



## In Hollywood— Ginger Recalls Good Old Days

Jack Benny's Note in Cafe  
Reminds Her of Broadway

By ERSKINE JOHNSON

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 1—Behind the Screen: I was lunching with Jack Benny at Romanoff's. Jack spotted Ginger Rogers across the room and immediately scribbled her a note reading:

"Some of These Days" please. Guess who?"

Benny explained it: He remembered Ginger when she was in "Girl-Crazy" on Broadway and spent most of her time doing impersonations of Sophie Tucker. Ginger scribbled a note right back. It read:

"I'm running all my pictures all afternoon until midnight. Then I'll do my impersonations."

Note from Polly Moran, following my story about the time she ran for mayor of Laguna Beach:

"Sorry I didn't tell you that out of the 8000 population I got 30 votes—28 bartenders and two fry cooks."

GREAT GAG that never came off:

Before the Broadway opening of "My Sister Eileen," actor Lloyd Gough and half a dozen Gotham wits almost persuaded a young actor named Tom Lincoln to take a part shot with a blank pistol at Shirley Booth during a dress rehearsal. The headline, "Lincoln Shoots Booth," still haunts them.

Benny Rubin tells it: In 1939, he was looking for some new material to show off his dialects. A young songwriter applied for the job and said he'd do it for \$100. Rubin hired him but when the writer returned with the material Rubin paid him \$300 and urged him to become an actor.

He did.

His name was Robert Mitchum.

CONSIDERABLE curiosity around town about how the Bob Hope-Lucille Ball starrer, "Fancy Pants," got its title. Here's my theory:

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"Willie Rains, the farmer."

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