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This is the post-Solacon revival issue of FANAC, published promptly in order to quell the letters from disturbed subbers which will start pouring in tomorrow. There really might have been an issue pubbed during the Solacon, but there was this party, see... Oh well. News and comment appreciated. Heading by Ray Nelson.

SOLACON REBELS AGAINST WSFS INC.

On Sunday, August 31st, Anna Sinclare Moffatt presided over the business session of the 16th World Science Fiction Convention. George Nims Raybin announced his resignation from the position of Legal Advisor to the World Science Fiction Society. Belle C. Dietz protested that this business session was not legal in the light of news concerning the legality of the business session of the Society held in London last year. Anna told her that this was NOT the business session of the Society, but the business session of the 16th World Convention.

Mrs. Moffatt received a thunderous ovation from the assembled fans, pros, and readers, the likes of which has never been heard at a convention business session. For the first time since 1955, a convention proceeded about its normal business without bothering with the annoying, irritating and nonrelevant details of catering to the written whim of an incorporated society which set about to ordain the life-patterns of con-going fan. FANAC, a snide fanzine, would like to take back a batch of the snide remarks it has been making about the SOLACON committee; it took more trufansmanship to pull this deal off than it could possibly take to run an ordinary convention. We had the Outlanders pegged wrong—and for once, we'll admit a mistake we made.

At the banquet Sunday evening, the following HUGOs were awarded: Walt Willis, Outstanding fan of the year; The Incredible Shrinking Man, Outstanding film; Frank Kelly Freas, Outstanding SF artist; The Magazine of Fantasy and Science Fiction, Best Professional SF Magazine; Avram Davidson, Best short story; Fritz Leiber, Best SF Novel ("The Big Time" in Galaxy). Detroit won the bidding for the 1959 consite, with 125 votes to Chicago's 45. A petition from the membership of the WSFSinc to the Directors was approved by the membership, asking the directors to dissolve the corporation, and retain the society as an unincorporated advisory body for future convention committees' use. During the convention, E. Everett Evans resigned as director; he will remain in office until a successor can be elected. During the convention, Evans, Kyle and Ackerman held a meeting in which they declared that they were the only duly elected WSFSinc directors, and set about machinations to re-appoint other directors and to enable the Society to deal with the petition to dissolve.

Much else happened this last weekend; for details we suggest you watch the fan press for lengthy con reports. It was one hell of a great convention.

TERRY CARR FOR TAFF

During the Solacon, Ron Bennett reminded American fans that it is never too soon to start backing someone up for the trip to the Easter, 1960, Kettering convention. Taking this advice to heart, Ted White immediately began asking for signatures to sponsor my worthy co-editor, who is a modest man himself, for this TAFF race. The final, select list of five signatures, two of which must be British fan, is not yet compiled—but at last count, 28 people had signed the nomination.

No one, of course, can be sent to the Easter, 1959, con; there is no time to gather funds. But now is the time to think about who you want to send to Britain for 1960; and now, more importantly, is the time to write to Robert Madle, 3608 Caroline Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, or to Ron Bennett, 7 Southway, Arthurs Avenue, Harrogate, Yorkshire, England, and ask to be sent all future information about TAFF. And, if you want to donate to this most worthy of fan projects, ship \$0.50 to Madle or some equivalent amount in that heathen sterling coinage to Bennett.

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JO ESTERNIK, the belle of the IllWisCon last Fourth of July, is currently unlocatable, screams Dean A. Grennell, who is an otherwise respectfully married man. Anyone knowing her address (it WAS in Chicago someplace) should write to the Sage of Fond du Lac (402 Maple Av, FdL, Wisconsin) and allow him to send her a copy of GRUE. He sends along a picture of this blonde bombshell taken at Weller's Motor Lodge in Chi, and—well, FIND that address, fans! ##Chick Derry, our spy in Washington DC circles, says that Sally Dunn Brues is applying for a FAPA membership in the name of both her and her fan husband, Roger. ##Seattle won the 1959 Westercon, and intends to hold it over the Fourth of July. I suspect if I intend to make it to Detroit I might have trouble getting up north too...but don't act too happy yet, Fabulous Seattle Fandom—I might just make it. ##Speaking of delectable fotos of stacked femmes, Bill Pearson sends along a shot of a luscious brunette with the news that Dan Adkins has gone back to Glendale, Ariz, to be with her. Tsk, what is fandom coming to?

