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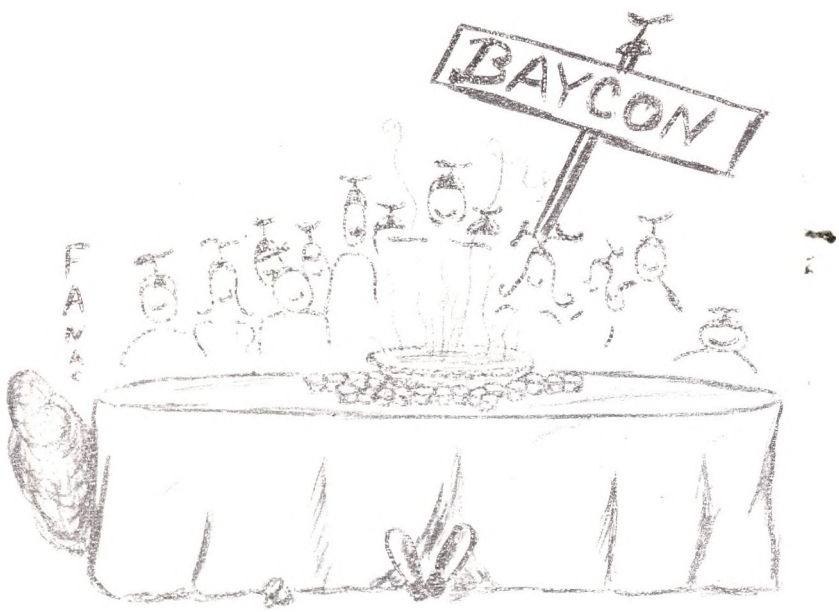
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FRITZ LEIBER

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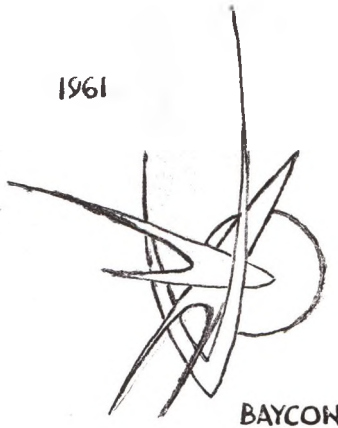


HAVE FUN AT
YOUR PARTY...
(see inside back cover)

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14TH ANNUAL WEST COAST SCIENCE FICTION CONVENTION



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Guest of Honor:
Fritz Leiber
Fan Guest of Honor:
Jack Speer

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Welcome!

We of the Baycon Committee are extremely happy to see all of you here, and extend our hope that you will find this convention weekend one of the most enjoyable times of your life. We have been working for months to make this the best convention possible, and with the help of numerous Fine People we are beginning to think everything may turn out all right after all.

Our special thanks go to Ed Brandt, who has helped immensely with the production of this Program Booklet: to Alva Rogers, for cooperation far beyond the call of duty as the convention's Official Artist: to the many localites who have helped in one way or another, such as Rog Phillips, Dave Rike, Ray Nelson, Bill Donaho, and many more: to our Auctioneer, Al Lewis; and, perhaps most of all, to our speakers and panellists, every one of them.

Thanks to all--and have a fine time.

GUEST OF HONOR: FRITZ LEIBER

We are immensely pleased to have as our Guest of Honor the talented and popular Fritz Leiber---one of the best s-f and fantasy writers for 22 years, and one of the most warm and congenial people in the s-f field. We're sure all convention members will be as pleased as we are.

A list of top Leiber stories would fill this page and many more, but mention should be made of at least a few of them--novels such as "Conjure Wife," "Gather Darkness," "Destiny Times Three," and "The Big Time"; novelettes such as "You're All Alone"; short stories like "The Man Who Never Grew Young," "Coming Attraction," and "A Pail of Air". He was the Guest of Honor at the 1951 world convention in New Orleans, and won the 1958 Hugo Award for "The Big Time".

His current novel is an expansion of his 1959 Fantasy & Science Fiction novelette, "The Silver Eggheads".

Fritz sent the following information about himself: "Born Chicago, Dec. 24, 1910. P.H.B. University of Chicago 1932. Married Jonquil Stephens 1936. Associate Editor Science Digest 1944-56. Done a little acting, a little teaching, a fair amount of encyclopedia writing and editing, even made a little money playing chess.

