David Cassidy's career is short but brilliant

David Cassidy's short professional career has moved him into the limelight as one of television's brightest new young actor-singers. And despite the fact that his father is the famous Jack Cassidy, and his stepmother is the lovely Shirley Jones. David has achieved his place in the sun strictly on his own.

David co-stars in the role of Kelth Partridge on Screen Gems' ABC-TV comedy series with music, "The Partridge Fa-

mily."

Two albums by "The Partridge Family" and two singles, "I Think I Love You" and "Doesn't Somebody Want To Be Wanted," earned four Gold Records and a top pop favorite title for young David this past season.

David was born in New York City, and received his grammar school education in West Orange, New Jersey. He then moved to Los Angeles, where he attended Emerson Junior High School and graduated from Rexford, private school in Beverly Hills, California.

For a year after graduation David worked with the Los Angeles Theatre Group and was featured in the theatre's production of "And So To Bed." He then returned to New York to

appear in summer stock.

David took classes at the David Craig School of Musical Comedy, and won a co-starring role in his first Broadway musical, "The Fig Leaves Are Falling." When the play closed he returned to Hollywood, where he appeared as the lead on an episode of "Ironside," his first major television show.

He soon had a featured role in "The Survivors" at Universal. That was followed by guest appearances on "Marcus Welby," "Adam 12," "FBI" and "Bo-

nanza."