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OFFICIAL EDITOR'S REPORT

Thanks to all you who voted for me, especially the crucial one or two who swung it, and allowed me to win "hands down over Carl Brandon," as some West Coast fan put it.

A few items of note on this current FA: A full-page ballot for the special election is enclosed. This sheet contains two ballots. Detach one, and keep the other for your files. Both were printed from the same stencil and are identical.

Also loose in the FA is the mailing copy of the Egoboo Poll. (An extra copy is printed after the Veep's report.) A few copies have something printed on the back. Ignore this. These were rejects from a job I once ran off.

Stick both ballots into one envelope, and address this to "Terry Carr & Ron Ellick". Since Ron reads Terry's mail (and vice-versa, for all I know), both ballots should reach their respective recipients.

This saves you (and us) postage, and allows you to kill a couple of publishing giants with one 4¢ stamp.

A note here from F.M.Busby says, "Here's a Stop QWERTYUIOPress item: John B. Speer was elected yesterday ((Nov. 4)) as a Representative (one of 2) from the 36th District, to the Washington State Legislature. So, possibly for the first time, fandom is represented in the legislative halls."

I'm glad to see that all those matchbooks didn't go to waste. Congratulations, Jack!

A Chastisement each to Terry Carr and Andy Young, who are otherwise Good Men, but who did not send the required three extra copies of their postmailings to the OE. (Neither the outgoing Eney, or myself.) Terry owes three copies of DIASPAR #7, and Andy three BACK BLASTS, if these zines are to be considered genuine 100% bonefide postmailings. I've listed the the zines in the above listing, but I'll jolly well delete them if I don't get those three extra copies before the next mailing.

ADDRESS CHANGES: too late to make the official lists...

Dick Ryan
224 Broad St.
Newark
Ohio

Sally Brues
1313 E. Madison Park
Chicago 15
Illinois

H.P.Sanderson
"Inchmery"
236 Queens Rd.
London S.E.14, ENGLAND

Sanderson's also applies to non-FAPAns Joy & Vinç Clarke. Georgina Ellis has gone and changed both her name and address (she got married)(and again, congratulations!) and sent her notification to OEney, who forgot to bring it with him to this FAPA assembly session where I am typing this. I'll include it in NULL-F (The Last Minute Fapazine) which was so last-minute that it missed the mailing and will be postmailed.

A small gripe at those who can't sort out the duties of the various officers, like Ellick (who should know better) who advised Bjo to write to me to apply for the waiting list. Such applications go to the Sec-Treas, of course. And address changes to the both (or either) of us. Oh well, with only a little over 200 pages, we're off to a great start! -Ted E. White

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Thank you for your vote--whether or not it was for me. We leave behind us a fine year, I hope the next will be as good.

No problems seem to be lurking on the FAPA doorstep, although a couple of potential ones can be spotted toward the end of the waiting list. It is still a long list; so long that the people now on the top of the list were placed on the list by Don Wilson during his term as Secretary Treasurer. Over two years ago. A long wait.

Last mailing it was announced that there would be a special election held on a proposed amendment regarding dues. The ballot is inclosed. Teller for this special vote is Terry Carr. Personally, I do not care for special votes, and will not approve any during my term unless it appears to be essential that the matter be voted on promptly.

Secretary Evans covered the Brandon situation in his report. I will report here on the Wilfried Myers case. This was handled by me in my former capacity as Vice-President, which office I held when Wilfried Myers' renewal credentials were questioned. What it boils down to is that one FAPA member questioned the validity of Myers' renewal on the basis that SNOOZE # 14, in the 84th FAPA mailing, did not represent a full page of activity. Secretary Evans replied that in his opinion it did. This information was in some manner (I really don't know how) transmitted to a second FAPA member, and this member requested review of this opinion, and also questioned the secretary's action in allowing Myers three pages credit for SNOOZE's 11, 12, and 13 in the 83rd FAPA mailing. On 21 September the secretary turned this over to me inasmuch as the questions raised dealt with interpretation of the constitution. On 27 September I sent a letter to Wilfried which summarized the points at issue as above, and continued:

"On reviewing the points at issue I find as follows:

"Snooze's 11, 12, and 13 were distributed in FAPA mailing 83 (May 58). Each of these contained one page of written material, about one-third of which was original (identifying information and editorial introduction) and the remainder of which was reprint. The last sentence of section 3.1 of the constitution of FAPA bars acceptance of reprint material as renewal credential requirements, except under certain conditions which I find were not met in the material in question. As was announced in The Fantasy Amateur for mailing 82, which called for a vote on the constitution, and in the FA for mailing 83, which announced that the constitution had been adopted, the effective date of the constitution was 15 April 1958; accordingly, the provisions of this constitution are applicable to the contents of mailing 83. In view of this, the secretary may not allow credit for reprint material distributed with the 83d FAPA mailing.

"In FAPA mailing 84, you inserted Snooze 14, which consisted of approximately one-third page of identifying information and editorial, and a Christmassy item typed in the shape of a Christmas Tree. It appears that the material is not new, although there is no definite

evidence concerning this. The format is not new, since it is an annual occurrence to see material printed in the format of a Christmas symbol or decoration, specifically including the Christmas Tree. It was the viewpoint of the secretary that if the material was new either per se or in format, then full page credit could be allowed. The custom of allowing full page credit to material occupying less than a full page in area was originated to avoid penalizing those members of FAPA with artistic leanings and those whose clever presentation of material compensated through originality, appropriateness, or attractiveness for any shortage in page area occupied. This exemption cannot be applied to every submission, since such blanket exemption would allow full credit to be given to any material in any 'special' format, provided only that the material had not previously been used in the format selected. I find that the presentation of a standard-type Christmas item in a common Christmas format does not merit exception for a one page item. In a larger work, organized about a theme, exception might be justified for this item; in a single-sheeter exception for a "standard" item cannot be allowed.

