

Nudist Man Of Year 89

BEDFORD (Ind.), Aug. 23.—(INS)—Imaginative readers who conjure an image of a muscled young atlas as the National Nudist Council's 1955 "Man of the Year" are in for a surprise.

The honor was conferred upon 89 year old Ernest M. Woodroffe, who lives in a Bedford nursing home and walks with a white cane because of failing eyesight.

Alois S. Knapp, of Roselawn, Ind., president of the nudist council, and Mrs. Edith Church of Maumee, Ohio, the secretary treasurer, made a special trip to present the award to Woodroffe, who became a convert to nudism at the age of 85.

A plaque, citing the 89 year old man for "outstanding contribution to the progress of the nudist movement" was presented to him. An accompanying certificate acknowledges Woodroffe's work in distributing the magazine "Sunshine and Health" and in otherwise furthering the cause of nudism despite his near-blindness.