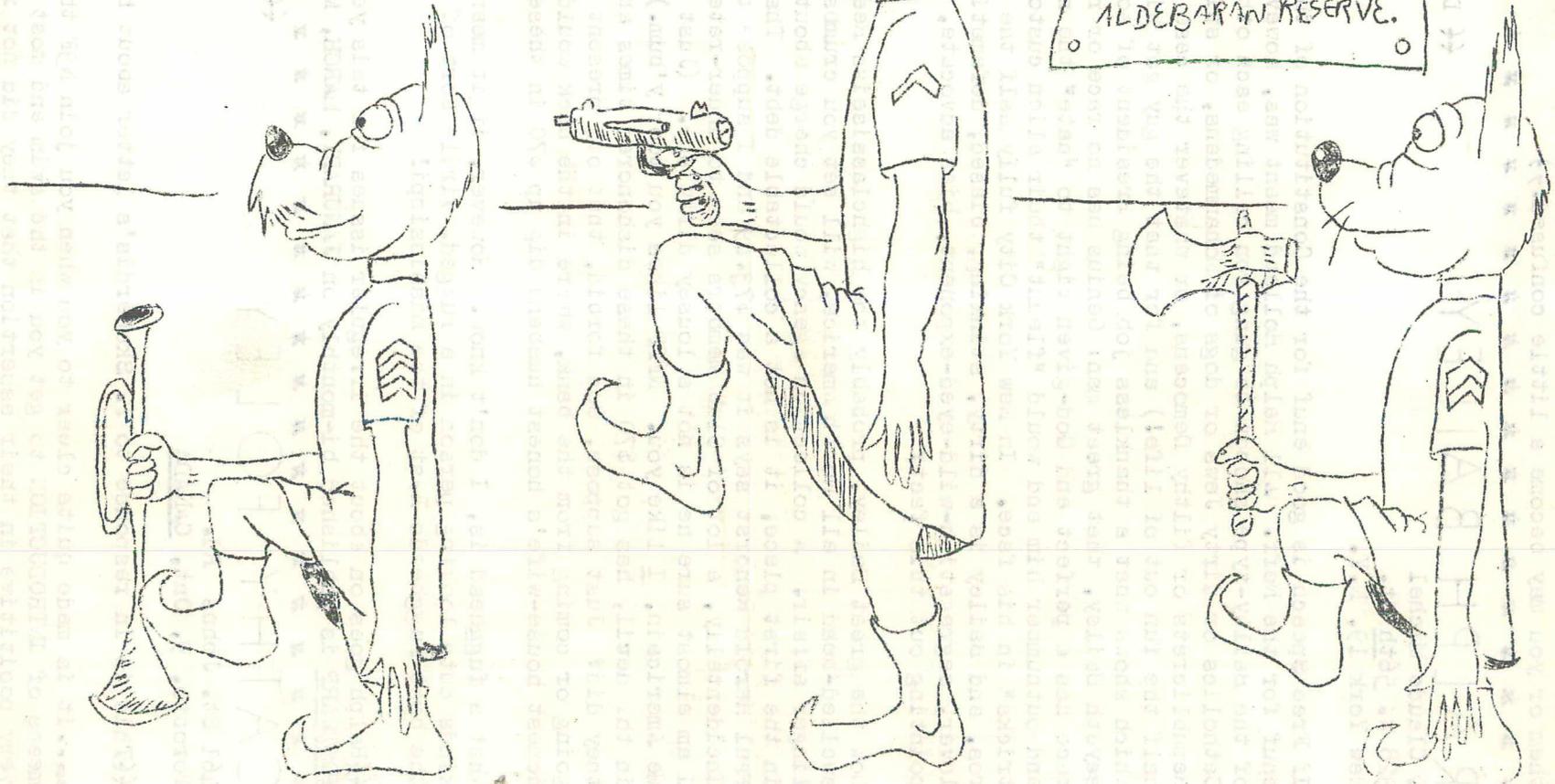


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COMMENTS

←(This issue, my editorial will be on the last few pages. However, I'm using this space to say that these first letters WERE TO RICH BROWN AND WERE WRITTEN B E F O R E THE LAST ISSUE WAS OUT. As a result, please bear this in mind when you're reading them or you may become a little confused.)→

