The Impressions



Cameo

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CELEBENIT with JEANNE PARNELL

Q — Will there be any films on the 1971 Attica prison riots which took 37 lives?

Sirleaf Black Salem, MA.

A - Last spring it was announced a three-hour TV movie was in development for CBS. Michael Campus and Sonny Carson were the executive producers with Campus writing the screenplay and directing. Now comes the announcement that a two-hour TV film based on Tom Wicker's book "A Time To Die." an eyewitness account, is in production for ABC-TV in Lima, Ohio. The film is scheduled to be broadcast "sometime during the 1979-80 season" and former prison inmates are being used for many of the extra roles.

Q — What will O. J. Simpson do after he has ended his career at thirty-two years old?

Brooklyn, New York

A — His future now lies in ting, producing and as a TV mmentator. He'll be one of five

acting, producing and as a TV commentator. He'll be one of five co-hosts at the Moscow Olympics and also as commentator for track and field. "Next fall I expect to be working NFL games and specials for NBC, he says, and be head of Orenthal Productions which is into filmmaking."

Q - Is it true Miss Piggy will have to take a back seat?

Carmen Ortiz

Boston
efore shootings

have begun on Muppet II the sequel to the Muppet Movie Muppet, Jim Henson is planning an August '80 start for a third flick. "The Dark Crystal," a fantasy tale with a Tolkien flavor. An entirely new set of puppets, including "an evil race of reptilian tyrants," is being created for the films and will become regulars on the Muppet TV show before the film opens to get the kids clamoring in advance.

Q — What do they mean when they say that inflation has finally

caught up with the TV game shows?

Carlos Sequi Michigan

A — NBC is struggling to win the lucrative daytime rating race, has given the green light to pilot a show entitled "Bulls Eye" in which contestants stand to win \$1 million. It will be a real milestone as far as game giveaways are concerned. It won't be easy. Stay tuned.

Q — Do you like Cameo?

Windsone Ashtee

Kentucky

A - Watching a Cameo performance can be compared to watching a group of intergalactic smoke-oil salesmen attempting to seduce the inhabitants of a distant planet. Out of the total blackness shines a single spotlight where bassist Gary Dow is hammering out the riff that is the backbone of the opening number. Suddenly the stage is set alight and Cameo unfolds as a nine-man group, each member dressed in lowslung rhinestone-studded costumes looking like something out of the 21st Century. It's new!!!

Q — What is the secret of The Commodores success?

Sandy Tate
Jacksonville, FL.

A — Shunning booze, drugs and big city life they mainly make music and money.

Q — Is it true Michael Jackson is leaving the group?

Katy Jones

A — "Don't Stop Till You Get Enough," Michael's hit single, has been one of the biggest in Michael's solo recording career. When the Jackson Five parted with Motown for CBS, one brother, Jermaine, remained with Motown to launch a solo career. Michael feels a tremendous allegiance to his brothers, including Randy, who have helped him secure his position as one of

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Michael Jackson



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Southroad Connection

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the best contemporary songwriters.

Q — What did Billy Preston have to do with the Beatles?

Glenn Mason Pennsylvania

A — From his early days behind a church organ and piano through his work with Little Richard, Ray Charles, Rolling Stones and The Beatles, and a distinguished solo career highlighted by four #1 records Billy Preston has remained true in his commitment to positive musicians.

Q — The present day Impressions are doing well even though they have been panned and sifted by many producers. What's the story?

Yolanda Green Richmond, VA.

A — The original group consisted of ten members ... most notable were Curtis Mayfield and Jerry Butler. Today, after more than twenty-one years, the Impressions number three workable talented men; Fred Cash, Sam Gooden and Reggie Torian. Now some 40 albums later and after such hits as "Amen," "Keep On Pushing," "People Get Ready," and of course their very first hit, "For Your Precious Love," the Impressions are still impressive.

Q — Why would anyone name themselves "Southroad Connection?"



O. J. Simpson

album, 'Ain't No Time To Sit

Down,' may explain it all."

Q — There's a new business

Arthur Miller

South Carolina

A - Says Delwin Gillman,

leader of the group, "Southroad is

in White Plains, New York where

my mother lives and the group

rehearsed. The name of our debut

Q — There's a new business game which some have predicted will be the Monopoly of the 1980s.

Joanne Green

A — It's called "Fortune 500," after the business magazines and

skills to people, entertainingly and painlessly. Players of 'Fortune 500' act as board chairman of various manufacturing companies borrowing money, acquiring operations advertising in everything that corporations do in a work-a-day world.

