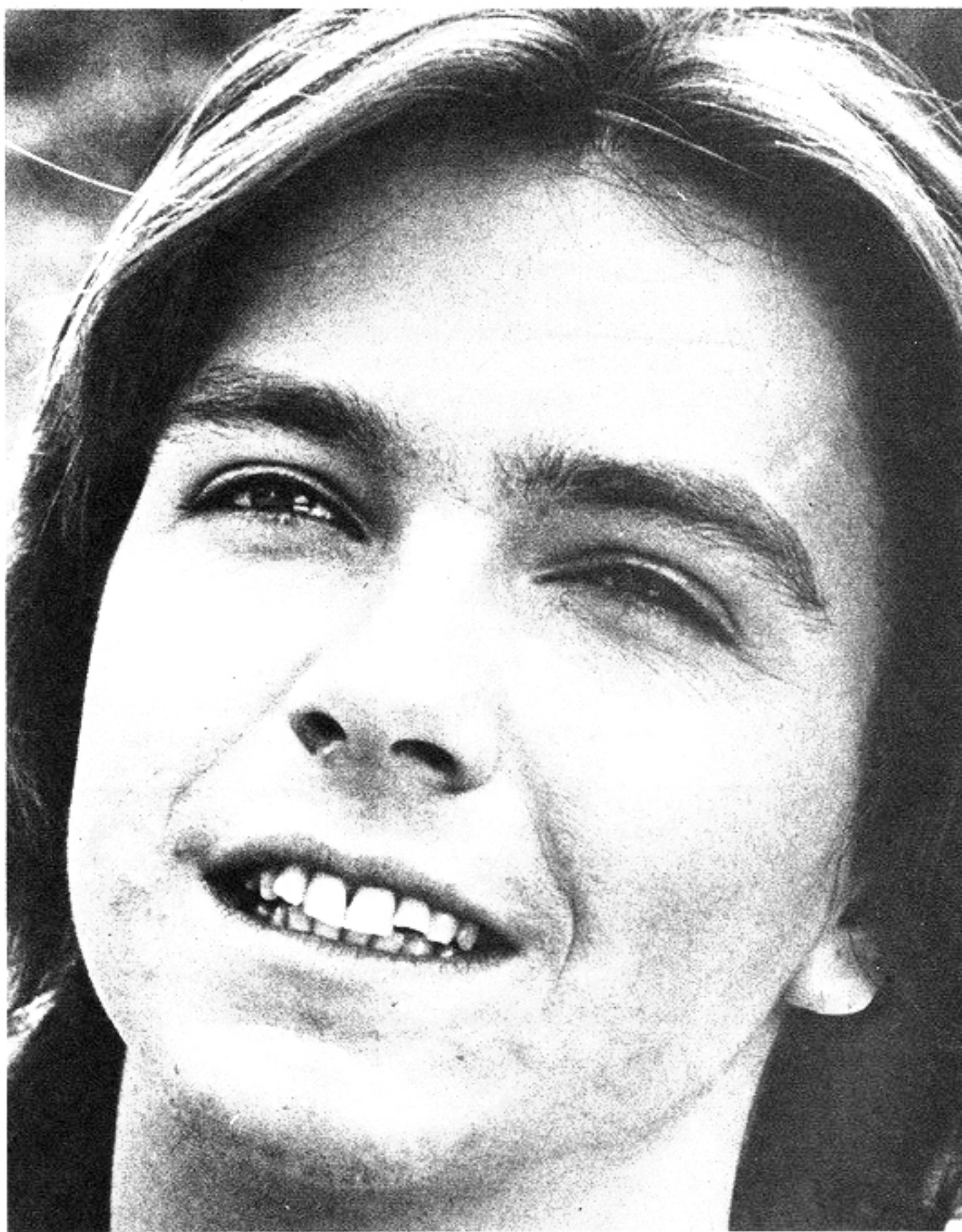


THERE'S usually a big smile on David's face. So many things in the world give him pleasure—his friends, his home, his career and, especially, his fans. But David is only human, and because of this there are times when he finds himself upset. Life isn't the way he wants it to be, and often when he feels this way other people are the cause of his unhappiness. "Could I make David unhappy?" you wonder. Well, chances are that even though you'd never dream of hurting David, you could bring him sorrow, force him to look at you with tears in his eyes and plead, "Don't make me cry anymore!"

What could cause a reaction like this? Well, cruelty is one sure way to turn David off, especially when this is directed at helpless animals. David feels that since animals are unable to communicate with their owners, their actions and attitudes must be studied. David despises people who punish their pets

with heartless beatings. Hitting a defenseless animal won't teach him right from wrong, but it could very easily teach him not to like you. David has seen animals neglected by their owners, and he has tried to help them, but each and every time he experiences this cruelty in others, David cries.

Tears also come to David's eyes when he hears gossip. Rumors are almost always a source of misery for someone, but it's usually difficult to stop them, and David has had his share of this kind of trouble. Last winter, a horrible story was started—David was supposedly dead and a look-alike was appearing in his place on the "Partridge Family." David was so aghast when he heard about this that he practically went into shock. But friends explained to him that successful stars are often the victim of vicious tongues and it was something he was just going to have to live with. The other big rumor of the year had David embroiled in *(continued on page 62)*



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