

THE GRAPEVINE

DARLIN' DAVID C., he of **The Partridge Family**, has decided to get the heck out of the Hollywood Hills—where every fan in America seems to have discovered his so-called "hideaway home"—and seek refuge in an isolated home somewhere on a hill overlooking Malibu. In case you don't have a map of California handy, Malibu is just about 30 miles west of Los Angeles proper. In his new home, David will have **two** roomies—sweet STEVE ROSS (who plays guitar in David's concert back-up group) and SAM HYMAN, David's long-time chum. . . . And look for David to have his very own LP sometime after the first of the year. He will continue to cut **Partridge Family**-type material, but on his Bell Records LP David will depart from his **PF** singing style—and, boy, are you in for a great surprise!!

But, alas—all does not go well for our DAVID. Here is some very sad news: David has lost the one thing he loved the most—his dog "Sam". Sam, who had been with David for over three years, was more than just a dog to him. He was a real pal and a true companion in the days when David wondered if he'd ever make it in show-biz. It was Sam who he would cuddle up with and confide in when he had the blues—and just like a human being, Sam had a definite and appealing personality of his own. One night Sam was attacked by a group of neighborhood dogs in the Hollywood Hills and was terribly beaten before David could rescue him. He was treated by a vet and seemed to be on the road to recovery—then, suddenly, he got an infection and passed away. When something like this happens, there's not much anyone can say—but 16 and SPEC extend their deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences to David.

In case you're wondering, DONNY OSMOND had exactly eleven stitches when he had his recent emergency appendectomy. For more on Donny in the hospital, see page 56 . . . Beautiful BOBBY SHERMAN spent his Getting Together hiatus moving his recording studio from his parents' home in Van Nuys to his new home in the San Fernando Valley. Eventually, Bobby will get around to decorating the house, of course, but the studio comes first! . . . Partridge Family fans got to see SHIRLEY JONES' real-life sons when the whole kit and caboodle recently showed up at a "Moms & Moppets" fashion show. Here they are with Shirley—left to right, SHAUN, RYAN and PATRICK.

If you've ever been home at 11:30 A.M. during the week, then you've probably seen super-handsome JOHN GABRIEL—cos this looker stars as "Linke Morrison" on CBS-TV's soap opera **Love Of Life**. John has also been in several stage shows, as well as night-time TV shows like **The Flying Nun**. You can write to John at the William Morris Agency, 1350 Avenue of the Americas, New York City 10019 . . . Remember the TV show **My Friend Tony** that starred adorable ENZO CERUSICO? Well, you'll be seeing this doll again very soon—and this time in a full-length film! Right now, Enzo is in his native Italy, working on **The Etruscan Kills Again**. It'll be great catching this fav again!!



Eleven—count 'em—eleven!



Shirley & sons

John Gabriel

Enzo Cerusico