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RALPH BAILEY

←(Date unknown)→

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If Free Speech is good enuf for the Constitution of the United States it awta be good enuf for the Neff. All Ralph Holland meant was, however, that dirty half-washed bums of the Bailey-type shoodn be gung ron calling each other dirty Protestants or dirty Catholics or dirty Jews or dogs of Mohammedans, or stinking Americanos, or filthy Republicrats or filthy Democans, or whatever the case may be, (the guy would take half the fun out of life!) and for that the guy got his ears pinned back, but good, which shows what a thankless job being President of something is! Now therefore, sayeth Bailey, that great man: Genius has no race or religeon and everybody and every race has a perfect and God-given right to "hate" the neighbors who would "invade" and outnumber him and would "flaunt" their alien customs and speech and "sneaky tricks" in his face. In New York City fully half the people on the street are Negro, and Bailey is a dirty, stinking, biased, defamation-monger, discrimination-lover, segregation-wild-eyed-exponent, bias advocate, and unGodly whatisit, for pointing out this fact?

Now the great Bailey, probably the highclassississ Reefine swelliddidd-headadiss swelled-head in all North America, will set you crumbs straight about the Marion Malinger affair. A collection agency would charge about \$20.00 to collect it. And, in the first place, it is not a collectable debt. That is, it is not a legal debt. Paul Harold Rehorst says it was \$73.49 and I suppose that is the accurate figure. Incidentally, a lot of Club Members seem to under-rate Paul. He may be a goanso, but I am almost sure he is not a lousey dirty one. (Just kidding Paul. You American, Me American, I like you. NFFF likes you too; y'bum.) And, in the second place, who in thr devil, has got \$70 in these dishonored times and would leeve go of it if they did? Just suppose, God forbid, that our present esteemed treasurer was robbed going or coming from the bank, where in the heck would a honest house-wife or an heneest house-wife's honest husband dig up \$70 in these tight times?

What a fugghead is, I don't know. However, if it means an awful intelligent and kinda cute looking person in a rugged, virile sort of way, then I bet I am one of the best Fuggheads East of the Mississippi!

←(Ralph goes on about the irregular issues for this year and shows one misconception. FOURWARP is published bi-monthly on JANURARY, MARCH, MAY, JULY, SEPT, and November!→

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←(This is in response to P. Skeberdis's letter about his resignation. I cut it)→

...it is made quite clear to you when you join N3F that WC letters are mainly as a means of INTRODUCTION to get you in the swim and most of the ones I received were very posititive in their assertion that they did not require an answer; however, if one especially wanted to keep that particular correspondent as a regular pen-pal, then it was merely up to you. Seth, Fran, Ralph, Nan, rise to the defense of ALL ROBINS! How could nayone call an RR boring? From first hand knowledge I vote for

RR's as the best part of fandom; where else can you find a group of people that are willing to spend the time and energy to share their ideas and problems with others, offer help when needed, and keep an openminded view on all subjects? (Well, SABS is one example. RR's may be ok in their own way, but ayjay, to me, is much better.)

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June 28, 1958

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I am asking that this be put in POSTWARP because I want all the publicity I can get. We have 166 members. That means I have to get at least 84 over to my side.

The issue:

The NATIONAL FANTASY FAN FEDERATION is International. Why not call it the INTERNATIONAL Fantasy Fan Federation? I have asked a good many of my correspondents this question. The results were 2 to 1 in favor of the change. I have enough signatures for a petition, so it will come up for a membership vote.

My slogan is "G O I N T E R N A T I O N A L." If you are in favor of the drive put this at the bottom of your letters. It will signal others to do the same.

A fellow fan,

/s/ James Chambers

←This question has come up at least once a year. Usually tho, it comes out with: change National to International (for the above stated reasons), Fantasy is on the wane, so change that to SF, Fan is an ugly term used to signify such idiots that listen to disk jockies, and we are not a Federation at all. In other words, change the whole darned name. The opponents of this measure say that it will look to non-Neffers that we are changing the name to get away from the bad publicity that N3F has earned over the years. I'll stay officially neutral on this question, except to state one answer Ralph Holland came up with some time ago. He said, "Keep the name N3F but let us call ourselves "Neffers International."→

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RICK SNEARY

June 30, 1958

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Now I, for example, wouldn't mind talking to Paul Rehorst about why I would like to see a few persons from the Communist Bloc join the NFFF. I believe it would be very interesting, and the exchange of ideas would be good for all of us. I have faith in my own beliefs and do not think I would be corrupted by listening to the views of someone from a Communist Country. Or even by that comparatively rarer person, a Communist Party Member. I admit though, in the latter case, that it might present problems for some, at their job.