"The secretary has been advised of the foregoing. What it means, of course, is that you were short of having renewal credentials by about $2\frac{1}{2}$ pages. Normally I'd turn this over to the secretary at this point and let him contact you regarding your membership. However...Evans... is leaving on vacation about 2 Oct. You may seek waiver of activity requirements in accordance with section 3.3 of the constitution, but Evans asks to be advised by 2 Oct 58 if you intend to do so; if not notified, he will alert a potential new member. Please notify Evans by that date if you possibly can. However, that date is too near to make it a deadline, so the deadline is established as the 13th of October.

"Evans will contact you further regarding any dues paid for 1958-59 and any other pertinent matters."

Myers replied in a letter dated 3 October, said reply being directed to Evans. Pertinent portions are extracted below:

...

"It seems that this is getting to be an annual occurrence--defending my FAPA membership.

"...After last year, again, I was rather expecting it because of the animosity that I seem to have aroused in the "oh-so-exclusive" confines of FAPA because I seem to refuse to conform in this group which prides itself on its own lack of conformity as long as you agree with some self imposed standards of conformity that they have set up. (Sounds just as confused as some members are!)

"The Secretary-Treasurer's report in Volume XXI, Number 3, THE FANTASY AMATEUR listed me with four pages due and Page 1 credited me with 3! So, little Wilfried dutifully prepared another page (SNOOZE 14 that he had originally prepared for December 1957 but had not found the time to type.) and forwarded it to the Official Editor on May 21st together with my check for three dollars and fifty cents (\$3.50) to pay for my renewal. (Because of the cost of mailing the darts, of other members, to me - I've

always included a trifle extra with my dues?)

"In the meantime I commenced work on SMOOZE - 15, 16 and 17 (June, July and August, 1958) and finally finished typing the masters before school closed for the summer. In the rush of closing school, I did not get the copies 'run off'....

"Then June 19th my check cleared the bank and I supposed, after a lapse of a month, that my renewal was acceptable and that I had met all the conditions - implied and not!

"In the meantime a wholesale repair program...was started at school and when I went to get my master's I found my room used for storage....'Oh, well,' I thought, 'I'm O. K. so I'll wait and ditto these issues after school starts in the fall.'

"While this was transpiring, I started GIRLDOM, Whole Number 18, with the thought of mailing it, also, in the August Bundle. But, feeling that my membership was secure, I did not push myself and did not finish the copies until about the tenth. (I could have finished it and mailed it by the first if I had thought my membership in jeopardy....

"Again, in Mailing Number 84, the Secretary-Treasurer's report showed myself owing 1 page and on page 1 I was credited with 1 page. So, thinks I, 'I've certainly fulfilled that ATM marking....'

((This following paragraph is misplaced. It belongs immediately before the preceding paragraph)) "Mailing Number 84 arrived and with it my membership card reading, 'This is to certify that Wilfried Myers is an active member entitled to all rights and privileges of the Fantasy Amateur Press Association. Membership expires August 1959.'

....

"That was the state of events when I received Mr. Pavlat's letter of September 28th. ...

"At this stage...it seems that I have relied too much on the accuracy and authenticity of the reports of the Secretary-Treasurer and Official Editor in the Official Organ PLUS my renewal membership card! Frankly, if these can not be relied upon - just what stable thing is there left in FAPA for any member to rely upon? Retroactive rules, picaynish jealousies, name-calling, back bitings, sea lawyers, pork barrellers, back slapping and 'you build my egoboo and I'll build yours,' seem to be the reliance of the nonconforming FAPA where you either conform or you're not wanted. (Ask Bob Pavlat to let you read the last five paragraphs of his letter of September 5th, 1957, to me, if you don't understand what I mean.) ((Myers refers to a personal note I tacked onto an official letter regarding (surprise!) his renewal credentials. I'll print it if anyone is that interested. I guess that Wilfried did not appreciate my suggestions on how to fit into FAPA.))

"The material in the Christmas tree is NOT new. Baring typographical errors, I copied it from the Bible. As closely as I can tell, the

format IS new. I've seen similar but I do not believe in quite this manner.

"Well, there is my defense--if defense is needed. Frankly, I cannot see where I should be called upon to defend myself in view of the conditions given in the foregoing.

"I would like to remain in FAPA, I thought I was safely therein, or, I would not have taken the time to write this letter.... However, if you decide otherwise - O.K. It is up to you and Bob Pavlat, again, as to what you wish to do with my membership....."

Evans replied on 10 October:

"... Since you have answered none of the points raised by Pavlat, and do not intent to circulate a petition, I am forced to refund your dues, since, according to his ruling, you have not fulfilled your renewal requirements. To take up the points you raise:

"The standards of conformity are those listed in the constitution. In the current form...reprinted material does not count, unless something is done to it - either it represents a selection or a review of a certain type, which becomes a new item because of the work involved - like Homage to Burbee. Thus, in the last mailing, I can't take credit for the reprinted dictionary of western words I reprinted; I can for the Dreistein Case, because of the format used.

"The list on page one of the FA 21, No 3, lists the contents of the mailing; it does not give credit for them. The OE has no power nor authority to do so; all he does is check quickly for mailability - law - and for who submitted it. The tally is for the benefit of members who want to know what should be in their bundle. So, you could not know that credit had been given for anything in the mailing, until the next FA.