"My first story to be accepted by a magazine (Weird Tales) was 'The Automatic Pistol,' but that was a year or so getting published, so my first published story was 'Two Sought Adventure,' a novelet about Fafhrd and the Gray Mouser."

He is currently back to writing adventures of that intrepid pair for Fantastic, and has also recently scripted an original F&GM story to be filmed by the Los Angeles fan film makers, Unicorn Productions.

Fan Guest of Honor: JACK SPEER

This year's Westercon inaugurates what we hope may become a tradition at these conventions: the honoring of a particular fan each year in recognition of the enjoyment and service they have given the field. As fans ourselves we'd be the last to deny that many fan activities have (harrumph) contributed greatly to a fuller enjoyment of s-f, and certainly the west coast has had more than its share of fan luminaries.

Among these Jack Speer stands out immediately. Sam Moskowitz' history of the beginnings of fandom. "The Immortal Storm," chronicles his early activities at length; Wilson (Bob) Tucker refers to him genially as a fanish Elder God; Harry Warner names him as one of the most influential fans in the history of the fan movement; and Lee Hoffman devoted an entire issue of her FANHISTORY to articles by and about him.

What has he done? There isn't room on this page to list it all. Since the beginning of his activity in 1935, he has chalked up an amazing number of contributions: he published the first FANCYCLOPEDIA, a lengthy compilation of data on fanish history and traditions, in 1944; was a charter member of the Fantasy Amateur Press Association (and is the only charter member still in the group); created the first fictitious fan of any stature, John Bristol; anticipated the famous THE ENCHANTED DUPLICATOR by nearly a decade with his ALLEGORY (1945); and did more than any other member to mold FAPA into the worthwhile, long-lived organization it is today. Currently a Washington state senator, he continues to contribute his pungent commentary to fan magazines both within FAPA and without.

A mint copy of his FANCYCLOPEDIA will be auctioned at this convention.

PROGRAM

Saturday, July 1, 1961

10:00
to RegistrationMezzanine
12:00

12:30 Official Opening.....Holiday Room
Honey Wood, Anthony Boucher

1:00 "What's Wrong With SF?"...Holiday Room
Reg Bretnor

2:00 "The Future of Love".....Holiday Room
Margaret St. Clair

2:30 "How Far Ahead of Science is Science Fiction?" Holiday Room
Frank Herbert

3:00 DEBATE: "How Prophetic.. is Science Fiction?" Holiday Room
Poul Anderson, Reg Bretnor

TEN MINUTE INTERMISSION

4:00 Auction.....Holiday Room
to Al Lewis, Auctioneer
5:30

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7:30 Banquet.....Leamington Bowl
Anthony Boucher, Toastmaster
Fritz Leiber, Guest of Honor
Jack Speer, Fan Guest of Honor
Forrest J. Ackerman
Invisible Little Man Award

PROGRAM

Sunday, July 2, 1961

- 10:00
to Registration.....Mezzanine
12:00
- 11:00 NFTF MeetingCouncil Room
- 12:30 PANEL: "Crime and.....Holiday Room
Mystery in Science Fiction"
 Anthony Boucher, Poul Anderson,
 Miriam Allen de Ford
- 1:30 (subject unannounced).....Holiday Room
 Frank Riley
- 2:00 The Auction Bloch.....Holiday Room
- 2:45 Auction.....Holiday Room
- 4:00 Business Meeting.....Holiday Room
 Honey Wood, Chairman
 Anthony Boucher, Parliamentarian

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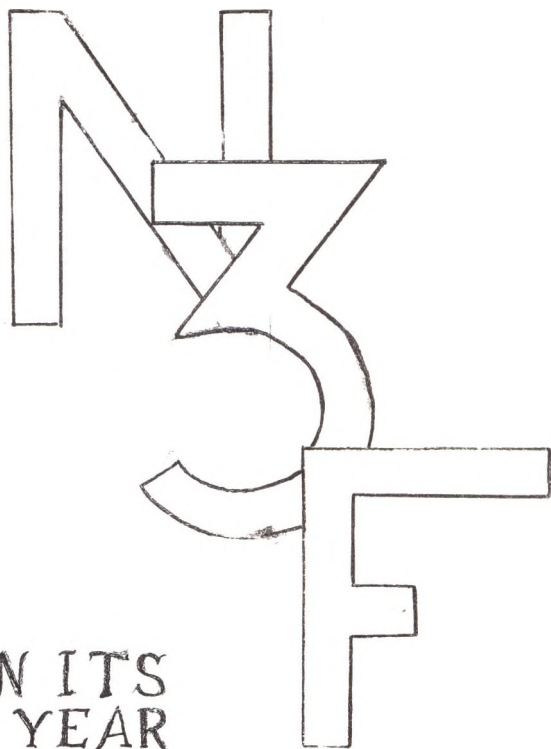
- 6:30 MOVIES: "The Genie".....Holiday Room
 and "The Musquite Kid Rides Again"
 Presented by Unicorn Productions

