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"WELCOME BACK, CHARLIE

-Draft Board #13." This was one of the three home-made signs which, held aloft by shouting stfans, greeted ed. Her nig of Science Fiction upon the completion of his 13th transcontinental trip and re-arrival in LA. His first words were: "I want a Giant Malt!" Welcoming Committee consisted of Bruce Yerke, Morojo, 4e, Bill Crawford, Art Joquel, Pogo, Velinjaf, Henry Hasse & Ed Chamberlain. Other placards read: "Hornig is back—that hack!" & (a Eradbury inspiration) "Welcome Hornig-the poor man's Clark Gable:" The crowd repaird to Clifton's (no crax) for refreshments, where it was feard we woud be refusd admittance because of the signs. Pogo solved this di-lemma by checking them in the basement. Leaving (some has later) the signs were not pickt up; so any fan wishing mementos of this momentous occasion may reclaim the 3 rare collector's items by writing Clifton's ...inclosing a small charge of 10d per day for 2 wks storage. Hornig produced a newspaper clipping from Okla City Ckla. showing his pic & an interview where he predicted the Esperanto Idea would come true. He also told of speaking over the radio during recent Esp, Wk. Passing thru Penna. he had spent a little time with Rich Frank (Bizarre Series) & wife. Discust were the Draft, the future of Science Fiction. the advance issue of Specula, & any number of other items. Hornig emfaticly denyd that there was any truth to the rumor. Any rumor. Ye Gods & Little Fishes! Your rambling reporter had completely forgot til this point that Everybody's Pal, Paul Freehafer, was very much present thruout the proceedings. A flash foto was taken by Yerke of the Welcome. Hornig spent the nite (what there was left) with Yerks. And Charlie did not fail to make his perennial statement: "This time I'm here to stay!"

LUCKY NUMBAH & HOT RHUMBA

In the dough is Walt Daugherty, this wk, since a little proposition he was interested in paid him off something like \$60 for a veddy sma investment; while another feat of which to speak is his winning of a Rhumba Contest out of 150 contestants!

MECCA TRIP MAKERS

No less than 3 stfans are expected to make the plagrima ge to Shangri-LA within the next month, being Lew Martin. Dave Elder - Director the Pittsburg S'F Assn, & Louis Russell Chauvenet (driving out with sister & friend, set to arrive mid-Jun). While Norman C Caldwell (U can count yourself a real oldtimer if U can recall this old fan) showd up in Sha-la tother nite at the flat of his old Frisco friend Forry.

KINGE VERSE ON PRESS

Latest item to roll off Joquel's Astra Pubs mimeo is a small volume of Fywert Kinge's blank verse, titled "After Armageddon & Others." Title comes from first item in volume. Several of verses appeard in "The Damn Thing," while others are seeing print for firstime. Book contains six poems, plus preface by T. Bruce Yerke. Kinge volume is first of new book series to be publisht by Joquel; "The Stanzas of Dzyan," next production, is in dummy & shoud be ready within the month.

