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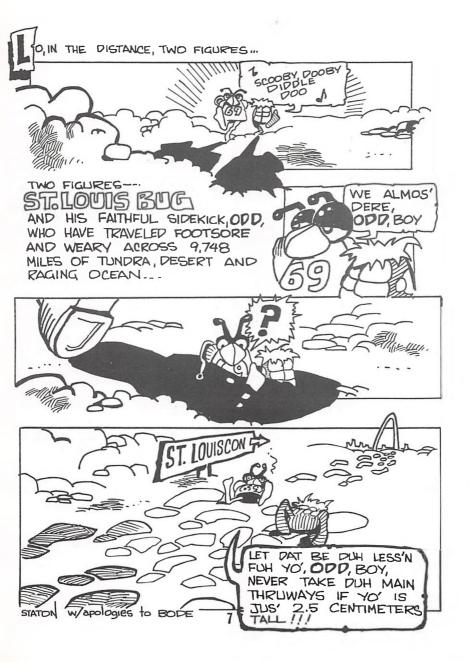
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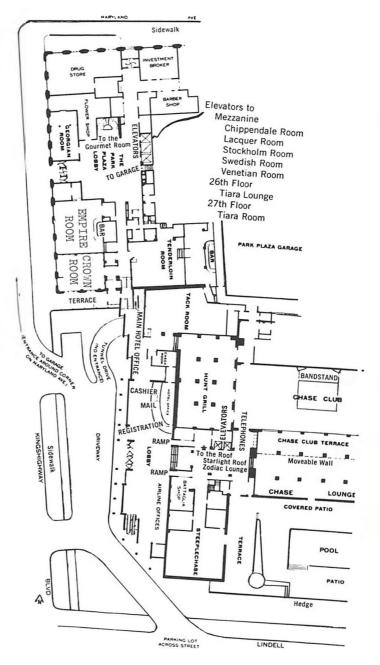
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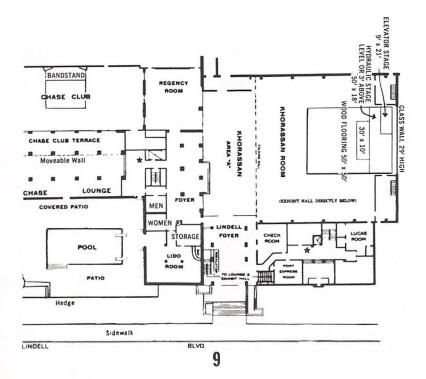
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MAIN FLOOR PLAN

Note: Exhibition Hall is directly below Khorassan Room



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Program

THURSDAY, August 28th:

1:00	pm:	(Chase Lounge) (Starlight Roof) (Chase Club) (Lido Room)	Registration begins for early arrivals. Project Art Show sets up. Booksellers Room sets up. N3F Hospitality Room sets up.
8:00	pm:	(Khorassan Room)	Movies, continuing till dawn.
9:00	pm:	(Zodiac Roof)	Welcome Party for registered members.
10:30	pm:	(Zodiac Roof)	Filk-Song Fest, with cash bar for the rest of the evening.



FRIDAY, August 29th:

9:00	am:	(Chase Lour	nge)	Registration opens for the day.
10:00	am:	(Zodiac Roo	of)	Pre-business meeting for those who intend to present motions and other related mat- ters at Monday's regular business meeting.
11:00	am:	(Khorassan	Room)	The convention officially opens. The chair- men make a few announcements relating to the seriousness of the occasion that brings us here; introduce the notables present, and present the program's theme: The Anatomy of Science Fiction.
11:30	am:	н		Robert Silverberg gives the first keynote speech, The Genre of Science Fiction.
Noon:		11	"	Terry Carr presents the second part of the program theme, with a keynote speech on <u>The Phenomena of Fandom</u> .
12:30	pm:	11	н	Ben Bova gives the third keynote speech, concerning our relationship to the scien- tific community: <u>The Realities of the</u> <u>Future</u> .
1:00 p	pm;	ц	u	It Didn't Quite Turn Out The Way We Planned The moon-landing in fact and fiction. An illustrated discussion by Harry (Hal Clement) Stubbs.
2:00	pm:	11	н	Console BrothersHow Close Are We? A look at artificial intelligence vrs. com- puter technology, by Dick Lupoff.

3:00 pm:	0 U	The regular auction.
4:00 pm:	(Pool-Side)	A Mid-Western, Hot Summer Afternoon, Old- Time, Pool-Side, Meet-The-Pro Party With Sarsaparilla, Sno-Cones, Cotton Candy, and Calliope Music For All.
1:00 am:	(Khorassan Room)	Movies, continuing till dawn.



SATURDAY, August 30th:

SUNDAY, August 31st:

9:00	am:	(Chase Lour	nge)	Registration opens for the day.
		(Khorassan	Room)	A Comics Program, supervised by Bob Schoenfeld.
11:00	am:			Selection of the 1971 convention site.
12:15	pm:	(Empire Roo	om)	Annual Burroughs Bibliophile Dum-Dum.
1:00	pm:	(Khorassan	Room)	This afternoon is dedicated to a series of panels on the science fiction package, with discussions of the visual aspects by s.f. artists, followed by discussions of con- tentual preferences by editors. Capping it off will be a dialogue between two authors with two points of view.
4:00	pm:			The auction again.
7:00	pm:		п	The Masquerade Ball Begins.
7:30	pm:		н	The Parade of Costumes starts, and judging of costumes begins promptly.
11:00	pm:		н	Following the Parade of Costumes, the Rock Show.
1:00	am:		н	Movies begin again, and again go till dawn.



9:00	am:	(Chase Loui	nge)	Registration opens for the day.
		(Khorassan	Room)	A Tolkien Society Program, supervised by Ed Meskys.
11:00	am:			Selection of the 1970 convention site.
Noon:				Who Sawed Courtney's Boat? The mysteries of the ages finally revealed by Bob Bloch, Bob Tucker, and a Special Mystery Guest.
12:45	pm:			This afternoon is dedicated to a series of panels on the history of science fiction; how it was, how it has changed, how we can expect it to be in the future, by authors who have contributed to the field.

3:00 pm:	н		A Look At The Whole Rall Of Way, by Warlan
5.00 pm.			<u>A Look At The Whole Ball Of Wax</u> , by Harlan Ellison.
4:00 pm:	11	н	More auction.
7:00 pm:			The Awards Banquet. The Toastmaster, Harlan Ellison, will present the Guests of Honor who will speak on subjects of their choice; and the awards will be presented by Bob Bloch.
10:00 pm:	п	0	Movies again, till dawn.
MONDAY, Sep	tember 1st	:	•
9:00 am:	(Khorassan	Room)	Business Meeting of the 27th World Science Fiction Convention.
11:00 am:	11	0	Auction.
Noon:	и		A series of panels and discussions in which we hear some ideas about science fic- tion's role and future in the dramatic arts; some observations by authors on the field of science fiction and its appeal; discussions concerning international sci- ence fiction and science fiction fandom; and views on where we go from here.
4:00 pm:	н		Final Auction.
5:00 pm:	н	н	The official business of the convention closes, and the chairmen of St. Louiscon present the gavels to the chairmen of the 1970 and 1971 conventions
6:00 pm:	93		Time to say goodbye, andyou guessed it: Moviestill dawn.
PROJECT ART			The Tenth Anniversary Showing of Project Art Show will be open throughout the con, in the Starlight Roof.
BOOK & MAGA	ZINE SALES		The Hucksters Room will be open throughout the convention, in the Chase Club.
HOSPITALITY	ROOM:		The N3F Hospitality Room will be open throughout the con, in the Lido Room.
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the business-meeting rules.) Guards will be posted, and absolutely no one will be admitted into the Masquerade Ball without a badge, un-less they are wearing a costume to which the badge would be detri-mental.

Jack Gaughan The Pro Introduction by Terry Carr

When I was very young I used to get extremely puzzled sometimes about the attitudes editors had toward some artists. I mean, here would be this artist, X, whose work was beautiful, imaginative, meticulously done, visually and conceptually exciting, and I'd ask, "Why don't you have X do more stuff for you?" and the editor would shake his head and mutter something about deadlines, or temperament, or his ulcer.

And a day or two later I'd pick up a copy of this editor's magazine (or that editor's magazine, or that other editor's book over there) and I'd find a cover that was.. well, the spaceship was recognizable as a spaceship and the humans were anthropomorphic, and I guess it didn't misrepresent the story it illustrated or give away an O'Henry ending or anything. But it didn't do anything to or for me; it was just sort of there. Needless to say, it wasn't by X; it was by somebody who'd done nine out of the last ten covers for that company, and somehow I'd never even noticed his name.

"Oh Christ," I'd moan, "why do they bother with these nothing covers? Why don't they have all the covers by X?"

Later on, when I became wise in the ways of the world, I found out the answer to that. X was a groovy artist, all right — when he was in the mood, and when you could get hold of him on the phone, and when you didn't have to worry about when he turned in his painting. Which is to say, he wasn't reliable, so publishers didn't rely on him. When he did his thing it was lovely, but it wasn't according to schedule.

There's an author, a pretty good one, who writes for me, and whenever I call him about a deadline for one of his books he says, "Do you want it good, or do you want it Monday?"

The same thing happens with some artists — some of the very, very best ones. Which is why they don't get more assignments — for covers, interior drawings, or whatever. They're not pros; they're really hobbyists, doing their drawings for themselves and then selling them after the fact.

There's nothing wrong with being a hobbyist, of course; in fact, there's a lot <u>right</u> with it. But publishing science fiction books and magazines isn't a hobby, so it has to be done by the pro rules, which include, most prominently, regular, relentless deadlines. A lot of times, if it isn't there by Monday, it doesn't matter if it's good or not: somebody else's work that was handy and bearable had to be slipped into its spot and everything sent off to the printer.

The guy who can turn in work that's printable and on time, every time, is what's called a Pro, and he's blessed by every editor in the business. He probably doesn't win awards or sell more copies for you, but he's there to keep the customers in the auditorial until the temperamental star shows up, late as usual.

By and large, those are the two kinds of people who produce the material you see in the sf books and magazines: the Pros, and the Stars.

But now and then God decides that editors aren't such wretches that they should have to undergo unalloyed torment and anxiety every week and every month of their lives (they'll get enough hell after they die, after all), so he sends them a gift: a Star who is also a Pro. Maybe it should be called a miracle, but I don't believe in miracles. But come to think of it, I'm not sure I believe in Jack Gaughan, either. Jack Gaughan is one of those...<u>phenomena</u>...who very occasionally show up on editors' doorsteps. If you look very carefully at his forehead, you'll see that it says there in the tiniest of calligraphy, <u>God is not dead</u>. He asked me to tell you. (If you look there and don't see this message, maybe it's because only editors and art directors can read it.)

Jack Gaughan is one hell of a good artist. Everybody has his own favorite Gaughan drawings and paintings: maybe the drawings he did for Jack Vance's THE DRAGON MAS-TERS, or for Fritz Leiber's A SPECTER IS HAUNTING TEXAS, or the covers for THE GHOSTS OF MANACLE by Charles Finney (Fyramid) or KING OF THE WORLD'S EDGE (ace), or the "muck-man" cover he did for <u>Galaxy</u> several years ago. (That's one of Jack's own favorites, I suspect, if only for personal reasons. You see, Jack's always had this urge to do a good old-fashioned science fiction cover where the alien monster is carrying off the beautiful heroine, but when you work for high-class magazines like <u>Galaxy</u> you don't get much chance for that. "You'll Never See It In <u>Galaxy</u>". after all. But one day lo! along came this manuscript for which he was to do a cover, and there was this monster who carried off this girl through the swamp, see, and you just <u>know</u> what scene Jack painted. If you see him smiling for no apparent reason — if there's no drink in his hand, for instance — it may be that he's thinking about that.)

There are reasons why Jack is so good, of course. Sure, he went to art school, and he was a personal protege of Hannes Bok, and he's studied the classic painters, engravers and illustrators and can shoot the jargon all night if you want. But there is more: he loves doing art, and he does it all the time. He carried a big thick sketchbook everywhere he goes, and he uses it. He sketches people on the subway, scenes by the river, his wife Phoebe looking pensively out a window. Or he writes notes to himself: theories about art and life, techniques to try, effects to aim for. That's why a Jack Gaughan drawing done in July 1969 probably doesn't look too much like one done in May: he's been thinking and experimenting and changing bit by bit every day. When I last looked through one of his sketchbooks-in-progress, it was No. 78 or so, I think; but that was a couple of years ago, before he moved into the country, so he's probably up past 100 by now.

Jack cares about what he does. He researches his work — his studio walls are lined not only with art books, but with illustrated references of all types: sourcebooks on astronomy, animal anatomy, fashions through history, machinery, electronics, you name it. He's so conscientious that he even reads the stories he illustrates, every single one of them. You might be surprised how many big sf artists don't; they just read a plot synopsis, or the opening chapter, or maybe just fake it all the way, basing their drawings on a title and a guess. Not Jack — he reads the stuff to get the <u>feeling</u> of a story, and he puts all his art and craft into making a representation of that story that will complement and compliment it.

