$10, bail forfeited, \$5
Thomas Charles Rigby, defective lights, \$10, bail forfeited, \$5
James Edward Tizecker, violation of basic rule, \$20
Robert William Johnson, failure to stop at stop sign, \$10
Eugene Edwin Eads, no motor vehicle license, \$5
Richard Dorey Maynard, overload, \$40
Arnold Leonard Winslow, failure to yield right of way, \$15
Morton Oliver Gossett, passing on crest of grade, \$15
Eugene L. Edwards, no operators

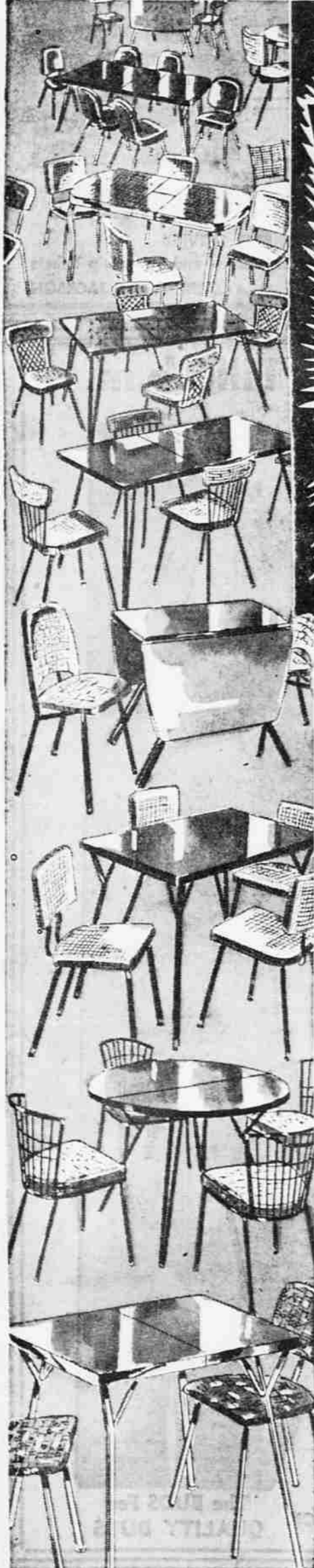
license, \$10
David Louise Hicken, driving without headlights, \$6
Herbert Franklin Morris, defective brakes, \$6
Donald Raymond Gordon, failure to stop at stop sign, \$10

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