

be among the presenters in the annual Oscar Awards. Why then did Mark Spitz refuse? Word going around was that he thought it a waste of time or he thought he was too good to be bothered. Well here at Tiger Beat we just refused to believe it, so we did some investigating to find out what it was all about. Actually, Mark not only did accept but he was really delighted about being asked. But it seems that after he thought about it for a while he did decide to withdraw. But the reason was not because he thought it was a waste of time. Mark said that the honor of being an Oscar presenter should be reserved for those people that have contributed something to motion pictures. And, he hopes that the Academy will consider him after he has had the opportunity to do so. Right on, Mark! See what happens when you jump to conclusions?



MARK



DAVID

CASSIDY: IS THERE OR IS THERE NOT A MOVIE AHEAD?

Hollywood: You've probably heard this rumor at various other times, but here we go again. Word around town is that David Cassidy will star in a major motion picture in his first dramatic role. Supposedly it's because he now wants to reach out to an older audience. Well the movie part might be true. But if you've read anything about David's concert tours in Europe and have seen even part of the mail that comes in for him at the Tiger Beat offices alone you know that the reason can't possibly be true. Cassidy-mania has definitely hit the continent of Europe and as far as we can tell it hasn't begun to leave the good old USA yet either! And David is a bright and energetic young man with many talents. So why can't he be allowed to expand and express himself without people going crazy and making up all sorts of ridiculous stories? We have faith in you,

David, and know that whatever you decide to do you'll not only be successful at it, but you'll be doing it for your fans. If you agree with us and have that kind of faith in David, why not write in care of Tiger Beat and let David know!

HELEN REDDY QUILTS WOMEN'S LIB??!

Los Angeles: Here we go again, and this time it's a really dumb one. Certain people have been saying that Helen Reddy has decided that Women's Lib is not all it's cracked up to be, and therefore quit!! It seems that dumb rumors start for equally dumb reasons. The reason for this one is that these certain people (who started the rumor) decided that since every song that they have seen her perform is not totally related to Women's Lib, she therefore has decided to quit. Oh boy, be serious!!



HELEN



MICHAEL O.

MIKE ONTKEAN PURCHASES HEALTH FOOD STORE??!

Burbank: This rumor could very well be true, 'cause Mike just happens to be one of those health food 'nuts'. Everything from sunflower seeds to carrot juice is on his menu. And, if eating health foods means that you can end up looking as good as Mike, then order us a gallon of carrot juice! Well anyway back to the rumor. Even though this rumor could be true, at this time it's not. Mike has been giving it some serious thought and if and when he decides to we'll let you know. How about a M.O. super health shake!?

MARTY KRISTIAN: NEW SEEKER TO SEEK SOLO CAREER?!

Hollywood: Marty Kristian, that great looking guy in the New Seek-

ers is rumored to be going solo. So once again we decided that the only way to find the truth was to



MARTY

go right to Marty and ask!! It seems that since their latest album titled "The New Seekers featuring Marty Kristian," was released, these rumors started flying around. Marty said that he had no intentions of going solo. "I feel that my progress as a performer and a musician will at this point grow more by staying with the group. Besides we all get along so well and have such a great time I just don't want to leave!"



FOUR LEAVES

FOUR LEAVES LEAVE JAPAN??!

Japan: Yes this rumor is true! The Four Leaves, number one group in Japan, are leaving their homeland. But don't jump the gun because it's not permanent. The Four Leaves are just going on tour throughout Europe. They're looking forward to touring the US also but nothing has been settled yet. So if these adorable guys have captured your hearts the way they have already done to millions of other girls and you want to see them in your hometown, why not drop them a line in care of Tiger Beat and let them know!