

## Frank Zappa "Cheepnis"

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Cheepnis.

Let me tell you something, do you like monster movies?  
Anybody?

(yeah!)

I love monster movies, I simply adore monster movies, and the cheaper they are, the better they are. and cheepnis in the case of a monster movie has nothing to do with the budget of the film, al  
H it helps. but true cheepnis is exemplified by visible nylon strings attached to the jaw of a giant spider. I'll tell you, a good one that I saw one time, I think the name of the film was "  
Onquered the world" (yeah!) and the... did you ever see that one? the monster looks sort of like an inverted ice-cream corn with teeth around the bottom. it looks like a, like a teepee or a  
Of a rounded off pup-tent affair. and ah, it's got fangs on the base of it, I don't know why but it's a very threatening sight. and then he's got a frown and, you know, ugly mouth and everythin  
D there's this one scene where the ah monster is coming out of a cave. see? there's always a scene where they come out of a cave, at least once. and the

rest of the cast...it musta been made aro  
He 1950's. the lapels are about like th  
At wide, the ties are about that wide and about this  
short, and they always have a little revolver that they're  
gonna shoot the monster with. and there is always a  
girl who falls down and twists  
Ankle. hey hey! of course there is! you know how they  
are, the weaker sex and everything, twisting their ankle  
on behalf of a little ice-cream corn. well in this  
particular scene, in this scene  
, they ah, they didn't wanna re-take it 'cause it musta  
been so good they wanted to keep it, but they... when  
the monster came out of the cave, just over on the left  
hand side of the screen you  
Ee about this much two-by-four attached to the bottom  
of the thing as the guy is pushing it out, and then  
obviously off-camera somebody's goin': "no! get it  
back!" ...and they drag it  
Just a little bit as the guy is goin': "kch! kch!" now that's  
cheepnis.

Right. and this is cheepnis here: one two three four...

I ate a hot dog  
It tasted real good  
Then I watched a movie  
From hollywood

(repeat)

Little miss muffett on a squat by me  
Took a turn around, I said: can y'all see?  
The little strings on the giant spider? "  
The zipper from the black lagoon?  
The vents by the tanks where the bubbles go up?  
(and the flaps on the side of the moon)

The jelly & paint on the 40 watt bulb  
They use when the slime droozle off  
The rumples & the wrinkles in the cardboard rock  
And the canvas of the cave is too soft

The suits & the hats & the tie's too wide  
And too short for the scientist man  
The chemistry lady with the roll-away mind  
And the monster just ate japan

Ladies and gentlemen,  
The monster,  
Which the peasants in this area call frunobulax  
(apparently a very large poodle dog)

Has just been seen approaching the power plant  
Bullets can't stop it  
Rockets can't stop it  
We may have to use nuclear force!

Here comes that poodle dog!  
Big as a blimp with a rhinestone collar  
Snappin' off the trees  
Like they was bonsai'd ornaments on a  
Dry-wobble landscape  
Keep it away! don't let the poodle bite me!  
We can't let it reproduce! oh!  
Somebody get out the pants!

The national guard has formed up at the base  
Of the mountain  
And is attempting to lure the enormous poodle  
Towards the cave  
Where they hope to destroy it with napalm  
A thousand of the troopers are now lined up  
And are calling to the monster...  
Here fido  
Here fido  
Here fido

Got a great big slimey thing  
Got a great big heavy thing  
Got a great big poodle thing  
Got a great big hairy thing

(repeat)

C'mon! everybody! let's go!  
Get the distilled water! get the canned goods!  
Get the toilet paper! you know we need it!

Go to da shelter  
My baby, my baby,  
Go to da shelter  
Go to da shelter

(repeat)

Little miss muffett on a squat by me,  
Can ya see the little string danglin' down  
Makes the legs go wobble an' the mouth flop shut  
An' the horrible eye, horrible eye, horrible eye  
Go rollin' around  
Can y'see it all  
Can y'see it from here

Can y'laugh till yer weak on yer knees  
If you can't, I'm sorry 'cause that's  
All I wanna know  
I need a little more cheepnis please  
Baby, I'm sorry 'cause it's all I wanna know  
I need a little more cheepnis please  
Baby, I'm sorry 'cause it's all I wanna know  
I need a little more cheepnis please

(etc. repeats)

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