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SITE FOR WORLDCON ENTHUSIASTIC REPORT FROM LOND CONVENTION COMMITTEE

London, 1st February 1957. The ROYAL has been discarded as possible consite, and it is now definite that the KINGS COURT HOTEL, Leinster Gardens, Bayswater, will see the 1957 World S.F. Convention held on its premises.

Since our earlier mention that the Royal would serve as consite, there has been a lot of controversy over this matter, with plenty of fans unhappy at the choice of hotel, mainly due to experience of previous conventions held there.

During the past ten months, the Secretary has contacted well over a hundred hotels and hotel chains in and around London, and at the insistence of provincial committee members, several seaside resorts as well. On a new list passed along by the Liaison Officer of the Programme Committee (it would have been shorter to say Fred Brown) some names cropped up which hadn't previously been tried. The KINGS COURT HOTEL was one of these.

The Secretary contacted this hotel, and the details were promising. The Chairman, the Secretary and the Publicity Committee made a trip to the hotel, and returned with the news that KINGS COURT HOTEL seems to be the answer to a committee's dream. Description has it: 'another George-type hotel, with staff who are willing and friendly'.

The Committee snatched the hotel from under the nose of a travel agency, for the very same dates, by only 12 hours. Still sweating at the close shave, they trust you will be at the Con in September.

SWISS FANZINE _____Nº1&2 OUT

The whole hotel has been taken over ifor the inights of the 6th, 7th and 8th of September, and all day the 9th.

We would like to remind you that bookings must be made through Bobbie WILD, 204 Wellmeadow Rd, Catford, LONDON SE6, and that at the moment no booking fee is required. No information is included in the release on how many the hotel can sleep, but mention is made of some rooms with 4 twin beds! Other rooms have 3 or 2 twin beds, with a further set provided with just the one twin or one single.

Those who particularly want to share (say the CON-TACT group!) should tell Bobbie precisely what is required, and who for.

More details on back page.

Jerry PAGE plans to publish two fanzines: one a letterzine to be titled PARADOX, and the other, which will run to humor and, more or less, science fiction criticism "on the knight plane", name of SKIVER.

Jerry plans to make SKIVER "the Punch of fandom". The zines will be published by John Mussells, (editor of Sigma Octantis). Co-ed is alfred McCoy Andrews, a regular contributor to SigOct.

Interested fans can get in touch with Jerry at: Oak Road, ARDEN, North Carolina.

Work on "THE HARP STATESIDE" being carried on. At last report 42

pages were run off.

Running off the stencils proved a rather difficult job, with the first lot, having been subjected to hot weather, suffering from damage to typing. Ken Bulmer during his NY visit to Belfast, helped run off the first ten pages, and probably would have had an even more active part in the booklet, if the paper had arrived earlier.

Chuck Harris is busy stencilling the next issue of Hyphen, but not to be proved wrong, fails to mention either possible publication date or even a glimpse of the contents. Not that this would put off fans from ordering their copy if they are not already on the mailing list.

In an article further on in the magazine, reference is made to a second article by Don Murray. Dick Ellington informs that said article is scheduled for publication in METROPAN, which will be out in the middle of February. " It's too much, frankly, for CONTACT" to quote our representative.

COMING

ver in L.A

Ron Ellik had to report last Sunday to Seal Beach for his orders. For twelve whole weeks, fandom will weep while he suffers basic training. The Westercon, to be held July 4 thru(7 will however see him attending.

Ron will be pretty well absent from fanac, having no leave during the twelve week period, and rare letters will probably be handwritten unless he can afford 10¢ halfan-hour rate for a go at Army typewriters.

George Fields will be reporting on the activities in LASFS and Los Angeles, and attend to the promotion of Contact.

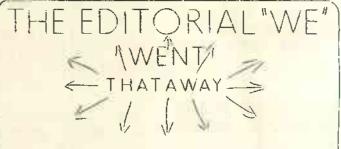
Walt Daugherty, dropping by a few meetings ago at the LASFS, has all the old LASFS minutes. He proposed that members finally get together and write and publish the history of the club.

The suggest ion was met with high

approval....

George W. Fields has taken over editing SHAGGY, once famous fanzine of the LASPS. He intends to give it an international circulation once again, and to put it out on a regular subscription basis.

This is quite apart from promised ETHLREAL, the 20th Century Fandom magazine.



