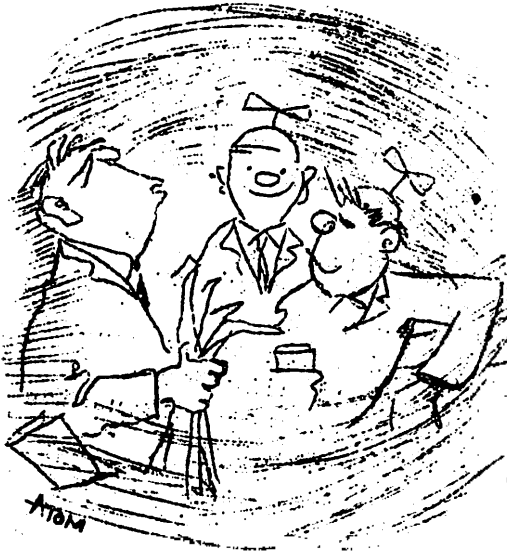


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This is the what-happened-to-the-good-old-days-of-FANAC issue of FANAC, perpetrated right following the 1962 British National SF Convention in Harrogate, Yorks., by former FANAC co-editor Ron Ellick and current-day SKYRACK ed Ron Bennett, who have just enough energy left from the con to put out this fanzine, and not hardly enough to try to convince you it is a genuine issue of FANAC. And how are things in New York, Mr. Carr?

"You may laugh, and you may scorn. But one day, the C*o*s*M*I*C Significance of my writings will have fandom bowing before my feet"

METEOROLOGICAL IMPOSSIBILITY!

a big American convention--complete programme, from auction to business session--and all the highlights of a small, friendly conference--small hotels, bad food, wild all-night parties, slide shows, and a permanent, week-end long feeling that you knew everyone present. A good show.

Oh, we had a rouser of a convention, with all the trimmings of

But it's over now, and the impossible has happened: after two days in Sheffield I returned to Harrogate to find the sun shining brightly.

This is the sort of thing we used to put inside FANAC somewhere, but since there isn't any inside to this issue of FANAC I thot I'd run it as a headline.

Bennett tells me I've been here the entirety of the Harrogate summer--yesterday, when the sun shone.

WITH NOTEBOOK, CAMERA, AND FINE FANNISH MIND

That's how I've been travelling through the British Isles on this TAFF trip, and undoubtedly you want to know where the prose results of this excursion will appear.

To the best of my knowledge, the convention report as a separate entity will appear in a near-future issue of Shangri-L'Affaires, the official organ of the Los Angeles SF Society, available for 25¢ from Fred Patten, 222 South Gramercy Place, Los Angeles 4, California, US.

If any more is written--that is, if the rest of my trip takes on a distinct character--its place of publication will be announced in the issue of Shaggy with my Harrogate con report. Slides will be shown at all future fangatherings, if I took the lens cover off.

TAFF MAN IN TOWN

America's TAFF Delegate to the 1962 Harrogate Convention spoke on the many similarities between British and American fandoms. Ella Parker, he said, had also noticed that American fans were like these in her home town -- Great Britain, he added.

Ron Ellik, the man in question -- if there were any doubt -- spoke of TAFF's future plans and outlined the TAFF calendar for the next three years. It is proposed that while no delegate will cross the Atlantic in 1963, there will be again a double crossing in 1964, with the strong possibility of Britain's delegate to the 1964 WorldCon bidding for London in 1965. This programme was strongly applauded and some discussion was entered into as regards the possibility of a TAFF Newsletter to be circulated throughout fandom.

Ron himself was in Manchester and Liverpool prior to the Convention and afterwards has visited Sheffield, Harrogate and Belfast.

He is due in London on Monday 30th April from which time his programme will be:

2nd May: Te Cheltenham via a flying visit to Oxford to meet Professor Tolkien.

3rd May: Return to London.

5th May: Leave London for USA.

Many thanks, American fandom and TAFF, for sending us this boy of yours. He's a damn good delegate, level headed and witty and a TAFF Delegate of whom you can be proud.

-rmb,

