

FEBRUARY 5, 1950

INTRODUCTION THIS IS THE FIRST ISSUE OF THE DETROIT STFAN, THE OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE DETROIT SCIENCE FANTASY LEAGUE. IT WILL BE SENT TO DSFL MEMBERS, OTHER INTERESTED FEN, INTERESTED NON-FANS, AND TO ANY ONE ELSE WE FEEL LIKE SENDING IT TO. IT WILL BE DEVOTED TO CLUB NEWS AND ANYTHING ELSE WE HAPPEN TO STICK INTO IT AND YOU MAY REST ASSURED THAT ANYTHING WE FEEL LIKE STICKING INTO IT WE MOST CERTAINLY WILL.

HISTORY SINCE THIS BULLETIN WILL BE GOING OUT TO OTHERS BESIDES OUR OWN MEMBERS, I THINK THIS WOULD BE A GOOD SPOT IN WHICH TO PUT IN A SPOT ABOUT THE PAST HAPPENINGS OF THE LEAGUE. DURING THE HALLOWEEN PARTY OF THE MICHIGAN SCIENCE FANTASY SOCIETY LAST YEAR, LAST OCTOBER 29TH TO BE EXACT, (THIS BIT OF INFORMATION GIVEN FOR ANYONE WHO WANTS EXACT INFORMATION ON MATTERS) THE DETROIT MEMBERS OF THE MSFS DECIDED THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THEIR OWN CLUB IN ADDITION TO THE MICHIGAN CLUB. THE FIRST FORMAL MEETING, THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING, WAS HELD ON NOVEMBER 4TH AND EVERY TWO WEEKS THEREAFTER. BY THE FOURTH MEETING WE HAD A STRONG CONSTITUTION (WE HOPE) WHICH CLEARLY GAVE FULL RIGHTS TO CONTROL MEMBERSHIP SO THAT WE COULD PICK AND CHOOSE OUR PEOPLE TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAD A MENTALLY ADULT GROUP AND NOT HAVE ANY CRACKPOTS OR "JUVENILE JERKS". (WE INTEND TO PUBLISH THE CONSTITUTION VERY SHORTLY.)

NEXT MEETING THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE HOME OF ED KUSS, 7502 GRIXDALE AVE., DETROIT, ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, AT 7:30 P.M. THIS IS ON THE EAST SIDE OF DETROIT, NEAR THE 7 MILE RD. AND VAN DYKE INTERSECTION, ABOUT 6 BLOCKS SOUTH OF 7 MILE ROAD AND ONE BLOCK WEST FROM VAN DYKE. GRIXDALE IS A DEAD END STREET AND CAN BE ENTERED ONLY FROM VAN DYKE. ED'S HOUSE IS THE ONE ON THE CORNER OF GRIXDALE AND PACKARD. THERE IS THE 7 MILE BUS AND THE VAN DYKE BUS FOR THOSE OF YOU DEPENDING ON DSR TRANSPORTATION. IF YOU NEED ANY FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS, DIRECTIONS OR INFORMATION, YOU COULD PHONE ED AT TW. 1-6870 OR THE SECRETARY AT TY. 7-6132.

I'VE HEARD THAT ED AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE, ANDRE WEITZENHOFFER, HAVE A WONDERFUL PROGRAM PLANNED FOR THE EVENING, BUT AS YET, I'VE BEEN UNABLE TO FIND OUT WHAT IT IS. GUESS I'LL HAVE TO WAIT, ALONG WITH THE REST OF YOU, TO FIND OUT WHAT IT IS AT THE MEETING. SO, I'LL BE SEEING YOU THERE, WON'T I?

LAST MEETING THE LAST MEETING WAS HELD ON JANUARY 28TH OVER ON MAPLEWOOD AVE. WITH GERALD GORDON ACTING AS HOST FOR THE MEETING. AFTER THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER, INTRODUCTIONS WERE MADE ALL THE WAY ROUND THE CIRCLE AS THERE WERE NEW PEOPLE THERE. THE BUSINESS MEETING WAS RATHER SHORT AND AT THAT IT WAS INTERRUPTED AS THE REFRESHMENTS WERE PREPARED TO EARLY AND WE HAD TO TAKE TIME OFF TO EAT BEFORE THE WARM THINGS GOT COLD AND THE COLD THINGS GOT WARM.