"As for your check clearing - this merely means that I have received the money, and applied it towards you next years dues - nothing is said that you are eligible to renew. Actually, until I see the next mailing I have no way to know if you have fulfilled the requirements; your check is merely one thing that is required to renew. I mail out cards to all who have apparently qualified for renewal.

"Unfortunately, objections were raised to both the current issue of Snooze and to the two previous ones. The objections to the previous ones could not be raised, until the FA was distributed, since it was an objection to my having given credit to them, and this would not be known until the next mailing. Since this was a question of the interpretation of the constitution, it was referred to the vice president for decision; The same was true with my crediting the current issue as art work.

...."

The foregoing was printed to inform you of current rulings on reprint and artwork. Not all local FAPAns agree with my ruling, but the official interpretation stands. End of ex v-p's report and close of business as such former officer. Also the end of presidential report.

Bob

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It has been proven by a recent opinion poll that 32 persons did not learn their lesson two years ago when I was an officer of FAPA. I should like to thank those 32 people, and even the other 18 who voted for someone else, because the very thought of almost 77% of FAPA turning out to the polls makes me feel awful generous.

There is currently a squabble about whether or not the membership of Carl Brandon can be assumed by Pete Graham. Not having been asked for an official ruling, I will keep my mouth safely shut officially. Should two or more sides be formally presented to me by others, I will make a binding decision if this matter can be construed as an interpretation of the constitution. I am informed through unofficial channels, however, that our most competent chief executive is taking the burden on his own shoulders.

My first official action, therefore, will be the conducting of the annual and now-official FAPA Laureate Poll. A word of explanation:

The last place in any category is worth one point, the next-to-last is worth two points, and so on, so that first place in fiction writing is worth four points. The number of slots in each category is determined at my personal whim. The total number of points is lumped together to yield the FAPA Top Ten, by personal name. Thus, a first place vote for HORIZONS gives Harry Warner some 7 points in the Top Ten.

To repeat Pavlat, Best Editor does not equate with Best Publication. "Editor" means editor of a magazine containing material other than that by said editor, and signifies to my mind a slightly subzine type of format. Best publication includes any fanzine distributed in FAPA in 1958, regardless of format or content—or, indeed, originator. To repeat Evans, do not vote for yourselves; no one is qualified to judge his own work—at least, no one currently on FAPA's rolls.

Please be specific about voting for Carrs, Shaws, Andersons, Youngs and Myers/Meyers; and vote only on consideration of material which appeared in the FAPA from the recent February mailing up to and including this mailing, and any postmailings thereto. No votes will be discarded because of my disagreement with your interpretation of these rules—but in a bind, I am as like to flip a coin as not.

Return your ballots to me, postmarked not later than December 31, 1958. Overseas fan note: that is a postmark date. If you want your ballots returned, say so.

—Ron Ellik,
14th October, 1958.

THE FAPA EGOBOO POLL
1958

(Vote in order of preference, putting first choice first)

Best fiction writer:

1.
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3.
4.

Best article writer:

1.
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5.
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7.

Best editor:

1.
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Best publication:

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Best poet:

1.
2.

Best humorist:

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Best mailing comments:

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Best artist:

1.
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5.

your signature

Fill in your choices, sign, and return postmarked not later than midnight, December 31~~st~~ 1958, to:

Ron Ellick, room 104
2315 Dwight Way
Berkeley 4, California

THE SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

1. The membership roster. The following list is current as of 29 Oct, 1958; additions, and corrections, if any, may be found elsewhere in the FA. The month listed after your name indicates the month in which your present membership expires (i.e., the date of your last mailing). The number following indicates the number of 8 1/2" by 11" pages you owe as of the above date to satisfy your activity requirements for renewal. Credit has not yet been given for material in this mailing.

Symbols appearing after the page count are: D - your dues are now due, and should be paid not later than 6 Feb, 1959. \$ - your dues are overdue, and unless you have already sent them in, you are probably reading your last FAPA mailing for a couple of years. A - warns that your activity requirements must be met before or in the next mailing, if you plan to renew your membership. ATM - your activity requirements must be met in this mailing, or have been premailed, or you are out. A, followed by a month - you are a new member, and must have your 8 page renewal credit published either before or in the mailing indicated, to receive that mailing and retain membership. 50 - you owe a balance of 50¢ on your dues [Phyllis?]. Any credits are shown as such.

