

DAVID — What They Whisper Behind His Back!



"I heard a rumor that David Cassidy is married! Is it true?"

"I'd like to know if David Cassidy really believes that Bobby Sherman is trying to wreck his career? I read this in another magazine — not 16."

"There's a horrible rumor going around our school — that David Cassidy is dead! Please tell me they are wrong! Please say he is alive!"

"My girl friend told me that she heard that David Cassidy was arrested and put in jail. I couldn't believe it! Please straighten me out!"

"I heard that David Cassidy has a real sister — that his mom Evelyn Ward and his dad Jack Cassidy had a baby girl after David was born. What is the truth about David's sister?"

Perhaps the most cruel and malicious thing in this whole world is *gossip-ing* and *rumor-spreading!* And beautiful, talented, hard-working David Cassidy has not escaped this vicious net! While David spends nearly *all* of his waking hours either filming *The Partridge Family* at the Screen Gems studio in Los Angeles, cutting records with Wes Farrell in Western Recording Studios in the evenings and

doing live concert tours all over America on weekends — there is a large band of nasty little creeps out there in the world somewhere who spend nearly all of *their* waking hours doing nothing but gossiping about David Cassidy and spreading terrible rumors about him!

If you need a few examples to get the point, just take a look at the beginning of this story. Those kind of heart-breaking inquiries are the direct result of David Cassidy lovers being victimized by a group of rumor-mongers who only seem happy when whispering dreadful things about David behind his back! But hold on there — cos you're about to find out the *truth* about *all* the things that are whispered behind David's back! Beginning with the opening quotes on this page, the record is now about to be set straight!

David married? — No, no, a thousand times *no!* There are a couple of girls David has dated more than once. But he does not have a "for real" girl. David loves girls and dates as often as his free time and energy will permit. But he has NOT been married, is NOT married — and does NOT have any wedding desires whatsoever. For the time being, it's *no bride for David!*

As for the relationship between David Cassidy and Bobby Sherman — they have met, worked together, got on just swell and do not socialize together. The reason that Bobby and David do not go out socially together is simply that neither of them has much time to go out *anyway*. And if they *do* discover some "social" time on their hands, it's usually at the last minute, and you can bet your Sunday bonnet that David is not about to call up Bobby to find out what he's doing for an evening — or vice versa! Bobby has made a clear, concise statement to all 16 and SPEC readers that he *really* dug working with David and thinks that David is an extraordinary talent. David, on the other hand, being a man of few words, has had very little to say about Bobby. Finally, under pressure to comment on Bobby Sherman, David succinctly said, "I am amused at the attempts of many to put me against Bobby Sherman. The teenage market has plenty of room for so-called 'idols' and it's absurd for anyone to create make-believe feuds. Like I say, there's plenty of room for myself, Bobby Sherman, the Osmonds, the Jackson 5 and many more." So, again, the answer is no — no — *no*, Bobby Sherman is *not* trying to wreck David Cassidy's career!

No one knows where that horrible "*David is dead*" rumor started, but it's not unlikely that it *could* have happened at the time of the Los Angeles earthquake early last spring. It's delightfully and abundantly clear to all of us who look at David on TV, or listen to his recordings, or go to his live concerts that our darling adorable DC is very much alive and well — and kickin' up a storm!

That horrid "*David arrested*" rumor started when an unknown deejay decided to get *himself* some publicity and babbled some inanities about David being "busted" on the radio. A personal phone call from David himself straightened the whole matter out. But, wow — what a terrible way for some unknown deejay to get himself some "free" publicity!

David's very own mom, Evelyn Ward, who has written numerous articles about David for 16 and SPEC, was *mighty surprised* when she heard this one! After she got over the initial shock, Evelyn burst out laughing and assured one and all that David does not have a real sister *at all!* He only has three half-brothers. They are Shaun, Patrick and Ryan, sons of David's dad's second wife (and David's TV mom), Shirley Jones.

So, once again, if you're a David Cassidy lover and you hear the terrible repercussions of what some people whisper behind David's back, *don't panic*. Just pick up the latest issue of 16 and SPEC Magazines, browse through them, and you will find out the truth, the whole truth and nothin' but the truth about David Bruce Cassidy!!