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toon by Atom. We happily
call to your attention
that we're back on schedule.
Assisted this by JimCaughran.

THE SILLY SEASON IS UPON US AGAIN

Every now and then fandom seems to hit a period of mild in-
sanity. When such seems to be the prevailing trend, we of FANAC
feel constrained to bring it to the attention of our readers.

Within the last several weeks, we have received:

A gen-oo-line Captain Marvel Tie Clip (from Dick Lupoff).

A check for 10¢, in payment for Ronel's FAPA Index. The
check was made out to me, so with a big-business flourish I signed it
over to Ron, who looked pained and said Grennell and his sticky
quarters were passé now. Norm Metcalf sent the check.

A letter from George Jennings, who explained that the Carl
Brandon piece reprinted in his SPECTRUM #3 under the byline of Richard
Koogler was more of a joke-hoax than plagiarism. Greg Benford sug-
gested the ploy, wondering if anybody would recognize the piece.

News from Dick Eney that "The DAR is having a Space Education
meeting locally (Washington DC area), with speakers from NASA. Miss
E. O. Cullen of WSFA was asked to recommend some reading for them.
Bob Madle wanted her to suggest 'Childhood's End' but was shouted
down."

A letter from George Horace Wells (the last issue of whose
fanzine, SICK ELEPHANT, was mimeoed on the backs of crudsheets from
other people's fanzines), telling us the news that the next SICK
ELEPHANT "will contain material by John Butterworth, Martin Overland,
Billy Joe Plott, a couple of news items, Mike Deckinger, etc...."
Wells' letter was written on the back of half a page torn from an
issue of YANDRO.

Jim Caughran got a letter from his father in Lahore, Pakistan,
saying, "These sweet lovable people. Last Tuesday a rumor came
around that they had caught a woman maiming children with an 'arm-
breaking machine' to make good beggars out of them. They were going
to feed her to the tiger in the zoo! Forty thousand paid entrances
showed up and the zoo had its biggest day since it started at As.2
per head. When the gory sight didn't materialize, they began to
blame Kricklevi, the curator, and I'll bet he's still in hiding be-
cause most of them probably want their money back. Would you pay two
annas to see a tiger eat a woman?"

And to top it all off, Bill Rotsler wrote to ask me what the
American Way is. Seems he's forgotten. (It's the way ducks do it,
Bill.)

--tgc

DAMN HER EYES Progress Report: Even though it's been such a comparatively short time since the last FANAC was published, already we're getting letters from fans concerning the Ostracize G.M.C. movement we suggested. The only one who hasn't offered approval and cooperation so far was Art Rapp, whose objections are twofold: 1) he says G.M.C.'s attack on the Busbys was just one little article in GEMZINE, distributed only in FAPA, so why all the fuss? and 2) he says it's a bit fuggheaded, perhaps, to consider cutting one off a fanzine mailing list as "inflicting dire punishment". In answer, we point out that G.M.C.'s attack on the Busbys is merely the latest in a series of rabblerrousing and irresponsible such incidents on her part, one of which so disgusted Willis that he quit FAPA after she'd attacked him. And GEMZINE has a large distribution outside FAPA--to our knowledge G.M.C. trades fanzines with almost every fan in fandom, thus giving her zine one of the largest circulations in our microcosm. Secondly, we don't consider it "dire punishment" to cut her from our mailing list--our idea is that, through ignoring her in the future, just as fandom has agreed to ignore one G----- W-----, she'll find her supply of what she feels is egoboo cut off, and with nobody apparently paying any attention to her present habits may conceivably change them. We should make it clear here that we do not consider ourselves a Power in fandom or any such thing: we merely feel that Gemcarring should be protested and that the most effective means of protest, in G.M.C.'s case, would be in ignoring her.

JOHN CHAMPION, reports George Metzger, is now at school in Eugene, Oregon. If we get a change-of-address for him we'll print it.

TED WHITE "has made a sale to Playboy for their 'Playboy After Hours' section," writes Noreen Shaw. He got \$100 for a joke which you'll recognize because it refers to A. J. Budrys. "Ted may also hit Downbeat or Metronome this month," Noreen adds. Congratulations, Ted.

THE LIVERPOOL GROUP (England) apparently held a gas of a party on the 13th of September. We got a card signed by John Roles, Norm and Ina Shorrocks, Eddie Jones, John Owen, and several others, including William Shakespeare, George Washington, and Eisenhower. Some of the signatures were illegible. Norm Shorrocks says, "Solomon report is all stencilled--honest!" The Terry Carr Fans Of The World are grateful, Norm. Now--when are you gonna publish it? Eh?

JIM AND ELLIOTT BRODERICK, once they determine exactly how much money is to be passed on to Pittsburgh for next year's worldcon ("\$200 to \$400 estimated"), will publish a one-shot, with the help of George Young. "It will be distributed to the local fans that turned up at the Con, to get them interested in a Detroit S-F group," says our reporter, Dick Schultz. "It is hoped by the 'old guard' that such a club will introduce the Detroit area fans to each other, thus sparking a new Detroit group, which the 'old guard' will attempt not to influence."