1. Alger, Martin E., 27886 Dartmouth, Madison Heights, Mich. . Feb 8DA
2. Anderson, Karen, 1906 Grove St, Berkeley, California. . . Feb 0D
3. Ashworth, Mal, 40 Makin St, Tong St, Bradford 4, Yorks, Eng Feb 0D
4. Ballard, Wrai, Blanchard, North Dakota. Feb 6DA
5. Bennett, 7 outhway, Arthur's Ave, Harrogate, Yorks, Eng. . Aug 8
6. Bloch, Robert, P. O. Box 362, Weyauwega, Wisconsin. . . . Feb 0D
7. Boggs, Redd, 2209 Highland Place, N.E., Minneapolis 21, Minn Aug 8
8. Bradley, Marion Z., Box 246, Rochester, Texas Nov C
9. Brues, Sally, 5441 So Kimbark, Chicago 15, Ill. Feb 8DA
10. Burbee, Charles, 7628 S. Pioneer Blvd, Whittier, Calif. . . Feb 6DA
11. Calkins, Gregg, 1714 So 15th East, Salt Lake City 5, Utah. Feb 8DA
12. Carr, Gertrude M., 8325 - 31st N.W., Seattle 7, Wash. . . . Nov 0 50
13. Carr, Terry, 2315 Dwight Way, Berkeley 4, Calif Nov C\$
14. Caughran, Jim, 2315 Dwight Way, Berkeley 4, Calif May 8AFeb
15. Coslet, Walter A., Box 6, Helena, Montana Nov 4ATM
16. Coulson, Robert & Juanita, 105 Stitt St, Wabash, Indiana. . Aug 8AMay
17. Crutch, Leslie A., Box 121, Parry Sound, Ontario, Canada . Aug 8
18. Danner, William M., RFD #1, Kennerdell, Penn. Aug 8
19. Derry, Chick, 7703 Alpine St, District Heights, Md, Apr #2. Nov 0
20. Economou, Phyllis H., P.O. Box 1325, Milwaukee 2, Wis . . . 8AD50
21. Ellik, Ron, 2315 Dwight Way, Berkeley 4, Calif. Nov 00
22. Ellis, Georgina, 609 51st Ave, S.W., Calgary, Alberta, Can. . Aug 8
23. Eney, Richard H., 417 Fort Hunt Road, Alexandria, Virginia May 2
24. Evans, Bill, Box 86, Mt. Rainier, Maryland. Feb 0
25. Gois, Richard ., Apt 7, 19 Wave Crest Ave, Venice, Calif . Aug 8AMay
26. Gerding, Nan, Box 484, Roseville, Illinois. Aug 8
27. Graham, Peter, 2514 regent St, Berkeley 4, Calif. Aug 8
28. Grennell, Dean A., 402 Maple Ave, Fond du Lac, Wisc Aug 8
29. Harness, John R., c/o HASI,
717 South Westmoreland, Los Angeles, Calif Nov 0
30. Harris, Chuck, "Carolyn" Lake Ave, Rainham, Essex, England. May 8

31.	Higgs, Ray C., 313 Eastern Ave, Connersville, Indiana . . .	Feb	8DA
32.	Janke, Curtis D., 1612 S. 7th St, Sheboygan, Wisconsin. . .	Nov	0
33.	Jansen, Jan, 229 Berchemlei, Dorgerhout, Belgium.	Nov	8ATM\$
34.	Jenrette, Dave, 1939 SW 14th Terr, Miami, Fla	May	0
35.	Lyons, P. Howard, Box 561, delaide PO, Toronto, Ont, Canada	Nov	8ATM\$
36.	McPhail, Dan, 1806 Yearborn, Lawton, Oklahoma	Feb	OD
37.	Martinez, Sam, P.O. Box 3581, Tulsa 23, Oklahoma.	Aug	8
38.	Morse, Bill, Grey House, Yetminster, Sherborne, Dorset, England	Aug	8
39.	Moskowitz, Sam, 1345 E 4th St. Brooklyn 30, N.Y.	Nov	8ATM
40.	Pavlat, Bob, 6001 43rd Ave, Hyattsville, Md	Nov	0
41.	Perdue, Elmer, 2125 Baxter St, Los Angeles 39, Calif. . . .	Feb	8AD
42.	Quagliano, John, 1753 East 26th St, Brooklyn 29, N.Y. . . .	Nov	0
43.	Raeburn, Boyd, 9 Glenvalley Drive, Toronto 9, Ont, Canada	Feb	OD
44.	Rike, David, 2431 Dwight Way, Berkeley 4, Calif	Feb	OD
45.	Rotsler, William, 1628 N. Beverly Glen Blvd, Los Angeles 24, Calif	[50¢ credit]	Feb 1D
46.	Ryan, Dick, 166 E. Lane Ave, Columbus 1, Ohio	Aug	8
47.	Sanderson, H. P., 7 Inchmery Road, Catford, London SE6, Eng	May	8
48.	Schaffer, Ray, Jr, 4541 Bird St, NW, Canton 8, Ohio. . . .	Feb	OD
49.	Shaw, L., Ltd. 319 East 9th St, New York 5, N. Y.	Aug	8
50.	Silverberg, Bob, 915 West 4nd Ave, NY 25, NY, Apt 4B. . . .	Aug	8
51.	Smith, Fred L., 3B Douglas Muir Road, Faifley, Clydebank, Glasgow,	Scotland. .	May 6
52.	Sneary, Rick, 2962 Santa Ana St, Southgate, Calif	Nov	8ATM\$
53.	Speer, Jack, North Bend, Washington	Nov	0\$
54.	Stark, Larry III, c/o A&J Young, 11 Buena Vista Park, Cambridge 40,	Massachusetts . .	Aug 8
55.	Steward, Gerald A., 166 McRoberts Ave, Toronto 10, Ontario, Canada	May	8
56.	Trimble, A2c John, HqSSec, CCTWing, Williams AFB, Arizona .	Aug	8AMay
57.	Tucker, Bob, Box 702, Bloomington, Illinois	Nov	0
58.	Wansborough, Norman G, 84 Wyke Road, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, England	Aug	8
59.	Warner, Harry, Jr, 423 Summit Ave, Hagerstown, Maryland . .	May	0
60.	Wesson, Helen, 68 Asahi-Dai, Negishi, Yokohama, Japan . . .	Feb	5AD
		[\$2.00 credit]	
61.	White, Ted E., 1014 North Tuckahoe St, Falls Church, Va . .	Feb	0D
62.	Willis, Walter A., 170 Upper Tewartnards Road, Belfast, Northern	Ireland.	Nov 0\$
63.	Wilson, Don, 1042 25th St, Santa Monica, Calif.	May	0
64.	Woolsten, Stan, 12832 Westlake St, Garden Grove, Calif. . .	Aug	8
65.	Young, A & J, 11 Buena Vista Park, Cambridge 40, Mass . . .	Feb	5AD

Departed since last mailing: Brandon, Carl [see below], Dunn, Sally. [see below], Myers, Wilfried [see Pavlat's vp message, activity].

