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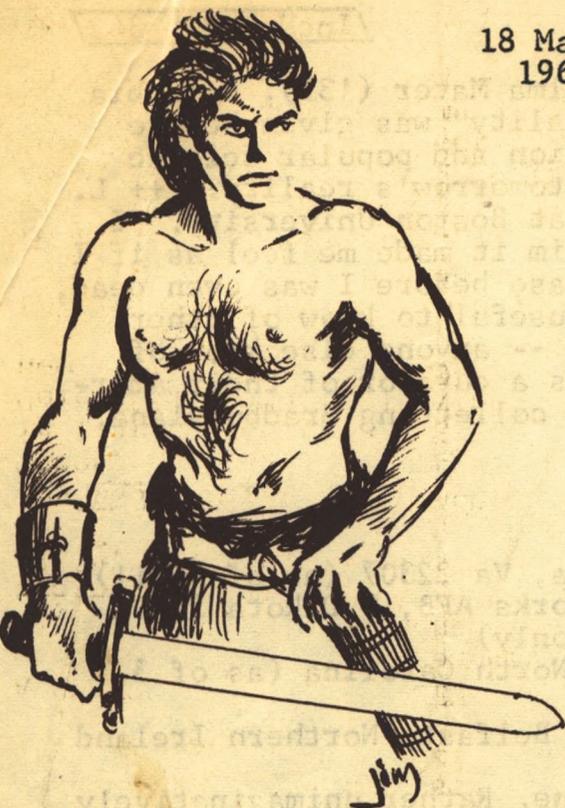
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A biweekly newszine of sorts from Bruce Pelz, Box 100, 308 Westwood Plaza, Los Angeles, Calif 90024. Available for news or 3/25¢. Overseas agent is Ella Parker. Illo by Jim Cawthorne. Syracuse in 1966.

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CLEVELAND, DETROIT AND CINCINNATI have amalgamated their interests in holding a Worldcon in 1966, and are now bidding as a Joint Tri-City bid, with the convention to be called the Tricon. Chairman is Ben Jason, with Howard Devore and Don Ford as Associate Chairmen, and a list of committeemen and Advisors as long as your arm. Their publicity release of January 23rd -- the first publicity I have seen for a Midwest con bid -- states that they have selected the Sheraton-Cleveland Hotel for the con, but there is a possibility that they may select another, brand new hotel, which would be ready for occupancy by con time. Tricon also reports that its Guest of Honor has



Not quite the expression I had intended. Maybe someone just told him about gunpowder.....

accepted, and a full write up of details will appear in the first progress report, to be distributed at the LonCon II. Sounds like they've already won, doesn't it?

A SYMPOSIUM ON EXTRA-SENSORY PERCEPTION will be held at UCLA over the weekend of June 5-6, sponsored by the Extension Division. Enrollment fee of \$25 includes luncheons. Anyone interested may obtain a detailed brochure by writing to the UCLA Extension Division, Los Angeles, Cal. 90024. The symposium is aimed at the general audience, not specialists.

AMAZING AND FANTASTIC, the Ziff-Davis magazines, have been sold to Sol Cohen, presently listed as publisher of Galaxy. According to report, he is leaving the Galaxy group and will handle the two ex-ZD mags alone. Cele Lalli will be leaving as editor, but we have no information on the new editor. The last ZD-Lalli issues will be June or July.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES: Jim Harmon is announcer and producer for a biweekly (or thereabouts) show on radio station KPFK, the Pacifica Foundation's FM Station in Los Angeles. Called "Radio Rides Again," it is made up of bits of old-time radio favorites. ++ "First of the Month," Cleveland Amory's column in the Saturday Review, ran an item on August Derleth in the 6 February issue, calling Derleth "the country's No.1 writer - in production," and stating that Derleth had just finished his 114th book and had 20 more waiting for publication. ++

1965 DIRECTORY OF L.A. FANDOM - 10¢ - Tom Gilbert, 1094 E. Howard, Pasadena, California. 159 names and address of people to avoid.

PRO-SCENE REVIEW: Isaac Asimov spoke at his Alma Mater ('39), Columbia College, on 10 March. The talk, "Escape to Reality" was given before an audience of 300, and defended science fiction and popular science writing, contrasting "today's reality" with "tomorrow's reality." ++ L. Sprague de Camp's papers now have an archive at Boston University. "I even have a curator," says Sprague. "I told him it made me feel as if I were already stuffed and mounted in a glass case before I was even dead, but if he didn't mind I didn't." It might be useful to know of other such archives in libraries around the country -- anyone else know of one? The University of Southern California has a curator of their American Literature collection who is fanatically collecting Bradburyiana, but I don't think that's the same thing.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS:

Richard Eney, 6500 Fort Hunt Rd, Alexandria, Va 22307 (as of April)
Richard Mann, 249B South Nevada, Grand Forks AFB, N.Dakota 58201
(18 through 28 March only)

Al Scott, 2506 Shenandoah Ave, Charlotte, North Carolina (as of 3
June)

Walt & Madeleine Willis, 27 Clonlee Drive, Belfast, Northern Ireland

THE WASHINGTON SF ASSN is publishing a clubzine. Rather unimaginatively titled THE WSFA JOURNAL, , it is available from Donald Miller, 12315 Judson Rd, Glenmont, Wheaton, Maryland 20906. Sample copy free to anyone; addresses of fans in the DC Metropolitan area requested.

LANCER BOOKS has purchased an SF novel from Ted White. It will also be bringing out an SF novel by Dean McLaughlin in May.

OUR TAFF REPORT forgot to mention that Len Moffatt came in fourth in the recent race, with Dick Eney, Ben Stark, Bjo Trimble, and Wally Weber tying for fifth place. Len got two write-in votes, the others one each.

SKYRACK reports that Pete Weston (9, Porlock Crescent, Northfield, Birmingham 31, England) is planning a limited edition of THE ENCHANTED DUPLICATOR, with ATom illos, to be published this summer at 3/6d. (I still have about 15 of the Eddie Jones-illod edition at 75¢.)

TERRY CARR'S TAFF REPORT will be run in about three installments in his FAPazine LIGHTHOUSE (which also has a fairly large general circulation) before being run as one item, and being sold for TAFF's benefit.

THE DISCLAVE (7-8 May, Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge, Wheaton, Md) will feature Ron Elik, boy rhootbeer guzzler, as Party Administrator in the hospitality suite. He reports that, although the budget and attendance are expected to be lower than at the Discon party, the degree of wildness should be about the same. Beds in the hospitality suite are \$5 a night, and floor space \$1. No charge to pass out under the poker table or in the swimming pool.

APAc. APA L is down to a more manageable size (72½pp for #22). Anyone interested in joining should write to Tom Gilbert (address overleaf). He will probably tell you to go jump, but you can try, anyway. ++ The N'APA mailing is late again. ++ So is the Fantasy Rotator from Gordon Eklund. So what else is new?

RON ELLIK, we are asked to advise the Nevada fan, is a puppet of Harlan Ellison. Our informant, having settled this, wants to know what Nevada is?