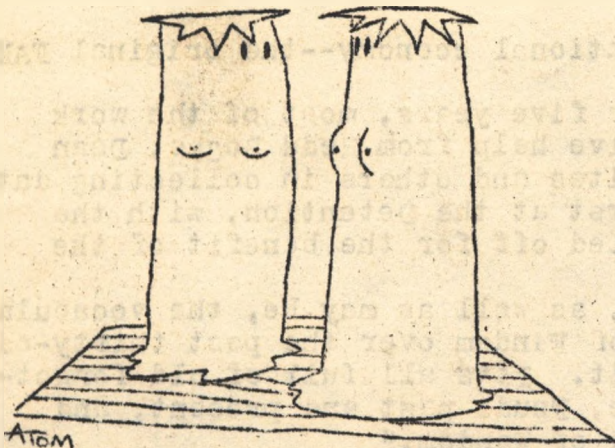


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## FANAC #39

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"...and just then that Rotsler came in, and drew the most disgusting pictures."

### DISCLAVE REPORT

by Dick Eney (written on location)

The Disclave V, a small local conclave, is in progress and at the moment we are actually talking about Science-Fiction. Discussion mainly between Algis Budrys, Moreen Falasca, Bill Donaho, and Larry Shaw, with crowd noises by Bob Pavlat, Nick Falasca, Bob Christenberry, Ruth Kyle, Elizabeth Cullen and Tim Prael. Bits of the FAN-CYCLOPEDIA II were read and generally approved earlier in the day, pictures of everybody got taken, and a basketfull of bottles were killed.

Later: Jean & Andy Young, Larry Stark, Ted & Sylvia White, Hans Stefan Santesson, Mike Becker and Karl Kindberg (publisher of Swedish zine Hapna) showed up, but not Harry Warner jr.

Odd notes: Larry and Lee are finally divorced, Lee resuming her maiden name. We celebrated Bill Donaho's birthday at the Hot Shoppe down the road. Jean and Andy didn't succeed in getting on TV, despite lots of rehearsals last week. M. K. Jessup, English flying saucer fan, died by suicide not long ago, we learned; exact date not available. Andy, Ted, Sylvia, Ted Pauls and myself had a pillow fight which was ended by unilateral disarmament. Further events I know not.

--rhe.

### MORE ON PUBLISHING PROJECTS:

Guy Terwilleger's BEST OF FANDOM--1958 is now out; 120 beautifully dittoed pages of the cream of last year's fanzine crop. There are three pieces by John Berry, two by Bob Bloch, two by Bob Leman, others by Burbee, Moskowitz, Marion Bradley, Warner, Ving Clarke, Tucker, Grennell, etc. Bob Madle does the introduction, there's a 15-page selection of full-page art edited and mastered by Dan Adkins. Ron Ellick summarizes the events of the year as reported in FANAC and Len Moffatt presents the Hugo awards results from the Solacon. Covers by Atom. Hell, what more do you want?--this is a MUST. 75¢, from Guy Terwilleger, 1412 Albright St., Boise, Idaho.

Dick Eney, in an effort to merge FANAC with the defunct STUPEFYING STORIES, also sends along the following news item, which fits in here nicely: "The FANCYCLOPEDIA II is ready for stencilling at last! The revision of Jack Speer's monumental work of 1944 will run to over 150 pages, mimeoed on a special age-resistant paper. Price will run \$1.25 after publication but copies can be reserved now at \$1.00. This is

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(Publishing projects, continued:)

a gesture toward deflation of the national economy--the original FAN-CYCLOPEDIA ran 98 pages for \$1.50.

"FANCYC II has been under way for five years, most of the work being done by Dick Eney with extensive help from Redd Boggs, Dean Grennell, Walt Willis, the Inchmeryites and others in collecting data. Copies are due to be distributed first at the Detention, with the first copy off the press to be raffled off for the benefit of the Berry Fund.

"The FANCYCLOPEDIA aims to cover, as well as may be, the vocabulary, practices, history, and activities of Fandom over the past thirty-odd years, as well as 150 pages can do it. It's all full of old forgotten scandals and some that should be, Feuds past and present, and tales of wild adventure in the world of Fandom."

Send Eney your dollar to reserve a copy NOW--this is another must! (Dick Eney, 417 Ft. Hunt Rd., Alexandria, Virginia.)

