

The Saddest Story:

Surely, it has to be the tragic fate of **Brian Kelly** who waited twelve years for his big break on the screen, got it in the much coveted starring role in **The Love Machine**, and then couldn't do it because he was nearly killed in a motorcycle accident. He had worked in the Columbia picture only one week before fate dealt its cruel blow.

As this is written, Brian has still not come out of a deep coma resulting from his head hitting the curbstone when he was thrown from the cycle.

Producer **Mike Frankovich** held up production as long as he could—almost two

weeks. But when the doctors told him Brian would not be able to work for months and that he faced a long and delicate recuperation, the role was given to **John Phillip Law**. **Dyan Cannon** and everybody else in the cast of **Jacqueline Susann's** best-selling novel is just sick over what has happened to Brian.

There's just one happy note in this whole tragedy. Mike Frankovich tells me, "I intend to see that Brian gets another big opportunity with my company when he is able to work again. In fact, I am already looking for story properties to fit him. I intend to let him know this just as soon as he is able to hear and understand."

John Phillip Law, pictured with Kay Winters, replaces Brian Kelly in choice Love Machine role now that Brian's hospitalized.



Motorcycle crash did Brian Kelly out of chance for stardom. Hope he's well soon.