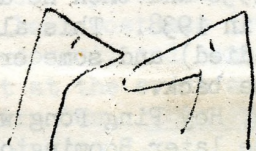


"I don't think that's the kind of Huckstering the Con staff had in mind."



"Remember when they were trying to see how many people they could get into a phone booth."

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- to sleep).
- 9am - 10am: Costume Parade (in the elevators); prizes will be awarded for the best.
- 10am - 12pm: StarShip Episode: THREE EASY PIECES, WITH ACTION; slides will be shown also of last night's mugging.
- 11am - 12pm: Banquet is served (see enclosed menu).
- 12pm: ROC\*CON 78 officially closes.
- 12:05pm: Discovery that not all planned events have taken place.
- 12:10pm: ROC\*CON 78 $\frac{1}{2}$  officially opens.
- 1pm - 3pm: StarShip Episode: A TERROR OF BAL-ANCE; air flight sickness bags (courtesy of Air Travels America) will be given out before the showing.
- 3pm - 4pm: Auction time! Guards will be on duty to protect the committee and GoH.
- 4pm: Committee makes a run to the bank; Hoy Ping Pong leaves town by rail.
- 4:05pm: ROC\*CON 78 $\frac{1}{2}$  Officially closes. Huckster cleanup and trading match. Somebody (recovering from a hangover) tries to close up General Con Arena, but is lead astray by three FemFans.
- 4:15pm: Fan GoH, The Fouke Monster, arrives to give It's speech.
- 4:20pm - ???: Captive (literally) audience of hucksters and con committee hear the Fan GoH speak (on anything It wants to).
- ???: And saturday night's party goes on..

\*Predrunkup party will be in a private hotel room. All other events take place in the General Con Arena.

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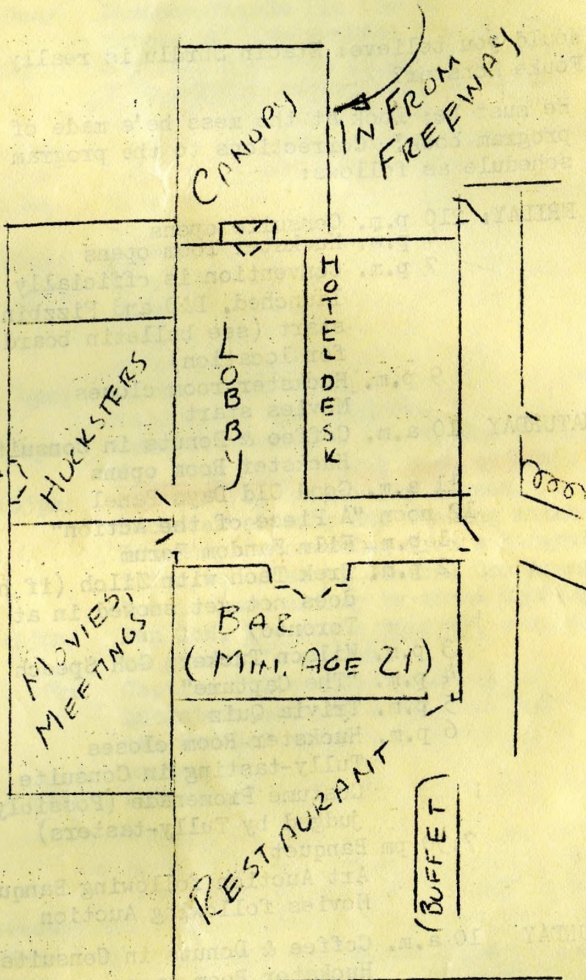
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Would you believe: Etaoin Shrdlu is really the Fouke Monster?

