

Jazz On Flavours

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vid's half-brother) is a member of a singing group called Jam, Jelly & Preserves... Mickey Finn, one-half of the T. Rex recording duo, used to be a professional painter, and even did the Beatles' original Apple Shop and Granny Takes a Trip boutique back in '67... Dennis Cole made his stage debut in "All the Girls Come Out to Play"... The Bee Gees had to be fitted for short-hair wigs prior to their Singapore concert tour. It seems the police not only disapprove of long hair, but they even have the authority to cut it off... Paul & Linda McCartney piled all their musical equipment



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into a truck and drove off aimlessly around the English countryside. They staged spontaneous concerts whenever the mood struck, and it was the first time Paul sang publicly since he appeared in "Let it Be" with the other Beatles back in '69... If all goes as planned, the next Osmond LP will contain songs written by them alone... We're sorry to report that David Cassidy's new puppy, Kula, came down with distemper a few months after she was born. Although the puppy was under a veterinarian's care, she was showing no signs of improvement and the vet couldn't save her... On premiere night in Westwood, the "Concert for Bangla Desh" film

catered to a star-studded audience! People like Ike & Tina Turner, Billy Preston, Ravi Shankar, Lee Michaels, Cass Elliott, Michele Philips, Jack Nicholson and Phil Spector turned up to see the flick... Nine-year-old Randy Jackson is taking piano lessons... Paul McCartney's group, Wings, has a new album coming out which'll include a rock song that incorporates the nursery rhyme, "Mary Had A Little Lamb"... Mark Lindsay enjoys finding new tunes on a piccolo from time to time... Captain Beefheart and Jethro Tull's Ian Anderson are thinking about someday touring together. In the meantime they've become close friends, and at a recent interview they attended together, the Captain unintentionally left be-



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hind his hat. Instead of returning it, Ian kept it for himself and sent him a gift box with a hat, raincoat, and magnifying glass in return!... The Carpenters received their sixth gold record, this time for "Hurting Each Other"... Rumor has it that Bob Dylan may form a new band with Mike Bloomfield on guitar... Keep your ears open for a great new song by Sandy Merrill called "America Proud Lady." With elections just around the corner, the song really gives you something heavy to think about!... Bill Bixby has all kinds of fruit trees in his yard, and guests who visit his Brentwood home are always impressed with his "miniature orchard!"... Mitch Vogel's group, the Sundowners, appeared in concert at

the Wilshire-Ebell Theater... Engelbert Humperdinck may own three Rolls Royces, a Mercedes Benz, 66 tuxedos and a country mansion, but he doesn't easily forget the days he didn't have it so good! Just six years back he could afford only a single suit at a time, and his big break came in 1966 when he was called in as a last-minute replacement on a TV show. It was then he sang "Release Me" for the very first time on television, and within days it sold 25,000 copies!... When the Osmonds were in England for their Royal Command Performance, they had the opportunity to meet George Martin, the former Beatles' producer. George showed an interest in the group, and hopes to someday work in their Los Angeles studio that's presently being built... As a teenager, Harry Chapin, the genius behind the song "Taxi," used to sing in the Brooklyn Heights Boys Choir with Bobby Lamm, who's now the vocalist for Chicago... Over the summer both Dave Madden and Bobby Sherman grew mustaches and looked as good as ever! (See page 18 for a peek at Bobby's new look!)... To many people's surprise, Desi Arnaz, Jr. and Liza Minnelli are engaged. He's 19 and she's 26... Be sure to catch Bobby Sherman on an upcoming episode of "Mod Squad" at the start of the new TV season... Happy birthday to the following Librans: Chris Stone, Oct. 4; Clarence Williams, Oct. 6; Marie Osmond, Oct. 13; Tito Jackson, Oct. 15; and Nino DeFranco, Oct. 19.



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