



sorts of wonderful things about myself—who wouldn't? But most of the time I can't help thinking I must be reading about someone else!

just right, but when it's done properly all my fans have a little ever-lasting present from me. Plus, I feel pleased that I've done a good job on something and finished it properly. Performing is important, too, because if your fans never ever get a chance to see you, they're liable to lose interest. They figure if he doesn't want to perform, he doesn't care about his

fans. Besides, you know the old saying, out of sight, out of mind. At least I have nothing to worry about for awhile 'cause I love doing both!

Hi!

I'm feeling really sleepy today—and my eyes keep closing. Well, I'll have to make them stay open while I write this column—even if I have to prop them open with matchsticks!

Q. Do you resent it when girls scream at you on stage?—B. Stevens, Glasgow.

A. How could I resent it? I get very excited when I'm up on stage performing. The audience's screaming only adds to my excitement as well as theirs. I'd hate it if I went on stage and didn't hear anything—then I'd feel sure that something was wrong. However, I would appreciate a bit of quiet sometimes on the softer songs. It would be nice if the audience could get into the lyrics every now and again.

Q. What is your biggest fear?—C. Lewis, Kent.

A. That's kind of hard to say, 'cause I suppose there are a few things that frighten me. But I guess my really big fear is losing my voice. I hate to think what would happen if all of a sudden I found myself without it. Flying is a close runner-up, too, but at least I can still force myself to do it.

Q. How do you feel about all the fan mail you get?—G. Gray, Herts.

A. Great! I only wish I had time to answer all of the letters I get. But at least I find the time to answer some of them which is better than not answering any at all. The one thing I can't quite get used to is all the flattery! I mean, I love reading all

Q. Which is more important to you, recording or performing?—E. Brown, Essex.

A. Both! They're equally important to me. Recording is something that takes a lot of time and hard work to get

Q. Do you believe in love at first sight?—W. Jackson, Somerset.

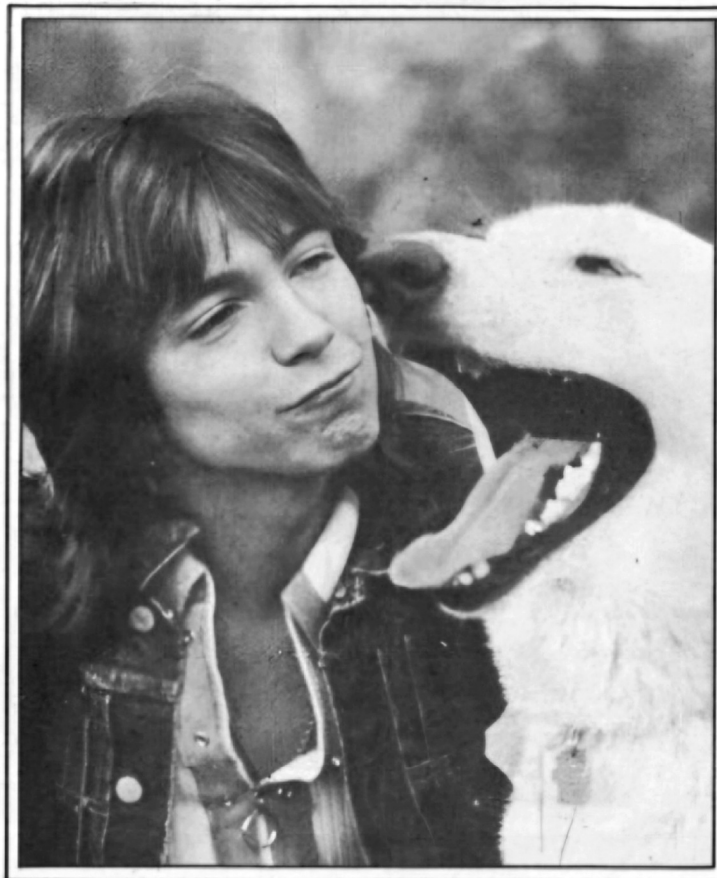
A. I do now, but I didn't use to. I used to think that you had to know someone really well before you fell in love. You know the kind of relationship that grows with time. But so many of my friends have fallen in love with people they've just met and have had long lasting relationships with them, that I'm beginning to change my mind, even though it hasn't happened to me yet!

Q. How do you like to relax after a concert?—Elaine Hunter, Hull.

A. By collapsing! Usually I can't even begin to relax or unwind till I get back to the hotel and take a lovely hot shower. What I do after that depends on how I feel. If I'm not too tired I may go out to a local club. But if there's nothing happening in town or I'm just plain tired, I just stay in my room watching television and talking to the other guys in the band. Sometimes we may even have a mini party. Usually anything that takes my mind off the concert will help me relax.

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looking for one like it, but I couldn't find one to fit me... they were too big. Once I spent over ten minutes in a shop trying to find one and the assistant was quite annoyed, to say nothing of my friend who was

with me. Fiona Clark, Surrey.

GOING... GOING... GONE!

Yesterday an electrician came to fix our television because the

picture kept fading. However, the electrician was very puzzled because he couldn't get any sound either. Suddenly, my mum realised she'd plugged the record player in instead of the TV—so it was little wonder that the set didn't work at all! Yvonne Grayson, London.

MIRABELLE FANS

I just had to write and tell you about all the Mirabelle fans in our house. When Mirabelle comes everyone makes a dash to the front door to see who can get it first. Usually I

get to read it last, so now Mum buys four Mirabelles a week so there is no arguing. Keep up the good work! Donny Fan, Kingston-upon-Hull, Yorks.

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