

DAVID CASSIDY (CIRCLED) MOBBED BY SCREAMING FANS Crowd Was Supposed To Dance In This Scene; It Didn't. (Sheckler Photos)

## 'I Saw His Leg And He's Just Gorgeous'

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KINGS ISLAND — A pre-teen-age girl in blue jeans climbed halfway through a security guard's knees and let out an ear-piercing squeal before he got her back behind the rope.

"He's so beautiful," she told her friend "I think I'm

going to faint."

"Did you see him, did you see him?"

"No, but I saw his leg and he's just gorgeous."

Girls squealed, parents heaved their children up on their shoulders to get a better look, and boyfriends pouted as their girlfriends pushed their way through the crowd to get just a glimpse of that super-hero David Cassidy.

On the other side of the rope that separated over 25,000 Kings Island visitors from the film crew and stars of the Partridge Family television show, cameramen adjusted and readjusted equipment, make-up and costume women fussed over stars Shirley Jones and Susan Dey, and guards scattered in every direction trying to find 13-year-old Danny Bonaduce, also of the Partridge Family cast.

What at times seemed like sheer havoc was just a day's work for the Partridge Family which was filming a television show at Kings Island yesterday.

A crew of 42 arrived at Kings Island Monday night to film the show, "I Left My Heart in Cincinnati," a story about David Cassidy who falls head over heels for a public relations girl at the park, played by former Miss America, Mary Ann Mobley.

It's the first time in three years that the show has moved out of Hollywood. Said one member of the crew, "It will be a change for our viewers. It's a lot of work and a lot of money to spend on one show but we think it will be worth it. We thought it would be nice if the people who watch our show got a look at the Midwest for a change."

For about every minute of show on television there are several hours of work for the film crew. The biggest part of the stars' time was spent waiting while lights were set at just the right angle, cameras were set up and loaded, and power lines were twined through the set.

Park patrons were amazingly well-behaved and other than a few kicked shins and sobbing girls, Warren County Sheriff's deputies and Wackenhut guards had little trouble.

The filming has gone smoothly too, reported stage hands. The only problems they had yesterday was when a fuse blew as they were filming a segment on the Eiffel Tower and trying to get the crowd to cooperate when they asked them to be part of the show.

The script plan had been to let the crowd come onto the set and dance around as the Partridge family danced with Hanna Barbera characters. They let the crowd in but they didn't dance. They just crushed the stars and snapped pictures of them.

Tuesday, when the crew was filming a segment on the roller coaster, there was a near disaster when a cameraman,



GIRL SCREAMS AT DAVID CASSIDY Partridge Family Was Filming Show

who was locked backwards ento the front of one of the cars, nearly toppled off when a bar that was holding him broke loose. Another crew member with him hung onto him and his camera until the car was stopped.

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The Partridge Family itself was delightful, waving to the crowd and clowning for them.

While waiting to film the dance segment, family members

Danny Bonaduce and Suzanne

Cough latched onto a baby carriage and took turns pushing each other around the roped off area to the applause and

cheers of the crowd.

Danny was the imp of the set, constantly getting into equipment he was not supposed to be getting into, punching it out with the guards and almost always disappearing when the crew was finally ready to film.

But not all people were impressed by the action. One young mother walked past the filming at the tower homemore and frowned. "It's a pretty crummy deal when you pay \$6 to get in here and you can't do the things you want to because a bunch of television people breezed in."