

"The Cock of the Ruddy Trews"(Courtesy Al Ashley)

My Dear Children: This started out as a handwritten ditto but something went wrong with it enroute and it didn't come out so hot so I shall write it on the typewriter so as you all kin git the essence of the humor, pardon, humor contained wthin.

My Dear Children: There is a motley crew known as the Midwest Fantasy Plan Federation. Whenever they get together things transpire and humans vacate the surrounding territory. Herein we shall describe each order or remark remarkable humor, pardon humor. I shall describe my cohorts now - By Walt Liebscher

Abby Lu Ashley--a beautiful, coarsening blob of beautiful, iridescent pulchritude.

Her Kesper, Al--a wonderful specimen, his mandibles are bright silver. He has feet and a pair of eyes with glasses to match. He twaddles but this only enhances his homoblogin.

Bob Tucker--No. 1 pair--"Under the Double Ego" - a drooling drip.

Frank Robinson--eyebrows with body to watch

Dalvan Coger--a rocket whose exhaust paints indescribable pictures across a flaming sunset at dawn.

Earl Perry--an old fossil, with new ideas, a pimple on Earth's bosom.

Helen Perry--bubbles in the brine, she like pickles

Walt Liebscher--an eternal token of stuff unbroken.

Abby Lu's Stuff

Things to remember--Tucker waiting at the I. C. station while we waited for him at the Bus Station. Dalvan tearing up his return ticket from Joliet to Chicago--me falling upstairs in Woolworth's-- in Chicago--Frank and Dalvan arguing over who would sleep with Tucker. Helen and I trying to keep the boys in sight on the way to the museum.

Frank Robinson's Stuff

Can't write much now--things too exciting. Tucker is asleep in bed with the Ashley's, Coger and I looking one and trying frantically to disengage him from the arms of Morpheus. Tucker a moron.

Dalvan Coger's Stuff

Tucker: Oh you nice rans-- Et Tu Coger--Walt

Helen & Abby Lu: Why were they so fascinated by the Hall of Man-- Oh, pshaw, they were just envious--Walt

Ashley's Stuff

Walt Liebscher--who has mastered the psychology of envy--Frank Robinson--we went thru different museums--Helen Perry and her grapes--she loves em, but leaves 'em--Earl Perry--who devised a new suitcase handle in the middle of LaSalle Street-- Tucker--who found my wife in Egypt--Mummy--

Tucker's Stuff

Tucker, of course. Altho I think short Frances Robinson is nice looking too. And not a bit envious. Tucker likes to have brine poured down his neck, also tears boards off of privys.

Summation of Consternation

Ashley: The book stores take a beating. Al short-changes the street-car conductor a penny and gets his wife on free. Tucker tries same trick in restaurant, but doesn't get away with it. Neither did Al. Frank spends half a day searching Chicago for the rest. Tucker's offer of a free year sub to Laz mollifies him. Chambermaid at hotel mutters, "Screwballs" wonder why? (Maybe she was just envious--Walt) Hotel Clerk short-changes himself. Gives us three doubles for price of three singles. And we get away with it. Also the towels. Earl Perry finds a greedy book dealer. Barely escapes with his drawers. (Not the dealers). Tucker, Liebscher and Al discuss psychopaths. Robinson loses his illusions--at least. Dalvan Coger gets turned into a horse but Tucker still loves him. Abby Lu get lost. Is found living among the mummies, still envious. Helen Perry tries to buy grapes. Man tells her they are put away in cooler, and are too high priced anyhow. Sells her some cheaper ones. Liebscher's past comes to light. Tucker's jaw drops in amazement, whereupon his pipe catches the spirit of the thing and drops on the pavement. (Are you sure it was his pipe). Dalvan leaves elevator in sawn dive. Girl on streetcar tries to make Dalvan but he doesn't notice her. Tucker tries to make girls of Chicago--and they don't notice him. Al tries to show how it's done--but his wife stops him. Al and Earl's hats blow off and play tag with each other. Al and Earl play follow the leader with them. Tucker whips out his ray-gun and plays hell. The midget "Chicon" a rollicking success. Liebscher: The brotherhood of fandom--three fans and one pair of pajamas. Tucker wore the top, Coger wore the bottom and Robinson wore the belt. Without a doubt Robinson had Insomnia. Tucker and Coger arguing over who would take the offensive. Helen Perry eating pickles at the restaurant and Ashley bemoaning the fact that the dinner added up to the sum total of one roast biff sandwich. Liebscher talking about his experiments and making all other envious. Abby Lu falls over fire hydrants. Envy, a louse.