I would not care to discuss politics with a person from a Communist country. I'm sure that even if they could write, they would be far too fearful to express their views on anything so dangerous. But we could talk about the things we have in common. And through knowing, we might grow to understand each other, and our and their countries better. There is too much fear in the world, and much of it is because we don't understand each other. And, we will never understand the other fellow if we refuse to listen to him. Also, mild arguing helps make us think of the reasons we believe as we do. I'm sure everyone has had one of his long held and "basic" beliefs challenged, and when he sprang to the defense, found himself thinking of new reasons for thinking as he did.

...the view of when a fan should be acceptable is purely relative. It is tempting to suggest, at my age, that the club would be better if it allowed only fans who had been active at least three years. I can assure most anyone that after three years, a fan is much better adjusted than after three months. Also, most of the Skeberdis's have dropped out...but as fans can't sit around waiting to grow up and should join something -- they should join the N3F as soon as possible. There is more turnover, but the blood stays fresher....

Slurp!

/s/ Rick

«I'll drink to that. About a member from a Commie country....I just wonder what would be censored..that is, if enuf was left to make it worthwhile to drag one along while probably being called Commie-lovers or some-such. Also, as Rick points out, there's the trouble some people mite run into with their jobs. Elsewhere in this ish, Guy Terwilliger mentions the same thing.»«No, not the Terwilliger letter just below»
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GUY TERWILLIGER

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This recruiting from the pro-zines. It does have a very good side to it. Quite often, an John Koning mentions, these recruited fen do turn quite active and take part in many phases of fandom. Those older fen who claim they aren't the best type should look around them at their peers. There are numerous names on the membership list of N3F, or in fandom, that lay claim to being a tru-fan, yet, on closer inspection, you never see them taking part in any activity. They sit back and try to ride on their laurels. Laurels, like old soldiers, never die, but they sure as hell fade away into nothing. I wonder just how much of present day fandom even has any idea of what some of the old time fen, who still lay claim to fame, did to gain attention. Not many, I'll wager. Fandom is not a permanent thing. If you don't keep working, you too, will fade away.

Best -- /s/ Guy

«There's another side to it too. So what, if these recruited fen don't become active? They pay their dues, and we, the active ones, can have a lot of fun with their monies. If they want to throw it away and remain un-active...why should we worry? It's their choice. Me, I'm having fun with FW.»
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That the NFFF should be non-restrictive is a point to be debated. First, we are always praising the "good all days" of NFFF, such "good old days" presumable in the '40's, after the club was/had been organized only a short time(several years).

«Great Ghu, in 1944, only 3 years afterwards, Speer's FANCYCLOPEDIA refered to the N3F as dead and all washed up, which it was at that time. I think a better time is from about the '50 to '54 period when the membership boomed up to 400»

When the club was organized, some very definite membership requirements were set up. They included giving proof of activity in the fan field (not pro-stf) by two or more credentials, attendance of cons, membership in other organizations. Also the recommendation of three other fen. (This is not necessary, the "credentials" should cover this...though the other fen were supposed to be members --today there is usually a sponsoring member.) Final requirement was the passing of an examination on stf and fandom (passing was 70%)...this examination included questions about the first stf mag, prominent (then) fans, BR fan, authors, pseudonyms, and stf artists. Now, this test was perhaps hard, although knowledge was more widespread among the readers, then due to the fact that they were fewer and therefore, closer, but the training or get-

ting acquainted period I mentioned would easily qualify them to pass such a test.

⚡⚡You forget one thing tho, the actual purpose of N3F at this time is to sorta train new fans..that is, to provide new blood for the field. If this goes thru, then this purpose will be gone, and NO OTHER CLUB CAN DO IT. ISFCC isn't anywhere near prepared to start to do it. Ayjay clubs are out too. So why change? Anyway, is there really any need for it? Anyway, as I mentioned above, the club darned near collapsed under this "restriced" ruling. And, don't bring up the collapse of '55. That was because of a feuc..far different.⚡⚡)

If I get the owrdr on rebuilding the NF-FFfile I hope to be able to answer the questions of any neo-member in regard to fandom, and a large amount pertaining to stf, or so I hope.

Marion Mallinger, who Rehorst mentioned as keeping some \$70 of NFFFunds, also kept the whole NFFfile, and so, it must be rebuilt. For some reason, files have a great attraction for me -- besides, this would give me an excuse for purchasing some rare fannish and stf reference stuff.

