Newman, Redford 'amiable, charming' in Award winner 'The Sting'

box-office hits of recent years returns tonight for named Gondorff (Paul a special week-long Newman), who was also a engagement at the Odeon friend of Redford's with this particular Theatre in Midland. The murdered partner. For movie is The Sting, a 1973 revenge, Redford and Newman and Robert elaborate scheme to Redford portray a couple "sting" the racketeer Slapshot with him. of con men during the Lonnegan.

Depression. cessful "switch" con on a passerby. It turns out, with Newman and though, that the money belonged to a dangerous charming a team as they racketeer named Lonnegan (Robert Shawe). earlier in Butch Cassidy general public in recent Redford's friend is killed And The Sundance Kid. years. Robert Shaw is and Redford himself Not surprisingly, the excellent as the nasty

narrowly escapes with his One of the most popular life. On the run, he looks up a master con man Newman set up an

The Sting begins with swindle the big swindler Redford as amiable and were a number of years

director of The Sting is target of the Big Con. George Roy Hill, who also Both Neman and Redford have always worked well director. Since The Sting, Redford did The Great Waldo Pepper with Hill, and Newman recently did

In Butch Cassidy and Their scheme to the Sundance Kid, Newman and Redford forms the basis of the were pretty much the plot. The Sting is whole show. In The Sting basically a fun movie, they share the spotlight with some supporting players, several of whom have gone on to become better known to the

(Since The Sting, Shaw directed Butch Cassidy. has gone on to movie stardom in such hits as Jaws, Swashbuckler and Black Sunday. Charles Durning is also very good as a crooked cop on Newman and Redford's trail. (Durning later played important roles in Dog Day Afternoon, Breakheart Pass, and Twilight's Last

> Gleaming.) Also contributing towards making The Sting a superior entertainment are the costumes and sets, which convincingly recapture the underworld milieu of Chicago in the 1930's. Mention must also be made of the fine adap-

tation of Scott Joplin's Adapted Musical Score. It Best Photography, and ragtime tunes by Marvin also received Hamlisch.

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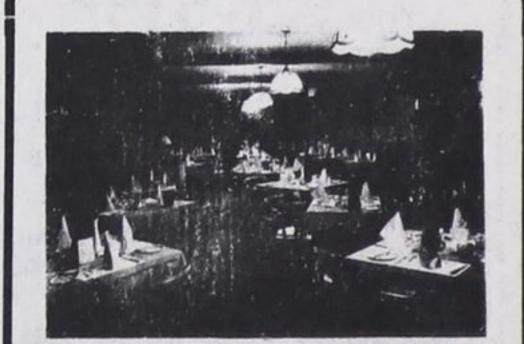
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racketeer who is the Rock music comes of age released by the Liverpool by Peter Whittington Rock music has lads. Must be a frightful

rapidity during the course of the last 25 years. The immature, inexperienced child of the 1950's and early 60's turned into a rebellious, experimental teenager in the late 60's. The 1970's have found a serious, sophisticated young adult. Rock and three million mark. Roll has grown up.

Originally, the basic purpose of Rock and Roll was to get people dancing. Witness the culturally starved but undeniably danceable something for everyone, music of the fifties. Bill Haley and the Comets. admission to the grounds.

Chuck Berry. The late 60's saw the emergence of the Rock Concert and bands who became famous for outrageous onstage antics. Witness 'The Who' and their early amplifier attacks. weeks time).

Presently, with organizations like 'Kiss' around, music often takes a back seat to

showmanship. Conversely, the seventies have also been the age of the nonperforming studio rock band. Groups that hole up in the studio for years rehearsing, overdubbing, and tightening music that will never be presented onstage. Witness 'Ambrosia,' and ... 'Steely

Dan. With their last public performance in 1971, it's our good fortune that the Dan have decided to undertake a road trip this fall. Transferring that studio wizardry onto the stage should be quite a job. Apparently they'll be carrying a number of keyboard players, guitarists and vocalists. Definitely something to look forward to. Also, look for a new Steely Dan sometime in

collection of That nostalgic noseblow, "The Beatles At Hollywood Bowl" received gold status early this month. Talk about using a name to sell a record. Sure, that may be George John, Paul and Ringo twisting and shouting but there's no getting around the fact that it's simply not very good music. "Hollywood Bowl'' is the 21st collective effort to be



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Not much music news locally except that Balm Beach's very own Fillmore East, The Barrelworks, will be opening for business Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays starting on the long weekend. (Two Keep listening.

