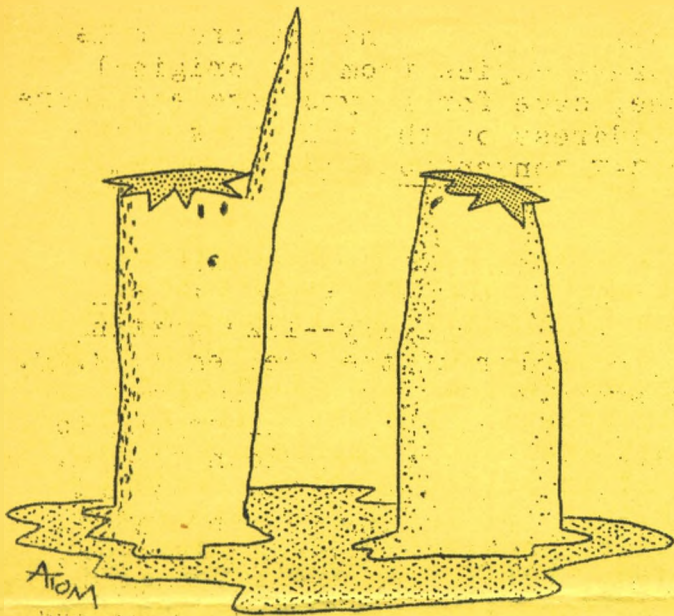


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"He was about so high, and spoke
with a rhoot bheer accent."

WESTERCON XII REPORT

by Ron Ellick

The first WesterCon to be held outside the territorial limits of the state of California boasted small attendance, a disaster, no riots and an enjoyable fannish weekend. The attendance was 40, according to FM Busby, and it would have been 45 if not for the car accident in Kelso, Washington, early on Friday, 3 Jul. Al Lewis, driving one of the two cars from Los Angeles, fell asleep at the wheel around 3:30 am, and collided with a reinforced concrete post, overturning and totally ruining his 1959 Pugeot; Brad Carlson (of Long Beach), Djinn Faine and Bjo were hospitalized for shock and bruises, with Djinn suffering a whiplash in her spine and Bjo bruised so that her jaw was thought to be broken. Al Lewis was not hurt seriously enough for medical attention, and none of the other injuries were major. Carlson was out of the hospital in a day, and both girls are well on their way to recovery, convalescing in Seattle as of this writing.

Meanwhile, back at the con, fans from Los Angeles, Boise, Houston, Berkeley, Portland, and other points in the west and north-west carried on without the fragmented four (and Bill Ellern, who went back to Kelso to help handle hospital arrangements), and enjoyed three days of parties, smoke-filled rooms, and very little program.

The only official program was the banquet on Saturday evening, MC'd by Alan Nourse MD, with talks by Don Day, Anthony Boucher, Forrest Ackerman, Jack Speer, with an art-auction (proceeds to Berry Fund) by Don Day.

A fannish board game was suggested by Jack Speer late one evening, and moves such as "Join N3F--go back three spaces," "Become engaged to Djinn Faine until next turn," and "Ride with Al Lewis, do not pass hospital" were suggested. TAFF, the Berry Fund, the upcoming Detention and Eustace Plunkett's CRY article were some of the subjects under discussion amongst the fans, while several of the more stf-oriented types were much interested in the recently-published HUGO ballots and the forthcoming Index of SF Magazines 1951-1957, which Don Day was touting at pre-publication prices, publication expected within six months.

Next summer's WesterCon will be held in Boise, Idaho, under the leadership of Guy and Diane Terwilliger. More information about exact dates and location can be obtained from them at 1412 Albright Street, Boise, Idaho.

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WILLIS VOLUME ACTUALLY TO BE PRODUCED: Ted Johnstone has agreed to publish the Willis Papers for or despite Geo Fields. Info available from him (1503 Rollin St, South Pasadena, California).

SUPPORT TAFF: We're backing T.Carr for
TAFF, but regardless of who you vote for,
send 50¢ or better to Bob Madle, 3608
Caroline St, Indianapolis, Indiana, to
send a US fan to the Easter 60 Anglicon.

--rde.

HUGO BALLOTS are enclosed with this issue of FANAC, and you are to use them for voting, like. Guaranteed accurate copies from the original form we got from the Detention Committee, save for a typo here and there which I neglected to copy. There's no address on the ballot, so note that they should be sent to 17th World S-F Convention, 12011 Kilbourne St., Detroit 13 Michigan.

