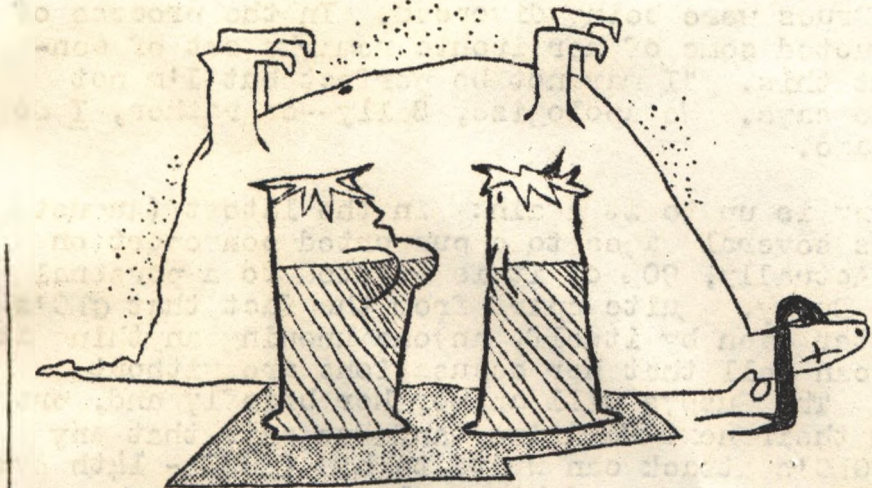


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"He just threw it in and shouted, 'Make sandwiches or something!'..."

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FANAC WINS HUGO...PITT'S IT IN '60 by Dick Eney

Detention registration ran about 525; actual attendance around 350. Michifen Roger Sims, Fred Prophet, Howard DeVore and George Young were mainly responsible for the well-arranged and wisely-selected program. Elevators stopped at the convention floor, a babysitter actually was provided, nothing was scheduled for earlier than 11 a.m. on any day, and only one protest by the management was heard during the entire gathering. It was one of the best-planned cons in years.

Hugo Awards went to FANAC as Best Fanzine, F&SF as Best Pro-zine, Jim Blish's "A Case of Conscience" as best novel, Bob Bloch's "The Hell-Bound Train" for best short, and--here there were bursts of loud, heartfelt applause--No Award for best sf movie. No award was given for Best New Writer, either, though Brian Aldis, who polled a large number of votes in this category, was awarded a plaque.

A burst of last-minute activity won the 1960 convention in an overwhelming victory for Pittsburg, the balloting running 134 for Pitt, 71 for Washington, and 13 for Philadelphia.

At various times the sfists were talked at by JWCampbell, damon knight, Larry Shaw, Hans Stefan Santesson, Poul Anderson, John Berry, Harlan Ellison, Dean McLaughlin, Isaac Asimov, Bob Bloch, and at least two dozen others. Parties aggregating not less than 100,000 man-hours of socialac consumed 13,402 gallons of potables and produced an estimated 22,069,400 words of fangab.

Fan guest of honor John Berry, barely surviving a wild cross-country trip of some 2,000 miles, showed great self-control and an impressive stage presence. Special credits go to Samoskowitz for running the Auction Bloch for TAFE, Isaac Asimov for Toastmastering the banquet, Bjo Wells for mediating the marathon Fanzine Editors' Panel, and Judy Morrill and others for producing the hilarious spoof on our Big Three Prozines. Mention we must the Philly group's success in getting out a Detention Daily for all three days of the con. Universal praise went to Ed Emshwiller's color fantasies, including the brilliant "Dance Chromatic," filmed for the con.

A fine fannish convention, no matter what Randy Garrett tries to tell you. The Detroit crew deserves mountains of credit.

--rhe

APOLOGY DEPT.: A coupla issues ago we printed a notice from Sally Dunn that she and Roger Bruus were being divorced. In the process of editing her letter, we quoted some of her ironic remarks out of context. She is upset about this. "I may not be perfect but I'm not that much of a jerk!" she says. We apologize, Sally--or rather, I do --Ron didn't type that page.

DAIM HER EYES: G. M. Carr is up to it again: in the latest (August) FAPA mailing, GMC devotes several pages to a purported conreport on this year's Westorcon. Actually, 90% of it is devoted to a personal attack on F. M. & Elinor Busby. Quite apart from the fact that GMC's "report" doesn't hold water even by itself, anyone knowing anything at all about the situation can tell that her accusations are without redeeming basis in fact. The Busbys will answer her briefly and, presumably, resoundingly in their next FAPAzine, and Buz says that any non-FAPAns who received GMC's attack can write to him (2852 - 14th Ave. W., Seattle 99, Wash.) and get a copy of his reply in November.

Meanwhile, Miriam, Ron and I are in a mood to lead an ostracize GMC movement in fandom. It seems to us that GMC has carried her promulgation of warped effusions in the form of personal attacks just too damned far at last. We suggest that she be totally ignored in the future. Miri, Ron and I are cutting her off the mailing lists of Goojie Publications, INNUENDO, and FANAC. This is both by way of protest and passive resistance--if enough fans follow our lead (Bruce Pelz has already agreed to do so) maybe GMC will get the idea that her shenanigans are neither amusing to us nor appreciated by us. In such an eventuality, we hope she will either (1) come to her senses, or (2) get the hell out of fandom. ~~WILL RETALK~~

Ostracize G. M. Carr!

