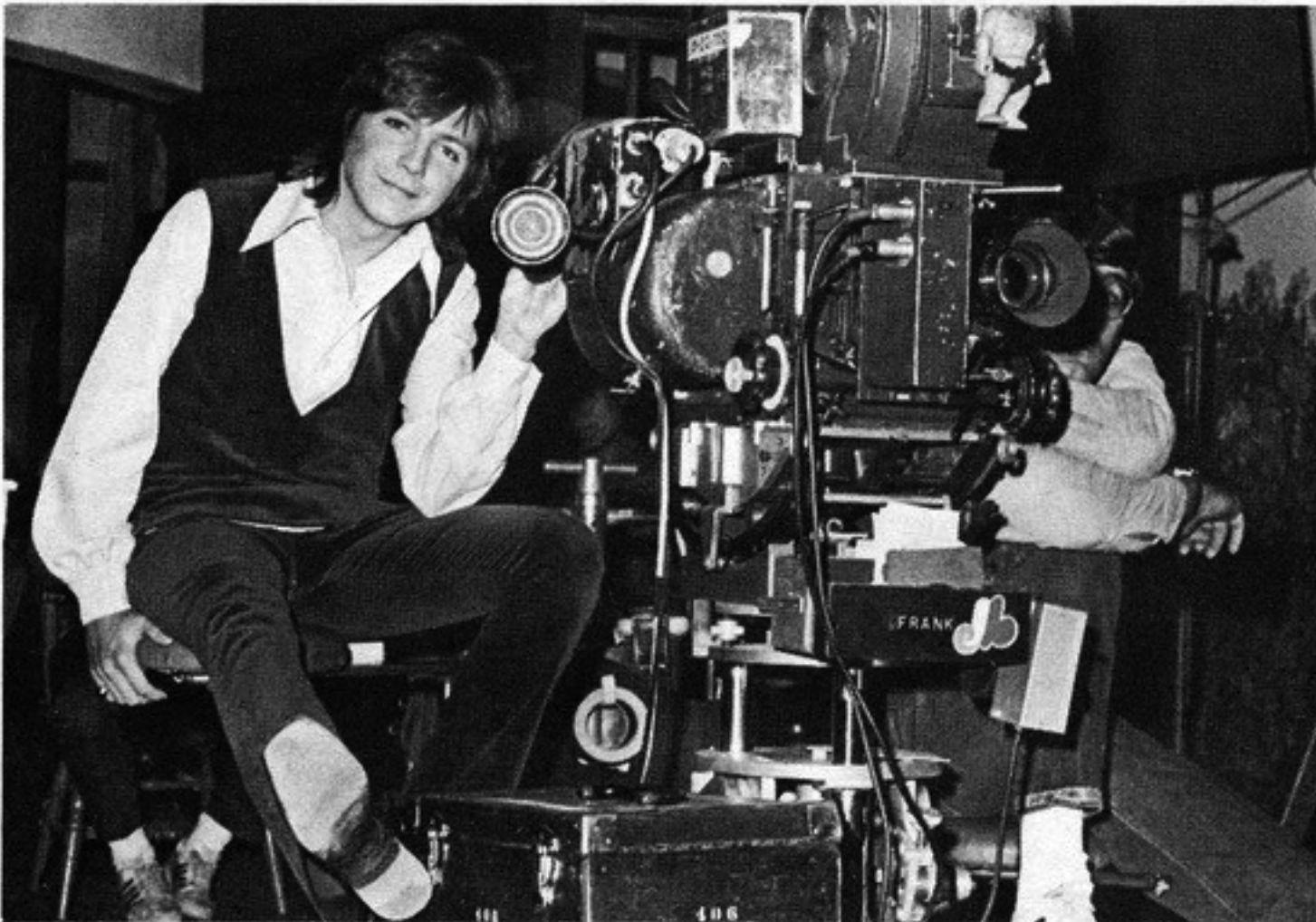




# CALIFORNIA CALLING...

Keep up with what's happening out West with our gal, Kathryn Paulsen!



David Cassidy's hard at work preparing for the second season of "The Partridge Family."

IT'S NEVER too early to wish you a merry Christmas, according to **THE PARTRIDGE FAMILY**. Plans for their special Christmas show are already set. It's going to be an all-musical fantasy with **DAVID CASSIDY** playing a singing cowboy! Also in the works Partridge-wise is one segment of the show this season that just might be expanded to an hour. It will be a double bundle of pleasure!