He must be: Look at the mess he's made of the program book! Corrections to the program schedule as follows:

- FRIDAY: 210 p.m. Consuite opens  
4 p.m. Huckster room opens  
7 p.m. Convention is officially launched. D&D and Fizzbin start (see bulletin board for location)  
9 p.m. Huckster room closes  
Movies start
- SATURDAY 10 a.m. Coffee & Donuts in Consuite  
Huckster Room opens  
11 a.m. Good Old Days Panel  
12 noon "A Piece of the Action"  
1 p.m. Film Fandom Forum  
2 p.m. Trek Tech with Zilch (if he does not get snowed in at Toronto)  
3 p.m. Wilson Tucker: GoH Speech  
4 p.m. "The Capture"  
5 p.m. Trivia Quiz  
6 p.m. Huckster-Room closes  
Tully-tasting in Consuite  
Costume Promenade (Possibly judged by Tully-tasters)  
7:30 pm Banquet  
Art Auction following Banquet  
Movies following Auction
- SUNDAY 10 a.m. Coffee & Donuts in Consuite  
Huckster Room opens  
Noon: Hotel Checkout  
2 p.m. Consuite closes  
Huckster Room closes  
Dead Dog Party starts poolside

DOUBLE DOOR



W/M '78

MEETING ROOMS

## BANQUET MENU

Only various archaic and obscure postal laws (not to mention numerous local criminal ordinances) prevented the committee of ROC\*CON 78 from publishing the tru menu for the banquet. Therefore, ignore what was said (and printed) before, for this is what is to come..

### THE MENU

- entrée -

Boiled Leg Of Man\*

- vegetables -

Bouncing Potatoes

Goober Peas

- dessert -

Cherry a la Whipped Cream

- drinks -

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Irish Tea

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You may choose your favorite drink from the three listed. There will be plenty, so do ask for refills.

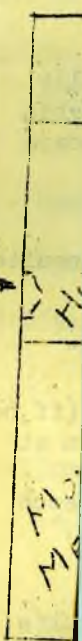
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\* The entrée was gladly furnished by Texas Fandom. Our thanks to them for making a rare course possible.

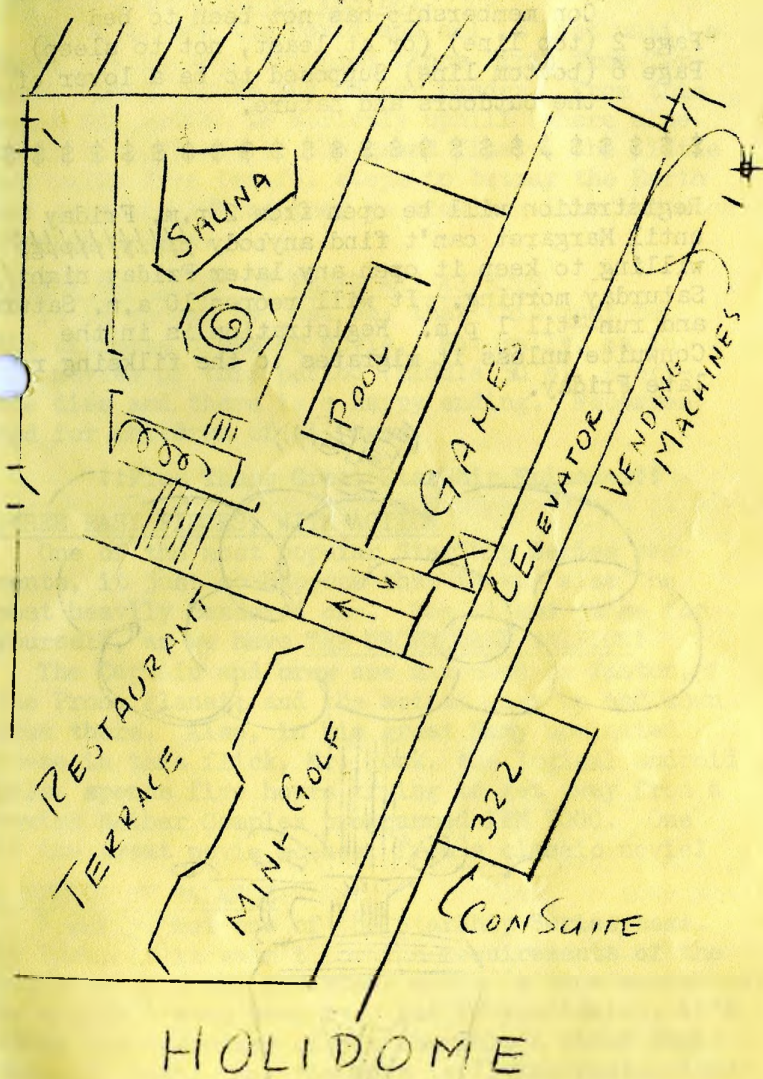
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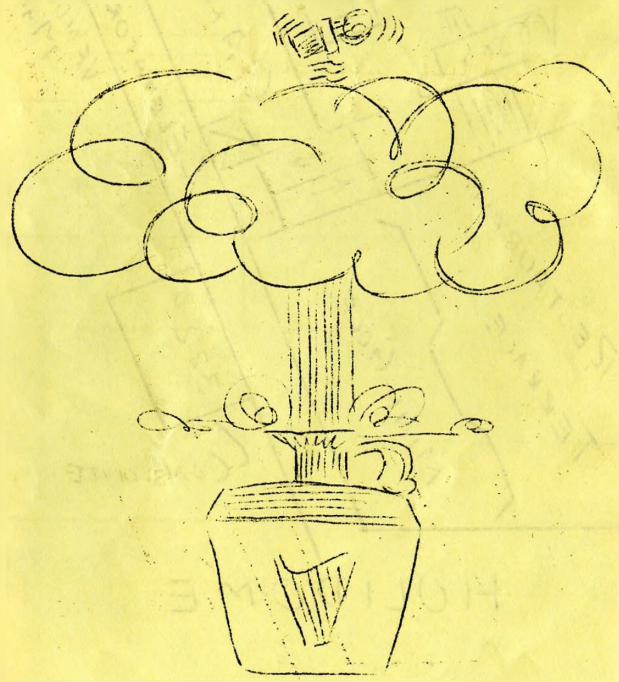
PARKING



