

BOBBY

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in through the windows. He sank into his favorite chair, leaned back and tried to lose himself in the music.

But he couldn't. He was thinking about other things. He was thinking about you.

But, you may wonder, how could he be thinking about you? You've never met him: he doesn't even know your name or what you look like.

And yet Bobby, like most performers, has a vivid imagination. And, in his thoughts, you were there in that lonely room with him, watching the twilight fall.

"I've always felt so close to my fans." Bobby explains. "I see them at my concerts, and I read their wonderful letters and I feel that I know them.

"I think most kids today are so with it," he adds. He doesn't think it's fair that just because some kids do crazy things, that all of them are criticized. "You hear so much about the bad ones, you forget about the others."

But Bobby doesn't forget. He can't possibly forget how much he owes his fans. And now he needs them—needs you—more than ever. Sitting there in his apartment, as the shadows crept into the room, he was very much aware of this need.

Not that he was gloomy about the future. For a talented performer like Bobby, future success is a sure thing. And yet—

He got up from his chair, switched off the stereo and began to pace the room as he always does when he is deep in thought. He picked up a pile of unopened mail from a desk, and leafed through it.

He opened one letter, and although the light was fading fast, the could still read the words. It was from a fan, a 14year-old girl in Idaho, and it told him how sorry she was to read that his series might be going off. "No matter what happens, I just want you to know, Bobby, that I think it was a wonderful show—and that you're wonderful, too."

Bobby held the letter for a moment, after he'd finished reading it. It was as if that girl he'd never met, that girl who might be you, had touched his hand. As though she were standing there beside him, reassuring him, telling him that she cared.

He put the letter down, carefully. He strode over and switched on the lights, and the room was bright and cheerful in an instant. That letter had done it. It had meant so much to Bobby right then.

And that's why we say, Bobby needs you now, needs the knowledge that you care about him, that you are concerned about his plans for the future.

With such support from you and all his wonderful fans, he knows that he will never have anything to worry about, that only good things lie ahead for him.

SUSAN

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and devote herself to them."

And she knows how to do it, because she started learning, really learning when she was eight years old and her own mother died of pneumonia. In Hollywood she has known loneliness. "I just didn't meet anyone to date. Oh, I met producers and directors, but they were older and usually married. I got terribly lonely."

"I'm in no hurry to get married," she finished. "But if and when I meet the right one, I won't be afraid of it. After all, isn't marriage what girls are best at?" And you can't help but wonder if she has met the right boy because there's a new glow about her.

DAVID

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friend, curly-haired Sam Hyman, who has been his buddy since junior high days. Now Sam, who is about the same size as David, is part of the Cassidy corporation, and is responsible for the retail sales of David Cassidy posters, Luv stickers Luv beads and several other projects.

What about conceit? It would be understandable if David had a good opinion of himself and showed it. But he laughs at this. "No way," he said. "In this business, you have to be realistic. But I owe my fans something. I really love them, you know? I want to communicate something to them, give something back for what they have given me. I want what I'm singing to get it on."

And then he went back to work, doing what he really likes best, acting before the cameras. You have the feeling that he is still in a state of surprise since he didn't expect this fantastic success to come to him. He accepts it though, takes it for what it's worth and won't shed any tears when it's gone.

Dates? He has them, of course, but there's not time for a special girl, for going steady. There was cute Judy Strangis. She's a young actress who's a regular on Room 222 and recently played a guest lead on Mod Squad costarred with Bobby Sherman, of all