BOB SHAW (c/o Walt Willis, 170 Upper Newtownards Rd, Belfast, NoIreland), who invented the Fan Chess Committee, and is now on his way back to North Ireland, says that somebody actually took him seriously. Says Bob, dated Aug 7, 1958, "Some time ago I had been toying with the idea of a fake news item on a fake fan game and it never came into my head again until I was writing to you fellows that time. The next thing I heard was when Eva Kruger in Long Beach sent me a card asking me to teach her all about the game and tell her how to enter tournaments, etc. The little message she sent me was so much the epitome of the timid neo that I can't help feeling it was a counterhoax. So I didn't answer it. Masterly tactics, eh?" Yes, but WE know all about Eva Kruger, sometimes called the Wildcat of West IB, who is now living with Mr. & Mrs. Paul C. Turner, 1410 1/2 N. Florence, El Paso, Texas, and we hope you haven't hurt her feelings, because she is timid. So timid she didn't even come to the Solacon. She kisses nice, tho. ##We got another envelope full of junk from Tucker this week, but we're above giving space to such things in a high-class fanzine like FANAD. Keep 'em coming, Tuck, and one of these days we'll think of a really worthwhile reply. ##Tucker's latest book, THE LINCOLN HUNTERS, has just been delivered by the SF Book Club to Robbie Gibson, of the famous Gibson & Gibson Lending Library, so the editors will soon be able to read it and tell you the plot gimmick, so you don't have to spend YOUR good money on such stuff. But if you can't wait, we advise you look it up yourself—it's published by Rhinehart.

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H.P.SANDERSON has asked that I retract my statement in FANAC 20 that he can't turn over the books of WSFS to Sneary for some reason or other. I will gleefully retract this statement; in fact, I hereby thoroughly, actually and literally do so. But bear in mind, Sandy, that I originally wrote it as "garbled information", pointing out to you that it was sort of a rumor, sort of.

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FOR QUITE A WHILE NOW DEPT: In a letter which starts off, "FANAC is indispensable to me, and life without it would be intolerable," Larry Shaw sends the unhappy confirmation to rumors we've been hearing that he and Leeh are separated. He calls it a temporary trial, but he suspects it will be permanent. Lee is no longer particularly interested in fandom; he is. And he wishes us to print the bare facts, and no details, to squelch rumors. We have squelched a whole batch of rumors, and trust that no one is disappointed. Larry ends up with "INFINITY is holding its own. We still have hope."

GERRY DE LA REE seems to send us nothing but clippings from the Bergen (N.J.) Evening Record; and we note that the latest clippings are an article by himself, titled "Space Flight: Prelude to Act 1," which encompasses the annals of space flight from 93 yrs ago to the present day, with the standard tail-line, "Only time will tell." Gerry's an unspectacular writer, but has his facts reasonably straight and certainly doesn't make stfen look assinine like a good many Sunday Supplement articles on the subject do. Address: 277 Howland, River Edge, N.U.

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CON TIME is also fanzine time, it seems, altho we know very well that there will be a big slump in publishing for the next month or so (except us publishing giants, of course). There is a fantastic stack of fanzines here, and some of them just aren't about to be commented on at length. Sylvia Dees' FIAFAN was received and read-over a month ago, and was highly enjoyable; same for Bill Meyers' SPECTRE. There are some more recent things here, however...

THE NEW FUTURIAN #8 (JMRosenblum, 7 Grosvenor Park, Leeds 7, England) sells for 9d an ish, whatever that means; and can probably be obtained by shipping a silver dime to Bob Pavlat, 6001 43rd Av, Hyattsville, Md. Well worth the price, esp since the eds (Rosenblum and Bennett) desire to see this price augmented or entirely replaced by some other display of interest, such as commenting on the highly readable material within.

