



# CALIFORNIA CALLING...

Keep up with what's happening out West with our gal, Janey Milstead!

**OUR OSMONDS:** Ever wonder what **Donny & Company** do while they're relaxing in Utah? Well, here's a few thingies they did this last summer, between concerts and recording sessions. Sports nuts **Jay** and **Jimmy** spent lots of time playing baseball, **Wayne** had camping fever and made many trips (some with his brothers and some alone), **Alan** and **Merrill** did lots of fishing (more fishing than catching, but don't tell 'em I said so). **Donny** spent his time up to his eyebrows in screw drivers, piano strings, and assorted electronic goodies, as usual. First he re-wired the neat piano with the flashing purple lights that he uses for nightclub appearances, and then he went to work on the organ, trying to figure out an easier way to get that now-famous "Crazy Horses" sound.

**Marie** tripped to Nashville with her mom (who's known to friends as Mrs. O.) to make her first single record. It should be available in record stores by the time you read this.

Summer also brought with it the annual **Osmond family** re-union which was a blast as always, and **Alan's** 24th birthday on June 22.

**VACATIONSVILLE:** **David Cassidy** and all the **Partridges**, the **Brady Bunch** and all our fave telly people enjoyed their first summer vacation in a long time, due to the writers strike which pushed the starting date on all shows up by months. **David** played host to his mom who visited him for several weeks, and only went to the studio one-half day to film TV ads for this coming season of **Partridge** shows. This fall, his show is on opposite "All In The Family" and won't that cause some spectacular family fights in homes where there's only one set.

**David** spent most of his time sitting around his pool, getting a super tan, and playing with Bullseye, his English doggie. His solitude was briefly interrupted by the arrival of a large mysterious package from Europe, but it turned out to be the old coat he'd worn there to keep from catching cold and



The Allen Family, four brothers and one sister, might be the next big rock group.

forgotten about when the weather turned sunny.

As for who'll play the boy next door to the Partridges, I can only tell you who won't be. **Michael Gray**, **David Holmes** and **Barry Williams** are all out of the running. Rumor has it that the choice will be between two lads named **Simon Turner** and **Wesley Ure**, but your guess is as good as mine and theirs at this point.

The **Brady Bunch** continued to do concerts here and there until they were finally called back to work, and their TV mom was a smash in Las Vegas in more ways than one. **Florence** broke a rib during rehearsal on opening day, but she got out the tape and the show went on.

While **Richard Thomas** was waiting to go back to work, he and girlfriend **Sian-Barbara Allen** spent lots of time watching television. That might not sound very unusual to you, but it was for him because he didn't have a television

set until he won the Emmy for "**The Waltons**". When CBS heard that bit of news they sent him over a brand new color freebie.

**Jon Walmsley** spent part of his time working in a couple of commercials. You probably caught him on the Glad Bag goodie, right?

**HEYWOODS HAPS:** Helped **Bo Donaldson** celebrate his nineteenth birthday at an afternoon picnic in Hollywood's Griffith Park. Good times, good munchies and lots of red, white and blue balloons were had by all. This was also a send-off for another mini-tour, this time for **Dick Clark**, which took them to Macon, Ga., Knoxville, Tenn., Riverside Park in Mass. and Tucson, Arizona. **Bo** and the **Heywoods** also entertained at the super fair sponsored by **Doris Day's** Actors & Others For Animals, along with **Rick Nelson** and his **Stone Canyon Band**. The fair was held at the Columbia Ranch in Burbank, home of many famous telly series including "**The**