



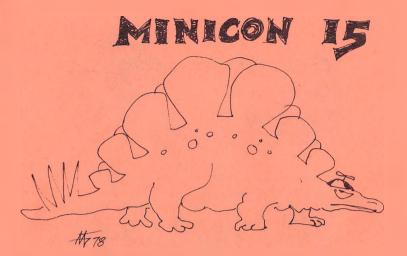
We're back once again with more information about Minicon 15. For all you folks who've heard from us already, the most important news here involves the banquet and the special edition of Theodore Sturgeon's <u>Maturity</u> being published by Minn-stf. For those of you who haven't heard from us before you're in for a that a wakening treat surprise...

For the Record (just look at the label), Minicon 15 is the Minnesota Science Fiction Society's Thank-Ghu-It's-Spring celebration to be held April 13, 14 and 15, 1979, at the Radisson Hotel in downtown Minneapolis (that's not Minneapolis, North Carolina, or Minneapolis, Kansas, but Minneapolis, Minnesota).

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My Book Report I read the book Maturity by Theodore Storgeon. I got it from Minicon for #8, because I sent my money in before April 8th (if I hadn't it Would have cost \$10). It's q brand new version of his novelet. It also hada bitto this bibtogrof list of all his books and stories. It was real interasting and I liked .- 1. John Fi also had a pretty wrapper by Rick Sternbach.





## HOTEL ROOM RATES:

Single:	\$19.00
Twin:	\$22.00
Double:	\$22.00
One-Bedroom Suite:	\$35.00
Deluxe Suite:	\$50.00

The Radisson Hotel is in downtown Minneapolis, on South 7th St. between the Nicollet Mall and Hennepin Avenue. Check-in time is 3:00 p.m. Check-out time is 1:00 p.m., which will be extended to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 15. The hotel accepts American Express, Visa, Master-Charge, Carte Blanche, and Diners Club credit cards.



Possibilities of there being a mimeo room are looking very good. Use of a Gestetner (Registered Trademark) mimeo and electro-stenciler will be available to everyone interested, for a very low cost. A possible (again tentative) Minicon-apa(copy count of only 100, so enter soon). For more info contact: Garth Edmond Danielson at 3-2640 Fillmore Ave NE, Minneapolis, Mn. 55418. Remember! REGISTRATION: Attending memberships in Minicon 15 cost \$6 in advance (postmarked by March 15), \$15 thereafter and at the door. Supporting memberships are \$3. Children under 10 are free (if registered in advance) or \$3 at the door with a registered parent or guardian. There will be <u>no</u> one-day memberships! Send your checks (payable to Minicon) to MINICON, P.O. Box 2128, Loop Station, Minneapolis, MN 55402. (Please don't mail us your money after April 8th; it might not get here in time. Just pay at the door.) PLEASE STATE THE NAME(S) OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP(S) EXACTLY AS YOU WANT IT(THEM) TO APPEAR ON YOUR BADGE.

The reason that the hotel can afford to charge less on rooms is because they have one of the most expensive parking ramps in the city(check your list in P.R.2). It has been pointed out by Ms. Lounsbury(Linda to her friend) that you can park at the city ramp just south of the Minneapolis Auditorium, located at 3rd Ave.South and 15th St. East. Parking is  $50 \notin$  all day. The QT Shuttle-bus stops at the Auditorium and for  $10 \notin$  will give you a ride up the Nicollet Mall, within  $\frac{1}{2}$  block of the Radisson.

It has been pointed out that the hotel (in someone's interest) has extended the convention rates (as indicated on the Hotel Reservation Card) from the 12th to the 15th of April. While this is a very generous offer you could be reserving a room for a day you aren't there (unless it dawned on you that the 12th is a Thursday). In order to prevent ary problems with your reservations, a quick double-check might be advisable. Of course, you could come Thursday and save another stamp.



The Minicon Committee more politely than casually invites you to join them for the meal after lunch at the time after afternoon of the month before May on the date after the 13th, 1973 plus six. (for those Neanderthals who may be looking in, this is April 14th, 1979)

Much of the Committee (who?) will be attending the banquet (sure,sure) and will be conspicuous in their zectron three-piece suits and hockey masks. \$9.50 is the damage done for this before April 8th, and \$11.00 thereafter. The Committee is subsidizing the early birds so you won't get worms, and suggests this is an offer you shouldn't refuse. You have your choice of two ways to go, and be sure to <u>specify</u> which one you prefer when you come across with the bread, or your mom will specify a closed casket ceremony.



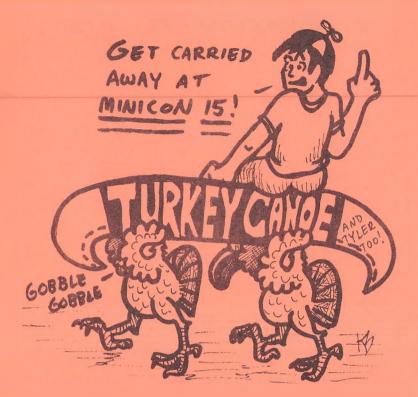
Turkey Canoe

Turkey, with cheese, bacon, and supreme sauce Minnesota Wild Rice Soup Peas and Mushrooms Salad, Cornbread, and Sunflower Seed Ice Cream



Tyler, too

Roast Top Sirloin of Beef in Champignon Sauce Parisienne Potatoes Peas and Mushrooms Banana Cream Cake



For all you folks who are interested in eating food during the convention (yes,sir, this could be you) it has been pointed out that the Radisson is well situated for food fans, choosy and non-choosy. There are lots of fast-, medium-, and slow-food places within a couple of blocks. There will be a downtown restaurant guide available as a flyer at the Minicon Registration desk. For those on the slightly sleazy side there are a number of adult book stores within crawling distance. There will not be a list of these at the Registration Desk, but certain people know where they are.

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