Jack HARNESS, fan artist, requests us to: "mention to the readership that I am no longer a generalzine artist for lack of time, but contributonly to FAPA, SAPS and close friends. It may same some new fans some postage."

As long as you don't fade away

altogether Jack.

SWITZERLAND GROUP PUBLICATION

"AILLEURS"

TWO ISSUES IN 1 MONTH.

Switzerland has joined the band of countries with 'actifans'.

AILLEURS 1 has only been here for less than a fortnight, and already 2 has followed it up.

The magazine doesn't reveal much information on the people behind it - devoted mainly to short oddments. The format itself is certainly an innovation. Stencilled on the size of paper 'VOID' currently uses, the material is presented in two columns. The sheets are folded lengthwise, and stapled that way to give an attractive long format.

Pierre VERSINS is president of the "FUTOPIA" club, and all correspondence concerning the club is to be sent to his address. Secretary is one Pierre-Alain VIDOUVEZ, and miss Janine CaCHIN holds the financial strings. Strange to note that some variation of Jan always seems to creep in on the Continent

No actual membership number is given, the only mention being that members are from all walks of life and of all ages. Also, of all sort of opinion, which should aid proceedings. The library has 170 books and these can be borrowed by local members; awaiting some regulation before out-of-town Futopians can enjoy the same privilige.

Plenty of projects are under consideration, but none is mentioned in detail.

CONTACT will get in contact.

US INFILTRATION NOMPA Jean and Andy YOUNG have joined the growing waiting list of OMPA. We trust Archie has been informed of this, as we shall otherwise undoubtedly get a formal charge le-vied against us for impersonating OMPA officials and giving forth false information.

There is of course the possibility that Jeandyoung are members already if the vote for increased membership went "yes". WAWAJJ

WEDDING BELLS.
Sheila will shortly listen to the

name of Ashworth, even when incli-

ned not to listen to Mal.

We are indeed pleased to report the news of the forthcoming marriage of two good friends of ours, and wish them all the best in the years ahead.

The ceremony will be held in Leeds on the 16th of this month, and the couple will come to live

in Leeds afterwards.

Their new address will be: 53 Hillcrest Avenue

LEEDS 7 Yorks.

At the same time we also extend our best wishes to Bea Mahaffey who was married some time ago to a non-sf-fan, named Baird. Bea will be remembered by most British fen for her visit to Ireland, so wonderfully written up by James White, and the 1953 Coroncon in London.

Bea acted quite a while as coeditor, and even as editor, on OTHER WORLDS with Ray Palmer.

Further best wishes go to Bill Morse, who got engaged at the Globe to a non-fan. (Fannish blood is being diluted!) He has since then retired from the Air Force, and married. For doubters, the congratulations refer to the marriage, not to his leaving the AF.

To our knowledge, Bill's fanac was mainly confined to writing a regular column for Vernon McCain's REVIEW, which column was carried over to Birdsmith (FAPA).

AUSSIE NOTES

Melbourne fans are working away on the convention report. Trouble with the taperecordings of the speeches has slowed them down, and they had to contact speakers, scattered far and wide, to write their own transcripts. Fandom around Melbourne is still drained of energy, and not much activity, other than the con report, is taking place.

SOME OF YOU, IN LETTERS, HAVE QUERIED THE CONTENTS OF THE DOUBLE ISSUES OF CONTACT. THERE IS NOT SUFFICIENT NEWS TO EXPLAIN SUCH EXTRAVAGANCE, AND WHILE THE FANZINE LISTING WILL TAKE UP QUITE SOME ROOM, AN ADDITION

OF SIX PAGES IS RATHER A LOT.

HOWEVER, WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE REGULAR SIX-PAGE ISSUES; IT IS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO GIVE BACKGROUND OR CHARACTER TO THE PEOPLE AND EVENTS PORTRAYED. WE HOPE THIS SERIES ON FA S EVERYWHERE WILL HELP SOME. DON'T START LOOKING FOR HIGH CLASS LITERATURE, FOR THE RESTRICTION ON LENGTH WILL SORELY DAMAGE STYLE, IF IT DOESN'T ENTIRELY SWEEP IT AWAY.