Added: Sally Brues [nee Sally Dunn]; Robert & Juanita Coulson [credentials, publishers Yandro]. Richard Geis [credentials, material in Brillig, "Iney's mags," "White's mags"], Peter Graham [ex Carl Brandon, see discussion below], John Trimble (not a ship) [credentials, material in Twig, Fanac]. I have checked only the Coulson credentials personally.

2. Again, no reminders, other than this, of obligation in the matter of dues or activity. Unless I've made a mistake, it's all up there. New members, be aware.

3. The waiting list. As stated before, my policy is to require an acknowledgement of the FA from a waiting-lister at least every other mailing. Failure to so acknowledge has cost several people places on the list. Unfortunately, last time, I looked at the wrong calander, and set a deadline of 25 Nov, 1958; this should have been, of course, Oct. However, in view of this fact, and also as the waiting-list did not know who was elected S-T [although they could send them to me, as I had stated I would passthem on], I have not dropped anyone from the list this time. The only exception is Strickland, who failed to answer a bid to join. Anyone who was supposed to acknowledge last time, whose acknowledgement reaches me before I return from vacation - the first week in December - will be retained. Deadline for the rest, 31 Jan, 1959. In the list below + indicates that you acknowledged the August mailing, and are in good standing. " indicates you acknowledged the May mailing, and must acknowledge this by the end of January. The absence of either symbol means you are a skin-of-your-teeth hanger-on.†

1. Rupp, Joe, Jr, 111-13 No Main St, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin
2. +Hickman, Lynn A, 304 N 11th, Mt Vernon, Illinois
3. "Nevelin, James, 309 Lark St, Scotia, NY
4. +Moomaw, Kent, 6705 Bramble Ave, Cincinnati 27, Ohio
5. "Hadle, Robert A., 3608 Caroline St, Indianapolis, Ind
6. +Busby, Eli & Linor, 2852 14th Ave West, Seattle 99, Washington
7. "Linard, Jean and Annie, 24 Rue Petit, Vesoul, Hte Snc, France
8. "Broschart, Jim, R.D. #1, Towanda, Penn
9. "Castora, Philip J., 331 Ashland Ave, Pittsburgh 28, Penn
10. +Parker, Ron, c/o T. White, 2712 N. Charles, Baltimore Md.
11. Champion, John, Fleming House, 1301 E California, Pasadena, Calif
12. "Rickhardt, Wm C., 21175 Goldsmith, Farmington, Michigan
13. +Fleischman, Marty, 90-09 153rd Ave, Howard Beach 14, NY
14. "Versins, Pierre, Primerose 38, Lausanne, Switzerland
15. "Taurasi, James V., Sr, 18-36 129th St, College Point 56, NY
16. +Meyers, Bill, 4301 Shawnee Circle, Chattanooga 11, Tenn
17. "Charters, George L., 3 Lancaster Ave, Bangor, Co. Down, North Ireland
18. +Dees, Sylvia, c/o T. White, 2712 N. Charles, Baltimore, 12, Md.
19. Burleson, Bob, 1020 Monroe, NW, Washington 10, DC Apr 35
20. +Magnus, John, Jr, 2712 N. Charles, Baltimore 12, Md
21. "Pfeifer, Otto, 4736 - 40th NE, Seattle 5, Wash
22. "Steaffens, William C., 325 Ledgeview Ave, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin
23. "Leman, Bob, 2701 So Vine, Denver 10, Colorado
24. +Hickman, Douglas L., 304 N 11th, Mt. Vernon, Ill
25. +Reamy, Tom, Apt 16, 4047 Herschel, Dallas 19, Texas
26. +Jacobs, Lee, [out of country for 9 months or so; no address to date]
27. +Share, Nancy, PO Box 31, Danville, Penn
28. "Lewis, Alan J., PO Box 37, East Aurora, New York
29. "Adams, Asmond, 432 Locust St, Huntsville, Alabama
30. +Lance, William, 6200 Reisterstown Road, Baltimore 15, Md
31. +Bourne, Lars, 2436 1/2 Portland St, Eugene, Oregon
32. +Wetzel, George, 147 South Ritters Lane, Owings Mills, Md
33. +Brown, Rich, 127 Roberts St, Pasadena 3, Calif.
34. +Martin, Edgar, Box 2121, Hartford 1, Conn
35. +Keasler, W. Max, Apt 202, 5616 Lexington Ave, Hollywood, Calif
36. +Toskey, Burnett R., 4005 15th NE, Seattle 5, Washington.
37. +Myers, Wilfried, 69 Walnut St, Struthers, Ohio

4. In the matter of Carl Brandon. When Pavlat and White returned from Southgate, they mentioned that they had learned that Carl Brandon did not exist, but was a pen name for the Berkeley fans. They also said that there had been some talk of "giving" Pete Graham Brandon's place on the membership roster.

After discussion with the officers present, I wrote to each of the four Berkeley fans mentioned - Rike, Carr, Graham, and Ellick - setting forth my opinions, as backed by the other officers, that 1] a joint membership, except one of husband and wife, was illegal; 2] "Brandon's" space could not just be passed out to whomever they wished, but should become a regular vacancy; and 3] that "Brandon" could not become official editor, since he was not a person [this latter was a joint pres - vp ruling]. In reply, I received two letters, one from Carr and Ellick, and one from Graham, setting out their position in more detail. Pertinent portions are reproduced below.

[letter dated 26th Sept, signed by Carr and Ellick]

Carl Brandon, the fan, the writer, the Cult member, is the composite pen-name for five Bay Area fans.