John Koning

GARY DEINDORFER

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July 9, 1958

Ok, I'm glad it's settled that feuds as they are known in fandom are not for POSTWARP. They may do harm for NFFF -- however, arguments are fine, in fact, needed for interest. At that, I can't see why "feud" was ever adopted in fandom to mean what it means. In

fandom it means a feud between fen or groups of fen (not swamps either, Bob). Generally it means "continued strife between families or clans." Anyone with Jack Speer's "FANCYCLOPEDIA" please say what he has to say on its origin as a particularly fannish word

⚡⚡what Speer had to say would take up over a page here, mainly because he quotes chapter and verse. However, one paragraph reads like this: "The general purpose in a feud is to discredit your opponent, either to drive him out of fandom, or to get fans as a whole to refuse to follow some course of action he advocates or to follow one he opposes, such as forming an organization or adopting certain principles in their discussions." Perhaps they were called

"The chief difference between an oxhide and an oxide is that while an oxide contains oxygen, an oxhide contains ox."

-dag 4 Sept '58

Dean A. Grennell
from a grue-and-bleen short-
snorterquotecard

feuds because the opposing forces were generally called 'factions'....in our present cases we have the NY faction, somewhat of a Kyle faction, and I hear that the Solacon Committee is getting into the currant series of feuds too, with amendments to the by-laws of the WSFS Inc.⚡⚡)

BOB FARNHAM

July 9, 1958

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So, Mr P. F. Skeberdis thinks I'm a fugghead, do he? I've been in N3F for 13 years and am in my 14th year-membership paid for '59, and have found that in the long run the biggest and dumbest fugghead of them all is the one who begins calling others "Fuggheads." Take Mr. Paul Rehorst ferezampul...move over, paul, Mr. Skeberdis has assigned me to a seat on your bench.....

In the years I've been in N3F, I have seen trouble makers and hecklers come and go.

I've seen them in various grades; some amusing, some asinine, and some just plain damned mean. I charge Mr. Rehorst with being that last. I've watched his antics (In the club publications) for quite a while and cannot say in the 13 years of active membership, I've had in the National Fantasy Fan Federation that I have seen the work of anyone who was more avid, ardent, or asinine in stirring up trouble in the NFFF membership than Paul Harold Rehorst. Communism at it's worst!

that I KNOW Bob can prove this -- or I wouldn't print this. I've seen examples myself. Also that I know Bob is not doing it to stir up trouble.))

Suggestion to Mr. Rehorst: Go way-y-y way-y-y back, sidddown and stand up...before you get a group of club-loyal fans mad at you and are driven out of the club. Mr. Rehorst once tried to get me interested in a feud -- so did Orville Mosher. Where is Mosher now? Where is Susan now? Where is Mallinger now?

What we want in NFFF are members who will use their energies to build -- and construct -- and solidify...we don't want malcontents who are never satisfied with what good somebody might do but who try instead to be-little and weaken and destroy and tear -- and what Mr. Rehorst has written is nothing else but little chippings at the foundation of NFFF. What's the matter with the rest of us? Dead on our feet? You can't all have had surgeries and you can't all have been sick! Janie Lamb is just out of the hospital, but she's the only one I know of.

Mr. Paul H. Rehorst, if you can't do anything to HELP the NFFF the for goodness sake, shut your big mouth and leave the club -- after having sat for four hours at a time as I once did, cutting stencils in 104 degree heat, it galls to have someone like you stirring up trouble; if you can't help or don't want to help build...then for the love of God: SHUT UP!!!

((Sorry to have to say this Bob, but it is to Paul's credit that he almost singlehandedly undertook a project covering why ex-members are ex- and carried it thru. In the process he recruited quite a few members too. In fact, he's still doing it, but the first reports are in already.))

No fault -- I'm not able to do anything now because of a stroke I've recently had. I will not answer any correspondence re the following; I've said all I'm going to say right here DIG IN AND WORK: HELP OR SHUT UP! As for punching my nose -- one tip, don't ever get too close that I can get my hands on your neck....I'll paddle you with a cow-dung

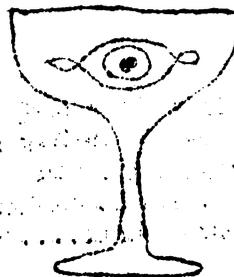
/s/ Bob Farnham

THE REHORST AFFAIR

This whole thing, has quickly become an affair which is very important. For this reason I'm going to put all pertinent letters together with a little commentary to run it together. I'll try to keep it as unbiased as I possibly can. Remember now, those letters you have just read were publish before last issue so they were not up on the latest developments. All these that follow were written AFTER that issue. Understand?