BAY AREA FAN CLUBS

Members of the Baycon may be interested in contacting one or both of the local science fiction fan clubs, the Golden Gate Futurian Society and the Elves', Gnomes', and Little Men's Science Fiction, Chowder, and Marching Society.

The GGFS, sponsor of the Baycon, is the oldest s - f club in the area having been founded in 1940. Since that time it has gone through several periods of inactivity, but is presently going strong, with meetings every other Saturday night at the homes of members alternately on either side of the Bay. Meetings usually center around a talk on some aspect of s - f, fantasy, or fandom, followed by a general discussion of the subject and a wide - open bullsession. GGFS members have traditionally been highly active in the fan-publishing field, with such popular fanzines as Lou Goldstone's FANTASIA, Bill Watson's DIABLERIE, Jim Kepner's WESTERN STAR and more recently FANAC, INNUENDG, HABAKKUK, and the GGFS' own magazine, VORPAL GLASS, edited by Karen Anderson. Contact Alva Rogers at the convention if you're interested, or write to him at 5243 Rahlves Dr., Castro Valley.

The Little Men have been meeting continually since around 1950, when they published the well - remembered RHODOMAGNETIC DIGEST. Meetings currently feature talks on s-f, fantasy, or various fields of science; while the club as a whole has considerably broadened its scope of interests, s - f is often discussed at length. The Little Men will be presenting the Invisible Little Man Award at the Banquet Saturday. If you're interested in this club, contact Al haLevy, or write to him at 1457 9th Avenue, San Fransico, Calif.



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123. Ed Brandt

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THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY WILLIS FUND is a special drive to bring the popular Irish fan, Walter A. Willis, and his wife Madeleine to the 1962 world convention (CHICAGO IN 1962). Money is being collected in a variety of ways: individual donations, auctions, raffles, etc. The Baycon Committee feels this is a Worthy Cause and is donating to the Fund the proceeds from the Auction Bloch, where many of your favorite professional authors will ~~sell their souls~~ put an hour of their time up for monetary bidding. Fans who may wish to make individual donations should contact Terry Carr at the convention.

And while we're on the subject of such Funds--don't forget to support the TransAtlantic Fan Fund. We support the candidacy of Ron Ellik, but Richard Eney is a worthy opponent.



Hello from the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society. Hope you have a fine time at the Baycon, and we'll see you in L.A. next year.

(WESTERCON XV -- June 30 & July 1, 1962)

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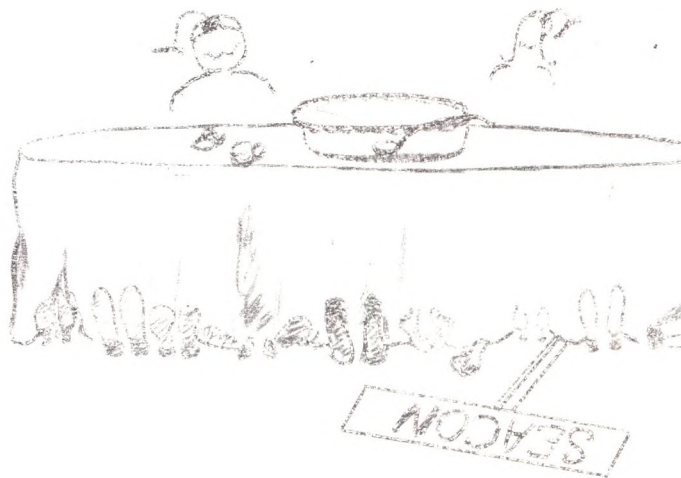
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