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Again the dinosaurs are roaming the corridors of another con hotel with our battle cry of "First Fandom is not dead!" And considering the size of this Washington, D.C. affair (the 32nd World SECon) which is expected to reach 4,000 in attendance, spotting even an occasional FF-er is a remarkable event. We estimate that there's at least 150 of us here.

THE BIG ANNUAL PARTY is going to take place, of course, during the midd; e of the con. SUNDAY NIGHT, SECTEMBER 1st in the CONTINENTAL ROOM.

(This room is on the upper concourse, over the hotel registration desk)
All FF-ers MUST attend (with or without their spices) but need not necessarily get smashed. (Like you-know-who did the last time!

Midnight! Sunday night after the banquet!

BOB MADLE, our fearless leader, has the first Fandom Bulletin Board sign which ye editor had set up at the Torcon last year. Maybe we have such a message center operating—but anyhow you can a; ways visit Bob in the Huckster Room for company or message passing. BEA TAYLOR has located the minutes of the last bash which we may be able to publish as part of this News Letter. ISAAC ASIMOV will report the progress on the experimental Elixir of Life for us oldsters but will charge money for a taste of his own brand of SexSerummmm. LES FLOOD will be in attendance from London and will show his Science Fiction League membership certificate which he brought with him! (He's mow running the late-great TED CARNELL's sf agency). LOU TABAKOW, as always, is the liquor dispensing machine and fund collector and the two events are not related because FF is such an incredibly philanthropic organization.

## MIDNIGHT SUNDAY

Please take note of the Daily Discord which is the OFFICIAL Newsletter of the con. Issue #1 came out yesterday. Issue #2 is out today with a piece of First Fandom news (if, that is...). That editor's name is Simon and to him we are grateful for the cooperation which makes this FFNL possible.

Incidentally, should there not be another copy of this FFNL at this Discon, there will be a larger newsier one forthcoming before your editor heads back to England. Hopefully there will be enough news and gossip picked up this weekend to bring us all in touch with what's going on in FF. So, PLEASE, take a moment to pass on that bit of info for the next FFNL.... And send at least one letter a year to your editor at "Two Rivers", Hamm Court, Weybridge, Surrey, England.

This News Letter has only one page, but TWO editions. The first edition has been destroyed: Like in Torcon it had the wrong night listed! Can DOC BARRETT cure this affliction this Sunday midnight?

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