

Number Ten, Maggie's den



Home and dry . . . Jubilant Maggie Thatcher and husband Denis outside No 10 yesterday

HOME..TO THE SWEET TASTE OF TRIUMPH

● TORY leader Margaret Thatcher wrote her own triumphant page in history yesterday.

● At 4.08pm she stepped through the front door of No 10 Downing Street as Britain's first woman Prime Minister.

● Sharing Mrs Thatcher's sweet taste of success was husband Denis, who had been at her side throughout the campaign.

● Hundreds of well-wishers packed Downing Street to welcome Mrs Thatcher when she arrived from an audience with the Queen.

● And before entering her new official residence, she recalled the words of assassinated colleague Airey Neave: "Now there is work to be done."

● Labour leader Jim Callaghan was gallant in defeat. He said: "Everybody must wish her success in the great responsibilities that now fall to her."



IT'S DR WHO AND HIS NEW GIRL



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WHO-LA-LA!

The Doctor's a wow in Paris

By CHRIS KENWORTHY

DR WHO made it as a big noise in Paris this week. On his first visit there, television's top time traveller tripped the burglar alarm in a museum of modern art and put the fear of the Time Lords up the gendarmes.

It happened while a BBC unit was filming Dr Who on location in France for the first time.

Tom Baker, the BBC's Dr Who for the last four years, accidentally set off the alarm during a chase sequence filmed in the Boulevard St. Germain on the French capital's left Bank.

Baker, 46, rushed up to the art gallery and rattled the doors. But because it was a public holiday, the gallery was closed—and the alarm went off.

Without even the benefit of the Tardis, the cast, crew and cameras vanished without trace before the authorities could arrive.

BBC audiences will see the incident when the series starts again in September.

Baker and the new Dr Who girl, 28-year-old Lalla Ward, made a big hit on their first official visit to France.

Street

"It is something of a novelty to be able to walk down the street without everybody stopping you," said Baker, resting his tired feet at his hotel later.

They might not have stopped him. But they certainly noticed him.

Even on May Day, with parades jamming the traffic, Parisians took time out to stare at the six-footer in the floppy hat, frock coat and eight-foot scarf.

Baker started life in a poor family in Liverpool.

He says: "My mother was very religious. At one time I even tried to become a monk."

He finished up acting one instead, as Rasputin in the film Nicholas And Alexandra.

Drink

Now Dr Who occupies his life totally—but it does sometimes tax his sense of humour.

"Aren't you Dr Who?" a man asked him in his Soho local the other day. "I love Blake's Seven. What are you drinking?"

"A gin and tonic and thank you very much," said Baker, only slightly hurt.

"Oh, I'm not buying you a drink," said the man. "I was just interested."

It takes patience to be a Time Lord.



Filming in France... the Doctor and new Who girl Lalla Ward

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Now mum's the word for rocker Rula

BEAUTIFUL Rula Lenska is busily preparing for the role of a lifetime—that of a mother.

Because the 31-year-old actress is expecting her first baby in August.

But first she is determined to prove that her range as an actress extends beyond the character of Q, one of the three rocking Little Ladies in the series Rock Follies.

Tomorrow night, she stars in Noel Coward's Design For Living, which he wrote in 1933 (BBC 1, Sunday, 8.40).

She plays Gilda, an interior designer who is happily in love with two men at the same time.

Rula, born in this country of Polish parents, says: "My upbringing was fairly strict, and I felt that that sort of thing was impossible until I read this play.

By ALASDAIR RILEY

But now I am not so sure. "It's not for me, though, I am not like that."

Rula is married to actor Brian Deacon, also 31. She describes their marriage as the most important thing in her life. At the moment, they



Rula and Brian... a baby on the way

are getting their home in Wimbledon, London, ready for their baby.

Rula says: "It is keeping us very busy. I didn't realise how much there is to be done before a baby arrives."

Gilda is the last role we shall see Rula play-

ing for some time. But she is not giving up acting for good—there is plenty she wants to do.

Rula says: "I'd like to get away from the glamorous image which has stuck to me since Rock Follies—and play a few tough, dramatic roles."



● Paris in the spring... but it lined up a wet welcome for Dr Who (Tom Baker) on his first visit this week.

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