Bob Farnham



The affair began with Rich Brown, and it is only right to begin the discussion with

any water with the members. It mite also be a good opportunity to mention here for the benefit of the other Neffers that Ralph Holland just wrote me that you want to put up an amendment to the constitution to keep teen-agers out of all official positions. Are you willing to go to such lengths to keep me out of your hair? I feel flattered. And then there's Larry Sokol who will be out. Maybe John Koning too who else now? As for Racy's title of POSTWARP. I thot it was Art Rapp who started it. By the way, I'm stating here that at the end of each of Paul's paragraphs, I'll put in my comments. I won't break in elsewhere however.))

My letter dated June 28 was entirely factual and written in whole-hearted good faith and concerned itself with matters relative to N3F's history and currant events. At the end of its printing you belch!.. "This letter was mainly printed because it was from Paul Rehorst, who out of his 10 or so years in N3F, has thrown plenty of brickbats. When someone such as he writes such a nice letter....." The intimation is quite clear my young friend Your motives are plainly to discredit me before the membership, to hold me up as someone to be shunned, or in plain words.. "to deter third persons from associating or dealing with him." I don't mind someone disagreeing with viewpoints of mine when done in good faith and taste, but when your comments concern not the letter itself, but in fact, reflect a personal disdain for the writer, then I begin to see red..and not Commie red either. POSTWARP, July '58 constitutes an "anti-Rehorst" publication in essence.

((First off, you have distorted my motives Paul. I meant to show the membership that when a constant groucher writes a nice letter, the club IS getting better and someone isn't just sounding off without knowing aything of what they are talking. That is, giving us a mere pep talk when the club isn't better. And of course, these "pep talks" come up very often. It was not to hold you up as someone to be shunned. I doubt tho, that I can convince you or anyone of that, as you do have a strong case. HOWEVER, IT IS VERY MUCH TRUE THAT YOU ARE A CONSTANT GROUCHER AND HAVE THROWN PLENTY OF "BRICKBATS!!!" I didn't say that without proof, and I can quote chapter and verse out of the o-o's where you have grouched at nothing at all. And where my files won't suffice, I know just were I can get more info! Better take your foot out of your mouth Paul! It is not libel, according to your definition, if it is true. And I can prove it is true! But anyway, Pw July '58, was not an anti-Rehorst issue to me, and still is not. I'm sorry it seemed like that to you.))((and Pw Sept. '58 isn't either))

Your mutilation of my letter dated July 4 proved in very bad taste to put it mildly. Your resultant comments were in fact libelous slander. ...You could have just as easily published my letter intact and then made several pointed comments in honest disagreement, but no, you had to resort to personalities, for you wrote. "When someone like Paul comes along, with that sort of letter...." Right then and there mere editorializing gave way to outright character assassination on your part. In a calm re-reading of your childish belchings one might ask..."Indeed! Just who was it who made a "damned idiot out of himself?"

((Letsee now. You quoted what I said. Now let's just see what sort of a person you are and what sort of a letter it was! You're a constant griper in the N3F. You've been mixed up in a fead, perhaps more than one. You've done and are doing research on why ex-members are ex, which is to your credit. However, this is only within the last year. You're in the WC, but I don't know what you're doing there. I know that when I joined (You were in WC) I never rec'd a Welcome Letter from you, as I should have. The letter was senseless and useless carping, to borrow a term from Gem Carr. Besides crossing a bridge which it is almost certain we will never come to, it would be a very ambiguous thing to have around, besides which, as Ralph pointed out, having such things around mite require a few Neffers (Quite a few of which are the active ones.) to leave, besides which, to my knowledge this has not yet been offered as an amendment to the constitution. As for "who made a damned idiot out of himself.", while I admit it was in poor taste, yet, I still don't agree one iota with you and it wasn't libel or slander since I said I thot you had made one out of yourself -- not that it was an accomplished fact in the eyes of everyone.))

