

Concerned Citizen Cites Nudity

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Many people are rightly concerned about the outbreak of nudity in the movies and on the stage.

The trouble is — while they're disturbed about the nudity — they aren't doing anything about it.

Fortunately, some people are.

I was telling Doll Face about it just the other day.

"It's an absolute disgrace," I stormed, pacing the floor. "Imagine actresses appearing in movies and stage — in the nude!"

"You're right," she agreed. But what can anyone do about it?"

"Plenty," I thundered. "Some of my friends — interested, concerned gentlemen, like myself — have formed an organization to do something about it."

"Really," she exclaimed. "I'm so proud of you. What is the organization doing?"

"We're alerting and educating our fine members so they'll be aware of the spread of nudity. On Wednesday, as part of our educational program, our group is going to see 'Hair'."

"That's part of the educational program?" she asked, eyebrows raised.

"Uh, huh. You can't fight something you don't know about. You have to know the enemy. So, on Friday we have a field trip to see 'Oh! Calcutta!'"

"You sure have a dedicated group," she remarked, slightly sarcastic, I thought.

"It takes money to support our fight," I declared solemnly. "Next week we're running a fund raising affair, a theater party to see the movie, 'Man and Wife.'"

"I should've known it was too good to be true," she sighed. "Just what else is your fine group doing to fight nudity?"

"We're hitting it from every angle," I continued. "Last week a committee visited a night club that features topless go-go dancers. Well! The poor members were so horrified — they forgot to take notes for their report. Another committee is going back next week."

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DOLL FACE CLUCKED her tongue. "It must have been awful," she remarked, not the least bit sympathetic.

"I'm chairman," I said proudly, "of a committee to research nudity in burlesque. This month my committee's going to visit several burlesque theaters and report back on the terrible things they see. I've been authorized to buy pictures of the bur-



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lesque queens and post them on the walls of our meeting room as a constant reminder to our members of the evils of nudity."

Doll Face was resting her head on her hand and murmuring: "Who'd believe it?"

"We're leaving no stone unturned in our campaign. We're even keeping a sharp eye on some magazines and books," I explained. "We've set up a library — with all the girlie magazines — and books with naughty words — to alert our members to what's happening to our literature."

"I'm surprised you haven't made it a lending library," she observed icily.

"It started out that way," I admitted. "But so many members kept loaning them to their friends — in attempt to recruit more members — that we never got the magazines and books back."

Doll Face decided she needed a couple of aspirins.

"Our organization's campaign slogan is, 'No Nudes Is Good Nudes,' I explained. "And our newspaper is called 'What's Nu-de?'"

She decided to take a tranquilizer, too.

"We've voted to hold our meetings at different places so our members could see, first hand, some of the terrible things going on," I continued. "This month's meeting is at the Playboy Club. Next month it's at a restaurant with topless waitresses. It's just wonderful the way we get a big turnout of members dedicated to researching the problem of nudity."

She drummed her fingers on the chair arm. "I just know I shouldn't ask, but what else is your fine group doing?"

I thought a moment. "Well, there's the Humor Committee. They listen to comedians in night clubs and on TV. If anybody tells a naughty joke, they write it down, and every month we send the members a bulletin with the jokes. In that way, the members can tell their friends the jokes so they'll be aware of the latest off-color stories."

"A real public service," she muttered.

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"**SPEAKING OF PUBLIC SERVICE,**" I reminded myself, "that's what we offer our members. We have a special phone number, see. If any member wants information — he just calls the number — and finds out where the movies and shows accenting nudity are playing. It's very helpful to our research-minded members."

"What are you doing about male nudity in movies and on stage?" she asked.

"Male nudity?" I echoed in astonishment. "Funny. None of our members ever mentioned it."