THE REASON FOR THE ARTICLES IS INFORMATION

The first Scottish fan was Matt Elder. He founded the Newlands Club of Glasgow and the first few meetings were all held at his home. Apart from reading and collecting s.f. Matt is interested in writing stories and poems. He helped with the production of the one and only fanzine produced in Scotland: Haemogoblin. At one time he was quite active but has fallen off sadly of late.

David Page is the collector of collectors and has a magnificent array of magazines and hardcovers. He is always very generous at lending them to other members. time went on the meetings were every held alternate week at David's home. There we were very well looked after by his wife, Margaret. While not herself much of a reader of s.f. she always took a sympathetic interest in all of 'the boys' doings. She attended the last con at Kettering with David. David has never attempted to write or be an actifan, but he is a most informed s.f.fan and can quote from any mag the stories, authors, and can even remember the illos and who drew them. Like all Newlanders, he is rather shy, but an interesting person to talk to when he gets to know you. He is a good friend to have.

Fred Smith is the most active fan nowadays. A member of OMPA, he is also a great subscriber to fanzines. Often seen in letter columns his judgment on fanzines is good. He has been rather hampered this last year by studying for a music exam. Once this is post, you will be all hearing from him. He attended the Mancon and is, I think, best re-

membered there for his impersonation of Boris Karloff. Very life-

Brian Miller did the illos for Haemogoblin. He has lately turned his attention to the making of mobiles. When Eric Needham visited Glasgow, he said that Brian has the most fannish attitude of them all. Very true, only it is very difficult to lure him into active fandom. This applies to them all, because being so far away from other active circles, they cannot raise interest from contact. Brian is a very clever artist with a great taste for fantasy work.

Alan Mackie is another regular attender at the meetings. He too is interested in writing. The guy is a real hard worker too, for he was the one who printed Haemogoblin. Every letter had to be set by hand and it took him ages. Since then the printing machine has been sitting gathering dust in David's garage. Margaret occasionally makes a speech on the subject.

When I first went along to meetings, Fred and David were married, but none of the others had girlfriends. When I left for London, Matt was married, Alan got married

soon after and Brian got engaged. Talk about the feminine influence! All the same they have all been very lazy ever since and not a spot of activity in fandom has

come out of them.

I must not forget Gavin Brown before I stop. He lives outside Glasgow but attends meetings occasionally. He runs an exchange bureau with some U.S. fans and is a member of the ISFCC and publishes 'Cosmos Bulletin'.

THE SANE FRINGE

"INDIANA HAS ALWAYS BEEN NOTED FOR CRUD AND FRINGE-FANS." (G.Benford). I think the above quotation pretty well sums up actifandom's opinion of Indiana, and in one respect, it's perfectly true: Indiana does contain a large proportion of fringefans. Personally, I'm rather happy about the fact; too many actifans can be described by the phrase: "Full of sound and fury, signifying nothing." a few years ago, Indifandom had more than its share of this type. The members of four fanclubs were putting out half a doand calling each zen fanzines other names. About two years ago. the members of the Indiana Science Fantasy Association elected Ed. McNulty president and Gene DeWeese secretary-treasurer, squelched the noisier elements in the club, and sat back to enjoy themselves. Other clubs died out or were absorbed, fanzines fell by the wayside. At present, we have one club, with a dozen or so more-or-less-active members, one regular fanzine (YAN-DRO) and one irregular fanzine (ISPA), the latter published by Ed. McNulty whenever he gets the time, which isn't often.

ISFA (the club.not the fanzine) is probably the most informal club in the world. The nomination of McNulty for TAFF is the only business the club has conducted during the past year. I don't recall over hav + ing a formal programme at a meeting. Election of officers is supposed to take place every year; none has been held since McNulty and Deweese came to power. Nobody objects to this dictatorial attitude because nobody else wants the job and the officers don't have much to do anyway. (For that matter I don't think a legal election could be held --- the club constitution specifies that voters must be Dues-paying members', and nobody has bothered to pay dues for a year or so). Meetings are held at the homes of members, with the host furnishing the refreshments, and entertainment being supplied by anyone who has a new record to

play, a new story to tell, or a magazine to show off. High point of one meeting was the reading aloud of a sexy story by Harlan Ellison in DUDE. Anyone daring to suggest that the club should do something is ostracized.