BOBBIE WILD (204 Wellmeadow Rd., Catford, London S.E. 6, England) says to tell her correspondents and such that she's sorry she hasn't been writing, but she's been busy with mundane-type activity--like getting engaged. The groom-to-be is Bill Gray, a member of the Cheltenham S. F. Club. Bobbie says, "Yes, the girl who swore that no man would ever really collar her has been well and truly hooked. I'm still trying to work out how he managed to do it. I don't know about American fandom, but I believe it is the fastest engagement in British fandom. We met on May 16th and became engaged on June 27th." (I think Ted and Sylvia White may have got engaged faster than that, Bobbie.) Bobbie goes on, "No date has yet been fixed for the wedding, but if you are interested I will let you know. Anyway, hell hath no fury like a woman's corn and Bill Gray is a chiropodist."

WELL YES, SINCE YOU PEOPLE KEEP ASKING, I do have lots more fanzines for sale at 15 for \$1.00, grab-bag fashion. And I do still want to trade for other old fmz I want, and yes I will sell particular fmz requested, tho at slightly higher prices like 10¢ apiece or something.

STONY BROOK BARNES (Rt. 1, Box 1102, Grants Pass, Ore.) is back, sort of, with a new zine named VAMP, dedicated to nudes and girly stories. First issue, to hand, is a mighty comedown from that fine last issue of VAMPIRE he published--this'n is hektoed and contains nothing of much interest.

THE BERRY FUND, in case you haven't heard, was a success--and you can thank large personal doughnations from several shy, retiring, anonymous parties for that last little push that made it. Berry was overjoyed to receive his ticket. Dick Eney says, "A conreport on the Detroit con will be in the GDA CASEBOOK, out in August. This August. GDA CASEBOOK is 25¢ from Dick Eney, 417 Ft. Hunt Rd., Alexandria, Va." Yes, it'll be a Berry Factual Article--either that or Berry has precognition, and I wouldn't put that past him either.

Rick Sneary has given FANAC almost a complete file of the LASTS O-O, SHAHAI-LA, to auction off for the Berry Fund. 10, 11, 13-27, 29, 30, 32, 33 are the issues. Bids to FANAC, money to Falasca. Winner will be sent the fmz, which date from Jan 49 to Fall 52, by Ellick.

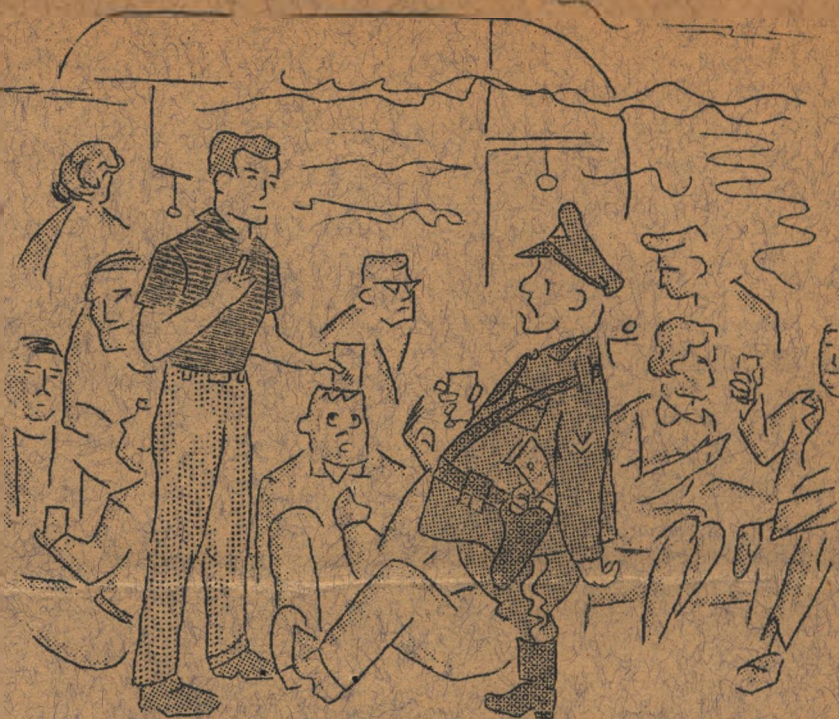
And Larry Shaw says, "Sole bid on the Emsh illo came from Bennett: 5 shillings (70¢). To show him my appreciation and the rest of you what you missed, I'm sending Ron two originals instead of one. ... Anybody else want a b-&-w original from Infinity or SFA? Any amount from a buck up will take one. I do the choosing, but will respect your wishes if there's a particular artist you don't want. Proceeds to Berry--even if this isn't in time to help buy the plane ticket, he'll need spending money when he gets here, after all." (Larry Shaw, 319 East 9th St., New York 3, N. Y.)