BOOST BOISE, says Len Moffatt, calling for fan support of next year's Westcon, which as you know will be held in Boise, Idaho, run by Guy and Diane Terwilliger (1412 Albright St., Boise). "At least someone is doing it who wants to do it, and I think he'll do a good job, too," says Len. He points out that "Boise is closer to Calif. than is Seattle, so wouldn't be as expensive a trip for us California fan."

THE INCOMPLETE BURBEE is still for sale at 75¢ from Ron Ellik, but I have no more copies of THE STORMY PETREL--sold out. If there's enough demand, I'll reprint it sometime. Towner, anyone?

FANAC WISHES TO EXPRESS its sincere congratulations to Mr&Mrs G R Dickson who were bound unto each other in holy wedlock on Saturday, 10 October 1959. The happy couple may be reached through 7500-10th Avenue S, Minneapolis 23, Minnesota.

JOHN BERRY is writing a report of his recent trip to this country and the first installment has already appeared. That's in CRY OF THE NAMELESS #132, available from the CRY Group at Box 92, 920 3rd Avenue, Seattle 4, Washington, at 5/\$1. (UK subs from John Berry at 5 for 7/-d.)

OUTWORLDS #1 (Fall, 1959; 25¢ each from Bob Lichtman, 6137 South Croft Avenue, Los Angeles 56, Calif). This fanzine has an editorial with real POW! in it, plus some average-to-highly readable reminiscences and fanfiction by Leman, Warner, Hoffman, Danner and Moffatt. When editor Lichtman gets rid of publicity-seekers like my co-editor Carr, and settles down to publishing good, solid literature, POUTWORLDS will become an outstanding fanzine. ##Lichtman wants material (good material, he says) for his PSI PHI annish, due out in December. Send him some material. ##He says, also, that he doesn't believe Alan Dodd visited the Barea last month. Write him, Dodd, and tell him.

STEVE SCHULTHEIS (477 Woodlawn, Apt.C, Springfield, OHIO) will pay 50¢ each for FANAC #s 1&2, APE #5, and YANDRO #70; and, further, he will pay \$1 for HYPHEN #1. If anybody can sell him all five fanzines in one bundle, he will pay \$4.00. ##Jim Caughran (FANAC address) will pay 50¢ each for *-# 1-4.

ALL MIMSY #s 3&4 (Jan & Aug 59; letteracomment from Ruth Berman, 5620 Edgewater Blvd, Minneapolis 17, Minnesota) An irregular publication of Sherlock Holmes, Baum, Lewis Carroll, and Tolkien -inspired writing. Highly enjoyable, but not a fanzine; may develop into one, tho--they would certainly appreciate letters & material.

LES SPINGE #1 (Ken Cheslin & crew, 18 New Farm Rd, Stourbridge, Worcestershire, England). Write these boys a letter requesting to be put on their mlg list or something--this, and SMOKE, and others, are the "new blood" the B.S.F.A. wanted to get into England's fan circles--Cheslin, Davies and Kilvert are travelling to London O meetings, to cons, publishing fanzines, writing letters, etc.

PERSONALS: Bill Meyers (4301 Shawnee Circle, Chattanooga 11, Tenn) has tons of fanzines for sale, and wants people to write for a list. ##The Philadelphia SFS is holding its 18th Annual Conference at the Sheraton Hotel on November 14th. Write Geo R Heap (513 Glen Echo Rd, Phila 19, Penna) for info. ##SFC A H Rapp RA 36886935, FB, 1st Msl Bn, 40th Artry, Ft Bliss, Texas, wants to know where and when two of the Morgan Botts stories appeared, and to obtain copies if possible: "...But Zeno, Don't We?" and "Lunatic Fringe". Both appeared around 1948, the latter in Bill Danner's STEFANTASY. Write him, Bill. ##Mike Deckinger (85 Locust Av, Millburn, NJersey) wants to buy any FAPA mailings before #50, plus copies of Q, and the ish of A BAS with Brandon's MY FAIR FEMME-FAN.

TIFFANY THAYER (noted British author and wheel in the Fortean Socy) died approximately a month ago. His position in the Fortean group will probably, says reporter Art Castillo, be taken over by Eric Frank Russell.

--rde.

Write

Last issue you get

LEFTOVERS FROM INSIDE DEPTS DEPT: Ken Cheslin reports that the London Circle held their Symposium over the weekend of October 3-4, but he says we'll probably get details in some British mag...Ken, we'd like, just once, to carry some news that SKYRACK doesn't get ahead of us... ##Bob Tucker just sent a book-length novel called "To The Tombaugh Station" to his publisher; "Roscoe alone knows what the publisher will call it," he says; "It's space opera with a difference (I like to believe). All about a hard rock character and a female locked in a tiny cabin for eleven weeks." Say no more, Tuck, we're rushing out right now to place an order. ##Tucker also says that the s-f movie THE WOMAN EATER is not obscene, but neither is it worth spending money on. He sent us some more of those crazy sex-ads, too, which should have been entered under "silly season stuff."

--rde.

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LASFS HALLOWE'EN PARTY will be held Sat nite, Oct 31, at home of Al Lewis, 706 San Lorenzo, Santa Monica, California

LASFS 25th ANNIVERSARY MEETING will be held Thurs nite 29 Oct; location not known at this writing. Write LASFS, -2548 West 12th St, Los Angeles 6, Calif, for info.

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