Famous Last Lines: Etaoin Shrdlu strikes again;  
 Page 1 (bottom line) Discovery that the entire  
 Con membership has not been to bed  
 Page 2 (top line) (or at least, not to sleep)  
 Page 6 (bottom line) Supposed to be a lover of  
 the outdoors and nature.

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Registration will be open from 2 p.m. Friday  
 until Margaret can't find anybody ~~\*\*\*\*/\*\*\*\*~~  
 willing to keep it open any later Friday night/  
 Saturday morning. It will reopen 10 a.m. Satur  
 and run 'til 1 p.m. Registration is in the  
 Conwuite unless it migrates to the filksing ro  
 late Friday.



Sit back in the atmosphere of our private back-  
 room, smoking your funny, smoky cigarettes, and en-  
 joy these one-time masterpieces..

THE STILL EARTH STOOD THE DAY

UFO's invade the world and all is lost until a  
 small little boy, crippled since birth from Ter-  
 minal Agony, meets the Saucer Leader. From this  
 point the action is strictly uphill (where else  
 could it go?) and in the grand finale, the little  
 boy walks five fateful steps to betray the Earth  
 and gets the BEM as they go crawling into the atom  
 blasted sunset.

A NEAR COLLISION OF PLANETARY ASPECTS

It is enough to just say that this must be  
 the ultimate disaster movie. Naturally, as in  
 movies of this period (middle 50's), every-  
 one dies and there is a happy ending. Recommen-  
 ded for children of all ages.

!!Plus These Great StarShip Episodes!!

THREE EASY PIECES, WITH ACTION

One of the most popular StarShip Series seg-  
 ments, it just so happens that it was also the  
 most heavily censored one. See it and judge for  
 yourself, as we have THE UNCENSORED VERSION!