EVEN THOUGH WE HAD ONE OF THE SMALLEST TURNOUTS IN A LONG TIME AT THIS MEETING, WE STILL HAD A VERY GOOD TIME. THOSE ATTENDING INCLUDED: DR. GLENN C. HAZEN; GEORGE YOUNG; MARTIN ALGER; FRED AND BEULAH ST. ARNAULT; HOWARD AND SYBIL DEVORE AND THEIR CHARMING DAUGHTER, CHERYL; PERDITA LILLY; BEN SINGER; MARILYN ROSS; GERALD GORDON; ARNIM SEIELSTAD; NORMAN KOSSUTH; JAMES DUNN; AND EDITH AND GEORGE FURCSIK AND, OF COURSE, THEIR YOUNG SON, BILLY.

NEW MEMBERS

THIS SECTION IS DEDICATED ESPECIALLY TO THOSE OF YOU WHO READ THIS, WHO, AS YET, ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE DETROIT SCIENCE FANTASY LEAGUE. SINCE I KNOW THAT YOU ALL WANT TO BECOME MEMBERS AND ARE PLANNING ON DOING SO VERY SHORTLY, I WILL TRY TO EXPLAIN AS CLEARLY AS POSSIBLE HOW YOU MAY DO SO. THE FOLLOWING IS TAKEN FROM THE CONSTITUTION OF THE LEAGUE, SLIGHTLY ABRIDGED AND CONDENSED TO SAVE TIME AND ROOM:

APPLICANTS FOR MEMBERSHIP MUST FILL OUT A REGISTRATION BLANK FURNISHED BY THE LEAGUE AND RETURN IT TO THE SECRETARY. THEY MUST ATTEND TWO CONSECUTIVE MEETINGS AFTER WHICH TIME THEY MUST BE VOTED INTO THE LEAGUE BY A THREE QUARTERS MAJORITY OF THOSE MEMBERS PRESENT AT ANY ONE OFFICIAL BUSINESS MEETING. UPON BEING VOTED INTO THE LEAGUE, THEY WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY THEIR INTIATION FEE AND THEIR FIRST YEARS DUES. THOSE RESIDING OUTSIDE THE AREA COVERED BY THE DETROIT CITY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY MAY BECOME ASSOCIATE MEMBERS OF THE LEAGUE WITH ALL BENEFITS AND PRIVILEGES OF REGULAR MEMBERS EXCEPT THAT OF VOTING. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS DO NOT HAVE TO ATTEND TWO MEETINGS BUT HIS NAME WILL BE READ AT TWO MEETINGS AFTER WHICH A VOTE WILL BE TAKEN. THE DUES FOR REGULAR MEMBERS SHALL BE \$1.50 PER YEAR AND FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERS, \$1.00 PER YEAR. THE INITIATION FEE SHALL BE 50¢ FOR ALL NEW MEMBERS WHEN FIRST JOINING UP.

TO BECOME A MEMBER, SEND IN YOUR DUES AND INITIATION FEE TO THE SECRETARY AND YOU WILL GET YOUR REGISTRATION BLANK BY RETURN MAIL.

IN TIMES TO COME WE HAVE MANY PLANS FOR THE FOLLOWING ISSUES OF THE DETROIT STFAN. FIRST OF ALL, WE INTEND TO HAVE A LARGER ISSUE (MORE PAGES), THEN WE'LL HAVE MORE ROOM TO PUT IN SOME OF THE THINGS WE HAVE IN MIND. WE WANT TO PUBLISH THE CONSTITUTION AS I MENTIONED EARLIER, ALSO THE COMPLETE MEMBERSHIP LIST. IN THE NEXT ISSUE WE WILL HAVE THE QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT WHICH IS DUE. WE ALSO HAVE SEVERAL BOOK REVIEWS SCHEDULED AMONG OTHER THINGS.

WELL, THAT SEEMS TO BE ALL FOR THIS TIME, AS I'VE JUST ABOUT RUN OUT OF ROOM ON THIS SHEET OF PAPER. (SEE WHY WE NEED TO HAVE A LARGER ISSUE.) HOPE TO SEE MOST OF YOU OUT TO THE MEETING.

THE DETROIT STFAN

OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE
DETROIT SCIENCE FANTASY LEAGUE

EDITH FURCSIK, SECRETARY
5037 MAPLEWOOD AVENUE
DETROIT 4, MICH.

ARNIM SEIELSTAD
1500 FAIRHOLME
GROSSE POINTE 30, MICH.