NOREEN FALASCA AND LARRY SHAW have announced that they will be married on Friday, July 17. They plan for a simple civil ceremony at the Municipal Building (City Hall annex) in Manhattan. Witnesses will probably include Pat Ellington, Algis Budrys, Bill Donaho, and other representatives of NYFandom. The couple will live at 319 East 9th St., N. Y. 3, until a larger apartment can be found.

FANS. COPS GATHER FOR CARR-CON

San Francisco, June 20:

Twenty-four fans and friends gathered at our new apartment for what was billed as "a combination housewarming, science-fantasy, and Siamese cat seminar," and a good time was apparently had by all despite the early interruption by members of San Francisco's Finest, who roared up to the door on a false-alarm emergency-unknown call for the apartment across the hall. That apartment has been vacant for weeks, and the police apologized for the disturbance as they piled back into three squad cars and a motorcycle and drove off.



"I dunno, I came here three hours ago on a riot call and I haven't been able to get out the door yet."

No more trouble was had during the party, which lasted till All Hours and was attended by Poul & Karen Anderson, Don and Jackie Brieese, Randy Brown, Roger Chilton, Val & Claire Golding, Lou & Cynthia Goldstone, Mark Kimball, Eleanor Knuth, Bill McJunkin, George Metzger (who did the cartoon above), Jan Miller, Len O'Hearne, Dave Rike, George Scithers, James Smith, Helen and son Gene Vasquez, Liz Wilson, and Wolfe Wolf. Many other invitees sent regrets, including the Burbees, who said they didn't want to drive back four hundred miles after the party, drunk. Ted and Sylvia White didn't reply to their invitation, but may have had similar feelings.

There were too many discussions going at once for me to summarize them, but a few quotes picked up during the party may help:

I READ A DOG OF A STORY THE OTHER DAY BY JERRY SOHL--OOPS, HE ISN'T HERE, IS HE? † IF MORE WOMEN SAID "ASSHOLE," THERE'D BE LESS HORSESHIT IN THE WORLD. † I ACCEPTED JESUS ONCE, DID YOU KNOW THAT? † OF COURSE, I'M A VERY RELIGIOUS PERSON--I KNOW WHICH WAY IS UP! † ISN'T IT A REMARKABLE COINCIDENCE THAT HE TURNED TO RELIGION AT THE SAME TIME HE TURNED TO REPUBLICANISM? † YOU DON'T LOOK LIKE YOU'VE EVER LOOKED BEFORE--BUT THEN YOU NEVER DO. † THAT'S A GOOD BREAKFAST: A POUND OF BACON AND A BOWL OF HOT FUDGE. † I WAS THINKING OF WRITING THIS STORY ABOUT A VAMPIRE WHO JUMPS THIS GIRL, AND SHE DIES WITH A SMILE ON HER FACE, BECAUSE SHE'S LOADED WITH SYPHILIS. † I KNOW A LITTLE LATIN THAT I PICKED UP FROM KRAFT-EBBING, BUT THAT'S ALL.

NEWS FROM OUT OF TOWN DEPT.: Sture Sedolin (P. O. Box 403, Vallingby 4, Sweden) will be visiting the Linards and Nelsons in France this month, after which the Nelsons will return the visit and take in a Swedish con during the trip. Sounds like fun.

Sture also says that the next issue of his all-English fanzine CACTUS will have another photopage, with pix of the Linards, Alan Dodd (who couldn't make it to our party), Barbi Johnson, and Miriam and me.

--tgc

LOCAL BOY MAKES GOOD DEPT.: The other day I found in my mailbox an envelope containing a flashy green prizerribbon labelled "WWF for '59". A letter enclosed from Les Nirenberg (1217 Weston Rd., Toronto 15, Ontario, Canada) stated that it stood for The Wonderfully Wacky Fan Award and that he was presenting it to me because he thought I was a wonderfully wacky fan and that I should wear it at all future conventions.

Les went on to say, "There is a dire need in Fandom for awards such as these and I hope all fans will follow up with more in the future such as The Purple Finger for bravery at Cons. Then there's the Sharpshooters' Medal for those fans who can hit the most pedestrians with flying beer cans from hotel windows. The Free-wheeling Beanie Award should not be ignored, for fen who keep the axles of their beanies well greased and rotating at all times. The Hekto Jelly Cross could be awarded to persons who put out a fanzine with more than five pages on a Hekto. Then for the supreme award The Distinguished Goshwow Cross with Poison Oak Clusters to be awarded to the fan who starts the biggest hoax. This award could be made to the winner by Ghod himself with kisses on both cheeks. For this last award, all good fen would be required to donate 10¢ to pay for the cost of bringing Ghod all the way from Weyauwega to the winner's home for the award."

