

WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT DAVID?

More winning articles about the places David has visited and his personal tastes

Well, here we are almost on the last lap of our 'Dossier on David' compiled by YOU! Much as we would like to print hundreds of the marvellous letters we've received—and are still receiving actually—I'm afraid we've got to call a halt somewhere. So we'll only be publishing winning entries in this and the next issue.

So here goes with our selections from the prize-winning letters in our What Do You Know about David competition.

Now, as you know, we didn't have a section for the longest letter about David, though we did have an awful lot of entries that would have had a chance of winning if we had! I just dread to think of the amount of paper you could have covered if you'd all been aiming for quantity! Anyway, we feel that special mention should be made of Viviette McKenzie from Camberwell, London, and Carolyn Mitchell from Doncaster, Yorkshire. You said you'd been writing for weeks, Viviette, and we could certainly believe that it must have taken you both that long to compile and write out all that you included about David.

Of course, we had letters from all over Great Britain and some of them had travelled a very long way before they finally reached their destination: my desk. But I think the letter that *must* have travelled the furthest came from Ada Kokkou, who wrote from Thessaloniki in Greece! So it seemed specially apt that Ada should write:

"Today in every corner of the earth there is a heart beating for David. There is everywhere a girl who really cares and is able and eager to offer everything she has for him. This, I think, is Love's real meaning. And we do love him." Ada also made special mention of David's love and concern for his fellow human beings, especially those less fortunate than himself. And this was

one of the facets of David's personality which has most impressed Fan Club member, Eleanor McBurney, of East Kilbride, Glasgow. She stressed:

"... David's love for fellow human beings, for animals, plants and for the world around him. Love seems to glow from him." Perhaps that is why David seems to attract so much love and devotion from fans and friends all over the world. Because, just as hate so often breeds hate, it stands to reason that love will breed love in the same way.

CARING

As Rachel Milnes pointed out in her very interesting letter: "David needs someone to care from him, but more important still someone *he* can care for. He needs to feel protective towards someone, to satisfy his need for contentment."

Rachel, who is sixteen and comes from Rotherham, Yorkshire, made a real effort to delve below David's surface image and capture the real person behind the glossy pictures.

"David is not a very open person," she wrote. "No matter how many times he poses for a photo or sits patiently through an interview, giving the impression that he is telling his true feelings, very often he is not. It may be a grain of the actual truth, but in fact David saves his real comments for his close friends and associates. He does not feel easy releasing his private life to millions of girls all over the world..."

His promoters have pushed him to the climax where he can no longer see his fans clearly as people but as numbers, while the promoters regard them as little dollar signs...

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