Several fans have written in to tell us (apropos of our note last issue that somebody should do a collection of Willis material) that George W. Fields is going to publish such a collection. In fact, they say, he plans to issue four volumes of Willisiana, the first volume to be titled THE WILLIS PAPERS. They think we should print such a notice, but we don't think we should, because some people frown on our publishing dubious rumors--and if we've ever heard a dubious rumor, it's this one. Fields first announced the Willis collection about two years ago, and we mistakenly believed that he meant business--in fact, we even plugged the "forthcoming" volume in early issues of FANAC. But we were young and innocent news-reporters then; we know better now. We'll believe George when we have the collection in our hands, not before.

Still, it might be a good idea for fans to write to George (3607 Pomona Blvd., Montebello, Calif.) and prod him a little. It's an extremely worthy project, after all.

My own recent project, THE STORMY PETREL, a collection of articles about F. T. Laney by Burbee, Bloch, Warner, and Speer, is selling well, and will be sold out soon. The price is 25¢, the address 3320A 21st St., San Francisco 10, Calif.

Norman Shorrocks has taken on somewhat of a Project, too. He says he's going to print my Solacon report, "I Heard The Beat of Fannish Drums," unout in the next issue of SPACE DIVERSIONS, which shouldn't be too far off now. The report runs to something like 20,000 words. (Norman Shorrocks, 2 Arnot Way, Hr. Bebington, Wirral, Cheshire, England.)

PARTICULARS ON THAT FANCYC RAFFLE for the Berry Fund go like this: the first-off-the-press copy of FANCYCLOPEDIA II will go to the winner at a drawing to be held at the Detention. All donations to the Berry Fund of \$1.00 or more received by Nick Falasca between publication of this notice and the first of July will buy a chance in the drawing.

So, like, send MONEY. (Nick Falasca, 5612 Warwick Drive, Parma 29, Ohio.)

MODEST CHICK DERRY writes: "A meagre pamphlet, offset with photomontage cover and running to perhaps 16 pgs will be ready for final typing in about 10 days. This august pub will be FREE and will set forth such much-needed info as who is going to run the Capicon (if) why, where, when... Written by B. Pavlat, T. White, myself. Edited and pubbed by me, and financed by 'Capicon 60'. We hope it'll be ready by July. (Chick Derry, 7703 Alpine St., District Heights, Maryland.)

--tgc



VARIETY IS A WAY OF LIFE DEPT: We get tired of hearing people say Fanac is indispensable in the same old way. We didn't know this, ourselves, until this last week when people started finding new ways. Bob Madle writes that Fanac is indefensible (with which we concur), and Sture Sedolin writes in his Swedish fanzine SF-Fronten, "Fanac -- världens bästa SF-fanzin under 1958." Since we don't speak Swedish, we figured that out from cognates; one word still confuses us, though: is "bästa" a cognate for best or bastard?

CONTEST \* CONTEST \* CONTEST (cont'd from last issue): Bob Lambeck has bid a tooth of his own, Vic Ryan has made an unbelievable bid, and Larry Shaw has bid \$1.27. Regarding Vic Ryan's bid, Larry Shaw says, "Give him Young's tooth; then raffle off the Encyclopedia and the Weird Tales for the Berry Fund, give me two cans of beer for my \$1.27, and drink the rest of it yourselves." I didn't know fan auctions got so complicated. Andy--have you gotten any bids to top this? (Deadline: 31 May 59)

CONTEST ANNEX (Shaw division): When Larry Shaw (319 E 9th St, NYC 3 NY) receives the next (40th) issue of FANAC, his own auction of a fine Emsh bw interior closes and the proceeds then go to the Berry fund. He promises a very good illo, too. Bids of all sizes welcome, but let's keep it to cash.

JAZZ IS JUST A DAMN HOBBY: All fanzine editors who print material on jazz should send copies to Nat Hentoff, c/o Jazz Review, Village Stn, POBox 128, NYC 14 NY. This will probably lead to much egoboo for fans in JR, says Jerry De Muth.

John Speer, state representative of the 47th District, Washington, and the same John Speer who is an elder fan and charter member of FAPA, has piled up \$79 in traffic fines, on 26 separate tickets and 26 counts of failure to appear. Claims it was on official business as an elected representative of the citizens; the traffic bureau thinks differently. ##While we're airing driving secrets, don't expect to see me (Ellik) at the wheel from 25 May to 3 Jun. It seems I appeared too many times, and they yanked my fangs for a while.

GO AWAY, ART LEE: About now, we don't care whether Art Lee exists or not. The facts seem to be that Claude Hall wrote some letters under Lee's name, and was introduced to Ted White, Bill Rickhardt, and Bill Donaho, as Art Lee. Hall and Adkins (the mastermind of the hoax) have written us, explaining it all at length. They still feel that the Ron Archer hoax is worth writing about; to our way of thinking, you might as well expose Edmond Davison. Good grief, like.

