

FROM THE INSIDE LOOKING OUT: David Cassidy still has his left foot bound in bandages and still is in considerable pain from the fractured toe he sustained on April 22 — a fact which hasn't been noted by Los Angeles reviewers, who were harsh in their criticism of Cassidy's performance in the Music Center opening of "Little Johnny Jones." Producer Michael Price tells me, "The doctors told him to stay off his feet, but he refused to do so. He's quite a trouper, and we're just hoping the bandages come off — and the pain subsides — soon."

They do have the choreographer helping Cassidy build up his strength, and he continues with performances — and with dance numbers — in the musical. David's also working with a vocal coach. And they're still planning to take "Little Johnny Jones" on the road, and onto Broadway in December. With David Cassidy. "He's definitely going to stay with the show," says Price. "He was terrific during rehearsals, and he'll be terrific again. I'm confident of it."