



Speaking from Cheviot

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How does a promo for the Olympic Games grab you?

You might just be seeing my husband and me and Marjorie and Michael Fasman on television quite soon.

We were dining at the Hollywood Brown Derby, which by the way, is a beautiful room with lovely food and rather extravagant prices, when a television cameraman asked if they could take our picture. Foolishly, no one asked when it would be shown.

From the Derby to the

John Ansen Ford Theatre where innovative "Taper Too" had a remarkable performance of "A Private View" by Czechoslovakian playwright Vaclav Havel.

The acting was stunning; the play, a frightening commentary on today's life in Czechoslovakia under a communist regime.

And interestingly enough, the very next night found us at the enchanting "Back Alley Theatre" in Van Nuys seeing a revival of Eric Bentley's "Are You Now Or Have You Ever Been?"

What a dichotomy.

In one play a man is destroyed for not believing in communism, and in the other, many are destroyed for being drawn to communism.

"Are You Now Or Have You Ever Been?" is equally as powerful now as it was when I last saw it 10 years ago and equally as frightening.

I am continually amazed at the quality of actors at this little theatre. In fact, in our town as a whole. We are indeed blessed.

Call 780-2240 now. You won't want to miss this compelling evening of theater.

Mimi White died last week. You may remember Mimi as a columnist on these very pages.

I'll remember her always as a caring friend who was there when I needed her; as charming, witty, bon vivant with a

bitter-sweet humor and a real zest for life. It just won't be the same without you. Mimi. Goodbye dear friend.

It was Bob Hope who said "You know you're getting old when the candles cost more than the cake."

Happy June birthdays to Kay Brown, Mabel Mosler, June Nielsen and our Jane. And a happy anniversary to Susan Bernard and Bernie Rotondo.

Congrats to the Friends of Phoenix High School for winning the coveted Education Medallion Award.

To be commended are Ann Burns, Betty Kristin, Arlene Bromberg, Leslie Charney, Florence Chazen, Jackie Leavitt, Felicia Semaria, Erna Friedman and Shirley Green. Ladies, we salute you!

Nice note from Rosemary Peters who, with Connie Heil, entertained

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The Russians aren't coming! The Russians aren't coming!

But nevertheless, the Olympics are going to bring us some of the best theater we've ever had.

The very exciting Royal Shakespeare Company is here, and Room For Theatre, one of my very favorite little theaters, will open "Skylark" by Samson Raphaelson as an official Olympics Arts Festival production on June 9.

And while I'm on the subject of theaters, I gave you an incorrect number for the Back Alley Theatre. The new number is 654-1703 and the play is that very exciting and wonderful "Are You Now Or Have You Ever Been?"