I'll close on this note infant....I think it advisable that you resign as editor of POSTWARP, the sooner the better. In violating the code

of ethics surrounding honest and fair-minded editorship you have ruined whatever worthwhileness with which you might have provided the club. From this date forth your presence in such a critical post demanding impartiality could and would only invite a wholesale club feud. Beyond this, you owe me a public apology...AND THIS FROM YOU I NOT ONLY EXPECT BUT DEMAND...THE SOONER THE BETTER.
I remain,

Paul Harold Rehorst

←←However, I DO NOT think I owe you any apology whatsoever. You expressed your views, I expressed mine. You've done so again, and so have I. I think even. If the other Neffers WHO WRITE IN about this, believe I should resign or I should not answer letters myself, I will respect their wishes. In answering letters myself, I try to point out objections to them which may arise, and I try to do it NOW, instead of next issue when the member who reads it will have forgotten about it and turn somewhere else, or, assuming he's interested, will find he has lost or misplaced his copy and so, can't find the original basis for the argument. As for finding someone who is impartial for this job, you tell me someone who will fit that and I'll turn the job over to them. I can REMAIN impartial, but the reaction seems to be that I shouldn't. Even Ann Chamberlain, who says, "I have agreed with Paul Rehorst -- personally and privately...." seems to think I'm a passable editor. AND she says, "...Of course, I will abide by the policy of the President and the Directorate of N3F."

WHICH IS MORE THAN YOU HAVE DONE!!>>

Next on the agenda comes Ralph Holland who greets us with the news of a "Breach of Faith" by Paul Rehorst. Ralph in his mimeoed letter "suggested" to the N3F membership that we not discuss the matter in any way until it is brot up before the membership as an official motion. To the best of my knowledge this has not yet been done. Ralph's suggestion was designed to help keep some Neffers from possibly having to drop out because of their jobs. It was a ruling and should have been carried thru, no matter what some people, mainly Rehorst thot of it. As it still hasn't been brot up before the Directorate I'm still keeping the lid down as much as I can on it. If you'll notice, you'll see that this essay is not concerned with the mechanics of a move, but with the reprecussions resulting from the suggestion. The exception tho, is Guy Terwillinger, who, stressing Ralph's point says: (And Paul's too

There are some people in fandom who must be worried about who is in what they belong to. I am one of them. Can you imagine what would happen to my teaching job if it was known that I knowingly belonged to an organization containing communists? It wouldn't last very long, would it? That is not just a local Boise trait either. It is in our code of ethics that we won't do such a thing.

I enjoy fandom, very much. Nothing about it worries me -- except that I might get tied up with a group of Communists, and not know anything about it. I like my job, and certainly don't want to lose it. When I get some Fannish items like, say, certain copies of RUR, I begin to wonder.

Regardless of how international a club may be, there are still some elements that are better left out of it, as concerns some of the members at any rate.

You scoff that the government might investigate such an organization. Being a scattered group, what better organization to investigate? True, they are wrapped up, now, in unions, etc., but there will come a time. ←←I won't belabor the point but I'm still skeptical.→→

....I don't agree we should take any "loyalty oath" in N3F. It's a stupid thing...but, we can watch ourselves, can't we? ←←Certainly, I didn't say we couldn't.→→

It all boils down to this: I need my job to make a living. I can't make a living in fanning. Which do you think would have to go if the question ever arose?

No, I don't think Paul made an idiot out of himself, anymore than you did with your reply.

Best--

Guy /s/

To hear what Ralph himself said, here's his letter quoted from Sept. 27.

About the Communist discussion. Just for the record -- it is still out of order and I expect to rigidly enforce the order after election -- IF I am reelected -- but Rehorst is making a big issue out of it in his platform, and in his letters which he is sending to all the members who will listen to him...so it will probably do no harm to let the letters you have go for this issue if they have not already gone. That is: I feel that such a discussion does NFFF a lot of harm, due to the fact that it divides the members and gets them all stirred up over something which is none of NFFF's business at all -- but the harm is already being done by Rehorst, so a little more or less will probably make no difference. After the election -- again IF I am reelected -- Rehorst will cease his attempts to break up NFFF -- or get out! Many members want to take action against him right now, but I prefer to let the members speak in the coming election.

Rehorst is sure working up a king-sized hate for the NFFF officers in general and me in particular! Each letter I see becomes more violent than the one before. I never realized what a stinker I was until I read his charges! Everything I do or ever have done has some underhanded motive behind it. I don't know what the real inside story of doubling the NFFF membership in a year is, but there is probably some dastardly plot behind it, and I can hardly wait to find out what it is! However, I don't intend to get down in the gutter and sling mud back. So I am just leaving it up to the members. If they want a fan club, dealing with fannish subjects, and run as nearly according to the NFFF constitution and recognized rules of Parliamentary Procedure as I can make it -- I may not be able to keep all the officers on the beam all the time, but I will keep on trying! -- then they should vote for me. If they want a free-for-all fight, with Rehorst making up the rules as he goes along, then they should vote for him.