Carl Brandon, the FAPA member, is the pseudonym of Pete Graham. The history is simple: Pete allowed his membership to lapse at precisely the time when such an action allowed Carl Brandon, number one on the waiting list, to join FAPA. Thus, Pete or Carl has held a continuous membership for many years.

Pete Graham paid Carl Brandon's dues. The recent donation [\$2.00] FAPA received was to pay back the cost of the FA's sent to a non-existent waiting-listener, to avoid the same complaint as s-t Wilson made in the case of Sandy-Carr. These dues are not to be refunded --they are the dues of the membership held by Pete Graham, no matter what his name.

Carl has fulfilled his activity requirements--even those required of a new member, although he was not such, actually. In addition, he has contributed much to FAPA under his real name--two issues of ISOLAR, an issue of LIGHTHOUSE, and over half the stencilling and other labor on THE INCOMPLETE DUBBIE.

Thus, we consider that the membership should now revert to Pete Graham, with dues paid and activity fulfilled until next August. We sympathize with Geis.

We will not contend the declaration that the election is void, on that White is OE, whatever the president may decide. We will not even make direct aspersions about president's wanting to be OEs. Not direct ones. We consider that "Carl Brandon" won the election hands down, [Remember when Dewey was elected - by the Chicago Tribune -WHL] and this is, in a way, reward for the work of maintaining a membership amongst the five of us. We await with bated breath the election results from Derry.

When I (Carr typing now) talked to Pavlat at the con, the main point of contention anent Pete's retaining the membership seemed to be that Pete was late with his dues, thus could have been dropped legally. Pavlat offered to grant him an extension of time to pay his dues. Pete refused this. [Actually, Pete did pay, while on his trip East, about a week late. Later, in a note to me, he had this transferred to Rike or Carr - WHL]

Now Pavlat proposes to reverse his own decision, and work on the assumption that Pete should have been dropped anyway. This seems odd. [Not with a letter from Pete, Oct 21, 1957, transferring those dues to Carr, and stating

...However, I feel I have something to tell you. I think I really should drop my FAPA membership, as I'm finding it very difficult to get any fanac done while I'm in college. Please put my name on the waiting-list, however, and by the time it gets to the top and I've got my Ph.D. I should be able to join again. Credit the \$2.50 you have of mine to Terry Carr's dues, please.

This was signed (and typed?) for Pete by Terry Carr. So, what can we think when we get a real resignation. It seems here as if Carr is reversing his position.]

We do not feel it right that Pete should be dropped from membership after he has bent over backwards to be fair about the whole thing. As noted above, he has paid the dues, publication costs, and done much of the work of "Carl"'s FAPA activity. In addition, he has contributed more than enough material under his own name to maintain membership. He contributed an overlarge donation to cover cost of extra FAs being mailed.

In short, Pete has been one of the most active FAPAs this past year. Dropping him from membership may be possible under a narrow conception of the rules—it is totally impossible under any conceivable concept of fairness.

A letter from Pete will follow this in a few days. He will no doubt say much the same as we have said.

We urge you to reconsider your decision.

Sincerely,

/Terry Carr/
/Ron Allik/

[letter dated 21 Oct, from Pete Graham]

...I don't know how much Ron and TC have told you either, so I'll start from the beginning. After I got back from the East—and after the finagling with Bob [Pavlat] about dues which I think and believe Pavlat thinks is irrelevant to this particular discussion—we all here in the Bay Area saw Carl's position on the waiting list and realized he was about to enter. We remembered the fuss about HPSanderson and JCarr and besides didn't basically and inherently think it would be fair to have a fake member; so we figured out that one of us should formally drop out, though receiving Carl's mailings and financing Carl's membership, thus essentially staying a member only under an assumed name. That, at least, is the way we envisioned it. I was the least active member at the time from around here; my regular membership was just in the process of lapsing, if I allowed it to, without my quitting in mid-term (this we felt important in the light of "not looking suspicious"); and in terms of "status" I least minded being the "non-member" of the group. So I was the logical choice; it could theoretically have been any one of us.

The essential point here, I feel, is this; that for all practical purposes I stayed a member, contributed as Carl, paid Carl's dues and expenses myself, and simply changed my name to Carl Brandon.

Joshings I did not write; I don't have the talent. But I did pay for it (this needs no talent), and I did much of the actual manual labor involved in putting it out. Besides this I kept up what would have been my own membership with two issues of Isomer, each about 15 pp; Carl and myself both contributed to the Incomplete Burbee (I typed half the stencils and assembled part of the copies) and Lighthouse (I helped run off and assemble it); Terry did almost all-- if not all--of Carl's writing in FAPA, but almost everything else was my job.

Because of the Joan Carr affair the issue was brought up of expenses involved in postage to fictional members. The second issue of Isomer I put out was mailed by us anyhow, so that was our expense; Carl's stuff one might say was "legitimately" financed by the organization since he was a member; and the last time I sent in Carl's dues I sent a \$5 bill under the guise of not being able to get change, and to make it a donation; this was to provide \$2 for such expenses as the Fantasy "mateur to me-as-a-waiting-lister and the one Isomer that "Carl" "franked". This is frankly an arbitrary amount; I haven't bothered to calculate how much I actually might owe the organization for that additional amount (as a matter of fact I can see it being either more or less). If anyone wants me to, I'll pay any additional amount an officer--I guess you as sec'y-treas or perhaps the OM--feels I should to make up the difference.

