agreed to the reading and David doesn't go back on his word. It wasn't the best time in the world for this sort of thing.

But Sydney Rushnakoff is a sensitive man who realized how tired David was and took a few minutes to put him at ease.

What happened in those first few minutes, before the actual reading took place, had to be seen to be believed.

The David Cassidy who sat down to have his palm read looked like a tired, young man. The fatigue of a hard day and many weeks without enough sleep showed in the lines around his eyes and in the eyes themselves. Those beautiful multi-colored eyes were not sparkling at that moment. He sat slumped down in the chair like he just wanted to doze off. His palm was hot and sweaty.

Sydney took David's hand and began examing his palm while quietly explaining a little about himself and palm reading in general.



THE SUDDEN CHANGE IN DAVID

While he was talking quietly, slowly, to David, a very real, physical change came over David. Within just a few minutes David was revitalized again. The fatigue disappeared from his face and the sparkle returned to his eyes. He was once again the David everyone is familiar with. He sat up straight in the chair, alert and interested and very much alive. It was astounding! And the real reading hadn't even yet begun!

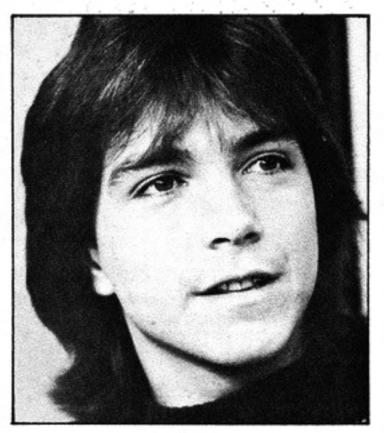
Later, after the reading, when the two of them discussed what had happened they both had similar explanations but with slightly different terminology.



Sydney explained that he'd realized that David wasn't in a very good frame of mind for a reading and so he had projected some of his own psychic energy through his own arm and hand into David's hand and arm—thus giving him a psychic boost.

David, who has studied a little about the new field of alpha dynamics which seeks to teach people to control their own serenity, felt that what he received from Sydney was alpha rays.

Whatever it was—it was marvelous and it worked. The reading then began on a much more positive note.



WHAT SYDNEY RUSHNAKOFF SAW IN DAVID'S PALM:

Sydney, with 20 years of experience reading palms, closely examined David's palm, which had become cool and dry by then, and told him many things

"You're a terrible businessman! You give an awful lot away. You need a manager. As you grow older you won't need managers quite so much, but you'll still use them to expediate things.

"You're very creative, very, very creative. But you had a sad childhood. Things were heavy, not really free, very forced. It's tragic—you should have run away from home at about two or three."

"I did run away once," David injected.

"To the end of the block?" asked Sydney.

"No, a policeman brought me back."

"You're very old," Sydney continued. "You're a very old soul. You were never young even when you were three. You've been reincarnated many, many times, very old, very old soul. You're a tidy old soul, an agreeable old soul, a little bit too aware of others—and perhaps you therefore suffer in ways that only you understand.

"You could have been a minister.

You may have been a minister in one of your previous lives.

"The important thing for you to know right now is that this won't be your total scene always. Even now I bet you can feel it. In this last year you must have felt a change coming over you, a comfort, and that comfort will grow and within a year, maybe two, you will be totally relieved of your present burdens. Even if you were still doing what you're doing today, you'd be totally relieved. Because in your life your destiny line starts sweeping in with activities that delight you. Your life will be getting better from this point on.

