



"Like it's a novel about a sensitive, introverted, poetic, creative, deep, tortured young water dowser."

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A fanzine devoted to fan news of shattering import and an occasional itty bit of opinionating, from Ron Ellik and Terry Carr, 1818 Grove St., Berkeley 9, California. Subs are 4/25¢ or 9/50¢, from our circulation manager, Miriam Carr (above address). Archie Mercer, 434/4 Newark Rd., No. Hykeham, Lincoln, England, acts as procurer for the sterling areas, with issues going at four for two shillings. News and comment always appreciated, and absolutely demanded if you don't cast some bread our way. The cartoon this issue is by sensitive young Beanie Brigader Ray Nelson.

WARNER TO WRITE '39-'59 HISTORY

Harry Warner Jr., publisher of the top-notch pre-WWII fanzine **SPACEWAYS** and in more recent years publisher of the #1 **FAPAZINE** **HORIZONS**, announces that he has embarked on a project to write a history of fandom from 1939 to 1959--right up to the Detention. Norm Metcalf is the person directly responsible for prodding Warner into the project, and arrangements are already made for fanzine publication when and if it gets written, with book production in the plotting stage.

Warner says, "I calculate that I'll be a year doing research on my own sources of information, then a while longer digging up other sources of information like the memories of the shattered survivors of Seventy Fandom and other people's correspondence, etc. When that's done, I think I can get the whole thing written in another six months."

He won't be asking for any help for awhile, he says; first he's going to complete his note-taking (he already has 100 pages partially or wholly covered with notes), then see what areas of fanactivity are not properly covered and ask for assistance where it's really needed. Should he give up the project for any reason he promises to pass his notes on to someone else; his notes are in a form coherent to anyone, complete with references. The finished volume may take two volumes, one for each decade.

He'd like it noted that because of this huge project he'll have to curtail some of his fanactivity for awhile. "For one thing, I'm going to have to stop wasting time running around to conventions and fannish parties. I refuse to let **FAPA** activities suffer, but I'll probably be forced to decline a good many requests for material for general fanzines for awhile."

We're immensely pleased that you're doing the history, Harry.

--tgc

RON BENNETT WAS PENELOPE FANDERGASTE, Jr. Bennett has admitted at last. You may remember that we told you so in the first FANNISH. A letter from Bennett in HABAKKUK #4 says, "As for Penelope Fandergaste, I don't mind admitting to having written the first couple of installments, but since then....Your guess about there being several contributors is as good as any, I guess." So it seems it's sort of a useless task trying to figure out who Penelope is at any given time; hell, for all we know Ted White might be writing the columns now!

This fourth HABAKKUK is a monumental thing--81 pages loaded with intelligent (mostly) opinionating on beatniks, societal mores, and other socially-conscious subjects, and including a 49-page letter-column, surely the longest on record. Material-type material includes writing by Ashworth and Rapp, a fine squirrelish cover by Bjo, and some excellent artwork by Trina. (Free for trade or comment from Bill Donaho, 1441 - 8th St., Berkeley 10, Calif.)

WALT WILLIS' COLUMN didn't get here in time this issue, unfortunately. "Plinth" will be back next issue, we're sure; we gave him kind of short notice this time.

ART RAPP says he's finished stencilling "Stf Broadcasts Again," the 1949 round-robin serial from SPACEWARP; Ed Cox will publish it and it will appear in the July SAPS mailing. (By the way, the sequel, "The Great Stf Crisis," has been held up in Berkeley (mea culpa, mea culpa!), but it oughtta be finished Real Soon Now.

THE APA CORNER: The 91st FAPA mailing is now out, containing all sorts of goodies, including THE REJECTED CANON, a 30-page collection of all the material from the original FANCYCLOPEDIA which wasn't included in Eney's updated version last year; Eney says he's distributing TRC through SAPS, OMPA, and The Cult in addition to FAPA, and anybody else who wants one can have it free (417 Ft. Hunt Rd., Alexandria, Va.) Also worthy of special note in this FAPA mailing is Redd Boggs' 28-pg. publication, THE BIG THREE: TEN YEARS IN RETROSPECT, a rundown on Astounding, Galaxy, and F&SF during the last decade; write to Boggs (2209 Highland Pl. NE, Minneapolis 21, Minn.) for information on its availability.

THE GGFS WESTERCON COMMITTEE has chosen its site for the '61 Westercon, should they win the bid (which seems likely). It's the Hotel Leamington, in downtown Oakland. Reasonable prices, friendly service. The hotel has a good reputation with fans who attended the 1956 Westercon there, and the hotel, after checking its records and seeing how much money was made at the bar that weekend, is enthusiastic about the fans. Who could ask for more?

WHEN LAST HEARD OF, the Liverpool Group's 1956 fan-film, "May We Have The Pleasure?" was somewhere in the U.S. The Golden Gate Futurian Society would like to get ahold of it for showing; can anyone give me (Terry) information as to its whereabouts? # Speaking of fan-films, Unicorn Productions (L.A. producers of "The Genii") are currently filming "Wrai Ballard, The Musquite Kid," adapted from the Lee Jacobs story by Bjo and starring Ron Ellik in the title role. Ron doesn't do too bad. # Clever ole Wilson Tucker has a character named "Squirrel" in his July F&SF story--which reminds me to mention that the June Astounding has a Squirrel cartoon as an illustration. Ronel is finally beginning to agree that the mag is going to hell. # Dick Eney hopes to have additions and corrections to the FANCYC II out in time for the Pittcon--circa 50 pgs.

