

You can tell he's a fan of Barbra Streisand

THAT'S HIM, BY THE WAY!

THE CHANGE that came over Gary Nugent, computer operator, was really quite staggering: from Barbra Streisand's most doting fan to Barbra Streisand's double!

Gary, from Sydney, Australia, was just a shy, retiring nobody-in-particular when the Funny Girl herself took his country by storm. But he wasn't backward in collecting all

her records, photographs, and in seeing all her films.

Then one day he looked at himself in the mirror, mucked about with his hair a bit, and decided that his likeness to the great Streisand was indeed striking. The change-over was under way.

Gary, now 26, took hormone treatment, legally changed his name to Laura Parker, and got a job as a waitress to learn about being a girl.

He learned about men, too—and "how to turn them down when they tried to ask me out."

Then the Big Break. A Sydney night club hired him for a new female impersonation show. Gary had already done some acting. He can also sing. But who in the world can sing like Streisand?

Bust operation

Mime was the answer. Now, he's doing 40 shows a week and is something of a star in his own right.

Recently he had an operation which gave him a 36-in. bust, and even off stage he now lives like another Barbra Streisand.

"As Gary I was timid and shy," he said. "Now I get instant attention. I demand—and get—my rights."

It's not too difficult to pick out the real Streisand in these pictures, but who's who on Page One? Barbra is in the **BOTTOM** picture.

