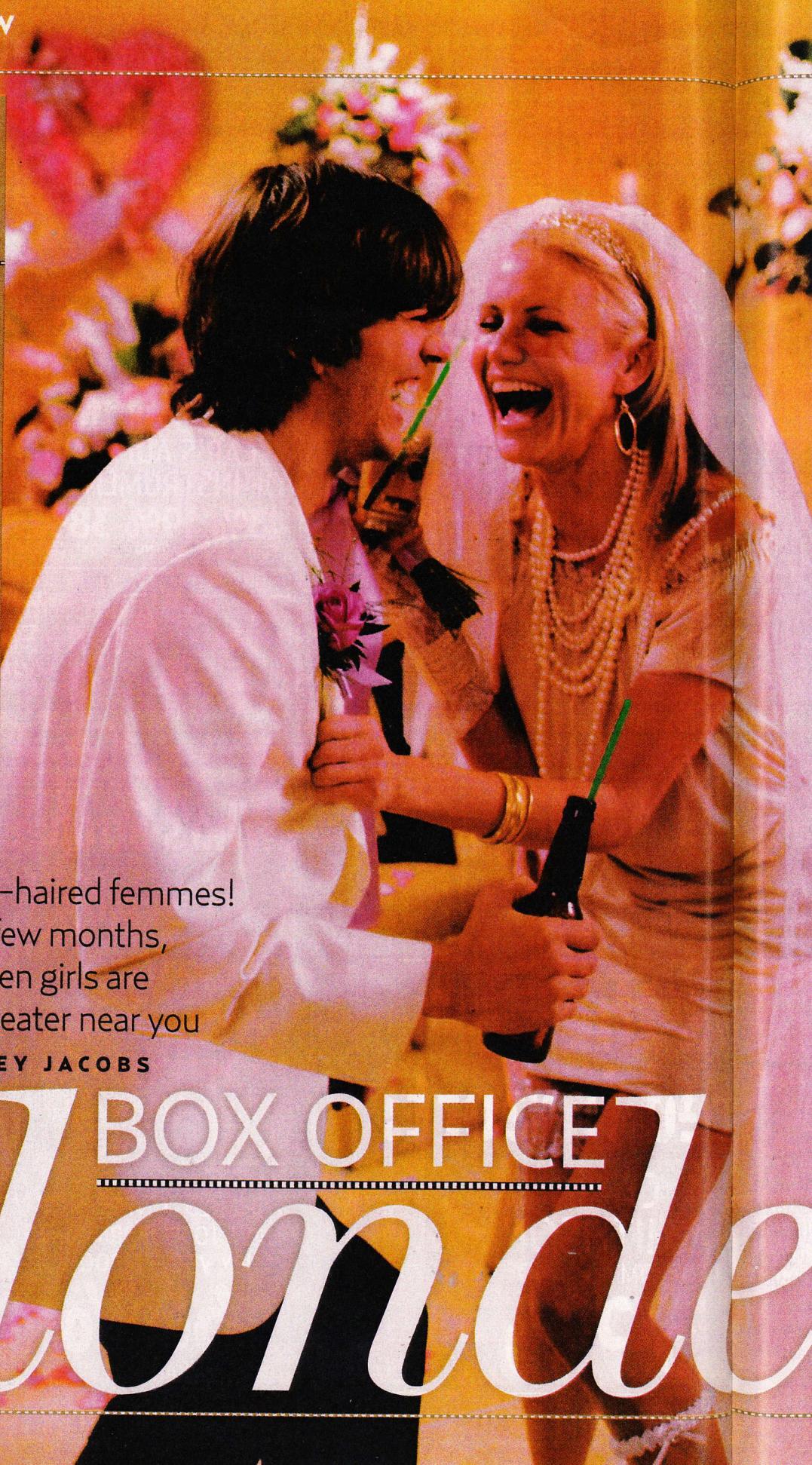


Cameron Diaz

WHAT HAPPENS
IN VEGAS . . . , MAY 9

Clashing couple A stock trader (Cameron Diaz, 35) and an unemployed furniture craftsman (Ashton Kutcher, 30) meet one wild night in Sin City and wake up husband and wife. Before the mismatched, argumentative pair can get out of town and get unhitched, they win a \$3 million jackpot — and a testy judge refuses to annul their marriage (and decide who gets the dough) until they live together for six months.