That's why Jack is a Star.

As I said, we all have our own favorite Gaughans; and no matter what yours is, it's a cinch that you remember it with special fondness. You probably take out that book or magazine every now and then, just to look at his art for a while.

And there's one thing more that's a cinch about Jack Gaughan paintings and drawings: every one of them was turned in on time, and nobody got an ulcer worrying about whether or not the art would be there when the deadline was. He makes it good <u>and</u> gets it in on Monday.

Because Jack is a Star who is also a Pro.

I thought I'd tell you all this because Jack is, after all, the Pro Guest of Honor at this convention, and if you should happen to run into him at some party where he's decided to, ah, sing...well, I wouldn't want you to think he's being honored for that.

No; it's because Jack Gaughan is a Star. And a Pro. And, by the way, a Good Man. In fact, if you want to know the truth about <u>my</u> favorite Gaughan, I'll tell you. It's him. Himself. Jack Gaughan.

When he stands up at the banquet as Pro Guest of Honor, clap like mad. I'm going to.

-- Terry Carr

gaughan by gaughan



with a slight assist from Dick Lupoff

[Lupoff here] Jack Gaughan, as everybody knows, is the sensational science fiction artist who broke on the scene in the August 1962 issue of <u>Galaxy Science Fiction</u> with his striking cover painting and stunning black-and-white illustrations for Jack Vance's novella <u>The Dragon Masters</u>. He followed this tour-de-force with innumerable other magazine and paperback book covers, black-and-white illustrations, and jacket paintings for hardcover books. In these seven years he has painted the covers of over 100 volumes for Acc Books alone -- plus his work for Pyramid, Lancer, <u>Galaxy</u>, <u>If</u>, <u>International SF</u>, <u>Worlds of Fantasy</u>, <u>F&SF</u>, Walker, and others.

His growth as a professional illustrator has paralleled his growing popularity as a fan. He has attended local club meetings of New York groups, most notably the Fanoclasts, originally a fanzine-oriented, "fanish" group whose members in recent years have crashed the pro ranks virtually <u>en masse</u>, providing the field with a whole crop of authors, editors, and artists. He has attended regional and world SF conventions, and was chosen as Guest of Honor at a recent Boskone.

He has been almost unbelievably generous with his time and talent, advice and materials, contributing artwork or articles to innumerable fanzines including Luna, Scientifantasy, Fantasy Advertiser, Insides, Psychotic/SFR, Lighthouse, Starling, Tanstaafl, WSFA Journal, Niekas, Algol, Horib, Odd, Shaggy, Amra, and Granfalloon. His <u>Nycon Comics</u> was a mainstay of the successful bidding campaign of the New York convention in 1967.

His career has been crowned with three Hugos (best professional artist and best fan artist in 1967, and best professional artist again in 1968), and now by his selec-

tion as Guest of Honor by the World Science Fiction Convention.

In addition to his work as a freelance artist he recently was appointed art director for <u>Galaxy</u> and <u>If</u> magazines, and his distinctive touch in design has already begun to be felt in the interior appearances of those magazines.

All of this would seem an admirable career in science fiction, but only a relative handfull of Jack Gaughan's admirers are aware that this is his second time around that he had a previous career as a science fiction fan and pro, disappeared almost entirely from the scene, and in fact is a bit of a re-tread as an SF personality.

It is customary to include profiles of Guests of Honor in these program booklets, and Ray Fisher asked me to write one on Jack, perhaps because we've been friends for years, and because we live fairly near one another.

Jack lives with his wife Phoebe, children Brian and Norah, Phoebe's mother Susan Adams, two cats and a black-and-white hound called Ace. Their home is an old Lovecraftian manse of rough-hewn stone, narrow flights of steep and creaking stairs, and an attic inhabited by stubborn swarms of bats that refuse to stay exterminated. This stands in the tiny town of Rifton, New York, between New Paltz and Kingston. If that doesn't help much, it's about 100 miles north of New York City.

His studio, files, and Galaxy-If Art Director's office are located on the top floor of that old stone house, and a visit there is enough to make the science fiction fan's eyes pop at the stacks of Jack's works: framed and unframed originals, file copies of those hundred of books and magazines, rough sketches and unfinished drawings and paintings that will appear on newsstands in the months to come.

He is a stocky man of medium height and ruddy complexion, with a ready grin, a ready opinion on any subject under the sun, and a dedication to his work that combines humility with fully justified pride. Here's the kind of think Jack does:

A couple of years ago I sold a novel to Lancer Books and Jack was given the assignment of painting the cover. I arranged to drop in on him accidentally-on-purpose just before the painting was to be turned in, and Jack showed it to me. He'd made a striking picture to go on the book: a sinister sailing ship is seen on the surface of a blood-red sea, while out of a similarly crimson sky filled with enigmatic planets there rises the psychedelically-patterned form of a nearly nude giantess, clad only in a dark blue cloak.

"Sit right down," Jack said, "read these 150 fanzines and don't look up until I tell you to."

I did as he said, and when he finally summoned me from the pages of the N3F <u>Tight-beam</u> there was the painting, the cloak now worked throughout with intricate silver filigree.

That's artistic integrity.

To tell Jack's story, there's no one better than Jack himself. He is a highly expressive man whose conversation, except for a slight tendency never to let the other fellow finish a sentence, is a pleasure to share. My wife Pat and I shared an evening's pub-crawl with the Gaughans a year or two ago and the next day I just set down the conversation almost verbatim, disguised our four names and a few local references, and sold the thing to <u>Dude</u> magazine as a short story.

So rather than tell you much more about Jack, I asked him to turn on the tape recorder and tell about himself the other night. I've transcribed the tape, edited and rearranged a little bit to reduce the amount of hopping around that took place, and I'll let Jack speak for himself.

Some Basic Autobiography

[Gaughan here] Born September 24, 1930, Springfield, Ohio in a hospital which burned down shortly after my birth. Schooling: parochial all the way up through high school. Then I attended the Dayton Art Institute for four regular years, one post-graduate year on a scholarship, got drafted, came back for one other year on the GI Bill. I'd spent two years in the Transportation Corps in Fort Eustis, Virginia. One of the things I did was teach guys who'd been in the army since Victor McLaughlin was Sergeant Quirt how to fire an M1 rifle when I couldn't hit the side of a barn with one.

After my post-graduate years I went to Philadelphis and lived above a bar full of prostitutes and degenerates who took great care of me, and I illustrated a kids' book while I was there: <u>The Pennsylvania Story</u>. It was a history of Pennsylvania; I think it's still in use in Pennsylvania schools.

[Getting in the Olde Ess-Tee-Eff]

I got into science fiction, never having read it, because I have a big mouth, and in the Catholic school in which I studied, one time I opened my mouth once too often and a teacher, a nun, a Sister of Charity I might add, as a matter of punishment made me read and report on <u>Out of the Silent Planet</u> by C. S. Lewis. A thoroughly approved-of Catholic writer incidentally.

And I got...well, the thing that really hooked me on it was not the science fiction so much as there was an animal in this story that urinated. And I thought that an animal that urinated in the library of a Catholic school has to be a gas. So in all seriousness I looked up the rest of the science fiction, because I thought "That's a pretty free-thinking field!" You know, a Catholic school, like other schools, has a pretty restricted point of view. Every school to every kid is restrictive anyway.

And the only science fiction I found readily after that, because I was hooked on science fiction after that, was <u>Planet Comics</u>. And I found out there was a thing called <u>Planet Stories</u> which did relate, they were illustrated by the same people. But I got into that and then I found out there was a thing called <u>Famous Fantastic</u> <u>Mysteries</u>. From "Planet" to "Fantastic" wasn't too great a leap, but I found myself confronted with minor classics of English literature every once in a while, cut up though they may have been.

And at that point I was hooked on it.

Those magazines were largely illustrated by L. Sterne Stevens, Virgil Finlay, and Lawrence. Finlay appealed to me because another time in the high school as punishment I was required to copy, line for line, a Gustave Dore engraving from Dante's <u>Inferne</u>, which is full of <u>nudes</u>. And I copied it line for line.

Dore actually drew all those lines on the block before the engraver got to them, and <u>here</u> was <u>this</u> guy who did this wild pen work, Virgil Finlay, and I got hung up on that, and the agreeable aspect of fantasy.

Most of it was fantasy, I didn't get into science fiction actually, it was a little forbidding. I tried reading A. E. van Vogt and I didn't understand. I mean when people would walk through walls just as a matter of course without being explained it annoyed me so I got hung up on Rider Haggard instead. And later graduated into science fiction.

But there were these illustrators, and I really tried for years to be Virgil Finlay. I found it easier to be Lawrence because of a somewhat technical reason, that he drew illustrations rather than designs. Designs have to be intelligently arranged and produced.

So what I did was make up these samples and I figured, since that's what I do, and that's the only thing at that time that I knew, that's what I'd attempt to do professionally. So I sent off samples everywhere.

[Once Around Fast in Fandom]

Meanwhile the Cincinatti people, Don Ford, got me to come down to the Cincinatti convention. I was about 18 at the time, and I was doing fan drawings for John Grossman's <u>Scientifantasy</u> and Gus Willmorth's <u>Fantasy Advertiser</u> and Frank Dietz's original <u>Luna</u> — I had a two or three-color cover, very bad. This sort of culminated at the Cincinatti convention because....

At the Cincinatti convention was a young man whose name I could give you but I'd rather not. And at the con I didn't know anybody so I spent most of my time in my room at the hotel, and one night there was a knock at the door and this young man came in and he was wearing a propeller beany and he had a bolo knife in his right hand. He was a little fat guy like Woozy Winks in <u>Plastic Man</u>. And he swiped at me with his bolo knife and I just froze, I just stood there and looked at him. I didn't make an expression or move or...nothing.

He stopped swiping at me and he backed off and he said "I'm writing a story and I wanted to see what you would do," and he went out of the room and I had nothing to do with fandom for about ten years after that.

[Becoming a Dirrrty Pro]

I sent my elaborate Virgil Finlay imitations out to FFCI because they at that time printed the rottenest artwork I've ever seen, and I figured, I can do that! This is a philosophy that I, as art director at <u>Galaxy</u>, have to put up with to this day. Kids who see rotten drawings in the old <u>Galaxy</u> send me rotten samples figuring they are just as good and they're right but I don't want that.

Well I sent them rotten samples and strangely enough they said "Here's a book, here it is, <u>People of the Comet</u> by Austin Hall. Read it, do us a jacket, such-and-so a size with \underline{x} amount of bleed." I was still in art school at the time and I ran up to my art teacher, her name was Irene Hoffman, and tugged at her skird, and I said "What's a bleed?"

She told me what a bleed was and I didn't believe her but I did it anyway and I did this magnificent cover for <u>People of the Comet</u> consisting of an observatory with stars in the skies. One thing I remember about it is that, in <u>Super Science Stories</u> I think, Fred Pohl reviewed this book, which is largely about a guy looking at the dirt under his fingernails. Fred Pohl said that the jacket was better than the book. And it wasn't until years later when I realized how rotten the book was that I realized what Fred was saying.

Mr. Crawford at FPCI signed the checks but I always addressed Garrett Ford. I was told only two years ago that Garrett Ford was Forry Ackerman, Margaret Crawford, and William Crawford. Ackerman told me himself. Anyway, I always wrote to Garrett Ford, and you know what they paid me?

First of all they wanted to pay me an \$18.75 war bond. They paid \$18.75 for their two-color jackets. And I didn't want that, I wanted money. So when they found out I wanted money they decided to talk me into \$18.75 worth of books. I didn't want that either. It took me about three months to finally convince them to pay me money. They sent me a check which I cashed <u>immediately</u>, for \$18.75, which is what they paid me for all my jackets.

For FPCI I did jackets for <u>People of the Comet</u> by Hall, <u>Planets of Adventure</u> by Basil Wells, <u>The Radium Pool</u> by Ed Earl Repp, <u>The Rat Race</u> by Jay Franklin, <u>After</u> <u>12,000 Years</u> by Stanton A. Coblentz, and <u>The Radio Man</u> by Ralph Milne Farley. All of 'em were very bad.

The Radio Man was my second job. I was given these old pulp magazines it appeared in as a serial, I read it, and in order to do things right I spent at least three full days on my stomach with a magnifying glass torturing the hell out of black ants to get a good look at them. Some of the stuff showed up many years later in The Dragon Masters.Still, I found out where the antennae were really attached where the mandibles came out of, and what the eyes looked like.

Because I remember the Paul illustrations; they look no more like ants than you do, Lupoff! I found out what an ant really looks like. Because I didn't know about research, I did my own. I've gotten smarter and lazier since.

So I did these drawings, they were sent to the publisher and from the publisher to Ralph Milne Farley, Roger Sherman Hoar. I had a letter from him that said it was the first time that anybody had actually drawn real ants for his stories, they were eclectic. I didn't know what that meant. The design of the jacket was eclectic too. He guessed the human face was all right but the ants were the best he'd seen as illustrations to his stories.

I was very proud.