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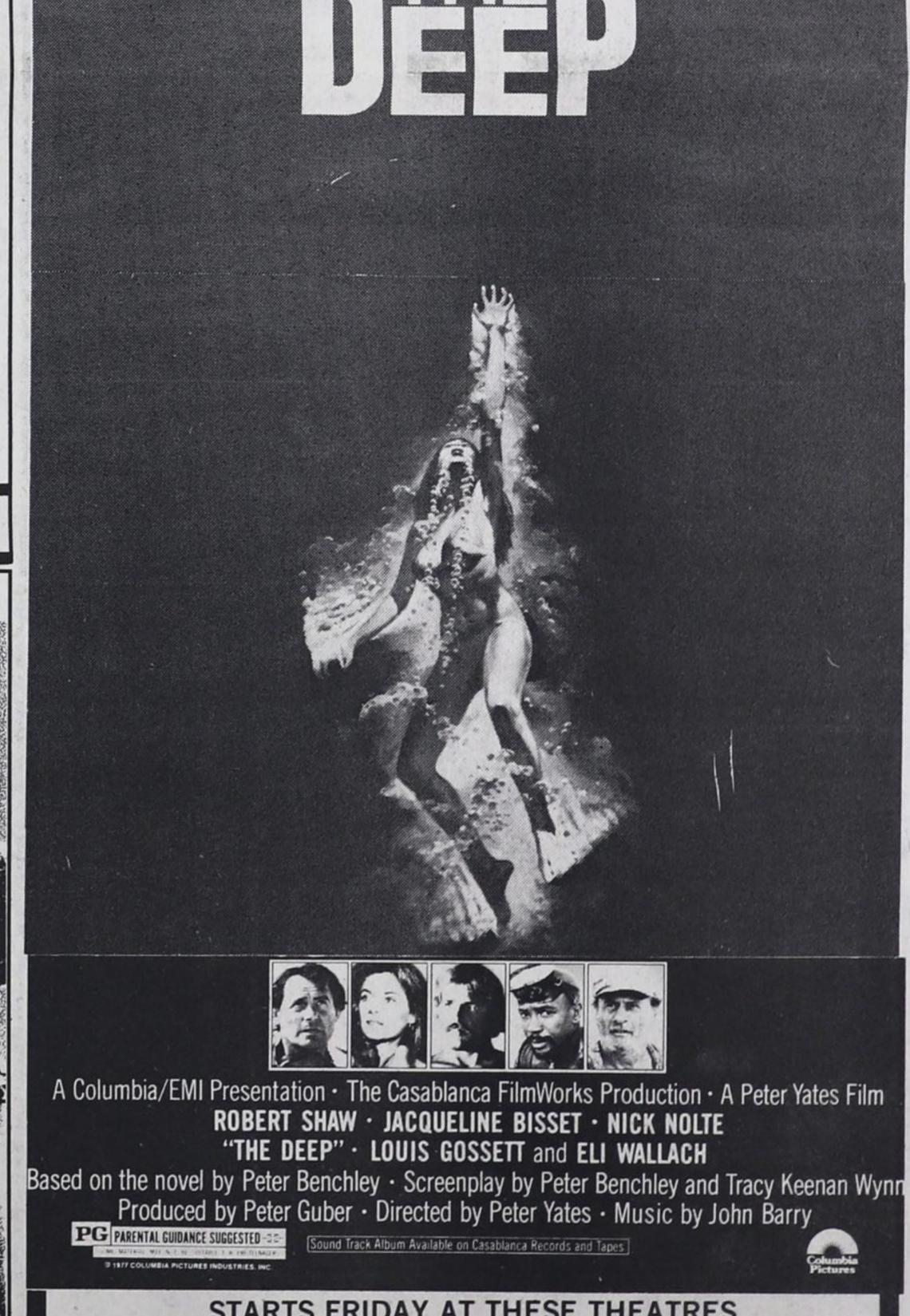
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