year from now, maybe more? I just don't know, and I find the best way I can get results is by putting all I've got into the thing I'm doing right now. I let Jim (that's Jim Flood, his manager) worry more about the long-term ideas! That way I get saved an awful lot of headaches!!"

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"One thing I do want to do, though," he added after a moment or two's thought, "And that's fit in a bit more solo recording. My records are doing really well in the States, which is awful nice, and I just love the chances I get to sing at the weekends. It's a very wonderful feeling - it's even kind of frightening in a strange sort of way - when I'm up there in front of those thousands of kids and I KNOW that I'm getting through to them. Wow!

"Of course, all these gigs at weekends, with week-days spent in the film and recording studios, means that I haven't seen my house in daylight for . . . oh, seems like ages. It'd be nice to be able to have a glimpse of it now and again – just to remind me what it looks like!"

"You could try looking back over your shoulder as you left for the studios in the mornings," I suggested jokingly – and rather unhelpfully!

David shelters under a borrowed umbrella during his rather damp sightseeing trip round London.

