

of time you get a little forewarning, some kind of warning or in some way you're tipped off by another Home. At least the first Home they visit can warn the other Homes that the police are apt to pay them a visit too. But often even before that, sometimes they'll call you down to the police office & ask you a few questions before they even bother to go to the house. And you can certainly warn the home folks then that they'd better pack up & get things put away if they haven't already done it, or even leave! Usually you get some warning.

19. It has been my policy to recommend to our offices that they never keep any file or any correspondence more than one month old & that any records or stats are destroyed just as soon as they've got the new ones! At least that unloads a ton of paper that you don't need. Why do you need those old reports? Why do you need the old stats? Why keep all that old junk? It's just a bunch of paper to have to find room to stuff somewhere & to give the police an abundance of material when they search & seize. Why not just keep the latest stats, the latest reports, the latest correspondence?—In such a small bundle that you can hide it almost any place that they couldn't possibly find it unless they tore up the floors or the ceiling or the walls. Do you get the point?

20. So it's not really the lit we're worried about, in fact, we've cleaned up our lit pretty well. We used to publish more shocking things & more what the System calls obscenity & pornography & nude photos & nude art, much more than we do now. The only thing you've got to worry about now is maybe some of your personal photos, which if nude, are illegal in some countries, & if not nude but include names & locations are nevertheless a security breach.

21. I suggest you don't ever carry anything like that in your bags or suitcases or briefcases when you're gonna cross borders, just in case some customs official gets cranky & snotty & decides he wants to look through everything. In some countries it's illegal to carry that sort of thing across borders & that sort of photography is illegal in their country.—Especially in the Muslim countries, they're very bad on that.

22. Some of you travelling from place to place want to carry

lit with you & you say that's identifying. Well, I carry a Bible. I've sometimes even had a MO Book or reference book or something like that in my bag that they might have thought identifying. But they wouldn't have thought anything of it except, "Well, he's got some of the literature of this outfit. It doesn't necessarily mean he's a Family member." And lots of Christians carry Bibles. Your new little MO Books like the MOP & BOF etc., they might even find 'm interesting. They may just thumb through, leaf through & see it's nothing but a little religious book, & devotional book of some kind.

23. Of course, if you've got a big stack of duplicate literature that it looks like you're going to pass out in their language in their country, that they don't like, they'll probably take that! Even if it's in English & it's a bunch of duplicates, they are apt to take it because they're beginning to wonder how come you want so many pieces of the same thing. But it's not really the literature that they're usually looking for. They've had the literature or they could easily get it & they already know what we preach & practice, they know the whole works! But they are looking for names, addresses, phone numbers, Diaries, records & finances!

24. They're so interested in our finances, they want to know where the money goes, who gets the money, where is it? — And they think by confiscating books & financial records & correspondence & files they'll find out!—And they could find out with the carelessness of some people in some stupid idiotic Homes! They went right to our top officers in one city—some of them were top officers—because the stupid, idiotic, local Homes, those careless, foolish, insane, lazy people had failed to destroy records & even names of officers & their addresses & phone numbers! And it wasn't any time after visiting a few Homes that they found the top ones that they were looking for.

25. But don't worry about it even if you have a visit, even if there's an interrogation, even if there's an investigation, even if there's a search, even if there's a seizure! As long as you keep a clean house, it will be an empty wind (See No.367); they're not going to find anything & you don't have anything to worry about. Let 'm ask questions! Answer 'm! Let 'm look! If they