

THE GRAPE-VINE

AFTER "totaling" his Datsun sports car several months ago, JACKIE JACKSON (who walked away from the accident without a scratch) bought himself a green Chevrolet Camaro sports car! Be careful, Jackie!! Brother TITO just got *himself* a Pontiac Firebird... When DAVID CASSIDY met DONNY and the OSMONDS at Western Recording Studios in Hollywood recently, SPEC's "spy-on-the-scene" overheard Donny and David agreeing that the JACKSON 5 are one of their favorite groups! And here's a *super J5* flash for you: Each and every one of those handsome Jackson-boys will be cutting a *single* record soon! So far, MICHAEL (of course) and JERMAINE have cut solo singles. Look for JACKIE's, TITO's and MARLON's to be upcoming soon. What's more, Michael has a Motown solo LP coming your way too. That's the spirit, boys—the more the merrier!!

David Cassidy's new, 23-week-old English Setter puppy, "Kula," died recently after a long bout with pneumonia. Once more, David was deeply saddened by the loss of a pet he truly loved. All SPEC-ers extend their sympathy to David over "Kula's" death.

Because so many of David's more enthusiastic fans insist on "raiding" his secret hideaway home, David soon—like the JACKSONS—will have to get a killer dog! He'll be getting a specially-trained German shepherd—so all you home-invading DC lovers best "beware of the dog!" (Of course, you could always disguise yourself as a female German shepherd!)

BOB and Nanci COWSILL are happy to announce the birth of their first baby. His name is JASON LLOYD and he was born on May 28 in Los Angeles. Meanwhile, the COWSILL boys—BILL, BOB, BARRY and JOHN—comprise a mighty great singing group. Let's hope we'll be hearing *lots* from them *soon*!... And speaking of babies, TOMMY and LYN OSMOND are expecting their first little Os-bundle in mid-December. That means darling DONNY will be an uncle for the *fourth* time!... *Tain't so* that SUSAN DEY's engaged! She *does* go steady with PF producer-director-writer DALE McRAVEN, but—according to our sweet Susan—there are *no* wedding plans for the moment.

Jumpin' JACK WILD—one of your all-time faves—is cooling his heels in England for a bit after finishing the Paramount movie *Pied Piper*. Right now, Jack is busy writing a TV series that he hopes to star in—with a cast of regulars. At press time, he was contemplating whether to accept an invitation to do a feature role in an upcoming movie which will star RICHARD BURTON, DANNY KAYE and PETER SELLERS. Pretty good company, *n'est-ce pas?*... Those two *Godfather* dolls, JAMES "Sonny" CAAN and AL "Michael" PACINO, are sure busy these days. JAMES, whom you recently saw on the first episode of CBS-TV's *The David Steinberg Show*, is scheduled for a starring role in MGM's upcoming, full-length movie *Slither*. And AL, who just completed a starring role in *The Basic Training Of Pavlo Hummel* at the repertoire Theatre Company of Boston, hopes to take this



Nanci & Bob—happy parents

production to London for six months—*then* he will *definitely* accept the starring role in the "Don Michael" sequel to Paramount's *The Godfather*. They made him an offer he couldn't refuse!... Ex-*Dark Shadows* star DENISE NICKERSON just completed a starring role in an *Owen Marshall, Counselor At Law* segment and has several more TV guest shot roles comin' up! Another cute *DS*-er, KATHY CODY, stars in Disney's upcoming movie *Snowball Express*. Stay tuned!

Brilliant and beautiful young symphony conductor MICHAEL TILSON THOMAS has been named director and conductor of the New York Philharmonic's Young Peoples' Concerts series for the next two seasons! That means that if you live in or near New York City (or happen to be visiting there), you'll be able to see Michael do his thing at New York City's Lincoln Center Philharmonic Hall on October 28 of this year and on February 3 and April 7 of 1973. LEONARD BERNSTEIN, who has served as director for the series for the past 15 years, has given up this position due to his extremely busy schedule. Talented and promising Michael T.T. is the guy he selected to fill his shoes. For full info on the Young Peoples' Concerts, send your question—along with a self-addressed, stamped envelope—to: Young Peoples' Concerts, Philharmonic Hall, Broadway at 65th Street, New York City 10023.

Former lead singer of super-group VELVET UNDERGROUND, lean-lookin' LOU REED has stepped into the solo spotlight with a new spikey-soundin' RCA LP *Lou Reed*, as well as a foot-stompin' single *I Can't Stand It*... And our all-time fav, beautiful BUZZY LINHART, has finally broken through with the *ultimate* LP—it's just called *Buzzy* and it's on Kama Sutra. Itza *don't miss*—so go getcha copy *now*!... Another *don't miss* is wonderful WAYNE NEWTON's super Chelsea Records LP *Daddy Don't You Walk So Fast*—which also includes the DAVID CASSIDY and PF smash single *I'll Meet You Halfway*... And—savin' the sweetest for the last—don'tcha dare miss STEVE GOODMAN's stunning LP on Buddah Records. It's simply called *Steve Goodman* and includes such room-rockers as *City Of New Orleans* and *Yellow Coat*. Liner notes on the back of Steve's album are written by his best friend JOHN PRINE—and *they're* pretty groovy too!!

RIDDLE OF THE MONTH: What top teen performer (and he's not the only one) may have to cancel his summer in-person concert schedule cos his "adoring" fans won't stay in their seats at his concerts—they rush onto the stage *en masse*, grab him, tear at his clothes and pull at his hair?! So spread the word 'mongst your concert-going pals—cool it at those top pop concerts or else you may never *ever* get to see your fav in a live appearance *again*!!



James as "Sonny"



Al as "Michael"



Jack Wild



Michael Tilson Thomas



Lou Reed



Beautiful Buzzy

Wonderful Wayne



Stunning Steve