Obviously, Mr. Nirenberg is a right-thinking person, and I join him in urging forth other awards of this nature, "so that the deserving persons will not remain unrecognized."

MORE DETENTION NEWS: Howard DeVore says the Collectors' Panel is now definitely set up, with C. L. Barrett as Moderator, and Sam Moskowitz, Stu Hoffmann, Dirce Archer, and Phyllis Economou on the panel. "This will present the woman's viewpoint for the first time at a convention," says Howard. You mean they're going to tell us about cleaning and dusting one's collection and all, Howard?

Other news: damon knight and P. Schuyler Miller will discuss "Trends in Modern Science Fiction," Willy Ley will appear on the Auction Bloch, and Larry Shaw will be on the Fan-to-Pro panel.

MARTY FLEISCHMAN (90-09 153 Ave., Howard Beach 14, N.Y.) wants to know if anyone has any 1954-56 fanzines for sale, particularly ABSTRACT, ECLIPSE, MUZZY, FEMIZINE, and UMBRA. Also wants to know if anyone has OMPA mailings for sale...any OMPA mailings.

STUPEFYING STORIES is back. Dick Eney (417 Ft. Hunt Rd., Alexandria, Virginia) has revived his excellent news-and-chatterzine on an infrequent schedule, and no. 42 is to hand. As usual, he's got news for us to crib: seems that that companion volume to THE IMMORTAL STORM that Eldon Everett is issuing is coming along nicely, with material already on hand from Glasser, Hornig, E. Hoffman Price, Greye la Spina, and Doc Keller. The rest of this StSt is taken up with comments on the forthcoming FANCYCLOPEDIA II from fans who've checked the rough draft. This volume sounds fabulouser and fabulouser, and I urge you all to send Eney a buck (pre-publication price) for a copy.

GEORGE AND MARY YOUNG proudly announce the birth (June 16th, 7:05 a.m.) of James Fredrick Young, eight lbs. "Let Tucker look to his laurels--let Grennell beware--HAH!"

George also says that ballots for the final voting for this year's Hugos are being distributed with the third Detention Progress Report, which should be out by the time you read this. We note with pleasure that "FANAC made the Hugo nominations--easy." Thanks, people.

And please note: ads for the 4th Progress Report must be in the hands of Roger Sims (16880 Fairfield St., Detroit 21, Mich.) by July 15 or they'll be too late.

NEWS NOTES FROM ALL OVER:

Bob Tucker says the new edition of THE NEOFAN'S GUIDE will be distributed in FAPA, SAPS, and OMPA. # Joe Kennedy, former fan from New Jersey and currently a postgrad student at Ann Arbor, Mich., recently won \$1,400 for "The Nest," a collection of poetry entered for the Hopwood Awards. He also won a major award of \$1,000 for an essay titled "Who Killed King Kong" entered in the same contest. Interviewed by a local fan soon after, he said, "Well, they had all this money to give away and someone had to take it!" # Wilkie Conner, who was once a columnist for about half the fanzines published during Sixth Fandom, is now spending his time doing mostly "True Confessions" stuff. # Andy Young is "working on a joint paper with Sandage of Mt. Wilson and Zonn of Warsaw--all very exciting and Big Name Pro Astronomer stuff," says jeany. And she adds that she and Dave English are both mixed up in acting at the Gaga Galerie in Boston, and that she'll probably have a part in "The Man Who Came To Dinner" this summer. # Bill Sarill, who was with Andy Young on a recent radio interview with Isaac Asimov, is working on the first issue of a new fanzine to be titled ASPIRIN. "Seems he is the world's most perfectionist," says jeany, "and after running off two stencils with Larry's help, decided that the showthrough on the 20-lb paper was too bad, and that he would RE-CUT, so help me, his whole fanzine without the carbon cushion sheets so's to minimize showthrough." # Klaus Eylman (editor of the German fanzine NOVA) is visiting Britain this August and will be at Sandy Sanderson's fan-party in Manchester, after which he'll be with Don Allen (who sends this item) for awhile, and then will travel over to Ireland to visit John Berry. # George Jennings (11121 Tascosa Drive, Dallas 28, Texas) recently crawled out of the darkest recesses of The Glades of Gafia to say, "I have suddenly found a renewed interest in fandom, one which is much stronger than I ever possessed before. Therefore, I am preparing to begin pubbing soon on a brand new zine." He says this'n will be better than anything he's ever done before, and makes perfectionist-type noises. I remember George as a guy who was always a perfectionist, and look forward to his new zine. # Bob Bloch says that his recent book, "Psycho," has been sold to and will be filmed by Alfred Hitchcock. "James P. Cavanaugh to do screenplay ...though I'd prefer Carl Brandon," he says. We blush, Bob. # Dave Ish now has a job with Scott Meredith, says Larry Shaw via Dick Eney. Which reminds me that Henry Moskowitz is also working with Meredith, handling the science fiction submissions. # FANAC's Southern California Editor, Ronel (127 Bennett Ave., Long Beach 3) has copies of the 2nd edition of THE INCOMPLEAT BURBEE for sale--75¢ each. # News from Larry Shaw: "Willis tells me his real estate deal fell through, and he and family are still at Oblique House. FANTASTIC UNIVERSE sold to another publisher." # Bob Pavlat (6001 43rd Ave., Hyattsville, Md.) will pay cash for FANAC #31. # Norman Metcalf says, "The latest Baker St. Journal (July 59) reports that a radio dramatization of "The Hound of the Baskervilles" had as Dr. Watson, Dave Foley; Dr. Mortimer, Larry Harris; Inspector Lestrade, Martin Jukovsky; & Stationman, David MacDonald. Broadcast was 30 Jan on N.Y.'s WFUV (FM)." # Bill Rotsler has an lp album cover out now: it's a jazz lp named "Good Pickins" on I believe the World Pacific label. It's a Rotsler-photographed girl, in color and all--nice. Heh heh--we got to see proofs of some of the shots where she wasn't hiding behind that guitar. # Bjo may do an album cover, too. Has deal cooking to cartoon up one for a dixieland album. # Gregg Calkins is "working on a geologic map for the State of Utah this summer and out in the field most of the time, thereby away from typewriter and fanac..."

