



ALL THE GOSSIP!

Hello from Hollywood! How are things in your world?

I saw three really fantastic concerts this month, two of which were by the **Osmond Brothers**. I was in New York to visit with my home office people and caught the **Osmonds'** concert at Madison Square Garden. Believe it or not, it was the first time I'd seen them in concert! I've spent a lot of time talking with them at home, in recording studios and in TV studios, but I had to go all the way to N.Y. to see one of their live concerts.

They were as great as I expected them to be, and more so. This group really works out on stage! Then I flew back to Hollywood just in time to catch them again here at the Forum. They were still great here, but the sound system was a bit crackly and they'd all come home with colds after the cold weather in N.Y., so the sound wasn't quite as good, but it didn't seem to matter. They still put on a fantastic show. Don't miss an **Osmonds** concert if you get the chance! That's an order.

Among those in the audience at the Forum were **West Stern**, **Pat Boone** and family, **David Holmes** and **The Sylvers**, a new group who are being produced by the **Osmonds**—you'll be hearing more about them soon.

The whole group showed up afterwards for a party at the home of MGM President, **Mike Curb**. But

early the next day they were back at work, recording and rehearsing. This group never rests.

I also saw **The Who** in concert at the Forum and thoroughly enjoyed almost two solid hours of some of the best rock and roll I've heard in some time. This group has been around for quite a while and they just keep getting better and better. Not only are they fantastic musicians but they also put on a very exciting show.

I caught a glimpse of **Keith Allison** in the audience and he seemed to be having a great time. It was a good month for good concerts.

Stuff and Junk—**David Holmes** won't be appearing on "The New Dick Van Dyke Show" after all. He got a better offer to stay with the play "You're A Good Boy Charley Brown" and decided to stay with it. But I have a feeling you'll be seeing a lot more of him very soon.



Vital Statistics—**Roger McQuinn** of the **Byrds** recently married **Linda Gilbert**...It's a boy for **Mr. and Mrs. Michael Pinder** of the **Moody Blues**—named **Daniel Elan**, born in Wimbledon, England..And it's a girl for **Mr. and Mrs. Michael Landon** of "Bonanza"—named **Shawna**, born in Los Angeles.

Sad news for **STEPPENWOLF** fans—the group will tour no more. They are now strictly a recording band and will not go on the road any more. 'Bout the only time you'll see them will be on occasional TV shows. Personally I think their latest single "Tenderness" is the greatest song they've ever done. I just love it!

Hey, did you know that **Jermaine Jackson** called **Merrill Osmond** up on the phone and challenged all of the **Osmonds** to a basketball game with the **Jacksons**? The **Osmonds** are a little better at football than basketball but if the two groups can ever get their schedules worked out so they can do it, you can bet it'll be a historic game! Any bets on winners?!

Bobby Sherman was up for the starring role in a movie called "The Mechanic" but negotiations fell through and the part went to **Jan-Michael Vincent**, who's a fine actor and should do a marvelous job of it. But I wish **Bobby** would get a movie role—I'd like to see him tackle something a little different from what he's done in the past.

Hey, guess what?! My very first novel is now available. It's called "The **DAVID CASSIDY** Story" and it's the official, authorized biography of **DAVID**. I really kind of enjoyed writing it and discovering just how much I do know about him. It's out in paperback now.