



DAVID BEGS:

"PLEASE LOVE ME!"

ago—and it was probably as disturbing as any letter he's ever received. The most disturbing thing about it is that it makes you wonder one thing—how many other people feel the same way Linda does?

"It was quite a shock for me to discover that some of my fans think I don't care about them," David says. "After all, as a performer, everything I do is, in one way or another, for them. And I try to do my best in everything I do so they get the best of me."

Can an entertainer ignore his fans? The truth is that it would be almost impossible for any actor to completely disregard his fans. That's because satisfied fans—people who are pleased with a performer's work and his whole image—are what make an actor a star. And David Cassidy is certainly a star! But David doesn't really think it's necessary to go running around all the time telling his fans how much he appreciates their ded-

ication and loves them. Instead of telling them, he shows them!

"I think I owe fans something," he admits. "I want to give the people who are kind enough to tune in and watch me on TV, buy my records or come to my concerts the best performance possible. Because they're giving me their time, it's only right that I give them my best. And I wouldn't want to step onto a stage or in front of a microphone or camera unless I knew I could do just that."

David is surely a very dedicated performer. When he's working on "The Partridge Family" he often spends as many as eleven hours a day at the studio—from the 7:30 A.M. makeup call to somewhere in the early evening hours. Then he spends more time working on either his music or script until he's ready for bed.

His weekends have become just as hectic in recent months, too. Because of

the thousands of fans he has all over the country who just want to see and hear him in person, David's been giving up his Saturdays and Sundays to make live appearances.

"I know it would be impossible to answer each and every letter I received from a fan or to acknowledge every single gift," David explains. "If I were to do that I'd be spending all my time just reading letters and answering them—I wouldn't have any time to perform. So I try to make my performances personal things to let people know I care."

But ever since David realized that there's at least one girl who questions his sincerity, he's begun to think even

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