

The new Partridge season is really shaping up to be the best batch of Partridge shows ever! But don't take my word for it... here's what the Partridges themselves have to say...

"I've had the greatest songs to sing this season! As a matter of fact, in one show, Danny played lead guitar, and all I did was sing!" said David Cassidy one day last week.

David, Danny and I had just grabbed a sandwich from the ever-present lunch truck, and in between sips of Coke and bites of sandwich, Danny agreed with David.

"That's right! I had a terrific time playing lead guitar, since it was a whole new experience! But I have to admit that my favorite show this season is the one where I play a hippie! Harvey, the wardrobe man, took a pair of my jeans, and sewed patches, on the back, and silver star studs on the bottom! They were great! I was allowed to keep them after the show was over!"

By this time, Shirley Jones and Dave Madden were in on the conversation, and when I asked about their reactions to this season's scripts, I got only positive answers!

THE RED HAIR GOT CUT... OH! NO!

Actually, it wasn't as bad as you'd think, I just wrote in that title to keep you interested! But, the famous head did have shears taken to it! Danny was very nervous on the way to the studio barber shop, to say the least! But, standing outside making excuses not to go in for almost an hour must have gotten to be a bore, and he finally went inside.

While he was inside, I practiced smiling and lines like, "Hey, Dan, it doesn't look that different!" or, "You



DANNY got his red hair cut—like it?

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look great" or, "You look ten years younger!"

I decided to skip the last line, and continued to wait for my little brother. Finally I saw him fly through the door, and the first thing I noticed was a big grin across his face... he was smiling, of all things! Then I saw his hair, and no wonder he was smiling! It really did look great! The barber had shaped it in a style quite similar to David Cassidy's shag of last year!

"It really looks good, doesn't it?" Danny asked, and believe me, it was a pleasure to truthfully say yes!

SUSAN DEY... HIJACKED?

Don't worry, kids, just another snappy title, but then again, there is some truth to it!

Susan Dey worked very hard on a Charlton Heston movie during hiatus, and it's finally been released! It's called "SKYJACKED," and it's about a hijacking! The first time I caught a glimpse of the flick was late one night, when insomnia had gotten the better of me, and I was staring wide eyed at the late night talk shows! I was flipping the dial back and forth, from one station to another, when all of a sudden I saw Susan Dey talking to a stewardess! I couldn't believe it! But I watched the whole clip (is was just a small preview, about a minute and a half) and it was fantastic! I was very impressed by Susan's talent!

I talked to Susan the next day, and she was very excited. "Of course, I saw the movie when they finished editing it, but only the actors and directors and other 'studio people' were seeing it. It was really different knowing that there were people watching, who might go and see your movie! I was watching it, and I was suddenly very nervous about my performance, even though there was nothing I could do about it if I didn't like it!"

I assured her that she had nothing to worry about; she was terrific. Susan blushed, but she seemed relieved having someone there to reassure her!

DANNY PLAYS A GENERAL'S SON ON LOCAL SHOW

Another Partridge who did extra acting was Danny Bonaduce! Danny played the son of a general in an educational TV production of "Invitation to a March," which aired on channel 28, in Los Angeles just a week ago!

"I really didn't do much, just sort of wandered in and out of the play, teasing people, and banging on a drum."

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