**BOBBY SHERMAN** continues to prove that he's a man of many talents. He recorded his last two singles, "The Drum" and "Waiting at the Bus Stop," in his own 16-track recording studio located in his parents' home in the San Fernando Valley. He did the whole job alone and did all the instrumentation himself, too. Bobby describes the process as rather simple. He plays and records each of the instruments needed

for the background one by one, then plays the pre-recorded instrumental tracks while he sings the vocals and records it on another set of tracks. Finally, he blends all the sounds together.

And speaking of Bobby, rumor has it that there's a starring role for him in the movie "Flynn," to be filmed in Dublin, Ireland. **PETER O'TOOLE**, **SAMANTHA EGGER** and **PATRICK McGOOGHAN** have already been cast in this particular flick. Maybe somebody thinks Bobby's British.

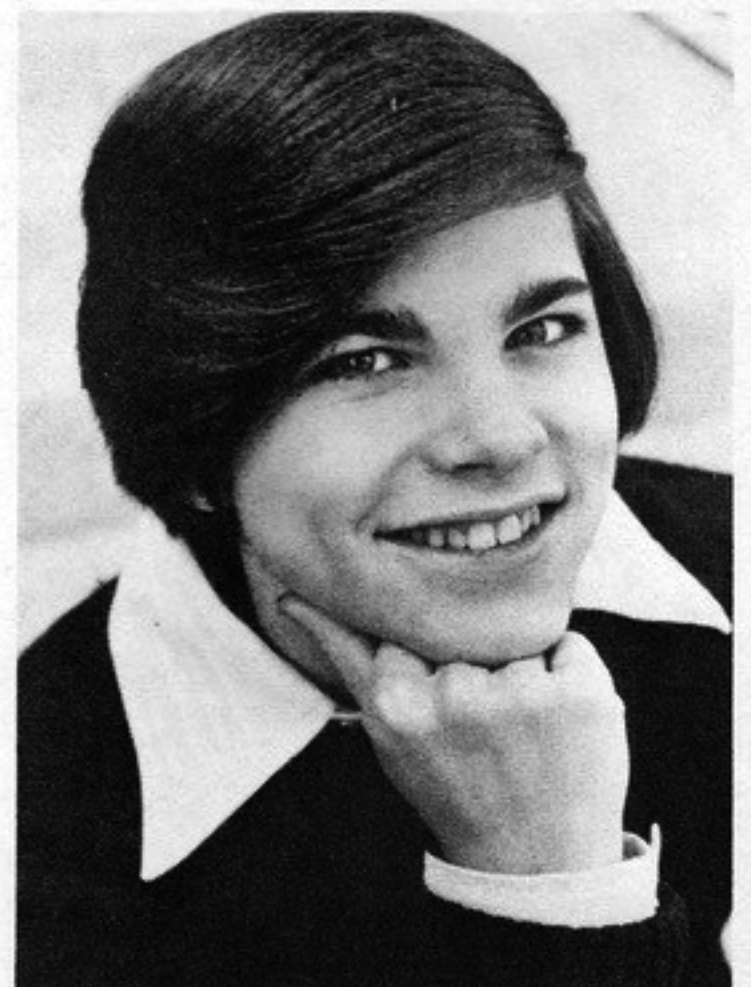
"Marcus Welby" star **JAMES BRO-LIN** is flying high these days. He's working toward getting his private pilot's license and enjoying every minute of it.

**BRANDON CRUZ** has grown very attached to one of the props used on a segment of his show, "The Courtship of Eddie's Father." It seems that he won't allow the prop men to throw out a huge

wired-up replica of the universe made out of a basketball, volleyball, tennis ball and various sized rubber balls. What's so special about this particular prop? It was used on the show in which former astronaut **GORDON COOPER** guest-starred.

It's very possible that the state of Idaho might have a brand-new state song before very long. **MARK LINDSAY**, who's a native of Idaho, has written one he hopes the state will accept. It's entitled "Exist Forever," which happens to be the state's motto.

**DAVID HOLMES**, that good-looking guy playing **DICK VAN DYKE**'s son on TV, is about to embark on a recording career. His first single is due out any second and will be on the United Artists label. Besides TV, David's been keeping busy appearing on stage in "You're A Good Man Charlie Brown" and "The King And I."



David Holmes has just embarked on a new phase of his career. He's recording now.