



David finds producing an album can be a thirsty job. For an inside look at David at work, turn the page

as they print the truth. And, as he told Gerardo Rivera, "They chose a lot of things that one would think would be the opposite of what one would think of me . . . but I liked the article."

Another inevitable question, which David answered, and which was a tremendously demanding one, dealt with his private life. Perhaps because David has always been so reluctant to talk about that very personal, very sensitive part of his life, David seemed to be a bit nery about the question.

HONESTY

Still, in a manner that made me incredibly proud to know him, David answered the questions with the honesty and intelligence that I knew he was capable of.

So often, David, in the past has been quoted—and misquoted—on this very private subject.

In the *David Cassidy Magazine*, we have tried to bring you the truth about David. But still, you find people who try to tell you that David is "soon to be engaged to an English model", or that he is "secretly married to an American actress".

But, once and for all, he has announced his intentions and his true, honest beliefs for the American public.

David began in a quiet, thoughtful voice, to explain a bit about his private life.

"I have a couple of really good friends," he told Gerardo Rivera. "I have never really had a steady girl friend because I never had the time to devote to that kind of relationship. I have been working for nearly sixteen hours a day,

and oftentimes seven days a week.

"And that includes going away on the road, working at night on the show (that is, *The Partridge Family*, Ed.). "It also includes recording for the show, as well as actually filming. So I haven't really had the time to get too involved with anyone."

Throughout David's career, it has been impossible for him to devote the time and energy to any one person. Instead, he has had to think beyond himself, to the thousands of fans in his life.

But the most astonishing news was yet to come, especially for those who were hearing the *real* David Cassidy speak for the first time.

Because, I believe, even regular readers of the *David Cassidy Magazine* will be surprised to know what David has up his sleeve, even at this moment.

And you can believe me when I tell you that it won't be an unpleasant surprise.

David, when speaking about his future, told Gerardo that "A lot will depend on what I do with my career and what I do with myself as a human being in the next year. . . . I had a meeting with David Bowie and we talked about making an album in a month; so, maybe, I'll do that."

Since the time of that announcement, it has become increasingly clear that the two Davids may well be working together in the near, in fact very near future.

Recently, an undisclosed source close to Bell Records told me that the agreement was very close between Bowie's management and David.

And I can only think that this is just the sort of opportunity that David Cassidy needs. After the success of his fantastic version of "Please Please Me", everyone is beginning to pay attention to David as a serious performer, and not just as a "teeny-bop idol", as one of the national daily newspapers describes him.

Somehow, people find it hard to describe David as anything but a "teeny-bop idol".

David explained this to me quite a while ago. It is pretty much a result of the American influence. It seems that the American press, especially in the show business world, have a tendency to classify someone in a particular category and then completely forget them.

That means that if you make your name as an actor, even if you make a brilliant record, people tend to forget that, and remember that you were an actor.

DEVELOPMENT

Well, this particular iceberg has begun to thaw!

Since the press, and indeed the general public, have begun to realise that David and David Bowie are thinking of working together, they have become a great deal wiser.

Now, it's not only David's fans who are interested in his development—it's everyone in the world of music.

And it's about time. I predict that, in the next few months, David-watchers everywhere will begin to realise that there is more-much more—than has met the eye in the past.

And, for a change, it has been David himself who has done the talking!!