I sent off a bunch of samples to John W. Campbell and he sent back notes telling me

where I was wrong, except that each time I was wrong I was "quoting" a story that he had printed, explicitly. And when I went to New York on a vacation he ended up giving me a story called <u>Grosy</u> by Poul Anderson, one of Anderson's first. January, 1950, <u>Astounding Science Fiction</u>. I did that in New York for the glorious sum of \$30. I did some other stuff and it got printed and somehow or other my name got kicked around.

[Adventures in Mundania]

So I did this stuff early. This was interrupted in 1952 by my getting drafted, and in 1954 I got out and went to Fhilly and later got suckered into taking jobs commercially...advertising, art director for four film producers, consultant for the American Bosch Company.

I went to Brooklyn on Hannes Bok's invitation and I took an apartment there with a widow he used to do astrology readings for. I stayed there rent-free on the basis that I would be a janitor. I took the cans out and fixed the plumbing and all the sort of things that I don't do around my house nowadays, I assure you.

Until one day I drew a picture of the landlady. The idea of my being there at all was that I was eventually to do a portrait of the landlady. And I got to know her in the meantime, which was a great mistake, because when I painted her portrait I painted all the wrinkles and all the crow's feet and everything, and she was well over 40, perhaps over 50 for all I know, and imagined she was Audrey Hepburn.

So I perforce left that place, and for various other reasons took a job in a small art studio instead of goofing off on GI unemployment which is what I intended to do. I lived on 47th Street in Manhattan above a Spanish bar called El Fundador. The smell of rice, onions and beans permeates some of my clothes which I have to this day, as a matter of fact.

I painted a mural on the wall of this apartment, on my bedroom wall. The bedroom was, I'd say, about four feet wide. That's no eraggeration. Imagine getting a bed in it. I painted this mural of an old Russian legend, a favorite of mine, called <u>llva Murometz</u>. Ilya Murometz is an old Russian hero, see, and he does a lot of marvelous heroic Russian things, and in the end he meets a tribe of Tartars or Tatars depending on which album notes you read, the Capitol or the Victor.

And he cuts them in half with his sword and every time he cuts one in half they turn into two. For the first time in his life Ilya takes a look and he figures "Oh boy, I've had it!" And he turns tail and he runs. The minute he turns tail he turns into stone. So I painted this two-sequence thing on the wall, and along about that time, shortly after I'd painted it, I met Phoebe and we decided to get married, and we left the apartment.

And it was taken over by a very delicate, limp-wristed young man, who when he saw this mural decided to cover it up. I had painted the mural in very thick water color, you might almost call it <u>gouache</u>, but he covered it up with very shiny light blue enamel.

And that was his bedroom too, and he used to lay there at night, but because it was very shiny blue enamel over my <u>counche</u> water color, the water color began to crack, and the paint on top began to crack off the water color, and these <u>faces</u> began to peer through at him. I met him on the street one day, you know this area of cat, very delicate and superstitious. He sort of told me the story but he was sort of mystically shook up about it. I didn't know what to say about it. The only thing I know is that eventually he moved out and I never heard more of the apartment.

But during that period I was promoted to father...and to studio manager. And then I was hired away from the studio by a very small advertising agency, to be the art director. Actually I wasn't hired to be the art director, I was hired to help the art director, but the art director never showed up, so I was it. And one day I found myself the art director of an advertising agency. We did largely real estate ads and engineering recruiting ads. We did 'em for Grumman, Norden, people like that.

I didn't know anything about art directing, I was just a studio guy. In the studio all I did was comp renderings. You know when you're in that field you're typed. If you're a comp renderer you don't do layouts, you just comp render what somebody else laid out. Well here I am art director, I'm supposed to be the head man of the whole <u>schmear</u>. I didn't know what to do, so what I did was call up the production department of the New York Times and say "I've gotta produce an ad for you, what do I do?" And over the next six-eight months they told me, and I learned my craft that way. They were very helpful, they really were.

[Back into the Fold]

At that time, which was the beginning of my freelance period, I started painting pictures, and they turned out to be science fiction pictures. You naturally go to the thing you know, and I know and love science fiction. There had been up to that time, with the exception of Powers, very little of the real meat of science fiction on the covers. They were usually very broadly tempera painted naked ladies with brassieres. I'm not talking just about Bergey. <u>Fantasy Reader</u> covers, things like that. Paperback people did not use people like Rogers or anybody who came out of the field.

Don Wollheim bought my first paperback cover. All this time I'm doing illustrations for <u>Galary</u> once in a while, more or less as a hobby, whenever Mr. van der Poel let me. But Don Wollheim bought the first paperback cover. It was for <u>Times Without</u> <u>Number</u> by John Brunner. Then Don Bensen at Pyramid bought one for the same reason Wollheim had. Both Wollheim and Bensen were looking for science fiction illustrators who were less professional slick illustrators than they were science fiction people.

This was after <u>The Dragon Masters</u> which I did while I still had my outside job. August, 1962. Thanks to Jack Vance. Thanks to that story. Though I had been doing illustrations for years, thanks to the blending of the story and art, <u>The Dragon</u> <u>Masters</u> made me at last not the invisible man any more. Because I'd been invisible for years before that.

So that made me the visible man, and because I was visible Wollheim remembered me, Bensen remembered me, and once I had a couple of paperback covers under my belt, and a little food, I just hustled.

[Truphan Redivivus]

When I came back into fandom it was because I'd done enough stuff professionally that Hans Santesson invited me to Hydra meeting and there I met Terry Carr. Somehow or other I got to see his magazine and sort of hung around with Terry once in a while. Then Terry sent me <u>The Compleat Burbee</u> and this was like my introduction all over again, there was this thing called fandom, and was really amusing, articulate.

I found myself so taken with <u>Lighthouse</u> that every time I saw Terry I tried to speak in quotable quotes so he'd quote me but he never did.

So I got around that one by writing an article for <u>Lighthouse</u>. I went down to visit John Schoenherr and came back covered with ticks. And I thought that would be very interesting to write an article about, so I did, and Terry published it, and somebody mentioned it in a letter in the next issue, and that's all you need, seeing your name in a fanzine.

I've been doing it ever since. I would write an article, contribute a drawing, and there would be this thing that never happened in the prozines, there would be a <u>response</u>. No matter what kind of response, it was great to know you weren't shouting or squeaking in a vacuum.

The mere fact that fandom made a response was the great thing. It's probably the reason I still hang onto it. The whole egoboo business is what does it, and the plain business of response, to know that you're not talking merely to yourself or the guy that writes the check. It's great.

[Lupoff here again] That's the way Jack Gaughan talks. All the time. If I hadn't promised Ray Fisher this piece for the program booklet I could take the tape and turn it into a couple more short stories, but a promise is a promise. Jack has a lot more to say, including the fact that he's out to destroy the fan art field. Well, not destroy it, maybe, but cream the top talents off the top of the fanzine field and turn them into dirrrty pros too.

He wants the good fan artists -- the <u>good</u> ones -- to make up samples and send them to him at <u>Galaxy</u>. Assignments are forthcoming.

RANSATLANTIC FUND

The TAFF -- Trans-Atlantic Fan Fund -- was created in 1953 by Don Ford and Walter A. Willis, for the purpose of providing funds to bring well-known and popular fans across the Atlantic. The first winner, A. Vincent Clarke, was unable to accept in 1954; however, since that time the TAFF has regularly brought overseas fans to the U.S. and sent American fans to British conventions.

TAFF exists solely through the support of fandom. The candidates, in each TAFF campaign, are voted upon by interested fans all over the world, and each vote is accompanied by a donation of no less than a dollar. These votes, therefore, and the continued interest of fans, are what makes TAFF possible.

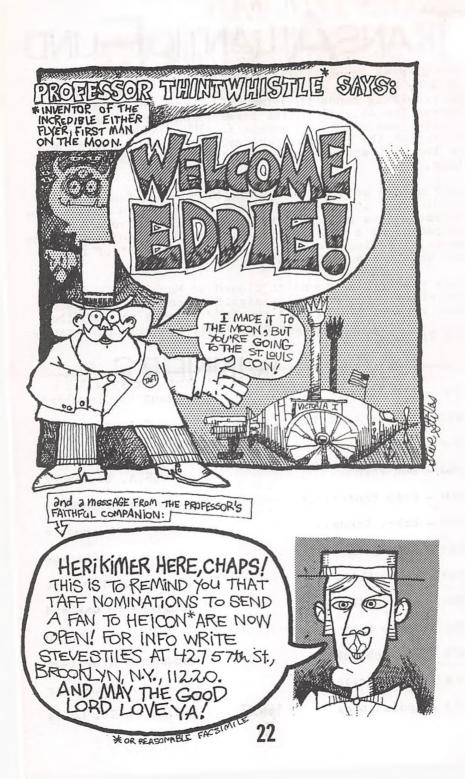
This year's TAFF campaign closed on May 31. It is therefore with particular significance to St. Louiscon that we are able to list the TAFF winners through the years, including the current winner who will be attending St. Louiscon.

TAFF WINNERS

England to Cleveland

1955 - Ken Bulmer

1957 - Robert A. Madle	U.S.A. to London
1958 - Ron Bennett	England to Los Angeles
1960 - Don Ford	U.S.A. to London
1960 - Eric Bentcliffe	England to Pittsburgh
1962 - Ethel Lindsay	U.S.A. to Harrogate
1962 - Ron Ellik	England to Chicago
1964 - Wally Weber	U.S.A. to Peterborough
1964 - Arthur Thomson	England to Oakland
1965 - Terry Carr	U.S.A. to London
1966 - Tom Schulck	Germany to Cleveland
1968 - Steve Stiles	U.S.A. to Manchester
1969 - Eddie Jones	1969 England to St. Louis



JONES THE FAN



introduction by Ethel Lindsay

In Wales, where the name of Jones abounds, it is customary to differentiate by using the titles..Jones the Butcher; Jones the Fishetc. It is my great pleasure to introduce to you...Jones the Fan.

Eddie Jones, your TAFF Delegate, is a favourite and familiar figure in British SF circles. Like a great many other British fans, he first heard of fandom through Ken Slater. Eddie saw an advert for Ken's OPERATION FANTAST, a very useful newszine, and so learned of the existance of the Liverpool SF circle. He first made contact with John Roles, but states he was at first too shy to join the meetings. A few months later he contacted the then very lively Medway Group and subscribed to THE MEDWAY JOURNAL.

This first sight of the fanzine field stimulated Eddie into sending them some illustrations. These were seen by Ron Bennett who asked for some cartoons for his PLOY. From then on Eddie's artwork has been in constant demand by fanzine editors. This was 1953 and the start of his steady involvement with SF fandom.

Eddie's next venture was to join with Bill Harry - another artist into producing the art zine BINARY; with this out Eddie felt happier about joining the Liverpool Group (LIG) and did so in 1955. The first convention attended by Eddie was the Kettering Con of 1956. He has attended every British con since.

In 1957, the first British Worldcon - he, with other members of LIG, was largely responsible for the programme. Eddie is also wellknown to German fandom as he has attended both the Castle Con and the Vienna Con. He was also responsible for the Program Booklet and badges of the Castle Con.

A list of Eddie's artwork is most impressive. Apart from the Castle Con, he has designed two Program Booklets for British cons; has been a fanzine illustrater since 1953 in most British, American, Belgium, and German fanzines; has illustrations in professional magazines from NEBULA (1958) through NEW WORLDS, SCIENCE FANTASY, BADGER BOOKS, German PB covers, IF, Arkham House, and even Bubble Gum cards! His latest venture is to produce the covers and interiors for the new British prozine, VISION OF TOMORROW.

His list of art awards is also lengthy. An example of his record could be the LONCON II Artshow where he won four 1st prizes; two 2nd prizes, and a Honorable Mention. One single painting at this show.."AT THE TIPS-HOTHOUSE" won three different awards!

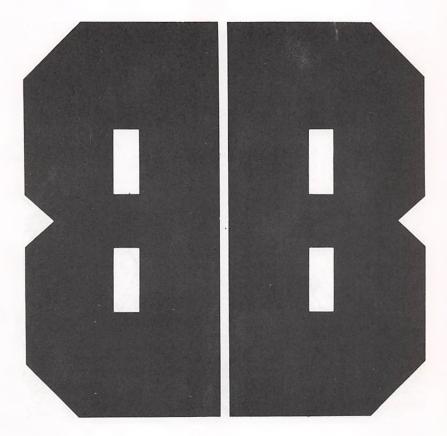
He is a founder member of the BSFA; and is an ex-Chairman of LIG. He is a Knight of St. Fanthony and now is Knight Armourer of this Order. He has won many awards for costumes and has also designed awardwinning costumes for other members of LIG.

Apart from his interest in artwork Eddie also has a keenness for photography, film-making, and tape productions. He collects swords and all other edge weapons. He has a gun collection; likes to read the background of the 'Old West' and is quite a good shot. He makes, paints, and collects miniatures; and is responsible for the statuettes given to all new members of St. Fanthony. Naturally he collects SF. He has a discriminating taste in exotic foods and wines.

Eddie is 34, single, and his job is that of Production Manager for one of the largest advertising agencies in Britain.

