

TOP POPS.

THE success of both sides of his first single for his new record company - RCA - means that *David Cassidy* is back where he belongs - right at the top.

Although prior to the release of the two sides - 'I Write The Songs' and 'Get It Up For Love' - things had been a trifle quiet for David, now the situation is much the same as before. Of course, "a trifle quiet" for David means a lot different than for the average popster. For the modest Mr. C. (isn't he looking more handsome and healthy to-day than ever before?) is usually continuously in the news. Just like the other superstars of to-day - such as *David Bowie*, *Elton John*, *Bay City Rollers*, *John Lennon*, the *Stones* and *The Osmonds*.

Frankly, there had been a bit of a gap between David's leaving Bell Records to join RCA. But that gap had been well spent by the shrewd young man in sussing out what he was going to be doing in the future. Not only for and with his new record company, but from an overall point of view. After all, he *is*, like us all, growing up. And, for one thing, he's said he wants to get rid of The Partridge Family image. To be more easily accepted by a wider kind of following.

Well, it's nice to think that David is seriously contemplating the future. No doubt he's sensible enough to realise that even for a big-name artist like himself, there could be perils ahead. The old cliché here to-day, gone tomorrow is, unfortunately, part and parcel of the world of pop. We'll have to wait a bit to see exactly how David seems to be mapping out his life in a general way. Or, indeed, how his career in show business is likely to evolve - which direction (or directions) that career is likely to take.

We'll even have to wait a wee while - though not *too* long - we're told - to find out what, in addition to the two songs on the current single, new ideas he has for his future recordings. Next up for David is his first RCA LP - "The Higher They Climb, The Harder They Fall". It's a pretty classy debut album for his new company, containing new songs (including one theme-type number, written by D.C. himself) as well as rock standards. Produced by ex-*Beach Boy*, *Bruce Johnston* - he produced the single material and also wrote 'I Write The Songs' - in close collaboration with David, seems to be just the route away from the teenybopper-only area which he says he wants to forget.

Indeed, it would seem that, musically speaking, David Cassidy has already taken several strides in that awkward process of growing up. It's an important time, right now, for one of pop's biggest names. A time that will need much hard work and application to the tasks and problems ahead.

We're pretty sure that you'll agree with us when we say we believe that David Cassidy has both the musical ability and the right mental attitude and basic intelligence to overcome any future difficulties or problems.

Perhaps, one day when he's gotten it altogether and, of course, he feels the need to bring his music to what, literally, would be a live platform, David will consider making public concert appearances once again. We'll see ...



David Cassidy

YOUR SCENE



VIRGO (AUG 22 - SEP 22)

Once again, it will be advantageous to consider the needs of others before your own. In this way, you will gain many varied benefits, although not all immediately.



LIBRA (SEP 23 - OCT 22)

Careful consideration of any scheme that is put to you will pay far greater dividends than a snap decision. Parental guidance may also be a help.



SCORPIO (OCT 23 - NOV 22)

Make sure that you are always well aware of the significance of your actions, for often an insufficiently planned word can cause great harm.



SAGITTARIUS (NOV 23 - DEC 20)

It is likely that you will be spending much of your time with a very old friend with whom you have been out of touch for some while.



CAPRICORN (DEC 21 - JAN 19)

If travel opportunities are offered to you, accept them, but only as long as they do not offend your friends and relations.



AQUARIUS (JAN 20 - FEB 19)

Work as hard as you can on a particular task, for you will find that having it behind you will make the rest of your life much more tolerable.



PISCES (FEB 20 - MAR 20)

As the centre of activity at social-gatherings, you will make several new and interesting friends. Do not allow yourself to become over confident as a result.



ARIES (MAR 21 - APR 20)

A large and pleasant surprise should be your fortune during this month, but to worry about it ceaselessly will not hasten its arrival.



TAURUS (APR 21 - MAY 20)

Patience must again be exercised if you are to gain the advantages you believe are due to you, and every move should be made carefully.



GEMINI (MAY 21 - JUN 20)

If an illness should befall someone very close to you, do your best to help and cheer them, for their recovery will be hastened by such methods.



CANCER (JUN 21 - JUL 20)

You should always remember that the calls of others on your time are of greater importance than your own desires.



LEO (JUL 21 - AUG 21)

If you have been accused of insincerity, try to show the accuser that their views of your behaviour were incorrect.