



JUMPIN'... Councilman J. A. Beasley is shown at recent gathering at the Jumpin-Jack Restaurant along with many other of the local luminaries. Pictured with Councilman Beasley is staunch supporter Sam Falla, owner-host of the popular San Francisco Restaurant on Sepulveda at Crenshaw in Torrance.

Hollywood Reporter

By Mike Connolly

Dear Mike: Is Lawrence Welk a widower or divorced? —Annie Brown, San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Annie: Neither. He's been married — and happily, he says — to Fern Fenner since 1929.

Dear Mike: Who gets top billing in "The Taming of the Shrew"? Liz or Burton—or is that too much of a trouble-making question? —Mrs. Gloria Ballard.

Dear Mrs. B.: Not at all. She gets billed over him in the acting credits, he gets billed over her on the technical end, since he's the producer.

Dear Mr. C.: Why did Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis split as a comedy team and why was the split so violent that neither of them seems to care if the other lives or dies? —C. B. Dickey, Deer Park, Texas.

Dear C. B.: It wasn't that violent. The beef began originally when their agent decided he also wanted to produce their pictures. Jerry objected, Dean couldn't have cared less, and that's the real reason for the bust-up, despite anything else you've read. It's worked out well for all of them: Jerry and Dean went on to become millionaires as solo stars and producers and agent-producer Abby Greshler is mopping up with such "new" finds as Vince Edwards and David Janssen.

Dear Mike: How old is Robert Goulet? Which does he prefer, blondes or brunettes? What is causing bags to appear under his eyes? —Sandra Henderson, Groves, Texas.

Dear Sandra: He's 33, he's madly in love with his wife, the brunette Carol Lawrence, and the bags are from working in the nightclubs.

Dear Mr. C.: My parents and I think "The Mike Douglas Show" is simply great. Would you tell us please how much money he makes per show? —Judith Smedley, Newport News, Va.

Dear Judith: He averages around \$1,500 a week, depending on how many stations use his syndicated show.

Dear Mike: Honest, that Batman should be BARRED. He breaks all the rules: drives in the middle of the street doing 90 miles an hour, makes U-turns without looking and leaves his drag chute wherever he drops it. The police in my home town would never put up with it. —Joanne Remy, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Joanne: You forgot to ask The Question but I'll answer it anyway—Batman is a very close chum of the police commissioner of Gotham City.

Dear Mike: Do Carol Burnett and Phyllis Diller mind not being glamor girls? —Mrs. Julian Gadis, Nobleboro, Me.

Dear Mrs. Gadis: They're really not as unglamorous as they seem, or haven't you noticed how nice they look when they're not mugging? Besides, given the choice between pretty and rich, both chime in: "We've been pretty and rich—and rich is better!"

Dear Mike: How old are David McCallum and Robert Vaughn of the "U.N.C.L.E." show? Also, I heard a rumor about David being an atheist—this isn't true, is it? —Jan Keenan, Houston, Texas.

Dear Jan: David was born Sept. 19, 1933. Robert was born Nov. 22, 1932. That rumor about David got started because he plays a Russian in the show. It's not true.

Dear Mike: I read somewhere that Peter Lawford has been putting fresh daisies on the grave of Marilyn Monroe. Why?? —Mrs. W. P. Marysville, Calif.

Dear Mrs. P.: Yellow daisies were Marilyn's favorite flowers. Peter and his ex-wife, Pat Kennedy, were both friends of Marilyn. Why not??

(Mike Connolly will try to answer your questions in his column. He gives no personal replies by mail.)

Spot Checking

Food ★ Fun ★ Frolic
By Bill Whitman

Big Tiny Little Is Still Big

Just about the only thing that was missing from the slam, bang opening of Big Tiny Little and the Wild Ones at the Galley West Restaurant last week was the old familiar derby hat that was so long a trade mark of Tynys.

