

HAHN REPORTS

The Mail Ego

By Terrence O'Flaherty

"In the 'Rowan and Martin Laugh-In,' which one is Rowan and which one is Martin?"

According to their descriptions of each other, Dan Rowan is a mature Bud Abbott and Dick Martin is an aging Huck Finn, but it's easier to identify them by remembering that Rowan is usually on the left of the TV screen and Martin on the right.

"The last time I saw Dustin Hoffman he was the bewildered young man who learned all about life from an older woman in 'The Graduate.' It was a great role for a beginner, but where can he go from there?"

He must have learned awfully fast. In his next movie, "Midnight Cowboy," he plays a male hustler.

"Whenever my father sees or hears about a new movie actress, he always says, 'There was never anyone like Anna Sten!' It's become a kind of family joke. Whenever I ask about her, he can't remember

much or else he isn't talking. Who was she anyway?"

Anna Sten was a Russian leading lady who was brought to Hollywood in the early Thirties by Sam Goldwyn in the hope that she would rival another European import, Greta Garbo. She never clicked with most moviegoers despite her impressive acting, interesting looks, and a great publicity build-up in "Nana," her first film in 1934. She still appears occasionally in character roles.

"Our television set seems to be full of ordinary actors who star in one series after another. Why is it that Patrick McGeehan, whose 'Secret Agent' is excellent (even in the reruns) has never been seen since? He is the best of the British secret agent heroes because he can act."

McGeehan hasn't been idle since he made "Secret Agent." His new hour-long color series, "The Prisoner," will start on the CBS network Saturday, June 1, at 7:30 p.m. He is the creator of the action suspense series and also its star. He has just completed a Hollywood movie at MGM titled "Ice Station Zero."

"Is it true that Lorne Greene, the 'Bonanza' star, died recently?"

No, but if he had, who would get custody of Michael Landon and Dan Blocker? Maybe you're referring to Marian Lorne, who starred with Wally Sox in TV's "Mr. Peepers" as well as "Candid Camera." She died two weeks ago in her 80s.

"Everyone knows what actresses the critics like and the box office shows which ones the public likes. But what actress is most admired by other actresses?"

Probably Geraldine Page, who has established herself in a variety of roles on Broadway, in a few movies like "Summer and Smoke," and most recently on television as the spinster aunt in "A Christmas Memory."

"How could anyone in his right mind give Phyllis Diller another television show of her own? Maybe this time she'll learn to comb her hair, at least."

NBC now calls it "The Beautiful Phyllis Diller Show" but I doubt if she'll straighten up her hair. Confusion is her gimmick and it has paid off.

"Why don't they show the old 'Road' movies of Bob Hope and Bing Crosby on television? I remember them from the very first one—'The Road to Zanzibar.'"

You took the wrong road. Singapore was first in 1940, followed a year later by Zanzibar, then Morocco, Utopia, Rio, Bali, and Hong Kong. They have dated badly—even for TV.

Crime, Unemployment Top List of County Problems

By KENNETH HAHN
County Supervisor

The two biggest problems facing the county of Los Angeles and the nation—are insuring safety on our streets and creating jobs for the hard-core unemployed.

Crime rates continue to soar despite the courage and

dedication of our law enforcement officers.

All of us share a sense of sadness and loss in the death of Los Angeles Police Officer Oscar Joel Bryant, who was brutally shot and killed early this month at 67th Street and Western Avenue.

He was typical of the young,

brave policemen who risk their lives serving and protecting us every day.

WE ARE fortunate in Los Angeles County to have good and capable law enforcement officers. County Sheriff deputies, Los Angeles Police Department, and our suburban

city police forces.

Give them all your support. Theirs is not an easy task.

Providing jobs for the hard-core unemployed continues to be a major problem in South Los Angeles.

YET, SOME of America's biggest industries have plants within walking distance of the Watts area. (They include Firestone and General Motors.)

Therefore, I do not agree with some so-called "planners" who would uproot families and homes to bring more industry into this area.

The industry is there. It must be coupled with the available manpower.

And that's a flat challenge to private enterprise!

IF THE industries within five miles of Watts were to each take a percentage of the unemployed to train, the unemployment in the "hard-core" areas would be drastically reduced.

A chance to earn support for one's self and one's family restores dignity and makes a man a true member of our community.

Findings of the Regional Planning Commission indicate that within one mile of the center of Watts there are almost 12,000 jobs.

WITHIN a radius of five

miles there are 270,000 jobs.

If we can bring together the unemployed with the job that is open, we will contribute much to the strengthening of our family, our community and of all America.

It would also be the first step to overhauling a cumbersome and failing welfare system, which must be a top priority item with Governor Reagan and every elected state official.

Myron D. Hilbert, 28, son of Mrs. Elvira Womack of 18021 St. Andrews Place, was promoted to Army captain April 18 while serving with the 57th Signal Battalion at Ft. Hood, Tex.

Future of Medicine Is Topic

A searching look into the future in the field of medicine will be taken when NBC's color special, "Tomorrow's World: A New Era in Medicine," is presented Friday on Channel 4 at 10 p.m.

Narrated by news correspondent Frank McGee, the documentary will be sponsored by Southern California Edison Co. and some 100 other investor-owned electric light and power companies associated with the Electric Companies Advertising program.

The program will reveal some of the rapid developments in areas of medicine other than surgery. New diagnostic methods, the broadening use of computers in medicine, and future treatment of diseases will be examined.

"Tomorrow's World, A New Era in Medicine," was written and produced by George Vicas.

Neighbor Witnesses Burglary

A neighbor witnessing a burglary in progress late Saturday night summoned police to the home of Demrick D. Stillman, 2671 W. 232nd St., shortly after two suspects drove off in a pickup truck. The burglar got away with a floor model stereo, a color television set, and record collection worth \$1,520.

In another burglary, unidentified suspects carted off \$1,240 worth of firearms and appliances from the home of Leo Groh, 18426 Manhattan Place, Friday night.



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