WIDGET #2 (AJReiss, 741 Westminster Rd, Brooklyn 30, NY). Free for letter or trade. Reiss says on his first page that Dietz and Raybin have withdrawn their suit against Kyle, and uses this as an argument in their favor, but last time I heard, this suit had not been withdrawn because Kyle had refused to sign a stipulation which would, possibly, allow the suit to be reprosecuted at some indefinite future time (perhaps when Anna Moffatt was not around to order Raybin not to do so?). At any rate, you know now that Raybin has resigned from his position; any and all suits of the Society will have to be prosecuted by some other lawyer.

F&SF (France and Science Fiction Quarterly) #2, from Pierre & Martine Versins, Primerose 38, Lausanne, Switzerland; highly recommended reading, available for a letter, or for pulpzines, which Pierre adores.

DETROIT PROPAGANDA, from William C. Rickhardt, 21175 Goldsmith, Farmington, Mich. Detroit publishes a readable fanzine, with fotos of fans and cons, and what more can you say now that they've won? Write to Bill, or to George Young, 16330 Washburn, Detroit, for information about how you can get a low-numbered membership in the DETENTION for \$2.00.

OB (the fragrant fanzine), from Nan Gerding and Lynn Hickman (Box 145, Roseville, Illinois, and 304 N 11th, Mt Vernon, Illinois, respectively). This is an OMPazine sort of thing, and very comfortably fills up about ten minutes of your fanzine reading time. Artwork by Rotsler, Pearson and JVCulberson (?).

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RE THE ABOVE: Art & Trina (nee Perlson) Castillo will only be in San Fran for a few months, and intend making a permanent move to Mexico City. Max Keasler, fake fan of many years' standing, is now out of the Navy, and settled in Hollywood; he intends to re-issue OPUS/FANVARIETY as soon as Bob Pavlat can tell him what the number of the last issue was...he doesn't know... Max wants to hear from faa-a-aans and will answer letters and comment on fanzines. I bet he's surprised to find this out. Jim Caughran made it to Berkeley safely, and is going to get his FAPA and OMPA obligations out of the way soon; he should have a two-pager enclosed with this issue of FANAC.

DICK LUPOFF (address overpage) wants to pay \$ash for a complete set of CONTACT (there were nine issues, published from late 1956 to early 1957) and a copy of Willis*and-Shaw's THE ENCHANTED DUPLICATOR. ##Ron and Cindy Smith were at the Solacon, but could not give your news-nosy editors any address on the west coast. Such an address should be forthcoming forthrightly; friends and likeable strangers should also receive soon their copy of the latest INSIDE SCIENCE FICTION, with a satire on TMOF&SF along the same lines as the 1957 satire on aSF.

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HOW TO MAKE A VACA MORADO IN THE PRIVACY OF YOUR OWN BIRDBATH by Dean Grennell

Into a pitcher of adequate size, put a few ice cubes, add two ounces of bourbon (ry, blended or--heaven forgive l--scotch?). Add about half a capful (1 cc., approx.) of almond extract; 8 ounces of Welch's unsweetened Grape juice (from bottle--grape juice from frozen mix permissible only in emergencies); stir in one "king-size" bottle of Coca-Cola (International Treaty of 1938 forbids use of Pepsi-Cola, Royal Crown, Sun Drop, etc.). At mixer's option, sensible amount of juice from bottle of Maraschine cherries may be added. Serve with M. Cherry and ice cube. Serves three or four for a little while.

Pat. 1044 and all that.

--there you have it, courteous readers, another FANAC service to the public. The above recipe, as prepared in Pond du Lac by Gestetnering Giants, is thoroughly recommended by Messers Caughran and Ellik, who vas dere, Charlie. And the bourbon, while mathematically not intoxicating, is absolutely necessary to the taste.

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