This seems to show the general reaction, that has been voiced, against Paul. G. M. Carr, writes one of her too few letters and says:

NFFF has had about as much criticism as any fanclub ever has, I guess, and no matter how much it does or tries to do, somebody is always griping because it didn't do more and do it better....

I think Rehorst's letters are a case in point. It seems that for the past few years every time I pick up an N3Fzine it is full of Rehorst's ragings and the more or less apologetic rebuttles by the patient and long-suffering NFFF officials. But I am beginning to think there ought to be a limit to the amount of that kind of stuff that is printed.

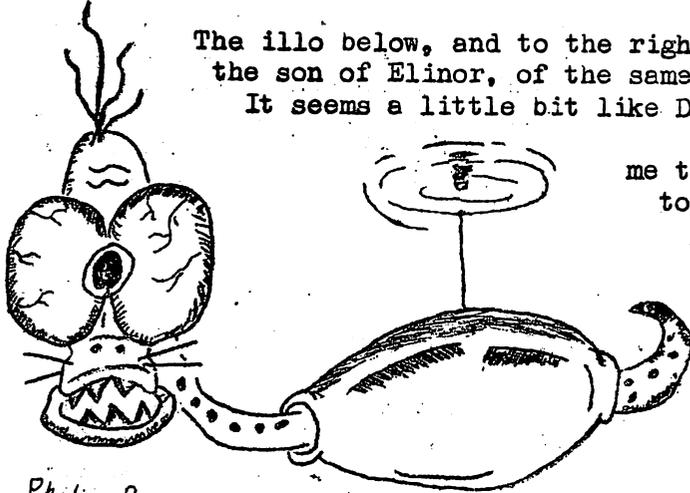
It is not good for membership morale to find their media of communication constantly filled with needless and senseless carping. It does not give the rest of the membership anything good to read or even interesting to think about -- all it does is waste paper and ink, weary the typists who have to stencil it, disgust the members who bother to read it, and probably bolsters up the Rehorst ego a bit. But the amount of egoboo Rehorst derives from seeing his diatribes treated in print as though they were actually worth the paper and ink they consume, is not adequate compensation for the inconvenience to the rest of the club.

Unfortunately, I can't tell what else in Gem's letter I can print, as it has more in it about this...but also some ambiguous DNQ's. (Do*Not*Quotes that is.) However, it urges me to make the move I'm stating here: Rehorst will receive no more space in POSTWARP until things are so settled that the membership decided what happens -- if he is to stop..or be booted out, or if the membership endorses him by electing him. I don't have much choice about this really, I'll be darned if I want to devote Fw to something like this again, and waste N3F's monies and my time. If hacy wants to pub him, that's hacy's job. Fw November issue tho, will have no Rehorst OR relation to any of this here, UNLESS, of course, Paul comes up with a letter which I think is deserving of publication....I'm just cutting the "carping." Have I made myself clear? So much for the "Rehorst affair."

al's mutterings.....

.....being an editorial like, of explanations, apologies, and this'nthat.

The illo below, and to the right, is by Philip Poland, who appears to be the son of Elinor, of the same name. I like his style very, very much. It seems a little bit like DEA's, but I like it better.



Philip Poland

which prompts me to say that all Neffers who send illos in to be pubbed, will be honored by same. This is not from a lack of illos, but I do think that anyone who has paid his dues, no matter how good or bad, should have the chance to see his work in print. Oh yes, in case you don't know, front cover is by Art Wilson, our CAT man.

I offer no excuses, only apologies, for this issue appearing 3 months late. I'm sorry and all that. But, maybe I'll get

my just deserts anyhow. Bella Dietz offered to do FW, and since it had been assumed I had just quietly quit, it's possible Bella has it now. Next issue, you'll know.

This may sound queer, but deadline for the November-December issue, is Feb. 1. You see, I'll now try to catch up. Hard, but barely possible. So please someone -- everyone, write your letters. If you don't...why, I'll write the issue myself, or let BAILEY write it.

Congratulations to the officers that won the election. I hope we go far. It was a good election, even tho a little over half of the membership bothered to vote. What happened to the rest of ya...huh?

