

7/15/90

DEAR FTM:

QUITE A

I SINCERELY HOPE YOU WILL PUBLISH THIS LETTER, BECAUSE I AM FEROCIOUSLY COMPELLED TO REPLY TO THE "NO RESPECT" LETTER OF 6/90, SINCE I'M ONE OF THE MAIN PEOPLE WHO IS BEING DENIED RESPECT BY ITS AUTHOR.

I KNOW "C.B. DAVID" OF NEW YORK - ALL TOO WELL, AND I'VE BEEN INDIRECTLY CALLED A "SLUTBUCKET" (The Slur of Choice) REPEATEDLY; WHICH I REALLY RESENT, SINCE I'VE DEVOTED MY LIFE TO HELPING MY FTM BROTHERS - UNLIKE MY BORN-AGAIN ACCUSER.

C.B. IS SO UPTIGHT, IT'S SCARY! SHE/HE ^{IS} WOULD BE RIGHT AT HOME WITH JESSIE HELMS' REPRESSIVE, FACISTIC IDEAS! WELL... IF C/B WANTS TO BURY HER/HIS HEAD IN THE SAND, I COULDN'T CARE LESS; BUT I WILL NOT HAVE THAT "UGLY SLUDGE" CRAP "SPILLED" ON MY HEAD, WITHOUT A VISCIDIOUS FIGHT!

I'M SURE MY ANGER WILL BE A SHOCK TO C.B., BECAUSE I EVEN (Very sincerely) OFFERED TO HELP THIS VERY SCREWED-UP INDIVIDUAL, BUT C.B. DIDN'T WANT ANY PART OF OUR N.Y.C. SUPPORT GROUP - SOLELY BECAUSE OUR MEETING SPACE IS (Very generously) DONATED BY "SLUT QUEEN"; ANNIE SPRINKLE.

HE COULDN'T SEE THE INCREDIBLY HIGH-LEVEL OF POSITIVITY AT OUR MEETINGS. IN HIS OWN WORDS, ALL HE COULD SEE WAS THE "BOOKS ABOUT SEX IN ANNIE'S BOOKSHELVES."

SO NOW, I'M FINALLY P.O.'D - AND FOR EVERY INSULT I RECEIVE I'LL DISH OUT A DOZEN! SO, HEY - C.B. - DON'T MESS WITH ME AND MY FRIENDS - OR YOU'LL SOON BE TAUGHT THE ERROR OF YOUR WAYS!

TO QUOTE C.B.'S LETTER, IT IS TRUE THAT 'MEDICAL & EDUCATIONAL INFO. ON T/S-ISM... IS SO HARD TO OBTAIN' THAT'S EXACTLY WHY IT'S SO FORTUNATE THAT THAT ISSUE OF "HUSTLER" (CONTAINING CLEAR COLOR PHOTOS OF PHALLOPLASTY, INFO. ON OUR INTERNATIONAL FTM NETWORK, AND SIMPLE, ACCURATE DESCRIPTIONS OF ALL FORMS OF F/M SURGERY) WILL BE 'SHELVED IN NEARLY EVERY BOOKSTORE, NEWSTAND (&) CORNER GROCER IN EVERY TOWN, VILLAGE & RURAL ROUTE ACROSS AMERICA AS WELL AS... OVERSEAS.' (Thanks to Helms that's not quite true).

'IMAGINE SOME (FTM) STRIVING... IN (ONE OF) THESE TINY LITTLE TOWNS... AND SOMEONE SLAPS THE MAGAZINE AT THEIR FACE...' AND THAT POOR, ISOLATED T/S GETS TO SEE A PHALLO-PLASTY FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER, AND SAYS: "WOW! I CAN HAVE A PENIS, AND THERE'S ACTUALLY AN INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT-GROUP OF PEOPLE LIKE ME, AND HERE'S THE ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER!!! I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE, I'M NOT ALONE, NOW I DON'T HAVE TO KILL MYSELF!"

AN OPEN-MINDED T/S (obviously not C.B.) TAKES THEIR REFERRALS WHERE THEY FIND THEM. ALL OUT-REACH (BY BONA FIDE RESOURCES) IS GOOD OUT-REACH, THE SOURCE IS COMPLETELY IMMATERIAL!

IT TOOK ME THREE LONG, GREULING, FRUSTRATING, SEARCHING YEARS TO FIND ONE (relatively inaccessible) FTM RESOURCE! IF I'D SEEN AN ARTICLE IN (Easily accessible) "HUSTLER", I COULD HAVE BEEN ON THE ROAD ALOT SOONER!

ALSO... CONCERNING SEXUALLY EXPLICIT MAGAZINES, AND THOSE WHO APPEAR IN THEM... I'VE GOT NEWS FOR YOU C.B. - YOU DONT FOOL ME, KIDDO - IT'S OBVIOUS FROM YOUR LETTER THAT YOU HAVE NO SELF-ESTEEM - YOU'RE A SELF-HATING GENDER-DYSPHORIC; AND SEX (which is a normal, healthy part of life for any red-blooded man) SCARES you TO DEATH. you LIVE IN FEAR OF SEXUALITY AND YOUR GENDER-IDENTITY (all proven by what you say in your letter). SO YOU DONT HAVE A CLUE ABOUT WHAT MOTIVATES PEOPLE LIKE LES & ANNIE (WHO ARE COMPLETELY COMFORTABLE WITH SEX) TO BE IN "SUCH MAGAZINES!"



JOHN ARMSTRONG

working for his comrades, worldwide.

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I'M SICK AND TIRED OF YOU REPEATEDLY INSULTING ME AND MY FRIENDS FROM YOUR HIGH-HORSE! IT JUST SO HAPPENS THAT ANNIE SPRINKLE CARES VERY MUCH FOR OTHER PEOPLE. SHE'S ONE OF THE MOST SINCERELY LOVING, OPEN, HELPING PEOPLE IN THIS WORLD - UNLIKE YOU - YOU IGNORANT BIGOT! YOU AIN'T WITHOUT SIN - SO QUIT THROWING STONES!

SO... TO ALL^{OF} YOU WRONG-HEADED JUDGEMENTAL IDIOTS, WHO CHOOSE TO ACTIVELY CRITICIZE THE "HUSTLER" ARTICLE, OR THE "LINDA/LES & ANNIE" VIDEO, OR ANYONE, ANY WHERE, WHO COMES OUT OF ANY CLOSET, TO SPEAK THEIR OWN PERSONAL TRUTH... BE WARNED... YOU'LL HAVE ME TO DEAL WITH.

AND I AM A SELF-RIGHTEOUS CRUSADER FOR THE RIGHTS OF ALL SEXUAL MINORITIES, FOR SEXUAL FREEDOM, AND FOR FREE SPEECH! AND I WILL FIGHT TOOTH-AND-NAIL, WITH EVERY RESOURCE AT MY DISPOSAL, TO PROVE YOU WRONG!

AND I'VE GOT A VERY LOUD VOICE, A VERY MIGHTY PEN, VERY BIG MUSCLES AND AN I.Q. OF 184!!!

WORKING FOR MY COMRADES, WORLD-WIDE,
~~IN SUPPORT OF THE DOWN-TRODDEN,~~

John Armstrong

P.S. TO THOSE WHO AGREE,
PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT
TO WRITE IN!

Note: Editorial change:

instead of: "I've devoted my life to helping"
substitute: "My life is devoted to helping"