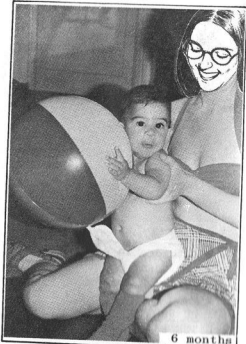


month, because we didn't have another bed that had safe high sides, but had never been put there for play during the day. We believed in giving him as much freedom as possible to explore in the open, and thought too much time spent in a playpen would cage his curiosity and progressive abilities in crawling and learning.



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18. MOMMY MAKES EVERY LITTLE PLAY TIME A LEARNING TIME! One night while in bed, he bent over with his hands down and then straightened his legs, bottoms up!--Straight up in the air! Mommy came in and mimicked him to encourage him to do it over again, and he would watch her and do it again, making Mommy happy!

19. HE HAD ANOTHER TRICK OF PERCHING HIS TOES UP ON HIS HIGH-CHAIR TRAY REALLY CUTE, and he's



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always bringing his toes up to his mouth and chewing on them. While Mommy was holding onto Little David, he gripped his toes onto the edge of his walker and pulled it across the floor with good feet coordination. Maria also taught him to balance Daddy's walking cane in one hand while sitting on the floor.

20. ON AUGUST 18TH LUCY AND DAVIDITO PACKED UP ONCE AGAIN FOR A LONG TRAIN RIDE WITH MOMMY AND DADDY BACK TO BELOVED SPAIN, after taking some goodbye pictures with Lydia who cried as they left. He was real good on the train trip. His favourite thing to do was to watch the scenery out the window.

21. HE SLEPT IN A COUCHETTE WITH LUCY BUT WOULD AWAKEN EACH TIME THE TRAIN STOPPED and rock



"Here's my Lydia!"--7 months.

back and forth trying to get the train to go again! The poor li'l pioneer got another tooth in over night and caught a bad cold while on the train, probably from the drafty doorways and night air.

22. THE LITTLE TEAM OF FOUR ARRIVED IN BARCELONA AND MOVED INTO A HOTEL APARTMENT FOR ONE MONTH. The day after arrival Mommy, Daddy and Lucy took Davidito for a little private boat ride around the port of Barcelona, and then visited the Christopher Columbus flagship.

23. LITTLE DAVID SEEMS MOSTLY ATTRACTED TO THE COLOURS BLUE AND GOLD, or yellow, which are his Daddy's favourites too. Mommy noticed while walking with him in the stroller that he pays more attention to the trees and bushes than to the other children passing by. She thinks he likes adults better.

24. DADDY GAVE LITTLE DAVID

A CUBE OF SUGAR TO PLAY WITH, TO MOMMY'S HORROR, but he rejected it and kept dropping it on the floor! We call it "ca-ca!" and don't even allow the stuff in our house! His hair seems to be getting a little curly now and a lighter colour, more like Mommy's. He began to respond to music and rhythm by dancing his head and body around and he really loves music.



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25. THE FOUR MAIDS IN THE APARTMENT WERE FLIPPED OVER LITTLE DAVID and played with him as they went about their work. When they left, he would start to cry immediately because he missed the attention. He always lets you know when he's being "neglected"!

26. WE MET TWO LITTLE STREET URCHINS WHO DANCED WITH LITTLE DAVID in the square and then we told them about Jesus, and Daddy gave them a few pesetas.

27. DAD GOT A BEAUTIFUL PROPHECY ABOUT LITTLE DAVID IN HIS SLEEP one night, "Elixirs of Heaven". We looked up the word to find out that an elixir is a type of sweet wonderful healing drink of the ancients.