David Cassidy's handsome face is familiar to millions of STAR Maggers all across America! And most of David's fans know every detail of his super successful acting and singing career. But David Cassidy's life is changing and David himself is changing with it! In a recent tape-recorded interview, David rapped with STAR Mag Editor Nancy Hardwick on his future plans, and how this Superest of Superstars is growing and grooving today! It's all right here, in David's own tape-recorded words as he tells you all about . . .

THE DAVID NOVI

as told to NANCY HARDWICK

Editor, STAR Magazine. ...

(I drove out to David's Spanish ranchstyle home in Encino late one afternoon,
and found him basking in the sun by the
side of his pool. David is alone except for
his three dogs, Willy, Sheesh and Kula
who are all snoozing by David's lounge
chair. David is wearing only cutoffs, and it
looks like he's been swimming. His
strong-looking body has a rich, bronze
tan, and you can see a little bit of soft,
golden hair gleaming on his arms and
legs. Although wet and matted, David's
thick chestnut-colored hair shines in the
sunlight. He is wearing that famous D.C.
grin and waves to me as I walk up!)

DAVID: "I'm glad you could come by today. I'm anxious to rap with STAR about where I'm at these days! I'll get us 7-Ups, then we can start." (I switch on my tape recorder when David comes back to the pool from his kitchen, and we start our interview.)

STAR: "David, do you think you've personally changed since you've come back from Europe?"

DAVID: "Yes, I really think I have. When I was in Europe traveling on my own, I felt very self reliant and independent. It was the first time in my life that I've ever really been alone like that with no friends or family to call on when I needed help or

if I was lonely. I found that I wasn't afraid to be alone, and that I could make friends very easily. When I was traveling, most of the people I met didn't know me as David Cassidy, the movie star. They only saw me as a young American traveling alone with my guitar. It was an enriching experience for me to know that people accepted me as myself, not because they knew I was a TV star or anything. It was a beautiful feeling!"

STAR: "Many TV people say you are maturing as an actor, too. Do you plan on making a movie?"

DAVID: "I'd really like to do one if a good project came along. It probably won't be for awhile, though."

STAR: "Has being in the Hollywood spotlight changed your personality?"

DAVID: "Well, I don't think I've changed my personality because I'm an actor. I've had to adjust to certain things, like I've had to move a few times. And it's difficult to go to public events or stores 'cause people recognize me and sometimes there's a mob. But I honestly don't think being an actor has changed my real off stage personality."

STAR: "Some of those teenybopper and bubblegummer magazines have written you up as being almost perfect, are you?"

DAVID: "Absolutely not! I have to laugh at some of those teenybopper books. They come on with some dumb headline like 'David in Danger' or 'David's Secret Love Life' and then they make up the whole story. They just make me laugh!"

STAR: "Are those teenybopper and bubblegummer magazines making up stories at the expense of your fans' respect for you?"

DAVID: "I think so. They create a certain image for me instead of telling the truth."

STAR: "How did you feel to be back in New York on your recent concert tour? Did you find that New York had changed much since you lived there a couple years ago?"

DAVID: "Well, I was a little tense, because I was so excited, and nervous too, about my Madison Square Garden concert. I really didn't have much time for relaxation and sightseeing in New York, 'cause I had to leave the next day for a concert in Maine."