PERSONALS COLUMN: Es Adams (433 Locust Av, Huntsville, Ala.) wants any Carr-Ellik fanzines...FAPazines, CUITzines, Carl Brandon writings, etc. It's nice to have a fan, but we're not able to provide him with them. ##Bruce Pelz (4010 Leona St, Tampa 9, Florida) says YES, he wants FANAC #1, and will pay any reasonable price for it. He and Carl Brandon are working on a Gilbert and Sullivan parody, by the way; this'll be Carl's first correspondence collaboration. ##Lynn Hickman (304 North 11th Street, Mt Vernon, Ill) is virtually breathing his last for want of a copy of Rotsler's 1957 cartoonology, THE TATTOOED DRAGON. Will pay \$1.50.

N3F, AVE ET VALE: Stan Woolston (a Director of the N3F) says, officially, that the Neffer Amateur Press Alliance is getting underweigh. Any member of the N3F in good standing may join this NAPA by sending \$1 immediately to Guy Terwilleger (Official Editor, 1412 Albright St, Boise, Idaho). The first mailing deadline is 10 June. Page requirements are 5 pages of "your own" material (art or words) every 2 mths. Mailings will be in the middle of Mar, Jun, Sep and Dec. Members wanted. Now,

TIDINGS FROM DETROIT: Mary Young says the playing cards advertised in recent Detention progreport are ready. 100 single decks, 50 doubles. Sends a copy of the three of clubs, and it looks terrific. \$1.50 single, \$2.75 double, from James Broderick, 12011 Kilbourne Street, Det 13, Mich. \$2.00 for convention memship, same address.



Write a letter of comment to 3320"A" 21st St, San Francisco 10, Calif.

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FANZINE REVIEW DEPT: SF-Fronten #s 12-14 (Sture Sedolin, POBox 403, Vallingby, Sweden). The Swedish equivalent of FANAC, AngloFANAC and Skyrack--a slightly more stf-centered fanewzine. All in Swedish, 20öre each, or swap for prozines. SHANGRI-L'AFFAIRES #42 (Al Lewis, 2548 W 12th St, LAngelos 6, Calif). Here's a hefty issue following #41 by just a few weeks. Contains art of high caliber by Stier, Bjo and Rotsler, and prose of variegated but enjoyable quality by Ted Johnstone, Ron Bennett, Ted Pauls and the Bay Area Boys, Ellik & Carr. There's a classic poem of comment on issue 41 by Theo Cogswell, with a sort-of answer by Djinn. This issue contains the 13th and final installment of Ron Bennett's travelogue. Letters, editorial and club material and material of a miscellaneous nature round off the issue. 20¢ each, 6/\$1, or know somebody. SKYRACK #2 (Ron Bennett, 7 Southway, ArthursAv, Harrogate, Yorks, Eng); the monthly pseudo-FANAC which will probably keep coming out monthly, keep being uniformly readable, and keep you informed of everything happening in England, for months to come. Available by subscription only, 6/35¢ through Pavlat, 6001-43rd Av, Hyattsville, Md.

AMRA v2n3 is circulated "with" this issue of FANAC. AMRA will henceforth be available by subscription only, at 20¢, 5/\$1. The British agent is Alan Dodd, 77 Stanstead Rd, Hoddesdon, Herts, England, and sterling subscriptions of 7/- for five issues should go to him. ##For FANAC-philos, AMRA is considered a flyer sent out with this 39th issue. It probably won't happen again, but it saves us a little postage and costs only a small inconvenience. It also makes available this entire page for what was squeeze out of the interior.

#### CHANGES OF ADDRESS:

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Alan J. Lewis --this address will be good until  
129 Jewett-Hollywood 20 Jul 1959; hold mail  
East Aurora, New York after this date.

FANAC FOR SALE: Back issues are available as follows: 3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13, 14,15,16,17,20,21,22,24,25,26,28,29,30,32,33,34,35,36,38,39.

These are offered at regular sub rates. Any flyers we happen to have will be given free. A minimum order must cover postage needed to fill it.

Miriam Carr (3320"A" 21st St, San Francisco 10, Calif) has about thirty copies of her circa-Solacozine MENTAL MARSHMALLOW, and will send same to anybody requesting it and enclosing a three-cent stamp. Terry Carr (same address) is still offering stacks of 15 fanzines, grab-bag fashion, from all periods of fanhistory, for \$1. Old, new, big, small, all colors of the rainbow and some that aren't. Buy now.

--rds.

NOTE FANAC'S ADDRESS FOR THE SUMMER: 3320"A" 21st St, SAN FRANCISCO 10, CALIFORNIA.