

away from the heat in Burbank for a while.

Malibu Canyon is hilly and very pretty, and the location used in this Partridge show had a small pool, large shade trees, and, surprise, the site of Tarzan's tree house! Of course Tarzan never appeared, but there were other bonuses to make up for him, and one of those extras was the opportunity for Suzanne, Brian, and Danny to go fishing in the pool. In almost no time, they had caught more than thirty small fish,



HOW WOULD YOU LIKE Dave Madden as your very own fairy godmother?

which they returned, unharmed, to the water. As a matter of fact, there were so many fish in the water that hooks weren't even necessary, and the three kids caught many of the fish right in their hands! No fooling around with messy bait for them!

• HIGH SCHOOL FRIEND

Another surprise, for David at least, was the guest appearing in this episode. It just so happened that the girl playing the role of a hitch-hiking millionairess was played by Meredith Baxter, whom David knew from his high school days. I saw them talking together, and I guess they were remembering those good old days of books and parties before they began their full-time show business careers. It's strange how coincidences like that can happen.

Now that I've been mentioning this one script, I suppose I could tell you a little more about it and also about some of the stories you'll be seeing this year.

This particular show involves the problems that money can cause for the Family; not the lack of money but the problem of *too much* leads the Partridges to wonder if money and happiness are the same thing. Guessing what they decide shouldn't be too hard for you—but watch to see what problems the Partridges have before they come to any solutions.

OTHER EPISODES

I mentioned laryngitis before—in another show, Danny has problems with *his* throat, and he decides that he'll have to give up his part in the singing career of the Family, but leave it to his relatives to see that he doesn't! Other shows have the Partridges running up against motorcycle gangs, dancing bears, killer whales, tiny hamsters, and all those other ordinary things that happen to all of us any old day.

But I really think the best show will be the Christmas show. I don't want to spoil the surprise, so I'll only drop a few hints and get your curiosity up. All the Partridges appear in a fantasy, wearing costumes, protecting the spirit of Christmas from evil—all in good fun, of course. As I write this now we haven't begun shooting on that show, and so when we do, maybe then I'll write a longer article about it.

Well, that just about takes care of all my news for this month. We are more than halfway through this year's filming schedule, which just doesn't seem possible to me; the time is going by so quickly. Now that the cast of the "Partridge Family" are going out on their own—such as David's single recordings—I'm sure that you will be reading more and more about them, seeing them on other television shows, seeing their pictures in many magazines.

So far Susan has had a feature article



NO MATTER what's happening, you can usually find Danny with a smile on!

about her in *Look* magazine, and all this week and last week David has been interviewed and photographed by people from *Life* magazine. Isn't it nice to be able to say, "Well, I knew them when they were just beginning," which is what we all can say who have known the Partridges from their first show. You can believe me, all the Partridges are nice to know!



LUNCH ON LOCATION at the 20th Century Fox Ranch means a smorgasbord-type meal served by a catering firm. It's usually pretty good too!