Debonair would be a good word to describe Eddie; he makes a fine figure in his Knight Armourer costume. He enters well into the spirit of any fannish undertaking. I have a fond memory of the St. Fanthony ceremony of LONCON II. There a "fakefan" came forward to the ceremony and was ingloriously hauled away backstage. From there came blood-curdling screams and then Eddie appeared with his sword dripping with realistic gore! A great deal of hilarity and tomato ketchup backstage had produced this effect - but one would never have known this from Eddie's straight face.

Eddie hopes that many fans at St. Louis will come up and talk to him. Now you know all about him - help him to meet and enjoy the other fans, artists, and authors attending this convention. He brings with him the best wishes of all of European Fandom that you may all enjoy a happy and successful convention.



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MINNEAPOLIS in '73!

Elsewhere in this publication you'll find announcements portraying the personality and humor of the Minneapolis group a little better than this one. Elsewhere at this convention you'll be able to meet us. But right here we'd like to show you some of the advantages of our bid and the features of our area. We'd like to show you a little of our city, our hotel and our group.

... The City: MINNEAPOLIS

Minneapolis-St. Paul is a unique metropolitan area.Lakes dot the entire area; the many parks take advantage of the situation (and the Minneapolis parks system is perhaps the best in the nation.) The two million Twin Citians can enjoy a tremendous number of activities all year round. Minneapolis is the hub of Twin Cities culture, business and fun. Such traditional foundations such as the Symphony, the activities focusing on the University of Minnesota, and the Minneapolis Institute of Arts join with the modern Tyrone Guthrie Theatre, the Walker Art Center, and the many off-broadway theaters to produce a cultural center of international importance. The downtown area is a show-case: the Nicollet Mall (the major shopping street turned into a pedestrian mall), book-shops, museums, theaters and interesting stores are within walking-distance of the convention hotel. To add to this, the city has twice recieved the coveted All America City award.

... The Hotel: THE LEAMINGTON

The Learnington is one of the finest hotels ever offered for the World Science Fiction Convention. The meeting halls are the largest in the Northwest; it's right downtown; suites are

connected by balconies for partying convenience. Around-the-clock eating-facilities and room service! Automatic elevators, friendly service, and low prices. You'll appreciate staying at this fine and friendly hotel.

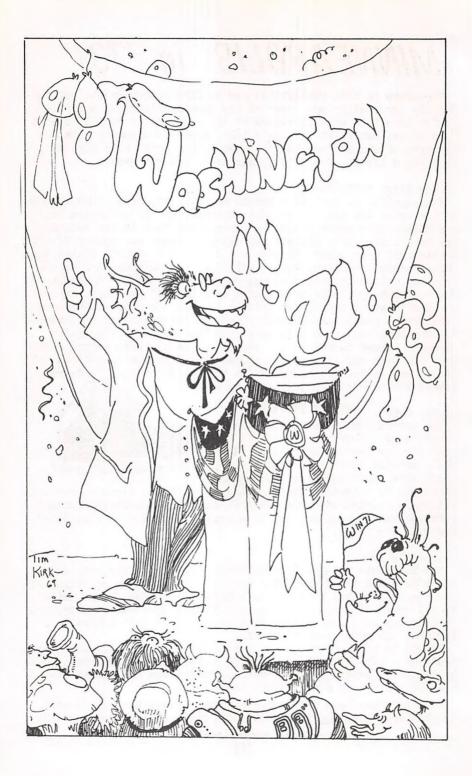
... and the group:

The Minnesota Science Fiction Society can trace its origins to the 1930's and the Minneapolis Fantasy Society. Like our illustrious progenitor, the Minn-Stf is a happy, fun group. We're active in all areas of fandom: fanzine publishing, convention going, and holding our amazingly convivial meetings...and just generally having a wonderful time of it all.

To add to this, we've put on two highly successful regional conventions — the Minicons — and are planning more. We have a goodly amount of experience, and we're gaining more all the time so that we can put on a tremendous convention.

So...1973 may be a while off, yet, but please keep us in mind. We'll always keep you in mind when we think of the worldcon '73!



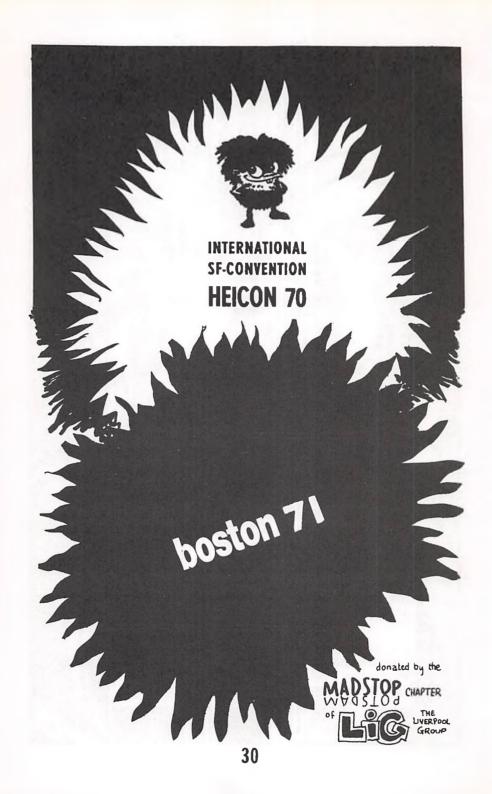


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BARRAL HALLANDER

THE LOS ANGELES SCIENCE FANTASY SOCIETY is the oldest s-f and fantasy club in existence, having met regularly since 1934. It meets every Thursday at 8:00 p.m., currently at the Palms Playground Recreation Center at 2950 Overland Ave. in West Los Angeles. Visitors are always welcome.

For further information, write to: The Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society Inc. P. O. Box 3004, Santa Monica, CA 90403. Or phone Bruce Pelz: [213] 451-4180.



OZARK SCIENCE FICTION ASSOCIATION

was formed in 1965 to bring fandom to St. Louis. In 1969, St. Louis fans brought the 27th World Science Fiction Convention to St. Louis. Because of the Worldcon a large number of local people have just become aware of OSFA.

The first meeting after the convention is scheduled for Tuesday, September 23, 6:00 - 9:00 pm in the Auditorium of the main St. Louis Library. Order of business: election of new officers (present officers' terms expire in August) and post-convention reorganization.

MISCELLANEA

BANQUET TABLES seat eight persons; there are no reserved tables. Make up your party, then choose the first table that appeals to you. Have your banquet tickets ready; they will be collected.

DRESS REQUIREMENTS in all the Chase restaurants and bars frown on swimming suits. Coat and tie is required in the Tenderloin (Gourmet) Room; other hotel restaurants are non-restrictive and you may wear what you wish.

MINIMUM AGE for purchase of alcoholic beverages in Missouri is age 21; you may expect to be asked to show proof of age. Your driver's license or draft card will usually suffice. Missouri laws also prohibit the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sunday; plan to buy what you need before liquor stores are closed Saturday night.

BURROUGHS BIBLIOPHILES will hold their annual Dum-Dum luncheon at 12:15 Saturday, August 30. Buy tickets from Vern or Rita Coriell; and plan to visit the Bibliophile Meeting Room, which will be open throughout the convention.

Discounted new & used Science Fiction paperbacks. For lists send 20¢ to: Horst J. Schmid; 15489 Dixie; Detroit, Mich. 48239 SEND for a FASCINATING LIST of OCCULT Books to the aquarian age, Dept. AP, 74 Winthrop, Cambridge, Mass., 02138

THE ST. LOUISCON BANQUET, to be held Sunday night, August 31, will be the highlight of the convention with speeches from our Guests of Honor, with Harlan Ellison as Toastmaster, and with the presentation of the Hugo Awards by Bob Bloch.

The menu is: Fresh Fruit Supreme with Melon, au Cointreau; Roast Top Sirloin of Beef Bordelaise; Italian Pole Beans; Baked Potatoes with Sour Cream and Chives; Caesar Salad; Coupe Santiago; and Coffee, Tea or Milk.

Tickets are \$7.75, and may be purchased at the St. Louiscon Registration Desk, until Saturday morning.

BABY SITTERS' SERVICES will be available throughout the convention. We have made arrangements to establish a Nursery in the hotel which will be staffed with qualified sitters from noon until 8 PM on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. The cost will be \$2 per child for each day or portion of a day that he is left in the Nursery. This price is contingent on a minimum of 20 people per day signing up for nursery service. If less than 20 children are in the Nursery each day, the price will be pro-rated accordingly. Inquire at the Registration Desk for further details. Of course, individual sitters will also be available; call the hotel registration desk for details.



1953 - 11TH CONVENTION - PHILADELPHIA:

No. 1 Fan Personality: Forrest J. Ackerman Interior Illustrator: Virgil Finlay Cover Artist: Ed Emshwiller & Hannes Bok (tie) Excellence In Fact Articles: Willy Ley New Science Fiction Author or Artist: Philip Jose Farmer Professional Magazine: GALAXY and ASTOUNDING SCIENCE FICTION Novel: "The Demolished Man" by Alfred Bester

1954 - 12TH CONVENTION - SAN FRANCISCO:

No awards were given this year.

1955 - 13TH CONVENTION - CLEVELAND:

Novel: "They'd Rather Be Right" by Mark Clifton & Frank Riley Novelette: "The Darfsteller" by Walter M. Miller, Jr. Short Story: "Allamagoosa" by Eric Frank Russell Professional Magazine: ASTOUNDING SCIENCE FICTION Illustrator: Frank Kelly Freas Amateur Publication: FANTASY TIMES, James V. Taurasi, ed.

1956 - 14TH CONVENTION - NEW YORK:

Novel: "Double Star" by Robert A. Heinlein Novelette: "Exploration Team" by Murray Leinster Short Story: "The Star" by Arthur C. Clarke Feature Writer: Willy Ley Professional Magazine: ASTOUNDING SCIENCE FICTION Illustrator: Frank Kelly Freas Most Promising New Author: Robert Randall (pseud. of Robert Silverberg & Randall Garrett) Amateur Publication: INSIDE & SCIENCE FICTION ADVERTISER, Ron Smith, ed.

Critic: Damon Knight

1957 - 15TH CONVENTION - LONDON, ENGLAND:

Professional Magazine, American: ASTOUNDING SCIENCE FICTION Professional Magazine, British: NEW WORLDS SCIENCE FICTION Amateur Publication: SCIENCE FICTION TIMES, James V. Taurasi, ed.

1958 - 16TH CONVENTION - LOS ANGELES:

Novel: "The Big Time" by Fritz Leiber Short Story: "Or All The Seas With Oysters" by Avram Davidson Professional Magazine: MAGAZINE OF FANTASY & SCIENCE FICTION Illustrator: Frank Kelly Freas Motion Picture: "The Incredible Shrinking Man" by Richard

Matheson Most Outstanding Actifan: Walter A. Willis

1959 - 17TH CONVENTION - DETROIT:

Novel: "A Case of Conscience" by James Blish Novelette: "The Big Front Yard" by Clifford D. Simak Short Story: "The Hell-Bound Train" by Robert Bloch Illustrator: Frank Kelly Freas Professional Magazine: MAGAZINE OF FANTASY & SCIENCE FICTION Amateur Publication: FANAC, Terry Carr & Ron Ellik, eds. Most Promising New Author: Brian W. Aldiss

1960 - 18TH CONVENTION - PITTSBURGH:

Novel: "Starship Trooper" by Robert A. Heinlein Short Fiction: "Flowers For Algernon" by Daniel Keyes Professional Magazine: MAGAZINE OF FANTASY & SCIENCE FICTION Amateur Publication: CRY OF THE NAMELESS, F. M. Busby. ed. Illustrator: Ed Emshwiller Dramatic Presentation: "The Twilight Zone" by Rod Serling Special Award: To Hugo Gernsback as "The Father of Magazine Science Fiction"

1961 - 19TH CONVENTION - SEATTLE:

Novel: "A Canticle for Leibowitz" by Walter M. Miller, Jr. Short Story: "The Longest Voyage" by Poul Anderson Professional Magazine: ANALOG Amateur Publication: "Who Killed Science Fiction?", Earl Kemp, ed. Illustrator: Ed Emshwiller Dramatic Presentation: "The Twilight Zone" by Rod Serling

1962 - 20TH CONVENTION - CHICAGO:

Novel: "Stranger In A Strange Land" by Robert A. Heinlein Short Fiction: The Hothouse Series by Brian W. Aldiss Professional Magazine: ANALOG Amateur Magazine: WARHOON, Richard Bergeron, ed. Professional Artist: Ed Emshwiller Dramatic Presentation: "The Twilight Zone" by Rod Serling

1963 - 21ST CONVENTION - WASHINGTON, D.C.:

Novel: "The Man In The High Castle" by Philip K. Dick Short Fiction: "The Dragon Masters" by Jack Vance Dramatic Award: No Award Professional Magazine: MAGAZINE OF FANTASY & SCIENCE FICTION Amateur Magazine: XERO, Dick Lupoff, ed. Professional Artist: Roy Krenkel Special Awards: P. Schuyler Miller (For Best Book Reviews) Isaac Asimov (Distinguished Contributions To The Field)

1964 - 22ND CONVENTION - OAKLAND:

Novel: "Way Station" by Clifford Simak Short Fiction: "No Truce With Kings" by Poul Anderson Professional Magazine: ANALOG Professional Artist: Ed Emsh Book Publisher: Ace Books Amateur Publication: AMRA, George Scithers, ed.