RECENT VISITORS TO THE BAY AREA include Bruce Pelz, Bjo, Bill Ellern, George Metzger, Andy Main, and Alan Dodd. * Last issue we forgot to mention that Gregg and Joanne Calkins had visited us, too. Shame on me! Gregg and Joanne and Miri and I had an extremely fine time talking into the wee hours here, and we look forward to seeing them again sometime. (We hope you feel better now, Gregg--and maybe next issue we'll even find room to print all those things you wouldn't tell us because you were so disgusted with us.)

DICK ENEY reports that the WSFS, after its worldcon bid was defeated, "had a meeting accompanied with infinite soulsearching... Among tentative decisions on What To Do: production of a Disclave next year and a subzine devoted to stf criticism, including work by the DC collector-fans as well as the actifan faction." Check with Eney (417 Ft. Hunt Rd., Alexandria, Va.) if you're interested in the zine. * Eney also mentions that another FAPA Blitzkrieg was planned to jog Ted White, outgoing OE, into mailing the promised Semi-official postmailing. However, Ted and Sylvia, when called upon by the Blitzkriegers, were off in Falls Church, Va. Eney says "the promised postmailing will probably be passed on to the Youngs (the new OE) for inclusion in the next FAPA mailing." Members whose zines were thus delayed will get credit as of last mailing, though.

DISCLAIMER DEPT.: In the Program Booklet of the Detention appeared a full-page ad for "Terry Carr for TAP". This ad was written and inserted by Ted White, and tho I appreciate muchly his support and do not feel that he had any particular obligation to check the text with me before its publication, I would like to point out that I didn't know what it was to say and wouldn't have approved it if I had. I think the tone and certain phraseology of the ad were in bad taste, and disclaim any responsibility for it.

--tgc

FOLKSY NEWS: Lars Bourne, fandom's own Dean Moriarity, has sold a piece of writing to Monogram Publications for forty dollars; this is the same Bourne who recently had the metronome-cartoon in a recent men's magazine. ##Sture Sedolin (POBox 403, Vallingby, Sweden) just got a Grundig tape recorder which plays at 3.75 ips only and will hold reels up to 6". Wants to taperespond with anybody. Likes Dixie jazz. ##Sid Coleman (Norman Bridge Lab, Cal. Inst. Tech., Pasadena, California) would like the address of Art (Jean) Cox, contributor to Fantasy Times and Science Fiction Advertiser, and veteran LA fan.

RETURN OF THE ENCHANTED DUPLICATOR: Leslie Gerber has received Willisian blessings on his project to reprint the Enchanted Duplicator in December 59 or January 60. We have no announcement of a proposed price, but we suggest you write to him for more information. (L.Gerber, 201 Linden Blvd, Brooklyn 26, New York.)

VITAL STATISTICS: Lynette and Toni Vondruska (of Wellington, NZ) gave birth to Mimicka (c pronounced ch) Miladka Alsbeta (s pronounced sh, beta pronounced byeta) Vondruska at 4:30 am, 16Aug59. Mimi weighed in at 6 lb. 8½ oz. ##Eleanor and Paul Turner (of Long Beach, Calif) gave birth to Susan Elizabeth Turner around the 13th of September 59. An official shortening of this name has not been announced by Mrs. Turner, but Ed Cox almost got killed for calling the child "Suzy Lizzie".

FANCYCLOPEDIA II (Richard H Eney, 417 Fort Hunt Road, Alexandria, Virginia; \$1.25 the copy, 450 copies printed). This represents a complete revising and updating of Jack Speer's FANCYCLOPEDIA (1944) and an addition of the voluminous material which has come into existence in the past 15 years. No fan is complete without a copy of Fancyc II--the price is ridiculously low, the quality impressively high. 190 pages, bound with ACCO fasteners. Get.

FAF NEWS: Ron Ellik (who is me) has just been elected Secretary-Treasurer of FAPA. All dues, waiting-list acknowledgements, gripes, should be sent to me at 1909 Francisco Street, Berkeley 9, Calif. Other officers are Wm H Evans, President; Phyllis H Economou, Vice-President; and Andy & Jean Young, Official Editor (send all magazines to them at 11 Buena Vista Park, Cambridge 40, Mass). This also marks my 21st birthday (a party was held 26Sep59 at my home in Long Beach). ##The Neffer Amateur Press Alliance (N'APA) has produced its second (September) mailing.

AUCTION DEPT: The highest bid received so far for the almost-complete file of SHANGRI-LA (not SHANGRI-L'AFFAIRES), offered to help the Berry Fund by Rick Sneary, was \$4.00 from Alan J. Lewis (see change of address page). This offer is now closed, and the fm2 will be sent to Lewis as soon as we can find them in the Ellik garage in Long Beach. Al, send your money to Nick Falasca, 5612 Warwick Dr, Parma 29, Ohio.

HARRY WARNER JR would like to hear from anyone who has received letters allegedly from him recently, which letters contained remarks completely out of character or consisted of defamatory &/or libellous accusations. It seems GW has been using his name (see John Trimble's pmlg to FAPA 88) and he is worried.

--rde.

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last issue you get

MORE OR LESS VITAL STATISTICS (CONT'D) DEPT: Djinn Faine has told various and sundry people that she is marrying Gordon R. Dickson on the 10th of October. We remember the last time she was going to get married, too, which is why this doesn't take a front-page slot. ##Eric Needham (of England) and Milo Mason (of Los Angeles) are married. People who ask if they married each other will receive a life-time subscription to Thurban I.

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