## the LOdown

Those cute **Carpenters** keep rolling along. Aside from all their hit A&M records and TV appearances and live concerts, they've cultivated a brand new and super-groovy "look." Just take a peek at Karen and Richard's pic on this page and then drop a line to 16 to let us know if you approve. And don'tcha dare miss the Carpenters in their upcoming guest appearance on CBS-TV's The Carol Burnett Show-it ought to be a gas!!... Say hello to one of Canada's fav groups-Five Man Electrical Band. Their first record Signs was a hit, and so was their second -You're Absolutely Right. Their first MGM/Lionel album is Goodbyes And Butterflies. If you wish to, you may write to these five groovy guys at MGM Records, 7165 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, California.

Here's a shot of darlin' **Desi Arnaz**, **Jr.** as he appears in a forthcoming ABC made-for-TV-movie Mr. and Mrs. Bo Jo Jones. Desi Jr. also did a recent quest on NBC's The Night Gallery... Gary Rist, who starred in the recently-released Crown International Picture The Young Graduates, is a young guy to watch! He recently completed a segment for The Brady Bunch and then he began work on a new flick, The Hoax. Keep an eye out for this 21-year-old doll-cos he's gonna be big!...!f you've finally recovered from that hair-raising thriller of a film Willard-you probably haven't gotten over groovy Bruce Davison! Well, Bruce will be starring in MGM's forthcoming movie Jerusalem. This is a suspensefilled flick that finds Bruce in Israel-dealing with such touchy subjects as war, politics and love!



Karen & Richard Carpenter



## DAVID'S DOG "SAM" DIES!

To DAVID CASSIDY, his three-year-old black and white spotted terrier "Sam" was more than just his favorite pet - Sam was truly David's best pal! And it was with great sorrow that 16 and SPEC learned that Sam died early this past October. Very briefly, what happened was that Sam got in a fight with some neighborhood dogs and they ganged up on him, beating him very badly. The vet did everything he could to save Sam's life, but an infection set in and David lost one of the dearest "friends" he ever had.

It seems like an odd thing to say about a dog, but Sam was quite an unusual "person." He had a very distinctive personality and his good-natured moods ranged from mischievousness to good humor to understanding to deep loyalty. When David was tired or lonely, he could always tell his troubles to Sam and somehow Sam always managed to help him feel a little better - or even put him in a good mood.

When the tragedy occurred, David didn't want to talk to anyone about it, but — ultimately — he did break down and speak of it. When he performed in Chicago in mid-October, at one of the shows he said in hushed tones, "I recently lost my best friend — my dog Sam. And I'd like to dedicate a number to him." And then David sang his heart out for the friend whom he will never see again except in happy memories.



Five Man Electrical Band



**Gary Rist** 



**Bruce Davison** 

