

# HIS SECRET DATES WITH N.Y. GIRL!



Susan Dey, David's Partridge Family co-star, is only a warm friend. But the mysterious girl with him at right is presumably more than just a friend.



No one seemed to notice the slight figure as he walked unobtrusively through the hotel lobby, his coat collar up high, his pace rapid. He seemed just another young man, late for a date. Suddenly a covey of young girls did notice him and the chase was on. Ducking out a side door, David Cassidy jumped into a waiting limousine and sped off. Still there were persistent fans who followed, and as the big car weaved its way through the major city, where he was to do a concert the next night, and slowed, David slipped out, unobserved, finally alone. A nearby cab became his limo, and soon he was off into the night, his destination private, his feelings revealed only by

the soft smile on his lips. It is a night that will be devoted to looking for love in the only way he can, when there's no one looking. In this case it's a date with an old friend, a girl he knew once years before. But David knows that each new girl is a potential love and he wants to make sure that his search is private. For him that's the only way.

As much as he loves his fame and fortune due to *The Partridge Family*, and his magnetic effect on teenage girls all over the world, David sometimes looks back a few years when his only claim to fame was his father, Jack Cassidy, and stepmother, Shirley Jones. Even that was too much for him, and he was happiest living an obscure life

in New York City with his mother, Jack Cassidy's first wife, Evelyn Ward. But in the last three years, David has achieved his own show business fame and success, and, as he says, "I have no personal life anymore. I'm public property, everyone wants a little piece of my time, and I have to give it. If I want to date a girl I have to be a really sneaky guy, unless I want a public date with everyone following us around. I don't like those very much. I never get a chance to know who I'm going out with because we're both always on then. The best dates I have are when I can sneak away, and do the things I used to do before *The Partridge Family*, like go to /continued on page 74