

Screen Scene!

TV Tidings!

Things are certainly hopping in Hollywood! The word's out that there may be a new character on "The Partridge Family" next season and every young actor around is lining up to audition.

There's no definite word yet but our best sources say that sometime around Thanksgiving a new family will move in next door to the Partridges—and will include a good looking young boy, about the same age as Keith Partridge who just happens to sing!

If the character does materialize he'll just be a recurring role this season.



David Hartman

Cleveon Little

showing up in several, but not all episodes as the boy next door.

However—and here's the real reason everyone wants the role—if "The Partridge Family" survives the season opposite "All In The Family" (keep those cards and letters going to the network!), **David Cassidy** has let it be known that he will not be back for that fifth season. He will be back this fall, but that's his last season, he says!

So the new character's real purpose would be to take Keith's place in the fifth season—if it happens. What they'd probably do would be to have Keith go off to college in another state or something and then the new boy next door would join the singing group as the new lead singer.

So far the names that have been tossed around for the part include **Rick Springfield**, **Rick Leonard**, **Michael Gray** and **David Holmes**! Who would you like to see on it?

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Be sure you get next month's edition of **Flip** because we should be able to tell you *if* the character will be added and, more important, *who* will play it!

Speaking of **Rick Springfield**—he'll have his own animated cartoon series on ABC-TV this fall. He'll do all of his own voices, just like the **Osmonds** do on their cartoon show, and he'll compose all the music. It's to be called "Mission: Magic" and sure sounds like fun. Watch for it!

All the new TV series are just about to start production (pending the outcome of a very sticky writer's strike) and so all the stars have been straggling back into town from their vacations.

Michael Ontkean's looking relaxed after skiing in Aspen, going home to visit friends and relatives in Canada, and quick trips to Connecticut and



Rick Springfield

Michael Douglas

Mexico . . . **George Stanford Brown** and his wife, **Tyne Daley**, are back from sojourns to Mexico and Spain.

In the romance department, things are as strong as ever for **Michael Douglas** of "The Streets Of San Francisco" and his **Brenda Vaccaro** . . . Also seen together a lot are "Kung Fu's" **David Carradine** and his lady **Barbara Seagull Hershey**.

A wedding, divorce and a baby in the movie news this month . . . **Karen Black** (remember her from "Five Easy



Paul Lynde

Michael Ontkean

Pieces"?) revealed that she's been secretly wed to her long time boyfriend, actor **Skip Burton** . . . It's a first marriage for both . . . Regretfully **Ryan O'Neal** and his wife **Leigh-Taylor Young** have been separated for a year now and have filed for divorce, though friends are still hoping they'll get back together . . . And **Tony Curtis** is a daddy again! It's another boy, named **Benjamin Anthony** for **Tony** and wife **Leslie**. They have another son, **Nicholas**—and **Tony** has four daughters by his two previous wives, **Janet Leigh** and **Christine Kaufmann**.

We got a sneak peek at some of the new shows on ABC this fall and think you're in for several good things. There're a couple of good looking young guys on "Bob & Carol & Ted & Alice," which looks like it should be a light fun show!

"Bonanza" fans will still have **Lorne Greene** around playing another father-figure type in "Griff," the story of a retired policeman. Now if we can only get **Michael Landon** back on TV too!

Some changes over at "Temperatures Rising!" **James Whitmore** has asked out of the show and **Paul Lynde**, who's own show was canceled, will be replacing him in a slightly different role. But the star will still be **Cleveon Little**; who's one of the funniest and skinniest guys around!

Michael Ontkean fans are going to have to be a bit patient this Fall—"The Rookies" is scheduled to go on after the NFL football game, so it's likely to be a little late starting some times, depending on when the game ends.

One last note for the month—if you haven't seen "Gone With The Wind" you are missing one of the greatest movies ever made. Do it this summer—you're guaranteed to sob by the end of this one! It's a must!