1965 - 23RD CONVENTION - LONDON:

Novel: "The Wanderer" by Fritz Leiber Short Fiction: "Soldier, Ask Not" by Gordon Dickson Professional Magazine: ANALOG Professional Artist: John Schoenherr Book Publisher: Ballantine Books Amateur Publication: YANDRO, Robert & Juanita Coulson, eds. Dramatic Presentation: "Dr. Strangelove"

1966 - 24TH CONVENTION - CLEVELAND:

Novel: (tie) "And Call Me Conrad" by Roger Zelazny "Dune" by Frank Herbert Short Fiction: "'Repent, Harlequin', Said The Ticktockman" by Harlan Ellison Professional Magazine: IF Professional Artist: Frank Frazetta Amateur Magazine: ERB-dom, Camille Cazedessus, Jr., ed. Best All-Time Series: Foundation Series by Isaac Asimov

1967 - 25TH CONVENTION - NEW YORK:

Novel: "The Moon is a Harsh Mistress" by Robert A. Heinlein Novelette: "The Last Castle" by Jack Vance Short Story: "Neutron Star" by Larry Niven Professional Magazine: IF Professional Artist: Jack Gaughan Dramatic Presentation: "The Menagerie" (<u>Star Trek</u>) Amateur Publication: NIEKAS, Ed Meskys & Felice Rolfe, eds. Fan Artist: Jack Gaughan Fan Writer: Alexei Panshin

1968 - 26TH CONVENTION - OAKLAND:

Novel: "Lord of Light" by Roger Zelazny Novella: (tie) "Weyr Search" by Ann McCaffrey "Riders of the Purple Wage" by Philip Jose Farmer Novelette: "Gonna Roll the Bones" by Fritz Leiber Short Story: "I Have No Mouth, And I Must Scream" by Harlan Ellison Dramatic Presentation: "City on the Edge of Forever" by Harlan Ellison (Star Trek) Professional Magazine: IF Professional Artist: Jack Gaughan Amateur Publication: AMRA, George Scithers, ed. Fan Artist: George Barr Fan Writer: Ted White

1969 - 27TH CONVENTION - ST. LOUIS:

Nominees, 1969

Best Novel, 1968: <u>Goblin Reservation</u>, by Clifford Simak (GALAXY, Apr.-June) <u>NOVA</u>, by Samuel R. Delany (Doubleday) <u>PAST MASTER</u>, by R. A. Lafferty (Ace) <u>RITE OF PASSAGE</u>, by Alexei Panshin (Ace) <u>STAND ON ZANZIBAR</u>, by John Brunner (Doubleday)

BEST NOVELLA, 1968:

"Dragon Rider", by Anne McCaffrey (ANALOG, Jan.) "Hawk Among The Sparrows", by Dean Mc Laughlin (ANALOG, July) "Lines of Power", by Samuel R. Delany (F & SF, May) "Nightwings", by Robert Silverberg (GALAXY, Sept.)

BEST NOVELETTE, 1968:

"Getting Through University", by Piers Anthony (IF, August) "Mother To The World", by Richard Wilson (ORBIT 3) "The Sharing of Flesh", by Poul Anderson (GALAXY, Dec.) "Total Environment", by Brian Aldiss (GALAXY, Feb.) BEST SHORT STORY, 1968: "All The Myriad Ways", by Larry Niven (GALAXY, Oct.) "The Beast That Shouted Love", by Harlan Ellison (GALAXY, June) "The Dance of The Changer and The Three", by Terry Carr (FARTHEST REACHES) "Masks", by Damon Knight (PLAYBOY, July) "The Steiger Effect", by Betsy Curtis (ANALOG, Oct.) BEST DRAMA, 1968: "2001 - A Space Odyssey" "Charly" "Fallout" (THE PRISONER) "Rosemary's Baby" "Yellow Submarine" BEST PROFESSIONAL MAGAZINE, 1968: ANALOG F & SF GALAXY TF NEW WORLDS BEST ARTIST, 1968: Vaughn Bode Kelly Freas Leo & Diane Dillon Jack Gaughan BEST FANZINE, 1968: PSYCHOTIC (S.F. REVIEW), (Dick Geis, editor) RIVERSIDE QUARTERLY, (Leland Sapiro, editor) SHANGRI L'AFFAIRES (SHAGGY), (Ken Rudolph, editor) TRUMPET, (Tom Reamy, editor) WARHOON, (Richard Bergeron) BEST FAN WRITER, 1968: Banks Mebane Harry Warner, Jr. Richard Delap Ted White Walt Willis BEST FAN ARTIST, 1968: Tim Kirk George Barr Vaughn Bode Bill Rotsler Doug Lovenstein

NOTICE: Ted White was nominated as best fan writer but requested that he be withdrawn from contention; therefore his name did not appear on the final ballot.

year	place	name	guest of honor	hotel	est. attend.	chairman
1939	New York	NyCon I	Frank R. Paul	Caravan Hall	200	Moskowitz
1940	Chicago	Chicon I	E. E. Smith	Chicagoan	115	Korshak
1941	Denver	Denvention	Robert A. Heinlein	Shirley-Savoy	100	Wiggins
1946	Los Angeles	Pacificon I	A. E. van Vogt			
	-		& E.Mayne Hull	Park View Manor	125	Daugherty
1947	Philadelphia	Philcon I	John W. Campbell, Jr.	Penn Sheraton	180	Rothman
1948	Toronto	Torcon	Robert Bloch	RAI Purdy Studios	200	McKeown
1949	Cincinnati	Cinvention	Lloyd A. Eshbach	Metropole	200	Ford
1950	Portland	Norwescon	Anthony Boucher	Multnomah	250	Day
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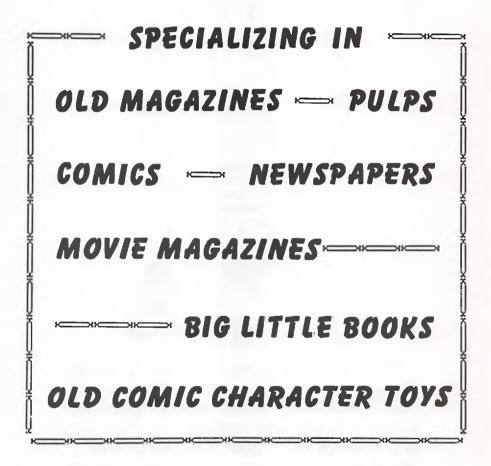
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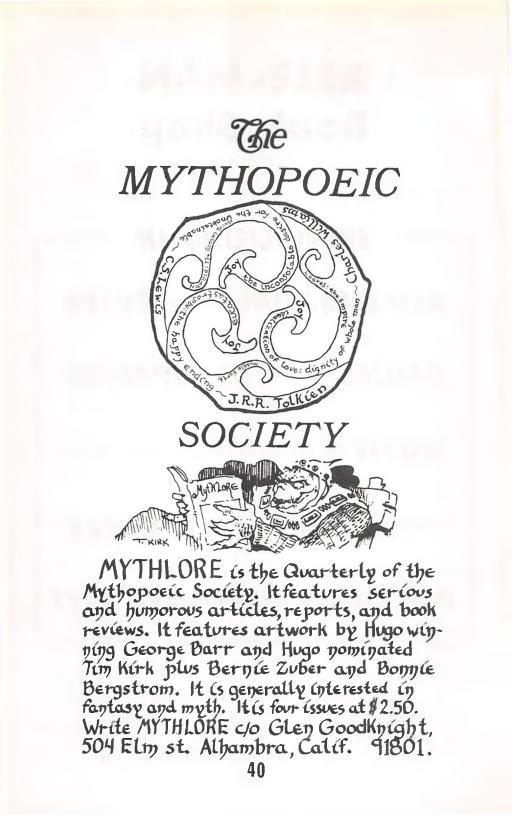
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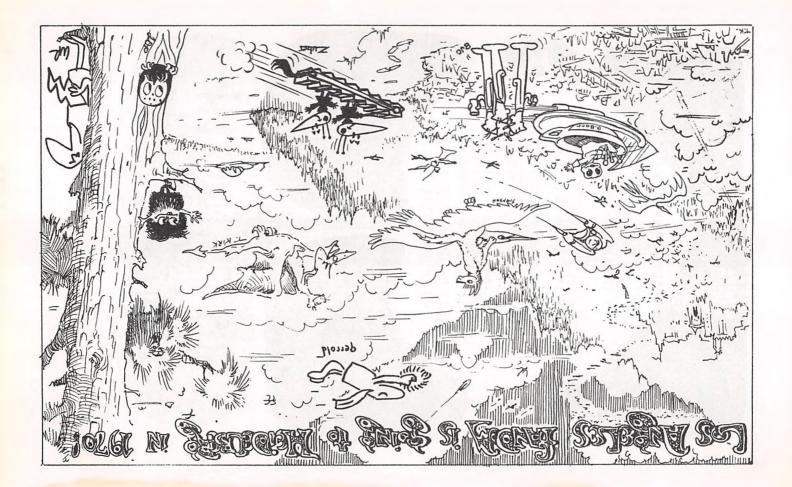
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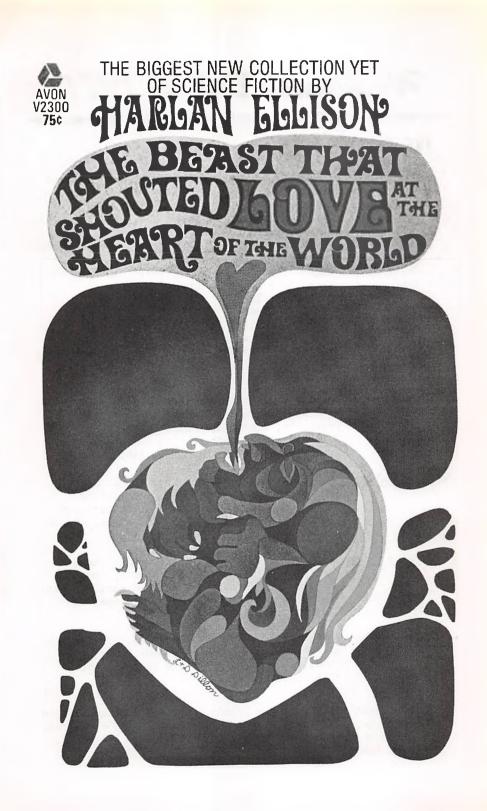


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Of Cabbages and-Masquerades

Those of you who looked at the program first thing to see when the rock band was going to be playing noticed a small notice for a program item called the Masquerade which was going to be held at 7:30 in the same room as the band. I'd like to tell you a little bit about it and how it's going to be run. Those of you who are planning on coming in costume should have started reading at the next paragraph.

The Masquerade will be open to all registered members of the convention whether in costume or not. If you're not coming in costume then you can gape at the lack of costume on the georgeous femmes and take pictures or drink beer as your whimsy takes you. Lighting will be provided for the central stage area so that during the costume progression there will be no reason to use flashbulbs or sunguns to get a good picture. In addition there will be a section of the Khorassan Room cleared for the sole use of photographers who just have to use their own lighting. We know we can't satisfy everyone, but we'll try to satisfy as many as we can.

For those of you who are coming in costume we have more than a few innovations this year in the running of the costume ball, so I think I will run through an imaginary description of how Joe Q. Phann manages the whole thing.

Joe Q. Phann comes in Thursday morning with his two suitcases and his costume. He checks into the hotel and manages to avoid the bellhops and get to his room. He deposits his kipple and rushes down to get registered at the convention before the opening ceremonies.

At the registration desk he picks up his badge and program book and notices the Costume Registration Desk right next to the main desk. He goes over and finds out that he has to declare whether or not he is going to compete in the Masquerade by 5:00 Saturday and have an entry form filled out for him. He decides that now is not the time, and says that he will come back later in the afternoon. ((Here, Joe is being typical, but we would prefer very much that you register as soon as possible. Unless you are officially registered, you will not be able to compete in the Masquerade. This is made necessary by the expected large number of costumes.))

In the afternoon he comes back to the desk. The person manning the desk asks him for his name, the title of his costume and its source. He gives this information to her and she types it on a list of costumes, then fills out an entry form with this information. She then asks Joe if he has a presentation to make. Joe, who is coming as a Magician and wants to throw a spell or two tells her that he does, and gives a brief description of it. ((Again, the large number of contestants leaves us no choice but to edit the presentations. The idea of the description is to decide if this presentation is worth spending the time on it.)) The person at the desk marks that he has a presentation and that he does not need the microphone for his presentation. ((If Joe had had a more complex presentation he might have wanted to arrange for a special effect or music. At the costume registration desk would have been where he contacted the person in charge of the ball and made his arrangements. If you feel that you need special help with your costume, please contact the costume registration desk.)) Joe walks off with his registration form and can forget about his costume until Saturday night. ((If you lose the form, come to the desk for a duplicate. You can't compete without the form.))

