

The Hollywood Scene

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Hollywood — (UPI) — The minute Lana Turner walked on the movie set with a brave, bright smile and her head held high the tension surrounding her return to the movie business began to evaporate.

By mid-morning the cast and crew of Universal-International's re-make of "Immortal Life" were relaxed—and full of admiring praise for the slender blonde as she pointedly, but ever so firmly, indicated the door is shut when it comes to the events of the past four months.

Lana, her short locks "lengthened" by a matching platinum "fall," was available to the press. But the subject of her daughter, Cheryl, and the knife death of Johnny Stompanato Jr. on Good Friday clearly were to be avoided.

Nervousness Admitted
The actress did admit a little "nervousness."
"But I always am when I start a picture," she said in a clear, firm voice.

Only her eyes and an occasional nervous movement of her beautifully-manicured hands showed the strain she was under.

Dressed in a simple, gingham gown and looking 10 years younger than she did when she gave testimony which cleared her 10-year-old daughter of Stompanato's death at a coroner's inquest last May, Lana would speak only of the future.

"Cheryl may come and visit me on the set," was her sole reference to her tall, quiet-speaking daughter who by

SHIPPING MAN DIES

New York — (UPI) — Charles Hall Speights, 58, prominent in shipping circles, died suddenly Wednesday evening.

court order is living with her grandmother until a final custody hearing next month.

Daughter Enjoys Visits
"She always does," Lana said, adding that her daughter "loves to watch."

Asked if she thought Cheryl might be interested in becoming an actress, Lana said she wasn't sure.

"Cheryl's artistically inclined and draws and sketches," she said. "But I don't know about becoming an actress."

The actress broke off just then to acknowledge the arrival of a huge bouquet of flowers from the movie's producer.

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

A NOUVEAU RICH Wall Street plunger decided the time had come to add some genuine art masterpieces to his belongings. After a hasty course by an "expert" the plunger invaded the market on his own. A Matisse in the window of a gallery on 57th Street caught his eye. He strode inside, buttonholed the director, and declared forcefully, "I want that Matisse in the window, but you're not going to stick me for it. It's worth \$40,000 and that's what I'll pay; not one cent more." "Sold," said the director quietly. As he pocketed the new owner's check, he added quietly, "Our price for the picture had been set at \$29,000."



Two unusual gifts were duly recorded last week. A compassionate friend treated a despondent cannibal chief to a cure on a psychiatrist's couch. It seems the cannibal was plumb fed up with people. And a Hollywood star sent an agent he detested a live alligator bag.

ILLINOIS VALLEY

Encephalitis Reported

By RUTH RAUSCH
Cave Junction — An outbreak of encephalitis among horses in the valley has been reported. Owners are inoculating against the disease, officials said.

Orval Seat and daughter, Patty, of Los Angeles, were guests of the Ortis Seats for a week. A trip to the Oregon Caves and a birthday dinner for Orval in the patio of the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Hill were the highlights of the visit.

Dr. and Mrs. A. N. Collman are entertaining the doctor's mother, Dr. P. Jane Collman, of Portland, for a few weeks.

James R. Holten, of San Pablo, Calif., who has been in Crescent City in connection with his work with the California department of health, visited his son and daughter-

in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Don Holten, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Holly of Arcadia, Calif., stopped for a day with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wilson on their way home from Crater lake.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Nid-ever of Cedarville, Calif., were recent visitors of their son and daughter-in-law, the Rev. and Mrs. O. LeRoy.

Diana Savage, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Savage, dropped out of the Jubilee Queen contest due to an impending operation.

Jay Tennel of Kerby has returned to the veteran's hospital in Portland to undergo eye surgery.

861 Offenses Are Reported in July

The city police department's July record shows a total of 861 reported offenses, more than either last month or July, 1957. But major offense reports decreased.

Larceny under \$50 led the list of major offenses, 51 cases being reported. There were 63 cases last month and 67 a year ago. There were 21 cases of burglary reported, compared to 18 last month and 13 a year ago. The total figure for major offenses was 82, while last month it was 97 and last year, 104.

