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"Matured is the word I'd use. When we first hit we were looser, wilder. Now we're more security-minded."

After their successful nightclub tours, they hosted one night on "The Merv Griffin Show." A CBS-TV executive was watching and he was very impressed. Sonny and Cher got their own summer show. The people who watched were impressed. They liked the way they kidded each other. Says Sonny, "We need that humor between us. We've been married seven years and we're together 24 hours a day; we've either got to laugh or cry is my saying. It's fun and a release for us—I tease her and she calls me names."

Sonny and Cher are more than just performers. They care. They are devoted to the sick children of the world. They've never missed a request to stop in at hospitals in every city and visit children's wards. And they do all of this without publicity.

So Sonny and Cher are back up on the top again. They'll probably be

around for a long time to come. They've settled down, they're happy and they know how to make their millions of TV viewers happy. So watch for them—you'll be reading more about them in future issues of TEEN LIFE.

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experiences in his role of Keith. It takes great concentration to do that and David has to do it everyday on "The Partridge Family" set. It takes a lot out of a person. After a while the two personalities—actor and "real person"—merge together and the viewers can have a real hassle figuring out exactly who is who. It can become quite a problem.

But David is a normal guy, like everyone else. Sometimes he's good, sometimes he's bad. He can be gay, he can be glum. One day he's friendly, the next he's ferocious. He can be kind, then cruel, tough and tender, cute and cutting, merry and moody. Moody—that's the key word. We all have our moods, our good days and our bad days. What

David is telling us is that he has his moods like everyone else.

Let's say David has a bad night's sleep. Of course, he's going to be a little cranky and irritable the next day. David might get mad at Sam Hyman, if Sam forgets to put out the garbage and it's his night to do so. Wouldn't you be mad at Sam, too? Let's say David didn't give his best performance at a concert. Wouldn't he be snappish and angry with himself because he didn't give his all for his fans? David's like everyone else. Sure, we can love him, but we shouldn't idolize him. A person who is ALWAYS good would be a real drag.

And it's important to remember that David's real life has been dotted with problems. His mother and father were divorced when he was six years old. He's had a lot of adjustments to make in his life. Fame and fortune doesn't always solve all your problems. Sometimes it creates more problems than you had before.

After reading this you might say to yourself, "Aha! Then it's not David Cassidy that I dig, it's Keith Partridge." That's really not true. Right now, David is known mainly as a singer. That's his voice you hear when you buy his records. That's his presence and style you see when you go to his concerts. Let's not confuse the true talent of David with the made-up role of Keith.

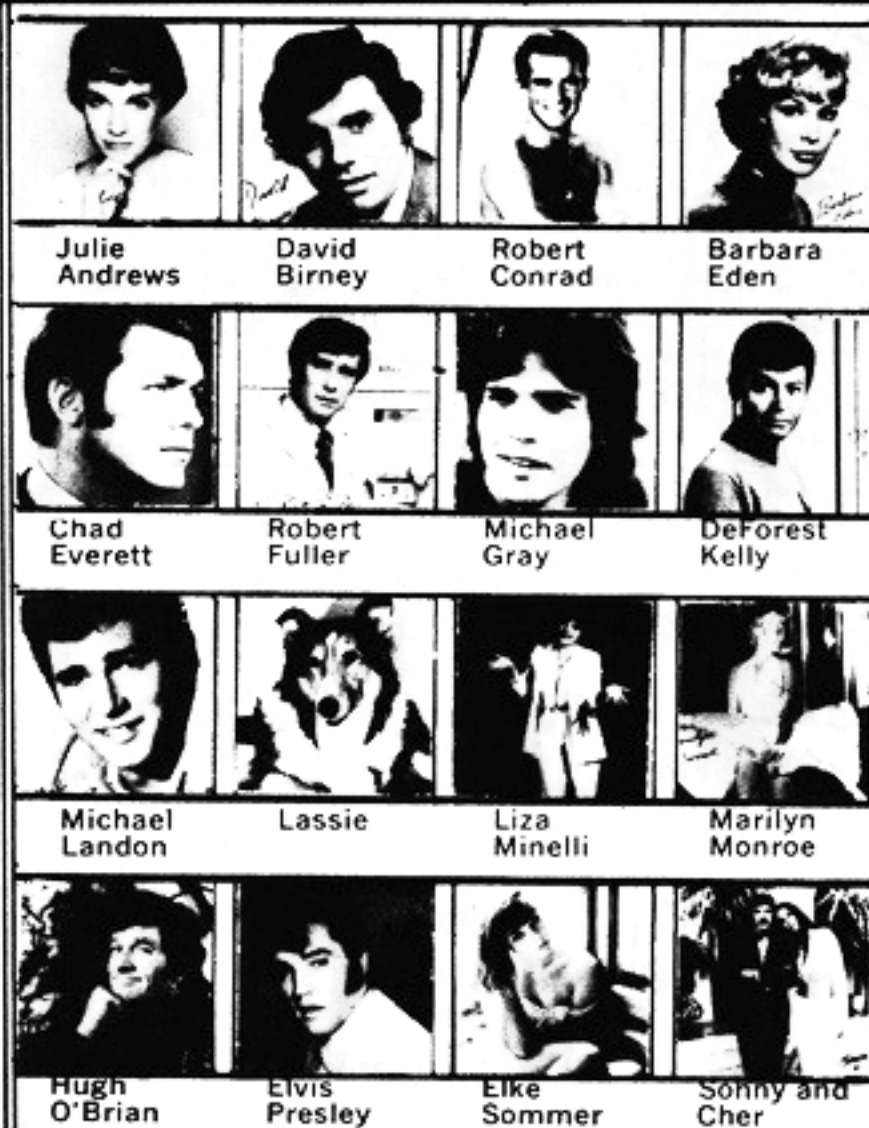
You might have heard or read some stories about David doing and saying things that Keith Partridge would never do. There's no point in our going into the details of these stories. The point we do want to bring out, however, is that David cares about you. He wants his fans to understand that, basically, he's just like them. He's not always a good guy. He's human through and through. It's almost impossible to be good, good, always good. David realizes that. He doesn't want to disappoint his fans but then, of course, his fans shouldn't disappoint him. So, keep the faith. Don't fret. David's trying to do what's best for himself and his fans.



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