During his wandering through the convention, Joe meets many people who have a costume but who are not quite sure whether it's good enough for the Masquerade. He tells them what the people at the desk told him, that if they want to wear a costume, but not compete, they should feel perfectly free to do so, and that if they have any real indecision, to see the people at the costume registration desk.

Finally comes Saturday night and Joe struggles into his costume and gets down to the Khorassan Room just at 7:30. Soon after he arrives the announcer drags the last of the judges up from the bar and the procession is about to begin. In keeping with the instructions of the announcer, Joe does not try to line up at the end of the stage but instead stands near the middle of the room holding his Entry Form in clear view. About half-way through the procession, one of the runners, who have been introduced at the beginning, comes up to him and leads him to the stage area. There his Entry Form is taken and he is put in line to wait his turn. ((At this point his Entry Form is taken and placed in the proper order and run out to the announcer and then given to the judges after it is read.))

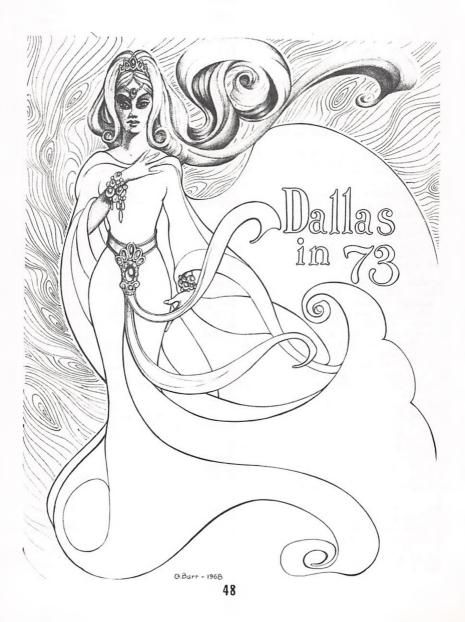
Several costumes without presentations walk onto the stage and travel across quickly. Finally he steps up to the stage and is told to wait a second. Then, at a signal from the person at his side, he stalks across the stage to a position in front of the judges and does his thing. Because his spells would have involved contamination of the atmosphere of the hall, the spells fizzle instead and he walks off dejectedly as part of his act. He walks off the stage and down the side of the auditorium where the photographers are placed, and poses for some pictures. Then he goes back into the audience just in time to see the next presentation costume, Thais, done by Astrid Anderson. ((All program items subject to change without notice.))

The judges retire for deliberations, then return. As they start a second run-through of the costumes they feel were deserving of a second chance, Joe hears his name called and walks quickly to the stage area to take his place in line. Again he does his performance and walks off. The judges retire for a second time then return and announce the winners. Thais wins, unfortunately Joe doesn't, but he has his picture taken many times and manages to snuggle up to several femmes on the pretext of casting spells. Then the rock band comes on and that's the rest of the night.

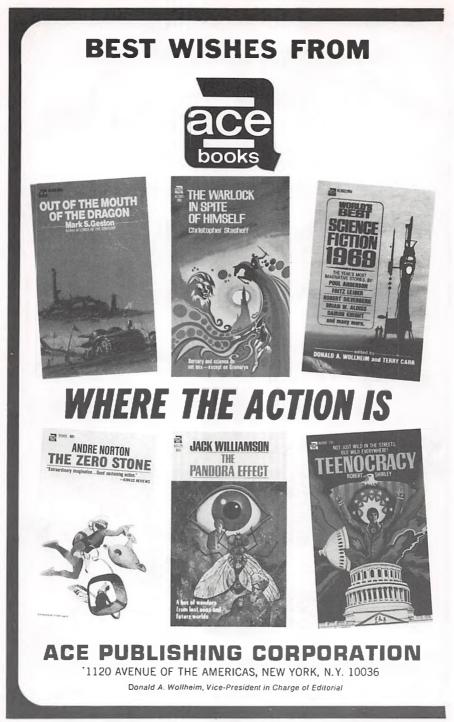
That's the basic outline of what is important that you should know if you are planning on competing in the Masquerade. If you don't want to compete, still feel free to come in costume, but if you are going to compete remember: PRE-REGISTER!

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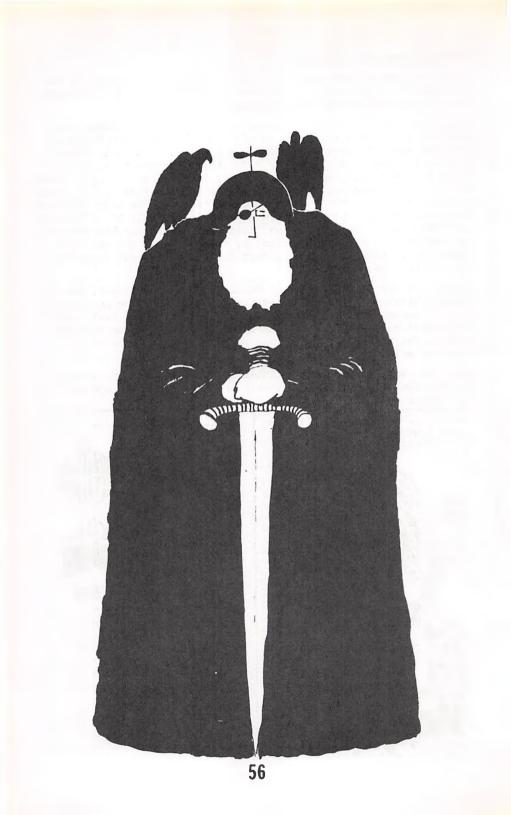
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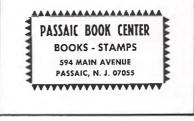
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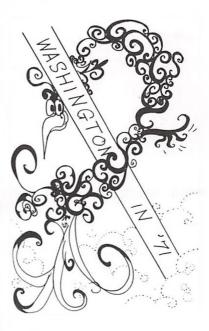
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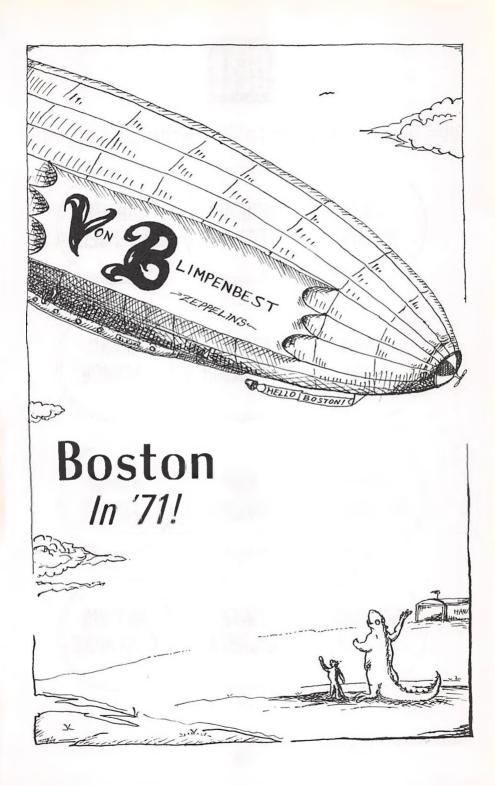
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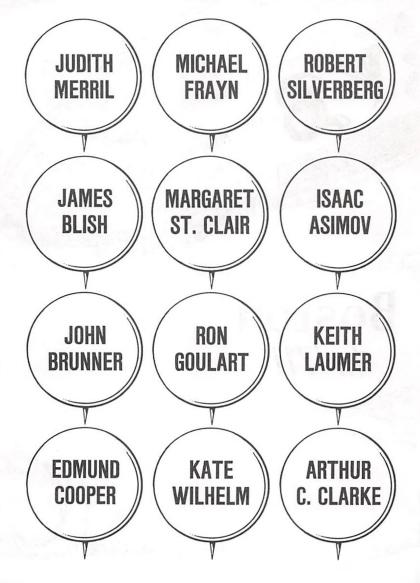








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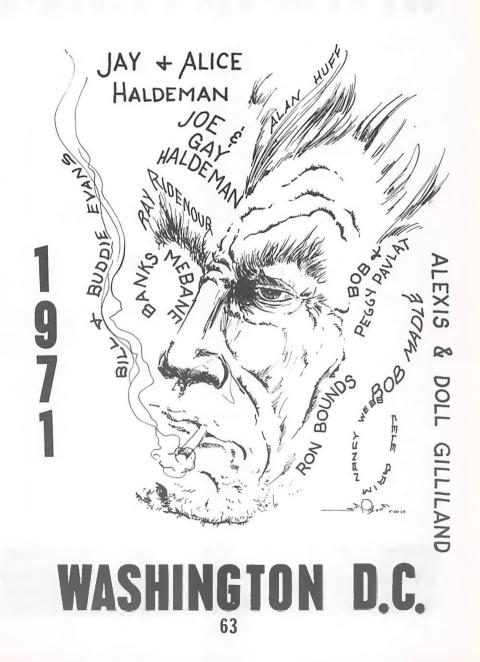
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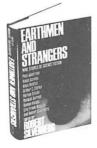
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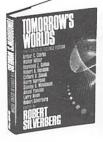
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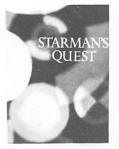
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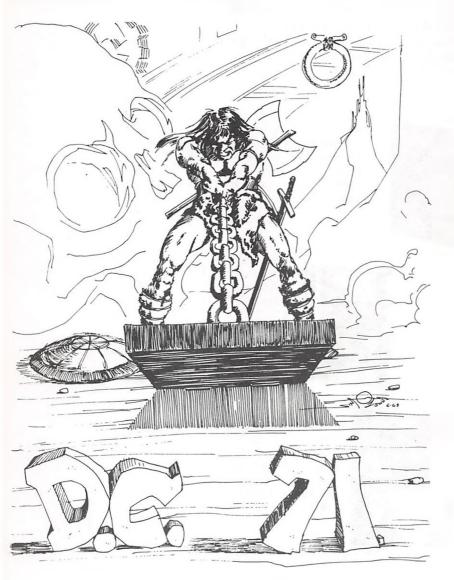
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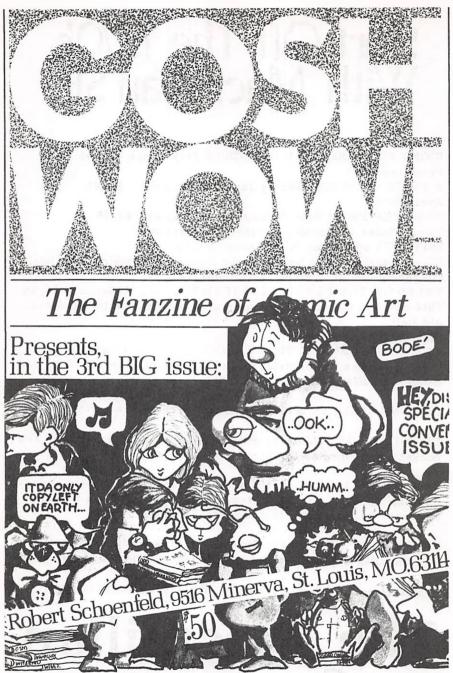
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by HARLAN ELLISON

Your assignment for tomorrow is to write a short story from an alien viewpoint. By alien we mean any viewpoint that is not human, man of today, contemporary American. This means a Martian, a troglodyte, a cat, a woman-any creature demonstrably <u>alien</u>. Got it? Then get outta here and hit those typewriters.

The next day: your assignment for tomorrow is to write a science fiction story employing the concept of labor relations. Strikes, labor practices, scabs, wages, working conditions. Future, past or present, here or Out There. Do you understand? Okay, then move it!

The next day: you have little enough to hook an editor into buying your story. Arresting title is one. Neat manuscript is another. The very best is what professionals call "the literary hook". The first line. I've been looking at your stories, troops, and your first lines are dull, flaccid, insipid, uninspiring, cliche-ridden, beside-the-point and altogether useless from a grabbing standpoint. So your assignment for tomorrow is to write me science fiction first lines that will stop a reader cold, then make him want to go on and read the stories. That's it...get out of here.

And the next day and the next day and the next. For six full weeks.

You think it's easy to become a science fiction writer? You think that just because sf fandom has produced Robert Silverberg and Ray Bradbury and Greg Benford and Richard Lupoff and Terry Carr and Isaac Asimov and Lee Hoffman and a host of others that <u>any</u> ding-dong can write good speculative fiction and get it published? Wrong.

Great sf writers like Chip Delany and Roger Zelazny and myself are born only once every generation. They emerge from the womb with ideas all ready to be set down on paper, and limitless craft at their fingertips. (Well, okay, I'll drop myself from that trio; it took me many years of writing to develop a style and begin to bring my work any lasting values. But the other two did it flat-out, and they are <u>rare</u>, Jim, believe me.)

But can writing be taught?

If you ain't born with it, can you ever go out and get it? Personally, I believe if you don't have that special spark from the git-go, you may be able to write good competent fiction, but you'll never become one of the memorable ones.