Bob asks in his letter whether I was at least 50% of Carl's activity; as I said above, Terry wrote Carl and I published him. You'll have to make your own distinction about pages. I'm not sure whether this is the best way to go about interpreting the validity of my claim, but I think if we take it as a valid method then I can claim 50% of the FAPA Carl.

As I said overpage, I feel the crucial issue is just who was the member of FAPA in reality; essentially I feel what was involved was a name-change, with the necessity of officially "dropping out" as "Peter Graham" and officially "entering" as "Carl Brandon". Since no member or waiting-lister was displaced, I see no reason why I should not change my "name" back to Graham, as it would be simply a formal affirmation of what is actually the status quo.

Terry just mentioned something about what I said two paragraphs above. He feels that I am 100% of the minimum publishing requirements of Carl Brandon, since I--me, Pete Graham--published Carl's eight pages in the past year. Again, I feel this is basically the wrong way of going at the problem, but if it will satisfy you and Bob I won't argue!

Perhaps to satisfy anyone to whom the idea might occur I'd better state this explicitly: This whole issue is not a suddenly fabricated "deal" to get me my membership back after I had dropped out last year. This whole program was planned before I resigned last year....

I hope this makes the issue clear enough in your minds (I pluralize since I sort of include Bob here too and Ted if he's participating); naturally I hope it makes it clear enough so that you'll allow me to keep my membership.

Best,

/Pete/

When I received the first of these letters, I was unsatisfied - the tone was demanding, as if it were none of anyone's business who did what. The letter from Pete, though, is explicit enough to enable me to decide that Pete can keep his "Carl Brandon" membership under his own name. The key items are that he did do enough activity either as Pete Graham or as "Carl Brandon" - to maintain the membership, and the statement that this was not a spur-of-the-moment deal to get him back in F.A.A. This decision is agreeable to the outgoing president and vice-president (and O.E., although he really doesn't count) and the incoming president (and O.E.). I also assume that the vice-president would agree, as he is one of the sponsors of the plan. The major question was whether Pete did the necessary activity, or whether Terry Carr (+ others) did the publishing, etc, and merely assigned it to Pete. The tone of the card quoted above (1957) made the latter a distinct possibility.

I've quoted the letters above in full (nearly) for one reason - to show that - in-so-far as we know - this is not "just a scheme to get Graham back in" and thus spike some of the rumors that have been floating about.

5. In the matter of F.A.A. finances.

Balance on hand, 1 Aug, 1958	67.98
Dues received	66.50
Donations (Brandon, Ellik)	4.00
Refund from retiring O.E.	12.46
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Total	170.94
Refund dues, Share	3.00
Advance to O.E., August mailing	20.00
Refund of dues and donation, Wilfried Myers	3.50
Election expenses, Terry	3.70
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Cash on hand, 1 Nov, 1958 140.74

Actual expenses, Aug mailing: Postage on bundles and production, and mailing PA to L and ballots, 3.36. There will be a bigger advance to the new year than usual, since there is no carry-over.

6. Don't blame me if you don't read the first three pages of this report - it might cost you your membership if you don't.

P.S. Error in membership list should be Feb

Bill

THE FAPA CONSTITUTION

(Adopted effective 15 April 1958)

1. Function

The Fantasy Amateur Press Association (FAPA) operates in the general field of amateur activity that has grown up around interest in fantasy fiction. Its quarterly mailings distribute to its members material written or published by members.

2. Members

2.1 Not more than 65 persons can be members of the FAPA at any one time.

2.2 Membership is open to anyone who can show, as proof of his interest in fantasy amateur activity, the existence of one of the following credentials:

2.21 That he has had contributions, in the form of verse, drawing, fiction, or nonfiction, published in two fantasy amateur publications that were not produced in the same metropolitan area.

2.22 That he has been the editor or publisher, in a real sense, of at least one issue of a fantasy amateur publication (fanzine).

2.3 If the roster is full when a person applies, the secretary shall put his name on a waiting list. As vacancies occur, the secretary shall notify those whose names are earliest on the list. The applicant may then send dues and cite credentials. The credentials must have been first published within a year of the date his membership is to begin. His membership begins when his dues are received unless a different date is established by the secretary.

2.4 A new member must have renewal credentials distributed with the third mailing after his joining or with an earlier mailing or postmailing following his admission. Otherwise, he shall receive only the first two mailings of his membership year, his membership shall be cancelled and his dues forfeited.

2.5 Husband and wife may jointly share a single membership, and will be considered as a single person under the requirements of this constitution.

3. Renewals

3.1 To renew his membership, a member must have renewal credentials. Renewal credentials consist of credentials as described at 2.21 and 2.22, but must total at least eight 8½ x 11" pages or the equivalent in page area. Letters will not count unless they represent a substantial contribution to FAPA. To count, renewal credentials must be distributed in FAPA mailings or postmailings during the year that ends when the fourth quarterly mailing under the member's current membership is sent out. Postmailings that are not distributed before the fourth quarterly mailing date do not count. Reprints do not count unless they represent substantial work in re-writing or compiling the material (this provision shall not serve to deny credit to material solely because it was distributed outside of the FAPA shortly prior to its inclusion in a FAPA mailing.)

3.2 If a member fails to have renewal credentials due to section 5.56, an error of an officer, or postal delays beyond what might be reasonably and cautiously expected, he shall, if he offers dues in time, have an additional quarter in which to make up his credential deficiency. In these cases, dues will be refundable. The member will not receive the fifth mailing unless the credential deficiency is removed, nor will further extensions be granted.

3.3 On endorsement by 12 other members, a member's lack of renewal credentials will be waived on a particular occasion.

3.4 Renewal dues must be paid so as to be received by the treasurer on or before the mailing date of the fourth mailing under the member's current membership.

