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Since Rotsler and I are constitutionally unable to imagine a fan production with an absolutely blank back page, such as this one would have been, we have reached into the back of our fannish minds and have somehow pulled out enough material to fill up the page. Thus the creation of not one, but two new titles for this special mailing. Since the other side of this sheet is the Fantasy Amateur, you might think this side should have some relation to business. No. This back page is two fanzines, each claiming a title and a volume number, as you have seen. And the way I feel about one-shot fanzines right now, after all this frenzied activity, couldn't be explained properly in a fanzine meant for adolescent eyes.

--burb

And now my guest artist, Bill Rotsler, will take over and entertain you for the rest of the mag.



Thank you, Bill Rotsler!

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Bill Rotsler has kindly asked me to be his guest editorial writer this issue, and I deem it an honor to be so singled out from the rest of FAPA. Since the policy of this magazine has not yet been fully established, and Rotsler is unable to tell me just what his future plans are, I will merely wish him good luck on this new venture. Good luck, Bill, on your new venture.

--burb

Bedfast, the Recumbent Fanzine, should be called the Catalyst Fanzine and this the Chain Reaction Mailing. Look at all the fanzines and crifanac Bedfast set in motion. Is this thing some facet of perpetual motion? Are we to abandon all mundane things such as wine, wirmin and wimmin? This flurry of fannish crud, this whirling of mimeographs and clang of typer bells - is this din my fate, my punishment for a sinful life of fandom? We shud denounce Bedfast as the Circe fanzine, ere we be lost and the Miniature Mailing become the Massive Mailing. One-shot fanzines grow before our startled eyes. By leaps and bounds the Mailing grows, grows and swells much as Al Ashley does when after a week of constant thinking (two weeks of partime thinking) he flings gay repartee back at Burbee or Laney. There! I've done it! The name Ashley has crept into this once virgin fanzine! I was unable to resist. Only Burbee was able to resist the awful temptation of slyly slipping Ashley into PNEUMO. Only by great power of mind and will (supplemented by the knowledge that he is a BNF - Big Name Fan) was he able to resist. Laney was weak, much as I was. He submitted to the awful Ashley influence, published Bedfast, the Recumbent Fanzine, (Laney is at his best when horizontal) and started this chain reaction that you are now about to delve into. Happy landings!

Rotsler,
Ashley puppet