Okay, so we'll assume the spark is there. How do you learn to write sf with verve and dash and originality? How do you get some cornball English Lit or Creative Writing course in high school or college to give you what you need to make you a science fiction pro?

Having lectured in many Writers' Workshops all the way from the famous University of Colorado Writers Conference in the Rockies to the UCLA Seminar in SF/Fantasy, I can tell you that for the most part, 99% of the time, the courses and comp classes are worse than useless. They emasculate and stultify what budding talent a young writer may have.

And that's merely to learn how to write anything.

How much more difficult it is to learn to write sf!

Yet our specialized genre has one haven of learning, one genuinely authentic well of information, one extraordinary program for the aspiring sf writer: one that produces results.

The Clarion College Writers' Workshop in Science Fiction & Fantasy.

Founded in 1968 by Dr. Robin Scott Wilson of the English Department of Clarion State College--a man eminently suited for the task: consider his stories in <u>Orbit</u>, F&SF, <u>Analog</u>, and the forthcoming "Again, Dangerous Visions"--the Workshop had its genesis in 1967 when Wilson joined the Clarion staff. Hired specifically to establish a creative writing program at the college which would include some sort of summer program, Wilson proposed the sf Workshop and--miraculously--was given the green light by his superiors. He attended the 1967 Milford SF Writers' Conference to glean background and procedure, and to decide which sf writers he would attempt to hire as Visiting Staff. The Workshop was greeted with uniform delight by the attendees at the Milford Conference, and from the roster of writing talents available to him, Wilson selected Fritz Leiber, Judith Merril, Damon Knight and Kate Wilhelm (working in tandem), and myself for the initial season.

Returning to Clarion, Wilson began a careful process of recruiting students. Announcements were printed in several writers' magazines, in <u>Publisher's Weekly</u> and the <u>Saturday Review</u>. Members of Science Fiction Writers of America and sf editors were asked to recommend potential students. The applications began coming in. Robin Wilson set up stringent qualifications to be met by applicants: they had to submit work they'd done. The obviously untalented, the fringe lunatics, the fans whose fervor for the form far outstripped their capacities for writing, the hopelessly square--these were politely turned down. The promising, the offbeat, the ferociously compelled, the vital, young or old it made no difference...those who could do no other than write: these were accepted.

There were twenty-four that first year. They ranged in age from 17-year-old Victor olafson to 65-year-old David Belcher. The former a high school student, the latter a retired naval surgeon. And there was a computer programmer, and a school teacher, and a woman who wrote children's books, and a road bum and a farmboy and college students you wouldn't believe.

The course was divided up into six weeks, with Robin Wilson taking first and last weeks, hipping them to the ground rules of critical and literary and grammatical standards by which they would operate. Then the four gut-weeks were handled, in order, by Merril, Leiber, Ellison and Knight/Wilhelm. Each Visiting Instructor had his or her special way of getting into them--Fritz used kindness, warmth, wit and the power of his genius; Damon and Kate stripped each story down to its basic fiber and analyzed it syntactically, structurally, conceptually and organically, in search of wonder; I bullied, chivvied, insulted, harassed and made them write a story a day. Classes met at nine in the morning. Frequently, the students were at half-mast. They'd been up writing all night. The sounds of typewriters coming from Becht Hall-the dorm where students and Visiting Faculty were billeted--went on into the wee hours. But they always had their product next morning. A great pot of hot coffee in the classroom, coupled with comfortable deep chairs set in a circle, usually brought them around to alertness in fifteen minutes. Or else.

Then the stories that had been submitted the day before were "workshopped". Going around the room, each student helped the author of a particular story and himself by picking the piece to pieces. Good and bad. Stylistic flaws. Character failures. Inconsistencies. Clever turns of phrase. Original conceptions. Bad grammar. How and why a great idea was blown by muddy thinking. Said-bookism. Prolix sentences. Broken-backed phrases. Idiot plotting. Nothing escaped the eyes of students who had grown sharp and demanding during the first weeks of getting their own work flayed. And then, after the students had all said their pieces, Robin Wilson made his comments about the story, followed by the comments of the Visiting Instructor.

But as much benefit for the fledgling writers was derived from off-duty hours as in the classroom. All living together--on separate floors, policed by Clarion's own Inspector Maigret, Marie Rogers--the students and faculty spent most of their time away from the solitary typewriters on the front porch of Becht Hall...talking, laughing, playing music, eating pizza at midnight, hustling the summer school archeology students, the "Digger" girls; getting into one another's heads, melding together into a unit dedicated to uncovering the arcane secrets of writing speculative fiction.

And the Visiting Instructors found their students so bright, so rewarding as people, that extracurricular activities suddenly became part of the Workshop: a hamburger cookout at Robin Wilson's; ghost-hunting in an abandoned church at midnight with Fritz Leiber; kite-flying with Damon Knight; Judith Merril bringing in Samuel R. Delany as a surprise lecturer; everyone going to the Clarion movie to see "The Green Slime" and destroying the audience with barbed comments; Fritz teaching fencing; going in together on the purchase of thirty dollars worth of prime steak, to be cooked in the Clarion Cafeteria and eaten before Clarion summer students (who look on the sf writers as weirdies) who are stuck with squeamy spaghetti and watery stew; playing a heavy Synanon truth game to reach into the souls and truth of each other.

Six weeks in 1968, and six weeks again this year (with Frederick Pohl replacing Judith Merril). A total of forty-three potential sorcerers. What sort of results have been obtained from this high-pressure crash-program? (Writers' Workshops are notorious for producing nothing of tangible value. If one or two out of fifty attendees at a Conference the size of Bread Loaf or the University of Colorado makes a sale, the directors crow for years. So what can we call demonstrable proof of Clarion's effectiveness?)

Well, Pat Meadows has sold several stories to F&SF, Grant Carrington placed one with Harry Harrison for the new NOVA series; Dave Belcher has a brilliant novelette coming in ORBIT 5; Lucy Seaman and Sandy Rymer landed a script assignment on MISSION:IMPOS-SIBLE: Neil Shapiro at F&SF; Evelyn Lief and Ed Bryant in AGAIN, DANGEROUS VISIONS and David Gerrold's forthcoming anthology of new talents; Russell Bates sold a story idea to NEC; Phyllis MacLennan placed a juvenile novel, to be published this Fall; Diane Hollibaugh sold a short story to AVANT-GARDE magazine; Jim Sutherland hit AGAIN, DANGEROUS VISIONS with a novelette; and Doubleday is currently negotiating for an anthology (with introductions by the Visiting Instructors) of Clarion Workshop fiction.

Rather startling returns on such a small investment.

Is it that Robin Wilson selected so carefully that it was inevitable his students would break through? Or is it possible that for those who love sf ferociously enough, success is guaranteed? Could it be that the Clarion Method with its integration of students and faculty is a natural for turning budding talents into selling authors? Or is there a kind of magic produced by these kids (no matter what their age) when mixed with the magics of a Leiber, a Pohl, a Knight, a Wilhelm and others? Inspired? Hell, yes. Productive? Without question. Are the runes cast correctly, is the moon in its proper phase, was a two-headed calf born, was a virgin sacrificed? 'Well, those Digger chicks may not be exactly virgins...but...

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is cutting back its educational budget. It's hap-

pening in every state. The Establishment doesn't like the noises on campus. But one of the programs in jeopardy is the Clarion Workshop.

They'll be needing support this year. Maybe funds. Fandom has to support Clarion. Why? Because we're a tiny group, friends. We stand alone against the provincialism and retardation of our society. We dream great dreams. And teaching the sorcerers to dream the dreams properly is a holy chore. If you want to help, write Robin Wilson at the English Department of Clarion State College, Clarion, Pennsylvania 16214. Maybe...just maybe...if you've got the stuff, and you want to write sf, Robin will accept you next year. And maybe...just maybe...you can offer some solid support.

What's that? What'd you ask? What did those first lines look like? The ones that were assigned at this year's Workshop? Well, okay, if I'm going to ask you for support, the least I can do is give you a sample of the kind of wonder the apprentice sorcerers dish out. Here are a batch of first lines. You might try what <u>they</u> were instructed to try: write a solid story from any of these first lines.

1. The unemployment line was long: one vampire, two werewolves, a ghoul, three witches and a succubus.

2. Nora felt disgusted at having to eat the Catholic priest; she'd never really wanted anything to do with the Church.

3. Monroe's time machine was a real innovation: he activated it and promptly destroyed Monday, September 22nd, 1969.

4. The Indian brave, Momashay, ignored the child's protests as he swung it by its ankles and smashed its head into a tree.

5. When I am in the sun, I half close my eyes and look at my lashes. There are rainbows: that is the only beautiful thing about me.

6. His shoe swiftly consumed his foot.

7. They crucified Christ again today. I don't think he did anything this time, either.

8. Once, upon a dime, a flea ran through a quick but impressive circus act.

9. Body tense and sweating, Byron concentrated on marking off his answers; if he failed the written part of the masculinity exam, Laura would find herself another husband.

10. Sam Untermeyer was a rotten kid; even his mother said so.

11. Icarus passed overhead with sound and fire like all the wars of all time and struck the earth somewhere beyond Chicago.

12. "My son, the Polish Army, had one helluva time keeping up with combat on the semi-sweet Eastern Front."

13. He stood grinning, with a penguin under each arm, as though a man with a glass tumor was a thing of the past.

14. When Harold Plidner was four years old, he decided he wanted to be a cauliflower.

15. Sylvia took off her clothes seductively, jumped into Harry's lap and began to wag her tail.

16. One day the Pope forgot to take her Pill.

17. The road to Cinnabar was lined exclusively with the burned-out shells of school buses.

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Special thanks are certainly due to every person who managed some function of the con, and who so willingly assisted with the work; to all who took part in the program; to all those who gave material for the auctions. Special thanks to the prozines and fanzines who helped us circulate information about the convention.

Special thanks are more than due, to entire fan groups who have participated in the arrangements for the convention: from Los Angeles to New York, Minneapolis to New Orleans, Chicago to Dallas — the fan centers of the country have had a large hand in the preparations that resulted in this con.

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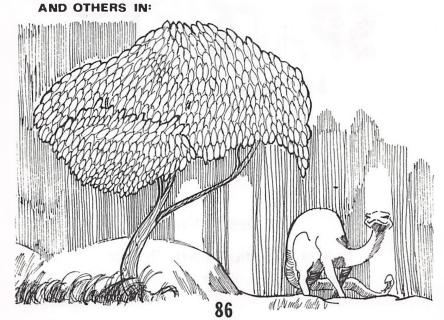
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Well, having this great hotel we had to get a city to put it in. Since we didn't have much time we obtained a time machine from THE SECRET MASTERS OF FANDOM and went back to the early 1600's to build a city. We decided to make it a fannish city so we included everything designed to please the fannish soul. We started by having cows wander about to lay out the street plan. Then we put in bookstores, over 100 of them, most within a short distance of the hotel. Then we added restaurants (besides the ones in the hotel) - good

added restaurants (besides the ones in the note) ones with reasonable prices (we even put in a local Chinatown). We tied the city together with trolley cars over-, on-, and under-ground. We filled the city with historic sights and friendly people. And, just to add to the tone and intellectual atmosphere, we arranged for a few colleges and universities (even filled in some swamps to build a trade school) and their appurtanances.

Oh! That fellow over to the right? Well, he's the local sachem and we sort of promised to return the city to him after the con. It's part of some larger plan he has in mind.

So, when the time comes to vote, remember it's:

BOSTON in 1971

COMMITTEE

Tony Lewis Chairman

> Cory Panshin Secretary

Hal Clement Treasurer He has attended every British con since.

In 1957, the first British Worldcon - he, with other members of LIG, was largely responsible for the programme. Eddie is also wellknown to German fandom as he has attended both the Castle Con and the Vienna Con. He was also responsible for the Program Booklet and badges of the Castle Con.

A list of Eddie's artwork is most impressive. Apart from the Castle Con, he has designed two Program Booklets for British cons; has been a fanzine illustrater since 1953 in most British, American, Belgium, and German fanzines; has illustrations in professional magazines from NEBULA (1958) through NEW WORLDS, SCIENCE FANTASY, BADGER BOOKS, German PB covers, IF, Arkham House, and even Bubble Gum cards! His latest venture is to produce the covers and interiors for the new British prozine, VISION OF TOMORROW.

His list of art awards is also lengthy. An example of his record could be the LONCON II Artshow where he won four 1st prizes; two 2nd prizes, and a Honorable Mention. One single painting at this show.."AT THE TIPS-HOTHOUSE" won three different awards!

He is a founder member of the BSFA; and is an ex-Chairman of LIG. He is a Knight of St. Fanthony and now is Knight Armourer of this Order. He has won many awards for costumes and has also designed awardwinning costumes for other members of LIG.

Apart from his interest in artwork Eddie also has a keenness for photography, film-making, and tape productions. He collects swords and all other edge weapons. He has a gun collection; likes to read the background of the 'Old West' and is quite a good shot. He makes, paints, and collects miniatures; and is responsible for the statuettes given to all new members of St. Fanthony. Naturally he collects SF. He has a discriminating taste in exotic foods and wines.

