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'68!!! (See, Dave?)

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WELL, I FEEL A LITTLE SICK at all the work I'll have in the next week or three. Right now I've got \$22 worth of ditto paper at home, waiting for Algol to be printed on it, which shd indeed be some job. And a TAPS deadline coming up, with a promise to Fred Lerner to run some artwork off for him. Ah fandom, what the hell are you doing to me?

I think I'll put the mailing comments in here, as I've nothing I specifically want to say, at the moment. So, irrationality follows.

ANDY SILVERBERG SPEAKS HIS PIECE: APA F #59::::::::::::::::::

Perdita Boardman: I suppose that by this time you have an addition to your family. Congradulations, and best wishes! And I did indeed enjoy your cover; that sure does make fun of gorilla warfare, doesn't it?

John Boardman: I'm sorry that you didn't cover the British zines such as Nebula, New Worlds, Science Fantasy, and SF Adventures. How about it, John?

Dave Van Arnam: I hope that your script writing materializes, & that you may eventually learn that there's bigger money there than in symbiosis.

Dick Lupoff: I like what you've written, and personally would like to see the 66 ConComm make a go of it, at least for one year. Please clarify your further suggestions. Yes/?

Ted White: I quite agreed with what you had to say in Gambit, as regards Kyle and the Rotation plan. I just wish that people would realize that NY is like the Unions; we're no longer dupps of the communists, folks; NYFandom has grown up in the last decade, too, just like the unions have in 30 years.

Dave Van Arnam: Gee, Dave, your map fandom must be a pretty shallow thing; I make my own, while you just look at the ones that are already printed up.

Ted White again: Gee, Ted, exactly which fandom are we in now? People keep talking about a new fandom emerging with the retreat to the apa's soon to be followed by a resurgence of general fandom and a growth of fanzines in new directions, or something. What exactly is the state of the numbered fandoms at the moment? I'm sorta confused about it. /-/Yes, I understand it's possible in the Subway to ride a total of 200+ ~~mi~~ miles on one 15¢ token, never going over the same route. And the 82nd street-Jackson Heights bus goes from the bottom of Fifth Avenue over the 59th street bridge far out into Queens for only 15¢ also. I guess I never would

(ted white cont.) like a city where you pay for transit by zones or mounting rates, as in Washington D.C on the cabs. Go ten blocks in the same zone and it costs the same as going across the street into another zone. NYC taxis are 35¢ beginning fare, 5¢ each additional 1/5th mile. Hell, the cost from the Port Authority, into the tunnel under the Hudson, and across the Jersey Flatlands to Newark is 40¢. I guess as far as transit goes, New York is a pretty good city. All the North-South Avenues in Manhattan have buses on them, as well as cross-town buses at various places and (from the numbered streets it's easier to show) at 8th street, 14th, 23rd, 34th, 42nd, 49th, 57th, 66th, 72nd, 79th, 86th, 96th, 110th, 116th, 125th, & 138th; beyond that point manhattan starts to narrow down (at 138th anything east of 5th Avenue ceases to be Manhattan and the Avenues cross over bridges into the Bronx). The Bronx has poorer bus ~~xxx~~ service than Manhattan, and I know nothing about the other boro's, but NYC does have a bus or subway/elevated within a dozen blocks of any point in our 365 square miles, I would say. And remember, NYC is primarily built on islands; only the Bronx is on the mainld.

along the APALachian trail:::apa L #44

No one told me that the South Gate in '68! isn't really In, but now Dave has, See the front for a better slogan (and one which I'll use from now on, Bjohn).

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Greg Shaw: I don't know, I think that it's fairly easy to grow out of a bad image engendered when you're young and inexperienced. Surely many people have forgotten about Andy Silverberg-phone fan by now, for which I am very grateful -- I was an abominable neo, and it's to fandom's credit that they have accepted (as Dave Hulan said) that "neoish teenagers stop being neoish (or immature) teenagers after a while." For which comment I must sincerely thank Dave .

Felice Rolfe: What is an "on-street parking sticker?" Do you mean you have to have a sticker to park your car by the side of the road? Interesting.

Fred Patten: I'm sorry to hear that you definitely had to cancel your trip; Hell, by the time this reaches you all this will almost be in the past...

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Well, I find at this time that I've just about run out of comments on apa L this trip around. I just opened the window and got the sweet smell of seaweed; it's hard for me to remember that I'm on an island, less than 8 blocks from the water. Manhattan to me is, of course always surrounded by shipping that I take no notice of, yet often I can hear a big ship whistling or tooting in the middle of the night. I guess NYC is just a fascinating place, but I wouldn't like to visit here; there's too much to do and see, not enuf time to do it in.

I've just discovered that my step-father's brother-in-law is a top sergeant stationed where good ol' Steve Stiles will be stationed -- in the middle of Missouri, and that Steve's father was stationed there during the war. He says it's very nice country, deep inside the Ozarks and rather hilly, with a nice climate. I hope Steve'll like it there, 'cause he ain't got no choice anyhoo....And I guess I'll sign off here; see you at the Noncon in Philly

-- Andy Porter