A club oddity is the penchant of its members for auto travel. Meetings, as I said, are held at the homes of members, and the homes of members are scattered over some 4200 square miles of north-central Indiana. No matter where the meeting is held, somebody has to drive at least 70 miles to attend, and meetings are held bi-weekly. (This possibly accounts for the fact that the club is a small, congenial group --- nobody is going to drive 70 miles to spend the evening with people he doesn't like). Meetings quite often break up at 3:00AM, so far, nobody has gone to sleep at the wheel on his way home (though it's been a near thing with me, a time or two).

Occasionally the combination of informality and travel produces a rather weird effect. Such as the time eight fans arrived at a meeting to find that the host hadn't been informed of the fact that he was supposed to be the host, and had gone out on a date. Nothing daunted, the members shifted the meeting on the spot to the home of another fan --- in a town 80 miles away. I drove a total of about 300 miles that weekend, just getting to

and from a club meeting.

ISFAns are fringe-fans -- with the mention of Ed McNulty, Gene DeWesse and Juanita and myself, you've about exhausted the names of members who are known outside the state. But when you've attended a few ISFA meetings, you can take convention parties in stride. (Especially if you've attended meetings at Ed's place; where I have seen 14 fans congregated in a 9x12 foot bedroom, along with a large bed, dresser, prozine collection, mimeo, and a hi-fi record player.) In fact, some con parties are quite dull, in comparison.

FAN (?) CORRESPONDENCE.

Dear Mr. Jan Jansen:

The enclosed article was submitted to the undersigned, as Secretary of the Lunarians, by David MacDonald, one of the members. It appears to be an open letter to Don Murray, the non de plume of the author of an article in your fourth issue and, I have been informed, of another article being submitted to you for your sixth issue.

Inasmuch as you have published (or are going to publish) these two articles by Mr Murray, concerning our club, the undersigned respectfully requests that you likewise publish the enclosed

article.

Thank you for the courtesy.

Very truly yours,

Belle C. Dietz

DON MURRAY RIDES AGAIN,

I don't know who Don Murray is, or what matter of fan, but I am aware

of what he is trying to pull. And I don't like it.

A bit of clarification is no doubt in order. The Lunarians are a group of science fiction fans who were dissatisfied with the other clubs in the New York area, and felt the pressing need for a club better suited to their own interests. Their forming a new club did not in any way interfere with the other clubs inasmuch as most members of the new group had ceased any activities with the other clubs long ago; the other members continued to attend meetings of the other clubs as usual.

Now, at a recent meeting there was quite an argument over just exactly what the club's policy was, and how the club's plans for the future were shaping up. A few members, two to be exact, myself included, held one point of view. After much discussion, the rest of the members decided that they felt otherwise. So far, so good. Now if the great majority of the members of the club decide they want it to be one type of club shouldn't the club be run the way those members want it? I believe so.

Apparently Don Murray doesn't.

I sponsored, and continue to sponsor, a different policy from that adopted. But I am more than willing to go along with the wishes of the majority. After all, this club is primarily an SF club, composed of people who have accommon interest in SF and in each other. Politics really shouldn't enter into it. I'm entitled to air my views, as I did at the last meeting. But once I found out I was wrong, I kept quiet about it. Why try to whip a dead horse? What difference does it make to the fan world what kind of club we are, as long as we don't go around trying to run other people's affairs.....which is just what you, Don, are trying to do. I'm not going to try and defend this club. There is actually nothing to defend. It's just one more SF club among the many this country has.

I think you realize the effect your article is having around these parts, Don. In the future, whenever I have a different opinion from that expressed by someone else in the club, I'll be too damn scared to point it out. Because if I were to open my mouth, you would no doubt dash to your typewriter and write up a nice article showing me to be the Champion of Truth, Liberty and Freedom, and the rest of the members to

be the Blackhearted Forces of Evil and Oppression.

This ain't true, Don. We're just a bunch of fans who like each other's company; who have different ideas sometimes. So what? That's what makes us individuals. It's not in your power to say who's right and who's wrong. And, in an SF club, it doesn't matter. We're fans first. And, I hope, all good friends.

DAVID MACDONALD

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15.	FAFIRD nº 5 Aug. '56 (mailed Jan 57!) contrib.comment	Long Beach 3	S.S.Metchette A 24 p. Dean Grennell A mim. D.Emery PR Jansen & Helander CL letters
15.	THE LARGAR n2l Jan 11 ,1957 FAPA-friends	Ron Ellik	newssheet re RE l p. mim.

