

ON THE SET WITH THE The PARTRIDGES!

by Jane Joyce



Susan has lunch with her best friend, Jane Joyce.

The Partridges took an unexpected vacation this summer when filming was halted as David Cassidy underwent emergency surgery. Jane Joyce, Susan Dey's best friend and roommate, takes you along as Susan, her brother Tom and Jane take off for the California wilderness! Two weeks of camping and discovering California made Susan's holiday extra-special, and now, you can join them! C'mon along!

All this talk about David reminds me to tell you David now has his own look-alike stand-in who just happens to be a girl! Actually, what is so striking about David's stand-in, Jan Freeman, is the fact that her facial structure and hair color are so much like David's that the two of them almost look like identical twins.

The producers decided that in case it ever happens that David became sick again or couldn't be present for the filming of some scene he was supposed to be in, Jan could very easily be photographed at least from behind, if not in a three-quarter view. Sometimes it's almost amazing how similar David and Jan look—but I doubt any of us will ever really get them totally confused.

• IMPORTANT VISITORS!

The big news of David's illness and recuperation really put the "Partridge Family" in the news headlines, and the results were a great many more visitors to the set than ever before. Just before school began for the year, many parents who were friends of the cast members brought their children and their children's friends to see some of the filming of a few of the shows to be seen this year. However, not many of the visitors brought their own little



SET VISITOR WES STERN shares a hardy laugh with Shirley Jones and Dave Cassidy. David sometimes visits the "Getting Together" set too!

show with them as did one man.

One day, Henry Kissinger, President Nixon's advisor on foreign affairs, came with his two children—and a great crowd of television newsmen. While the "Partridge Family" cameras rolled, so did the news cameras, and that night on the six o'clock news there were pictures of David and Shirley giving out their autographs to Mr. Kissinger's children. For a while on the set, it was hard to tell who was asking whom for autographs and who was more flattered

by all the attention—the Kissingers or the Partridges.

And if excitement and good times don't come to the Partridges, they go out and find it—which is exactly what we all did not too long ago. One of the scripts required some location shots in the country, and Screen Gems rented time at the Century-Fox Ranch out in Malibu Canyon for two days to have just the right backgrounds for the show. Those two days were just perfect weatherwise; it was so nice to get