SYLVIA WHITE "has a severe attack of Twonk's disease," says Dick Eney. "It was brought on by the heat & humidity wave that's been plaguing the Washington area the last week of June. Ted says the temperature in their apartment ranged as low as 100° and Sylvia's went as high as 104." Ted Pauls calls it "a mild version of Scarlet Fever". Get well, Sylvia.

TED PAULS ALSO WRITES, "Don Durward, of fabulous Los Angeles fandom, hit Baltimore last week (written 8 July), was here about eight hours, during which time we talked of Many Things. He will be back in California sometime in late August."

SALLY BRUES is now addressable as Sally Dunn again. The divorce will be final in September, she says, and quotes an adage or two, like "The mature person does not hesitate to admit a mistake". Her change-of-address is down below there.

TED AND SYLVIA WHITE are still at 2708 No. Charles St., Baltimore. They will, repeat will get all mail sent to that address, including bundles for the next FAPA mailing.

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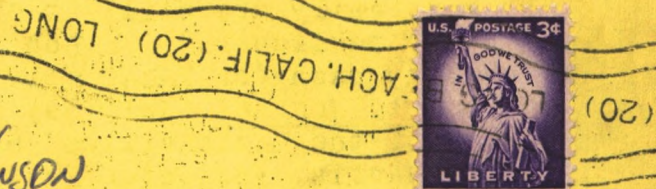
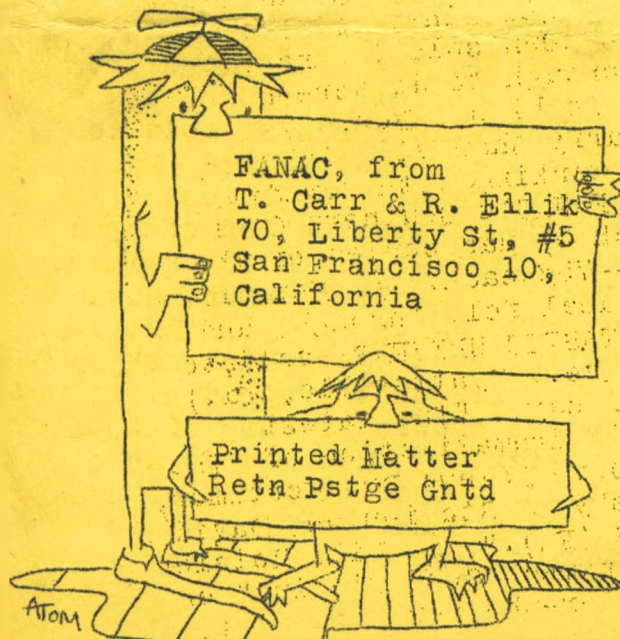
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