

# The DAILY DISCARD

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At last count, the total membership of the convention was 4343, and all previous records have been forgotten. The number of walk-in members has been far higher than even the optimists had expected, and people were still coming in from all over the country after registration closed for the night.

LOCKED DOORS ARE NO PROTECTION. There have been an uncomfortable number of thefts at this convention, and many of them have been from locked rooms. I understand that even the hotel is beginning to suspect an inside job. Try to keep cameras, money, and other valuables with you, or at least guarded, all the time.

We should be very glad to have L. Sprague de Camp with us at this con. As of less than a month ago, he was so ill that he didn't think he would be able to come.

CONVENTION BUSINESS: The preliminary business session Saturday decided to present the Report of the Committee on the bylaws to the regular business session for action. This report amounts to a complete new constitution for WSFS.

Copies of the Report of the Committee are available from George Scithers in the huckster's room, and will be available at the site selection Sunday.

The official business session will be held at 10 A.M. Monday in the Park Ballroom. Any convention member may attend. The order of business will be, 1) debate on the new proposed constitution, with amendments, 2) other motions. - Dick Eney.

The Federation of Americans Supporting Science & Technology (FASST) has free bumper stickers, "America needs Space to grow," at their booth in the exhibit hall. Bulk quantities are available for the cost of shipping. Address: 1785 Massachusetts Ave, N.W., Wash., D.C. 20036.

The masquerade was long, but the pipers were magnificent.

**SCHEDULE:** First Fandom Social (members only), Sunday, midnight, Mental Room; Slide Show, "A Year of Yesterdays," a showing of slides from regional conventions held during the last year. The S.I.I. costume show is featured. If you have slides which you would like to have shown, they will be previewed in R-508 at 12:30, Sunday. The show is in the Virginia Suite at 3 P.M. today; Hyborean Convention, Sunday, 1 P.M., Franklin Room.

A new organization for Doc Savage fans and "active members" is being formed. Contact David Calvin in B-430.

A board game is floating around. You should be able to find it halfway between the G-H-I-K complex and the main building, probably in the evening. Bring a board if possible.

The name of Rick Pohlman has color pictures from Heicon. Look him up.

Did you see the write-up about us in the Star-News? Oh, well. It's been worse. As a matter of fact, the one in the Post was worse.

Memberships for the 1975 Westercon are available at Lois Newman's table in the huckster's room. You can also join the Friends of Klingon.

G-H-I-K Graphics is probably the largest Science Fiction & Fantasy mail order outfit in the world. They have a sampling of their stock in the huckster's room, as well as their catalog. Or, you can write to them at P.O. Box 1951, Baltimore, Md, 21203. Probably their best bright now is a pre-publication discount on a fine edition of "The Rings."

Almage Press has something to go along with that, a pre-publication of "The Languages of Middle Earth," as well as a featured informal biography of Scrooge McDuck.

The Order of St. Fantony had a social get-together last midnight. It's an English SF honor (drinking) society devoted to the patron saint of science fiction. There were about a dozen American members present, along with some from Germany and England. Unfortunately, some of the members have felt inclined to wander around in their distinctive medieval costumes at this con. - Dave Kyle.

**BRING ME NEWS.** There must be someone here who likes to write things down and see his name in a by-line. I need reports on every major activity at this convention. Short ones. Drop them in the box in the Calvert Room labelled "for the newsletter."

\* \* Highmore, S.D. in '76 \* \*