Of course, little by little, Tynys' been dropping the so-called "image" he created some years ago and the derby was the last to go. First, off came the fancy vest then a little later on the arm-bands left and finally the derby.

But the costume doesn't make the man nor the talent and take it from here, the old talent's still very much in evidence. The big guy can still thump those keys to a fair ye well and can still make some of the windiest sounds come out of them.

He and the Wild Ones open with a mild sort of a progressive type intro and follow it up immediately with the fine Dixie for which they're so well known, Tynys still coming loose with that spontaneous whistle every now and then just to let you know he's enjoying his work.

The current group Tynys has backing him and his antics are guys like Glen Blair on sax and trumpet (the one with the "spastic" leg who is about as wild as the wild ones come) Jim Bates on bass, Dick Lopez handles the drums, while Gordon Lutz "slips the horn" and Little Mary Petite

ably, throatily and sexily takes care of the vocals. And it's quite a sight to watch that long-legged sax man cavort alongside the little-bitty Mary. Comes up about to his belt-buckle, she does. This little gal's quite a comic in her own right, too. Also a pretty well put together filly we might add. And when this gang cut out with tunes like "The Birds of Paradise Fly Up Your Nose," the joint really becomes wild. Very danceable sextet, too. This

So like when next you're in the mood for a delectable evening, both food-wise as well as entertainment-wise, make it to the Galley West spot on the tip of the Peninsula in Palos Verdes. You'll go far to top the cuisine here and at highly sensible prices.

But bear in mind, you've only got about two and a half weeks to catch "The Tynys" as he closes March 20, when he takes off for a "pleasure jaunt" to Viet Nam. And while we're on the subject catch "the wild one" this all you Tynys buffs can catch "the wild one" this coming Sunday on Channel 5 horn" and Little Mary Petite

tis Teletthon. That's the 6th, remember.

Do you consider yourself a gourmet? Well then, that little charmer of restaurants, Pigalle is again presenting the Gourmet Dinner on Sunday, March 27, and this one'll be "A Flamenco Gourmet Dinner" which includes five courses served with a different wine for each, the main entree being authentic Spanish Paella. And in case you don't know what that is, it's rice, seafood and chicken but served in a way to truly tickle your taste buds.

For your \$12.50 with tax and tip included you can't very well go too far wrong. By the way, Pigalle will begin closing to the general public on Sundays from now on and will remain open Monday for those of you who wish to partake of some excellent lunch-time cuisine. Here's a suggestion for you—Chateau d'Or or Grenadine of Beef for \$2.75 a copy includes soup or salad (or both if you prefer) and coffee. Now how's that grab you for a luncheon bit!

Over three at the corner of Avalon and 223rd Street at Mr. C's Dollar Diner, we checked into the offerings for this buck and here's what you have: broasted chicken, Italian spaghetti with meat sauce (naturally), chicken fried steak, cooked just to your liking.

Now of COURSE you don't get ALL that for the buck! That's just the selection. Quite a fantastic menu, it seems from here! Oh of course there are other items on the menu but this is the special deal for a buck. Take a trip over there some time and let Mr. C's Dollar Diner fill you up!

Although it may be new to this page, it's certainly not new to the dine-outers in the Southland. We're referring to The Matador Restaurant over on Pico in West Los Angeles.

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OPPS! Got hold of the wrong menu again! But at least it does prove that some people do read this stuff as evidence the saga of "Frank Stellino and the Telephone" when we inadvertently quoted a wrong price last week on their lobster down there at Stellino's Restaurant on Pacific Coast Highway at Crenshaw.

Frank seemed to think he could handle it, however, and apparently did with his usual aplomb 'cause we didn't hear any more about it later in the week. (Maybe Frank's saving it for when next we drop by!)

Rose and Louis Song have some new things going for you down at their Tea House Restaurant on Crenshaw in Torrance. Like for instance the special Sunday luncheons being presented from 11:30 'til 3 in the afternoon. Wrap

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