hen your life has had more than its share of sadness and heartbreak, it becomes hard to smile and laugh with the people around you. Certainly, David's life has had its share of sadness—a broken home, divorced parents.

Yet, despite that heartbreak, David has managed to keep his sense of humor and smile through it all. He is, as his roommate Sam Hyman says, "a happy person...a guy who was always popular in school because he

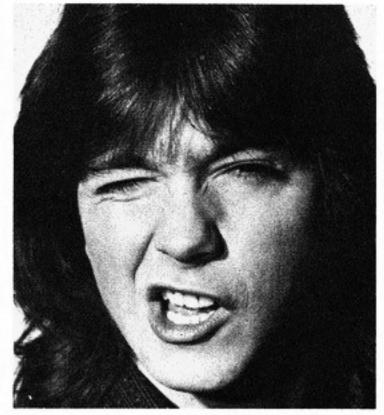
was so happy."

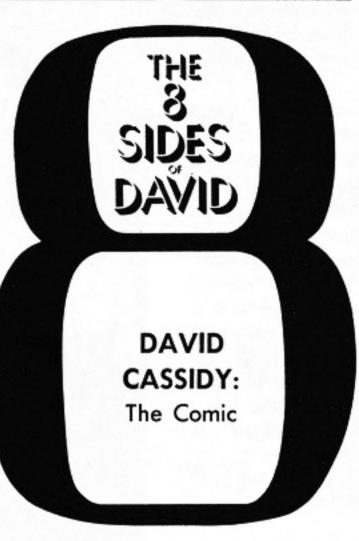
David, however, isn't a comic or practical joker. Sure, once in a while he'll play a prank or crack a joke, but David is more of a person who laughs at jokes than one who tells them.

He's usually one of the first people on the Partridge soundstage to listen to a gag and he's always willing to go along with a prank—as long as it won't really hurt somebody.

Where David's comic ability really shines is in his acting. On-stage, whether as a member of the Partridge Family or in concert, David has the ability to project a humorous personality. He gets a real kick out of some of the comical situations that develop with the Partridges and one of his greatest enjoyments is the dry sense of humor he can sometimes display as Keith Partridge.

David has learned to be humorous in concerts as well. "When you see









thousands of people out there cheering and rooting for you," he says "you can't help but smile and try to tell them a joke or two so they'll smile and laugh as well."

David doesn't see himself as a comic. He feels, however, that he has learned much about comedy from his background. "You know," he says, "some of the best comics have had some sadness in their lives. It is through sadness that you really get to appreciate the humorous things in life. And, I think I've really learned to laugh at things... not to take things seriously that don't have to be taken seriously... To be able to laugh at things—and yourself—is one of the greatest abilities a person can have."