

where their show's filmed. One special room is covered wall-to-wall with photographs of their fans! . . . Stefan Arngrim is writing a science fiction story about a man who dies, but is later "recharged" like a battery, and brought back to life! . . . Neil Diamond is going into semi-retirement following his spring tour, in which time he plans to rest and concentrate on new dimensions in music. . . . Didyouknow there are approximately 24,000,000 people tuning in weekly to see "The Partridge Family?" ... Barry Williams has purchased a stereo and tape recorder unit for selfimprovement as a singer. . . . Kurt Russell vacationed briefly in the East before returning to work on a new film for Disney.... After having directed his first episode of "Medical Center," Chad Everett found the cast and crew so co-operative, he threw a surprise "thank you" party to show his appreciation! . . . Rod Stewart has purchased a castle in Brookshire, England for over a quarter of a million dollars. It's complete with a moat, guest bedrooms, six bathrooms and three kitchens, and Rod couldn't be happier! . . . David Cassidy received the 1971 Golden Apple Award as "Newcomer of the Year" by the Hollywood Women's Press Club. Other nominees were Ben Murphy and Mitch Vogel.... The Grass Roots are one of the hottest American groups in Russia, and recently did a special ten minute program of music and interviews that was translated into Russian for their fans. . . . Mark Lindsay's wearing a cast on his sprained foot which was injured in a fall on an unlit staircase....Bill & Brenda Bixby vacationed recently in Mexico. . . . Filming had to be interrupted on the set of



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"Eddie's Father" when Brandon Cruz came down with chicken pox. . . . Barry Williams was given the opportunity to work behind the cameras for a change, as assistant producer for an upcoming movie.... Cat Stevens received two Canadian "Maple Leafs," (the equivalent of gold records) for his albums "Tea for the Tillerman" and "Teaser and the Firecat".... Steppenwolf's John Kay is going to temporarily step out of the group to record a solo album Creedence Clearwater should release a live LP recorded in Europe late this spring. . . . Keith Moon of the Who emceed Sha Na Na's Carnegie Hall concert, and had a gold lame suit made

specially for the occasion. . . . The Four Tops probably set a record for "grouplongevity"-they've been together 17 years! . . . Bill Bixby is scheduled for a "Laugh-In" appearance this season.... Grand Funk Enterprises is marketing patches, belt buckles, earrings, book covers, bottle openers, necklaces, cuff links, and stationery, all carrying the "E Pluribus Funk" design. . . . Priscilla Presley gifted Elvis with an Italianstyled royal throne chair for their home. ... Jose Feliciano, who has been blind since birth, wanted very much to test for the part of the blind boy in the movie "Butterflies are Free," but was told the part required an experienced actor. He cheerfully replied "I guess I wasn't the type!" . . . Grass Root Warren Entner's home was featured in the movie "The Beloved Infidel" 25 years ago.... Ringo Starr will appear in an upcoming flick as an outer space man who takes over the world.... Those purchasing Neil Young's album "Harvest" are in for a real buy! Among the artists sitting in on the recording session were Crosby, Stills and Nash, Linda Ronstadt and James Taylor. . . . Santana arrived in Lima, Peru for eight benefit concerts for victims of the 1970 earthquake, but were run out of the city before the scheduled events got underway. The Students' Federation at San Marcos University considered the gesture "an imperialist invasion," and the group was forced to return to Los Angeles, minus their luggage and equipment, valued at \$300,000.... Happy birthday to David Cassidy, Apr. 12; Brian Forster, Apr. 14; Jimmy Osmond, Apr. 16, and Merrill Osmond, Apr. 30.



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