The Captain and crew are marooned on Wanton,  
 the Prono Planet; and the action goes up and down  
 from there. Also, in his great Emmy nominated  
 scene in this flick, Mr. Rock, the logical android  
 male, spends five hours trying to get away from a  
 Jewish Mother Complex programmed IBM 7000. One  
 of the great movie scenes, from a classic movie!

A TERROR OF BALANCE

Frankly, not one of the StarShip Series best.  
 In fact, if it wasn't for the requirements of the  
 owner of this and the above movie (a true masochist)  
 we wouldn't even show it. But if you insist, it's  
 about the discovery of the StarShip's Chief Engi-  
 neer, "Potty", that the ship is flying upside down  
 in it's journeys through the galaxy. No matter what,  
 it's a real downer of a movie.



As in all TruCon's, there are fans who never go to the movies, or even hear the GoH's speak. Just what do these characters of indivisualism do? They meet fellow fans, and carry on in semi-private, un-scheduled (often just moment of effort, too) doings, just like the following..

**FILKSINGING** Filksongs are fannish folk songs, a number of which are of questionable worth and cleanliness, but tend to be very funny. Some are about authors, books, and just generally fandom-at-large; and there are even a number of old folksongs too. Generally, the songs are based on well known popular songs, so the neofilksinger needs only a voice, lyrics (generally provided), and the need to sing.

**COSTUMES** These can be very detailed and cost lots of \$\$\$\$. However, for the neocostumer all that need be used is some spare time, imagination, and humor. Some of the best costumes devised have been on the spur-of-the-moment, and cost peanuts. One gets to parade in it at the event and some even keep them on for the entire Con. This event is on the program.

**FIZBIN** It is one of those games from the StarShip series, with impossible rules. It can take any number of contestants and generally, the object is to figure out the rules in such a way that no one else can play.

**GHOODMINTON** An old fannish game, it is the results of some efforts by a forgotten fan to clean up the tarnished image of that old ruination of young boys, badminton. Generally, the rules are simply, a net (real or imagined) stretched between the two groups of players. Boundaries are the walls and any nonmoving objects in the room (not counting the net, if any). Object is to throw something over the net that the other side is unable to throw back, before it hits the floor. Equipment is one's own body and normal clothing. One is not, by the way, allowed to throw anything heavier than the standard type brick. The winner is whoever is left standing (and alive). Ties are not allowed and even forfeiting is frowned upon.

A TruCon is nothing without it's GoH's. We went to little expense to bring them here, and despite what they think, they are going to perform like trained seals! For your pleasure, here is the latest gossip about our guests..

GUEST OF HONOR: HOY PING PONG

Hoy says that he is just "39 and holding", something that he has been doing for well over forty years of fannish life. From his early years in fandom, to his deaths, he has been something of a mystery in fandom. Just where does he live, for instance? He has no real address, just a Box Number, and in fact, for many years, he was never seen to be getting off jets or out of autos, but was always climbing out from under railcars. At least, that is what we have heard through various fannish grapevines

Mr. Pong first died in 1936 and then he decided later to resurrect himself in 1938. This also happened in 1949 (that is, he died) and some critics say that he has not yet come back.

Starting out as a TruFan, Hoy Ping Pong was best known for LaZombalia and the later Boomingtown News-Feather. Perhaps a better example of his latest fannish work is Science Affliction Fifty Yearly, with material by himself and Robert Bloch. It is said that the title was derived from a calculation of the number of years that it's publication would set the fannish movement back.

In 1941, Hoy was forced into Prodom by publication of a short story. Since then, he has more or less stuck to novels and is little known for them. One of his best, THE SHORT SILENT LOUDNESS, has cannabalism in it. It is unknown what he is currently not writing on.

If one reason can be said for there being someone like Mr. Hoy Ping Pong, then it must have been said by Mr. Robert Bloch.. "I did not have a purpose in life until I met him". And so it goes.

FANNISH GUEST OF HONOR: THE FOUKE MONSTER

All we know of It is that It once starred in a movie, and It smells (It and the movie both). Sup-