

# THE GRAPEVINE

**STOP THE PRESSES!!!** That is, long enough to straighten everybody out about the latest **super-terrible** DAVID CASSIDY rumor that's making the rounds! Seems some nutsy columnist wrote that not only are SHIRLEY JONES and JACK CASSIDY getting divorced—but that Shirley wants David taken off **The Partridge Family** series!! Heavens to Betsy—and Mary and Suzy and all you other DC-luvvers out there in **SPEC-land!**—what would **PF** be without dear David? And who could be so unkind as to start such a rumor involving sweet Shirley and her favorite stepson? Well, fret not—cos David and Shirley and all the rest of **The Partridge Family** gang will be back on ABC-TV—same time, same night—this coming fall and, furthermore, David plans to continue his recording and concert careers. As for Shirley and her on-again-off-again, long-time marriage to Jack Cassidy (David's real-life dad)—well, it **has** been touch and go for a while, and "those who know" predict that the end may very well be near.

Get ready for a brand-new **BOBBY SHERMAN!** You got just a taste of the sexy, new, rougher-tougher Bobby in his "outlaw" role on *The Mod Squad* and as he appeared on *Cade's County*. So hang on to your heartstrings—all of you Bobby-babies—cos you are about to get a super-swinging serving up of a brand-new Bobby Sherman! More later!!

Feast your ever-lovin' eyes on romantic **RICK SPRINGFIELD**, cos he's going to make you pop your pony-tail and blow your cool! He's already a successful heart-warmer in his native Australia, where he has a hit single *Speak To The Sky*. The calm crooner is also a sensational guitarist and he's just been signed to Capitol Records—so watch for his first LP, due any day now! . . . A folk singer who's been around for a while, **JOHN DENVER**, had a hit single with *Take Me Home, Country Roads*. His latest RCA LP *Aerie* is a joy, so be sure to treat yourself to this top talent. . . . Help yourself to a copy of UNI recording star **ELTON JOHN'S** latest LP. It's called *Madman Across The Water* and it includes his smash-hit single *Levon*. . . . England's **OLIVIA NEWTON-JOHN** has a smooth and sugary sound that's bound to please. Her latest UNI single *Banks Of The Ohio* is a winner and her groovy new LP *Olivia Newton-John* has more of her unique interpretations, including *If Not For You* and the extremely beautiful *If*.

**DON McLEAN** is a young, talented poet and folk singer whose United Artists single **American Pie**—which symbolically chronicles the music of the '60s—is a smashing success. His latest LP, also, entitled **American Pie**, is a beautiful work—don't miss it! . . . Nilsson, who you remember from his smash hit RCA single **Everybody's Talkin'** (the theme from **Midnight Cowboy**), has got everybody talkin' again—this time it's about his far-out RCA LP **Nilsson Schmilsson!** Latch on to it and listen to the chart busting **Without You** and **Gotta Get Up**—a bouncy tune for all you slow-risers! . . . **GILBERT O'SULLIVAN** has been rocking the British charts with his banjo twanging and incomparable voice. Be one of the first Americans to "discover" Gilbert via his latest MAM LP **Himself**. His newest single—here and in England—is **No Matter How I Try**.

**S'all for now—meet ya next lsh!!**



David—*is he quitting?*



Rick Springfield



Bobby—with Mike Cole on *Mod Squad*.



John Denver



Elton John



Olivia Newton-John



Don McLean



Nilsson



Gilbert O'Sullivan