--tgc

NOREEN SHAW!

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MORE PERSONALS DEPT: Our St. Louis Spy, who had a secret code name but we forgot it, reports that Thomas N. Scortia eloped with Irene Baron on 15May60. ##Speaking of Noreen Shaw, it's about time she got off the dime and had that baby, isn't it? It was due in June, same as the Kyle's dog's litter was due. Any news? ##Steve & Virginia Schultheis expect to move to Santa Barbara right after the Pittcon, to take a job at the library of the U of Calif there. Wonder if they plan to return with the car-avan from California... ##X, our LASFS spy, says it's a damned good thing he's moving, because that news about the LA voting on the 61 Westerncon wasn't for publication and if anybody found out who he was he'd probably get tarred & cetera.

LASFS NEWS: Persons interested in LASFS are hereby notified that the semi-annual elections have been up-dated a week this month because a lot of people intend to go to Boise. Nominations for office to last until December will be held Thursday, 16June, and elections will be held Thursday, 23June. Meetings are 8pm Thursdays every week at the home of Zeke Leppin, 2548 West 12th St, Los Angeles 6.

PARTY PARTY PARTY DEPT: Berkeley fandom (three carloads of us) went to LA last week for the annual Happy Burbdays Charles Birthees party, held at the center of the universe on Pioneer Blvd 28May60. This turned out to be an appreciation-party for that long-suffering and marvellous cook, Isabel Burbee, too, celebrated by the publication of a fanzine devoted to her, called OLE, CHAVELA!, by the Fan Hill Mob, with contributions by Burb, Elmer Perdue, AEVV, 4sj, tgc & rde, and lots of other people with initials. Available through FAPA and at 15¢ per from Bjo, 980½ White Knoll Dr, Los Angeles 12. Contains some of Isabel's most famous recipes & lots of Bjo cartoons & designs.

ERIC BENTCLIFFE (who is also running for TAFE, even though you, as loyal, brainwashed FANAC readers, will vote for Mal Ashworth first) asks us to correct an error made in APE #17, where it is implied that he (Bentcliffe) has stood for TAFE two or three times before. The fact is that Eric ran only in the 1955 election, the one which culminated in Ken Bulmer coming to the cleveland. ##But for all sensible people this doesn't matter; Ashworth is the man to vote for, even though Bentcliffe is a damned good choice if you can't remember how to spell Mal Ashworth. Send 50¢ (or maybe even a dollar) to Bob Madle, 4500 Aspen Hill Road, Rockville, Maryland, and vote NOW. The deadline is upon you, folks-- 15th. June !! --you've barely got time to sneak in under the wire. ##That's Spelled Ashworth. ##As a matter of fact, finish reading this later; put it down and vote now.

BOB LICHTMAN says that, now that OEney is charging 25¢ per sheet for waiting-listers' fmz, he will frank such zines for 15¢, if they are received collated but unstapled. Send him 60 copies of such material. ##Greg Trend closed a postcard to Official Arbitrator of the Cult, Ted White with the hip-line, "Like I'm out, man." Because Gregg was late with his zine, Ted took this to mean a resignation and threw him out. In recent Cult elections, John Champion won out decisively over Jack Har-ness to become the new OA. John also put out the latest Fantasy Rotator, which came out on time. --rde

CHANGES OF ADDRESS (A Dept of Fan Humor)

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SQUEEZE PLAY: Frank Dietz (1721 Grand Ave., Bronx 53, N.Y.) wants a copy of Earl Kemp's WHO KILLED S-F?, and offers \$2.00 for a copy. Will even consider dickering for a copy at a higher price. # Hal Shapiro says we got him in trouble coupla issues ago. Seems we printed, via our spy "Y," the news that Mary Young is infanticipating again, and it turns out that Mary wanted it kept secret for some reason. And she's accused Hal of being spy "Y". Mary, it ain't true; someone else is "Y". And we're sorry we broke the news, but we got it as a news item, like, and didn't know. Henceforth if anything like this happens and you want it kept secret maybe you'd better write and tell us, okay? # We hope the Detroiters will keep us posted on how long it takes Mary to find out who "Y" is. As soon as she finds out we're going to reclassify him as "U-2". # Next Misfit picnic will be the weekend of 12 June 60; it will honor Detroit areans with birthdays in June-July, like George Young, Rog Sims, Fred Prophet, Shapiro, Ben Singer, and like that. Out-of-townners are invited; write Shapiro at 2689 Clements Ave., Detroit 38, or call him at Townsend 5-0224 or Townsend 6-8043. # Elinor Busby will also be on the faneds panel at the Boycon July 4 weekend, along with Ron and me. Probably Gregg Calkins, too: Terwilleger said he intended to ask him to appear on it if he could make it to the con, and Gregg writes to say that he will be there. Later in the summer Gregg and Joanne will vacation on the westcoast, hoping for fangab and sightseeing in the Bay Area and maybe taking in a LASFS meeting later. Sounds like fun.

--tgc

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