This issue was, of course, supposed to come out before the election. So, the members have already decided between Kehorst and Holland. It seems strange tho, that Paul didn't put his 'Commie' amendment of the Constitution up for vote. Whats the matter Paul? I thought you were sincere about it, like you tried to tell everyone you were.

On Fantasy Aspects: not too many subs came in, unfortunately. Not too much comment, either. Whats more, none of the directors of N3F subscribed. And only 2 bothered to comment on it. As a direct result, that seems to wash it up with N3F. The policy will also be changed. In the 2nd issue..probably out by the time you get this, there will be, of course, reprints. They will not however, all concern themselves with SF or Fantasy. There will be original poetry by Elinor Poland, and a Gilbert and Sullivan satire by Bruce Pelz. All original of course. And then, NO neffers except those who bothered to Sub or Comment will receive FA. All the above changes were prompted by the comment I did receive. If you don't like it, then YOU comment, and/or send in a sub. Is 15¢ and issue or 8¢@1 such a hardship, especially since it was to be an N3F sponsored zine? People, I'm disappointed in you. NEXT time you write about the lack of support of N3F, I'll remember this!

Fran Light, as president of the University of Chicago SF Club says, "Dean McLaughlin of Ann Arbor, Mich. made the beautiful nominating speech for Detroit, and if I hadn't of been from Chicago I would have voted for them on the strength of his presentation.

The battle was held without tricks by either side. Detroit even didn't release a fanzine they had for fear of 'rubbing salt in our wound,' and held it back for later.

With such a group of wonderful fans, I'm sure Detroit will hold a 'never-to-be-forgotten-convention.' They fully deserve everyone's support.--Fran Light." #

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MORE LETTERS

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I'm probably going to make the Bullzine a general distribution zine, for the entire membership, and combine other zines, such as Guano into it. Pack Rat, being someone else's editorial responsibility, could not be included. Whether I will include MARSOLO, my OFWA zine, I don't know yet. The Activity Brochure would be included, and in that way, allow a more up-to-date gathering of information on the revisions. As it is, because the brochure is ~~out of~~ (At July this is) out of print, I have been mailing the Bullzine to give a slight picture of what is going on in a few of the NFFF fields.

A fiend, /s/ Art Hayes

Hmph -- looks like I'm out of letters already. So I'll fill this out with my sage observations on various things.

I rec'd a letter from a new member which was on the Commie controversy, and I didn't use it, which started off, "I'm only a newcomer to NFFF. So far I have only corresponded with a couple of members and practically nobody knows me. So I probably shouldn't stick my neck out as I intend to do in this letter." This member, Clayton Hamilton Jr., you and anyone else who agrees with you on that, are dead wrong. Who the heck cares if you're a new member. If you have something to say, for goodness sakes, write. You won't be taken to task for being a new member...tho you mite for other things. Anyway, if you DO write, it's all to your credit, as it's a lot more than about 100 other members of N3F do. So pleze, don't hesitate to write because you're a new member...okay?

He also, by the way,

goes on to take me to task for my comments to Paul. Witness: "Incidentally, I think your comments on his (Paul's) letter were a bit too harsh. Many people think very strongly on this subject and with good cause. So isn't it overdoing your opposition to condemn his remarks by calling them idiotic and senseless as well as an insult to the intellegence? His suggestions probably wouldn't work, but that is no reason to use such strong language against them. If there are feuds in NFFF is is fairly obvious to mealready, that is would seem that this is undoubtedly one of the main reasons. Really you shouldn't take things so seriously since you can't change a persons opinion by making them an enemy." No comment, tho possibly you are correct Clayt. For all interested peoples, Clayt's address is, CLAYTON HAMILTON Jr., 28 EARLE AVE., BANGOR, Me.

Next topic is Bob Jeman, %Carter Oil Co., Box 120, Denver, Colo. In June July, 1957 TNFF he said he had been collecting data on ASF for some time...index to ASF, etc., and there ought to be material for "...a fairly extensive essay on Campbell, his magazine, and what he's done for and to SF." Coswal, the editor at that time, said he'd welcome such a thing. Nothing ever came of it tho. Now, I propose that everyone who corresponds with Bob (I don't you see) get after him to submit it to TNFF...and get after Racy to publish it. Okay? I think it'd be a very nice thing to see running in TNFF...don't you? Comeon now...youall get busy now.

up, George Horace Wells says that THE SICK ELEPHANT will see its first big issue sometime after Christmas. That winds this up. *Renew your DUES NOW!*

To wind this

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