DAVID: TEARS BEHIND THE SMILES



The artificial lights glared intensely at the actors milling about the make-believe set, but one of them felt as if the lights were singling him out, and separating him from the rest.

The young actor was David Cassidy. The set for the "Partridge Family" had lost that old comfortable feeling and his "home away from home" was now threatening him with an uneasy feeling.

"I miss little Kula," he thought. David sighed as if to comfort himself. It had been months since little Kula had died, but David still shed tears for her. And today his lonely thoughts of her matched his sad, unexplainable mood.

David was deeply involved with the filming of one of the "Partridge Family" episodes, but today, his heart just wasn't in it. He watched two husky crewmen move the heavy sets around and let his mind drift away to more peaceful thoughts.

HIS DREAM INTERRUPTED

He dreamed he was sitting in the shade of the big tree in his yard. He had absolutely nothing to do but sit on the cool green grass and enjoy a restful moment of precious relaxation.

Relaxation! That was something that was as rare as rubies to David. How he cherished it!

The pleasure of his daydream was sharply interrupted by the commanding voice of the assistant director.

"Quiet on the set," he called. The actors and behindthe-scenes people settled into their work.

In this scene, David had to laugh hysterically at one of Danny's pranks.

"Roll 'em," called the director.

Danny said his lines perfectly and waited for David to pick up with the laughing scene.

"Well, here goes," David thought to himself.