4. Finances

4.1 Dues are \$3.00 per year. The treasurer will accept contributions. The official editor will sell surplus stock to members at such reasonable prices as he may set, the net proceeds of which will be turned over to the treasury.

4.2 If it appears that the treasury will lack funds to cover the cost of the next mailing, the secretary-treasurer can notify the membership of an equal assessment on all members, sufficient to meet expected costs and provide a small reserve. Members not paying the assessment will not receive that mailing until they pay the assessment, within a time limit of six months.

4.3 The treasury will pay any legitimate expenses incurred by officers or auxiliary officials in the discharge of official functions required by this constitution.

5. Mailings

5.1 The official editor shall send out identical bundles to all members immediately following the mailing dates. The mailing dates are the second Saturday in November, February, May, and August.

5.2 When necessary in order to get information to the members, officers may make mailings at FAPA expense between regular mailing dates. Other publications sent in by members may be distributed with such mailings if those members agree to pay any additional cost incurred. The official editor as an individual, and other members, sometimes send publications to the members at other times. The expense of such unofficial mailings is not chargeable to the treasury.

5.3 Fanzines distributed between regular mailing dates are counted as postmailings to the preceding mailing under these conditions:

5.31 Identical mailings have been sent to all members at substantially the same time, and additional copies, to bring the total to 68, have been furnished to the official editor.

5.32 The publication satisfies sections 5.52 through 5.54.

5.4 Members are not obliged to distribute their fanzines through the FAPA, but all items included in the mailings are produced at the publisher's expense and are free to members, being considered as exchanges.

5.5 Publications in the official editor's hands on the mailing date shall be included in the quarterly bundle if they meet these requirements:

5.51 68 copies (to provide a margin for error) are furnished.

5.52 They are printed, mimeographed, hectographed, dittoed, photographed, or legibly reproduced in some other way that gives a sufficient number of identical copies.

5.53 The 68 copies are identical in size, artwork, typography, wording, etc., except for serial numbering (if desired).

5.54 They represent to a substantial extent the work of the member who sends them in.

5.55 They conform to the requirements for second, third, and/or fourth class postage.

5.56 While some relation to fantasy or fandom is desirable, there is no restriction on the type of material except that it must

not be against federal law. If such a violation comes to his attention, the official editor shall exclude the publication from the mailing.

5.57 They do not require special packaging. Material which requires special handling due to its size, shape, or weight may be mailed separately by the official editor, at the expense of the member submitting the material. The official editor is not obliged to provide this service.

6. Officers

6.1 The following officers are elected annually from the membership:

6.11 The president. He has general direction of the FAPA's affairs. He appoints members to fill vacated offices, appoints a teller for the annual elections, and may appoint auxiliary officials for other purposes. He has what power is necessary to deal with situations not otherwise covered by this constitution.

6.12 The vice-president. He becomes president if the presidency is vacated. In case of a controversy over the meaning of this constitution, after two or more sides have been formally presented by others, the vice-president shall decide and his decision is binding. He conducts an annual egoboo poll, and furnishes results to the official editor for inclusion in The Fantasy Amateur.

6.13 The secretary-treasurer. He receives membership applications, renewals, and filings for office. He keeps track of members' standing in regard to renewal credentials. Each quarter he shall send the official editor a list of members' names and addresses, an identification of the credentials of new members, a report of income and outgo, and other information within the scope of his duties. He shall furnish the official editor information for preparing the ballot. He must keep the FAPA's funds separate from his own in cash or deposit. At the end of his term he shall turn over the records and funds to his successor. The secretary-treasurer must be at least 21 years of age.

6.14 The official editor. He shall assemble and send out the mailing. He has custody of surplus stock. He shall publish election ballots and the official organ, The Fantasy Amateur. The Fantasy Amateur shall appear in each quarterly bundle, and shall contain information on postmailings, a list of the current mailing's contents, the reports of the various officials, the text of any proposals to be voted on, and other appropriate material at the official editor's discretion. The constitution shall be included in The Fantasy Amateur not less often than once every six months.

6.2 Each officer serves until his successor is elected and notified, unless he first resigns, loses his membership, or is expelled from office.

6.3 Although each officer is responsible for the duties indicated, he may have the help of others in performing them.

6.4 In the absence of a formal controversy, each officer may decide for himself doubtful points concerning his duties.

7. Elections

7.1 Elections are held by mail. Candidates whose names are to appear on the ballot must file with the secretary in writing. The ballots shall be included in the summer (August) mailing, except that ballots for the use of oversea members shall be mailed to them first class or air mail at the time the summer mailing is posted.

7.2 All votes, to be counted, must be in the teller's hands a month after the mailing is dispatched. The teller shall notify all members of the full results of the election within two weeks after the ballot deadline.

7.3 A plurality is sufficient to elect.

7.4 No person can be elected president, or vice-president, more than once in five years.

8. Amendments

Proposed amendments to this constitution, in writing, endorsed by four members, no more than two of whom are officers, shall be submitted to vote. The proposers shall send a copy with the signatures to the president, and other copies to the other officers. The gist of the amendment must be given in The Fantasy Amateur the mailing before it comes up for vote. Unless the president orders a special vote, amendments shall be voted on at the annual election. A majority of the votes must be favorable for the amendment to be adopted, and such majority must be more than $\frac{1}{4}$ of the membership.

9. Special Rules

Special rules may be adopted at any time when a majority of the members endorse a copy of the proposal, if the proposal has been sent to the entire membership at substantially the same time. Such special rules can refuse applicants, expel members, remove officers, override officials' acts, suspend sections of this constitution, or do anything else within the sovereignty of the organization.

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