Problems at home While the cohabitating duo share an apartment, "they both try to get the other to cheat so they'll get the money," says director Tom Vaughan. "Ashton's character even invites guys over to tempt her."



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BOX OFFICE Blonde

Diaz (right, with Kutcher) "was really inventive in the role, which seemed tailor-made for her," Vaughan tells *Us*. And yes, he adds that in the movie, this blonde "has a huge amount of fun!"

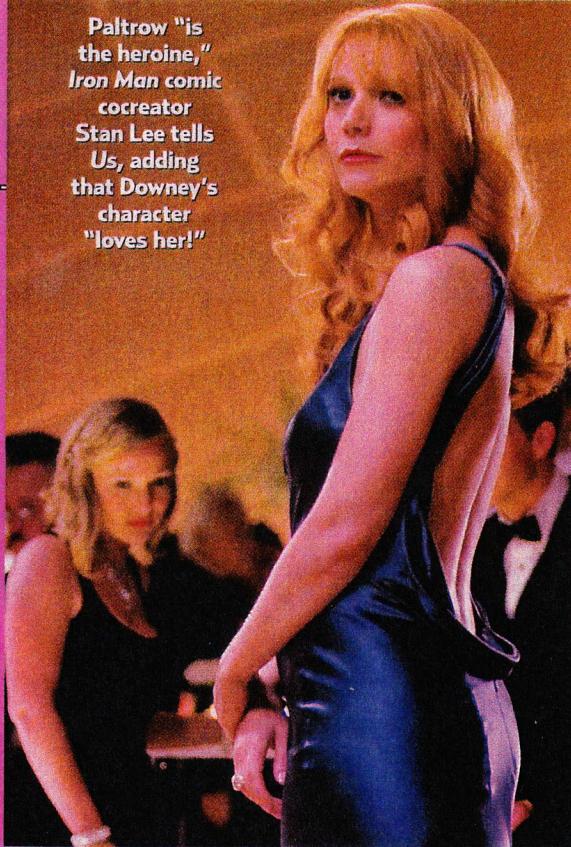
Gwyneth Paltrow

IRON MAN, MAY 2

Right-hand woman Behind every great man, there's a great ... blonde? Gwyneth Paltrow, 35, plays the loyal executive assistant to a billionaire inventor and playboy (Robert Downey Jr., 42) — who constructs a suit of armor that allows him to fly — in this big-budget action flick based on a Marvel comic.

Hidden desire "There's an underlying sexual tension between Gwyneth's and Robert's characters," says cast member Bill Smitrovich. Paltrow, with her flowing flaxen locks, "brings sexiness and humor to the role. She's someone who knows how to control Downey's crazy genius character. She gets him."

Paltrow "is the heroine," Iron Man comic cocreator Stan Lee tells *Us*, adding that Downey's character "loves her!"



Griffin says he couldn't imagine Zellweger (right, with Clooney, left, and Krasinski) "without that perfectly cropped blonde hair. It's eye candy."

Renée Zellweger

LEATHERHEADS, APRIL 4

Two guys and a girl A spitfire sports reporter (Renée Zellweger, 38) must choose between a football hero (George Clooney, 46) and his team's new golden boy (John Krasinski, 28) in this romantic sports comedy set in 1925. "John plays the perfect guy, and George's character is a jerk, but she likes that he challenges her," says cast member Tim Griffin.

On-set antics "Renee was pretty much the only woman in the movie," Griffin says. "And she was totally one of the boys." The star was just as friendly with Clooney, who also directed the film (the two have remained mum about reports they dated in 2001). "They would be cracking up," costar Wayne Duvall tells *Us* of the twosome. "It was like a best-buddies type thing."