Increases in miscellaneous offenses, 779 this month against 709 last month and 632 last year, accounted for the larger total figure of offenses reported. Compared to this month's total of 861, there were 806 in June and 736 in July, 1957.

Included in miscellaneous offenses were a total of 565 motor vehicle offenses. There were 530 the previous month and 447 a year ago.

Seven forgery or counterfeiting cases were reported, compared to one last month and one last year. An increase in the number of suspicious cases appeared in the report. There were 23 in July and 21 in June, while last year there were 15 in July and 4 in June, and in 1956 there were 3 in July and 1 in June.

Bing Crosby's Wife Taken To Hospital

Hollywood — (UPI) — Kathy Grant, actress wife of Crooner Bing Crosby, was admitted to Queen of Angels hospital early today.

Miss Grant, 23, who is expecting their first child, was admitted to the maternity wing of the hospital at 3:45 a.m. A hospital spokesman said only that "she is here and there are no complications."

Crosby and the former Olive K. Grandstaff, West Columbia, Tex., were wed last Oct. 24 at Las Vegas, Nev.

TRIP IS COSTLY
Elizabeth N. J. — (UPI) — It cost Kenneth Kline approximately \$33.33 an inch Thursday for an automobile trip he made. Kline, previously convicted of drunken driving, was fined \$200 for disobeying a court warning not to drive again. Police nabbed him after he had only gone six inches.

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Factions Engaged in Battle Over Nudity in Shows on Las Vegas Strip

Las Vegas, Nev. — (UPI) — Factions warring over bare bodomed showgirls figuratively faced each other today across the highway dividing this gambling resort's famed "strip" of resort hotels.

On the west side of the Mason-Dixon line — formed by U.S. Highway 81 which ribbons across the desert toward heavily populated Southern California — are the forces of nudity or "art lovers."

On the east are the anti-nudity, or hotels which have warned that no good will come of the "trend toward nudity."

Church Members Warned
Observing the scene is the Roman Catholic Church, which Thursday joined the issue with a pastoral letter decrying the trend toward nudity and warning members of the church to stay away from such shows.
The Most Rev. Bishop Robert J. Dwyer of the Diocese

of Nevada issued a pastoral letter which will be read at each Mass on Sunday. It stated:

"All Catholics are strictly forbidden by the Divine Law itself to have any part in entertainment which is of its nature indecent or suggestive. Visitors of the Catholic Faith are bound by the same law—there is no vacation from the Ten Commandments."

The bosom barrier was first broken by the Dunes which was followed recently by the newly opened Stardust and the El Rancho.

Commented Major A. Riddle, president of the Dunes hotel:

"The question of nudity has been the battleground separating the church and the artist since the earliest times. The artist has always proclaimed the human body as a thing of beauty, to be admired and revealed in good taste and in glorification of

the highest concept.
"In the case of exposing the female form for public view, the tradition of nudity in the theater has been solely to glorify beauty."

Across the highway where the "dressed" shows of the Tropicana, Flamingo, Sands, Desert Inn, Riviera and Sahara hotels are still drawing good crowds, veteran showman Jack Entratter, president and producer at the Sands, said:

"The trend toward nudity is the worst thing that could happen to Las Vegas and all show business. Our long and expensive struggle to provide the best floor shows for the nine million visitors to Las Vegas each year could be destroyed in just three months if nude shows continue to spread."

Metal for bells is often about 74 to 85 per cent copper and 15 to 26 per cent of various tin alloys.

Game of Roulette Kills Oakland Boy

Oakland — (UPI) — A 17-year-old youth played a game of Russian roulette Thursday—and lost.

The boy, Willie Warren, killed himself in the home of a friend, Charles Moore, 18, police said.

Warren picked up a revolver in Moore's home, inserted a bullet in one of the five chambers and said, "I think I'll play Russian roulette."

He pulled the trigger once and nothing happened. He pulled it a second time. A bullet entered his right temple. He died instantly.

WIDOW GETS ESTATE

Los Angeles — (UPI) — The bulk of the estate of the late film executive, Harry M. Warner, was left to his widow, Mrs. Rea E. Warner, under his will filed for probate Thursday in Superior Court. Warner died July 26.

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