15.	SFAIRA publication undated - first. trade/comment	Lars Helander Lohegatan 11 ESKILSTUNA j Sweden	Lars Helander 24 p. ramblings a art mim. Illos:Rotsler,Bourne,DEA RE Gilbert,White a Linard
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26.	AILLEURS nº 1 Jan '57 sub/club	Pierre Versins Club FUTOPIA Primerose 58 LAUSANNE Switzerland	French - sercon 20 p. short items - PR mim. fiction - clubnews
28.	THE NATIONAL FANTASY FAN Jan '57 (?) NTFF members	Welter Coslet Box 6 HELENA Mont. USA	00 for club - reports letters and short 20 p. columns - fandom & mim. pro- poll 1956
30.	FANTASY TIMES nº 260 lst Dec56 nº 261 2nd Dec56 sub only 10¢ issue 12 for \$1.00 year for \$2.00 UK. 15/- per year fortnightly	Fandom House PO Box 2331 PATERSON 23 N.J. USA British rep: H.J.JOHNSON 16 Rockville Rd Broad Green LIVERPOOL 14.	professional news 8 p. 8 p. (nº261 includes Inter- national Edition nº 17 with pro-news from foreign countries). mim.
30.	KOMET n2 5 - 1956 Norw.&Swed.sub trade	Torsten Malmqvist Brev1.282 BROBY Skane Sweden	Swedish fanmag - you\40 p. try to read it! Mainly\mim AF - summary of contents in English (half page).
31.	YANDRO 48 Jan '57 Fourth Annish 10¢ issue \$1.00 yea monthly trades		JWC/RSC/A.Dodd/Marion Z. Bradley - CL 46 p. B.Curtis/G.DeWeese/ mim. C.MorrisAF - letters A.Dodd -MR - M.Corby&RSC-P T.Stratton A. Full color cover-M.Bryer various illustrators
51.	SF CALENDAR 1957 with Yandro	Juanita Coulson	six sheets - two months each - illoed Eddie Jones DEA (2), ADKINS, REB ? & Juanita.
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21.	Jan 57 nº 19 ?	Libertarlan League 813 Broadway New York 3 N.Y. USA	political newssheet 12 p. contains irregular articles on sf and has some circulation among fans

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Hotel charges are 20/- per person per night, bed and breakfast, while meals (highly recommended), are priced at 4/6 for luncheon and 6/6 for dinner. Hot meals will be served up to 10.30 pm, and snacks will be served even later.

The bar is open all day.

(We will leave an important item like that a line all to itself!)

A cocktail bar, several lounges and a television room are further assets. One of the lounges sports a jukebox, though the committee isn't certain whether to class that under 'assets'.

A long hall is at the disposal of the convention, capable of seating 400, complete with sound equipment. Sections can be closed off as

required.
It is certain that no objection will be made to all-night parties, and it is gleefully reported that

from the look of manager and staff they'll probably join in the fun.

they'll probably join in the fun.
The hotel will cash traveller's cheques and foreign currency, and for worrying foreign visitors, the manager and his wife speak attleast six languages: French, Flemish (no!) Scandinavian, Italian, Spanish and German, while the staff can muster enough to get by on three more. US and British fans need not despair, they know their English too.

Only one minute from Hyde Park, with shopping centre nearby and tube stations surrounding it, the KINGS COURT HOTEL should prove to be another George, but this time in London.

There should be no need, but nevertheless we remind you that membership of the WSFS costs you 7/6d and this must be paid if you wish to receive the Journal and other publicity material. The entrance fee, payable now or later, is 7/6 as well, and covers the whole weekend (or one day only). The address of the Treasurer: Charles DUNCOMBE. 82 Albert Square, LONDON E.15 . We would like to find out why the committee has so far neglected to appoint a representative in the US to collect dues from possible nonvisiting members over there.

The above news was released to faneditors for publication after a short 'blackout' of convention news. However, as publication of the WSDS HOURNAL bhas been delayed for two or three weeks, the committee decided not to keep fans waiting any longer. Bang goes our editorial

on Freedom of the Press...

Dick Ellington, 98 Suffolk St, Apt JA New York 2, NY. (for \$ subs) Ron Bennett, 7 Southway, Arthur's Ave., Harrogate, Yorks. (sterling).

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