Eddie is 34, single, and his job is that of Production Manager for one of the largest advertising agencies in Britain.

Debonair would be a good word to describe Eddie; he makes a fine figure in his Knight Armourer costume. He enters well into the spirit of any fannish undertaking. I have a fond memory of the St. Fanthony ceremony of LONCON II. There a "fakefan" came forward to the ceremony and was ingloriously hauled away backstage. From there came blood-curdling screams and then Eddie appeared with his sword dripping with realistic gore! A great deal of hilarity and tomato ketchup backstage had produced this effect - but one would never have known this from Eddie's straight face.

Eddie hopes that many fans at St. Louis will come up and talk to him. Now you know all about him - help him to meet and enjoy the other fans, artists, and authors attending this convention. He brings with him the best wishes of all of European Fandom that you may all enjoy a happy and successful convention.

JONES THE FAN



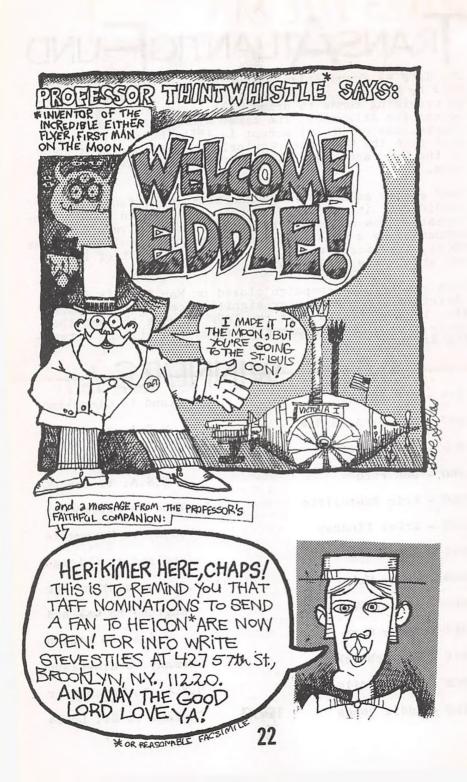
introduction by Ethel Lindsay

In Wales, where the name of Jones abounds, it is customary to differentiate by using the titles..Jones the Butcher; Jones the Fishetc. It is my great pleasure to introduce to you...Jones the Fan.

Eddie Jones, your TAFF Delegate, is a favourite and familiar figure in British SF circles. Like a great many other British fans, he first heard of fandom through Ken Slater. Eddie saw an advert for Ken's OPERATION FANTAST, a very useful newszine, and so learned of the existance of the Liverpool SF circle. He first made contact with John Roles, but states he was at first too shy to join the meetings. A few months later he contacted the then very lively Medway Group and subscribed to THE MEDWAY JOURNAL.

This first sight of the fanzine field stimulated Eddie into sending them some illustrations. These were seen by Ron Bennett who asked for some cartoons for his PLOY. From then on Eddie's artwork has been in constant demand by fanzine editors. This was 1953 and the start of his steady involvement with SF fandom.

Eddie's next venture was to join with Bill Harry - another artist into producing the art zine BINARY; with this out Eddie felt happier about joining the Liverpool Group (LIG) and did so in 1955. The first convention attended by Eddie was the Kettering Con of 1956.



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The TAFF -- Trans-Atlantic Fan Fund -- was created in 1953 by Don Ford and Walter A. Willis, for the purpose of providing funds to bring well-known and popular fans across the Atlantic. The first winner, A. Vincent Clarke, was unable to accept in 1954; however, since that time the TAFF has regularly brought overseas fans to the U.S. and sent American fans to British conventions.

TAFF exists solely through the support of fandom. The candidates, in each TAFF campaign, are voted upon by interested fans all over the world, and each vote is accompanied by a donation of no less than a dollar. These votes, therefore, and the continued interest of fans, are what makes TAFF possible.

This year's TAFF campaign closed on May 31. It is therefore with particular significance to St. Louiscon that we are able to list the TAFF winners through the years, including the current winner who will be attending St. Louiscon.

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1962 -	Ron Ellik		England to Chicago
1964 -	Wally Weber		U.S.A. to Peterborough
1964 -	Arthur Thomson		England to Oakland
1965 -	Terry Carr		U.S.A. to London
1966 -	Tom Schulck		Germany to Cleveland
1968 -	Steve Stiles		U.S.A. to Manchester
1969 -	Eddie Jones	1969 21	England to St. Louis

whole <u>schmear</u>. I didn't know what to do, so what I did was call up the production department of the New York Times and say "I've gotta produce an ad for you, what do I do?" And over the next six-eight months they told me, and I learned my craft that way. They were very helpful, they really were.

[Back into the Fold]

At that time, which was the beginning of my freelance period, I started painting pictures, and they turned out to be science fiction pictures. You naturally go to the thing you know, and I know and love science fiction. There had been up to that time, with the exception of Powers, very little of the real meat of science fiction on the covers. They were usually very broadly tempera painted naked ladies with brassieres. I'm not talking just about Bergey. <u>Fantasy Reader</u> covers, things like that. Paperback people did not use people like Rogers or anybody who came out of the field.

Don Wollheim bought my first paperback cover. All this time I'm doing illustrations for <u>Galaxy</u> once in a while, more or less as a hobby, whenever Mr. van der Poel let me. But Don Wollheim bought the first paperback cover. It was for <u>Times Without</u> <u>Number</u> by John Brunner. Then Don Bensen at Pyramid bought one for the same reason Wollheim had. Both Wollheim and Bensen were looking for science fiction illustrators who were less professional slick illustrators than they were science fiction people.

This was after <u>The Dragon Masters</u> which I did while I still had my outside job. August, 1962. Thanks to Jack Vance. Thanks to that story. Though I had been doing illustrations for years, thanks to the blending of the story and art, <u>The Dragon</u> <u>Masters</u> made me at last not the invisible man any more. Because I'd been invisible for years before that.

So that made me the visible man, and because I was visible Wollheim remembered me, Bensen remembered me, and once I had a couple of paperback covers under my belt, and a little food, I just hustled.

[Truphan Redivivus]

When I came back into fandom it was because I'd done enough stuff professionally that Hans Santesson invited me to Hydra meeting and there I met Terry Carr. Somehow or other I got to see his magazine and sort of hung around with Terry once in a while. Then Terry sent me <u>The Compleat Burbee</u> and this was like my introduction all over again, there was this thing called fandom, and was really amusing, articulate.

I found myself so taken with <u>Lighthouse</u> that every time I saw Terry I tried to speak in quotable quotes so he'd quote me but he never did.

So I got around that one by writing an article for <u>Lighthouse</u>. I went down to visit John Schoenherr and came back covered with ticks. And I thought that would be very interesting to write an article about, so I did, and Terry published it, and somebody mentioned it in a letter in the next issue, and that's all you need, seeing your name in a fanzine.

I've been doing it ever since. I would write an article, contribute a drawing, and there would be this thing that never happened in the prozines, there would be a <u>response</u>. No matter what kind of response, it was great to know you weren't shouting or squeaking in a vacuum.

The mere fact that fandom made a response was the great thing. It's probably the reason I still hang onto it. The whole egoboo business is what does it, and the plain business of response, to know that you're not talking merely to yourself or the guy that writes the check. It's great.

[Lupoff here again] That's the way Jack Gaughan talks. All the time. If I hadn't promised Ray Fisher this piece for the program booklet I could take the tape and turn it into a couple more short stories, but a promise is a promise. Jack has a lot more to say, including the fact that he's out to destroy the fan art field. Well, not destroy it, maybe, but cream the top talents off the top of the fanzine field and turn them into dirrty pros too.

He wants the good fan artists - the <u>good</u> ones - to make up samples and send them to him at <u>Galaxy</u>. Assignments are forthcoming. where I was wrong, except that each time I was wrong I was "quoting" a story that he had printed, explicitly. And when I went to New York on a vacation he ended up giving me a story called <u>Gynsy</u> by Foul Anderson, one of Anderson's first. January, 1950, <u>Astounding Science Fiction</u>. I did that in New York for the glorious sum of \$30. I did some other stuff and it got printed and somehow or other my name got kicked around.

[Adventures in Mundania]

So I did this stuff early. This was interrupted in 1952 by my getting drafted, and in 1954 I got out and went to Fhilly and later got suckered into taking jobs commercially...advertising, art director for four film producers, consultant for the American Bosch Company.

I went to Brooklyn on Hannes Bok's invitation and I took an apartment there with a widow he used to do astrology readings for. I stayed there rent-free on the basis that I would be a janitor. I took the cans out and fixed the plumbing and all the sort of things that I don't do around my house nowadays, I assure you.

Until one day I drew a picture of the landlady. The idea of my being there at all was that I was eventually to do a portrait of the landlady. And I got to know her in the meantime, which was a great mistake, because when I painted her portrait I painted all the wrinkles and all the crow's feet and everything, and she was well over 40, perhaps over 50 for all I know, and imagined she was Audrey Hepburn.

So I perforce left that place, and for various other reasons took a job in a small art studio instead of goofing off on GI unemployment which is what I intended to do. I lived on 47th Street in Manhattan above a Spanish bar called El Fundador. The smell of rice, onions and beans permeates some of my clothes which I have to this day, as a matter of fact.

I painted a mural on the wall of this apartment, on my bedroom wall. The bedroom was, I'd say, about four feet wide. That's no exaggeration. Imagine getting a bed in it. I painted this mural of an old Russian legend, a favorite of mine, called <u>llva Murometz</u>. Ilya Murometz is an old Russian hero, see, and he does a lot of marvelous heroic Russian things, and in the end he meets a tribe of Tartars or Tatars depending on which album notes you read, the Capitol or the Victor.

And he cuts them in half with his sword and every time he cuts one in half they turn into two. For the first time in his life Ilya takes a look and he figures "Oh boy, I've had it!" And he turns tail and he runs. The minute he turns tail he turns into stone. So I painted this two-sequence thing on the wall, and along about that time, shortly after I'd painted it, I met Phoebe and we decided to get married, and we left the apartment.

And it was taken over by a very delicate, limp-wristed young man, who when he saw this mural decided to cover it up. I had painted the mural in very thick water color, you might almost call it <u>gounche</u>, but he covered it up with very shiny light blue enamel.

And that was his bedroom too, and he used to lay there at night, but because it was very shiny blue enamel over my <u>gouache</u> water color, the water color began to crack, and the paint on top began to crack off the water color, and these <u>faces</u> began to peer through at him. I met him on the street one day, you know this area of cat, very delicate and superstitious. He sort of told me the story but he was sort of mystically shook up about it. I didn't know what to say about it. The only thing I know is that eventually he moved out and I never heard more of the apartment.

But during that period I was promoted to father...and to studio manager. And then I was hired away from the studio by a very small advertising agency, to be the art director. Actually I wasn't hired to be the art director, I was hired to help the art director, but the art director never showed up, so I was it. And one day I found myself the art director of an advertising agency. We did largely real estate ads and engineering recruiting ads. We did 'em for Grumman, Norden, people like that.

I didn't know anything about art directing, I was just a studio guy. In the studio all I did was comp renderings. You know when you're in that field you're typed. If you're a comp renderer you don't do layouts, you just comp render what somebody else laid out. Well here I am art director, I'm supposed to be the head man of the room at the hotel, and one night there was a knock at the door and this young man came in and he was wearing a propeller beany and he had a bolo knife in his right hand. He was a little fat guy like Woozy Winks in <u>Plastic Man</u>. And he swiped at me with his bolo knife and I just froze, I just stood there and looked at him. I didn't make an expression or move or...nothing.

He stopped swiping at me and he backed off and he said "I'm writing a story and I wanted to see what you would do," and he went out of the room and I had nothing to do with fandom for about ten years after that.

[Becoming a Dirrrty Pro]

I sent my elaborate Virgil Finlay imitations out to FPCI because they at that time printed the rottenest artwork I've ever seen, and I figured, I can do that! This is a philosophy that I, as art director at <u>Galaxy</u>, have to put up with to this day. Kids who see rotten drawings in the old <u>Galaxy</u> send me rotten samples figuring they are just as good and they're right but I don't want that.

Well I sent them rotten samples and strangely enough they said "Here's a book, here it is, <u>People of the Comet</u> by Austin Hall. Read it, do us a jacket, such-and-so a size with \underline{x} amount of bleed." I was still in art school at the time and I ran up to my art teacher, her name was Irene Hoffman, and tugged at her skird, and I said "What's a bleed?"

She told me what a bleed was and I didn't believe her but I did it anyway and I did this magnificent cover for <u>People of the Comet</u> consisting of an observatory with stars in the skies. One thing I remember about it is that, in <u>Super Science Stor-</u> ies I think, Fred Pohl reviewed this book, which is largely about a guy looking at the dirt under his fingernails. Fred Pohl said that the jacket was better than the book. And it wasn't until years later when I realized how rotten the book was that I realized what Fred was saying.

Mr. Crawford at FPCI signed the checks but I always addressed Garrett Ford. I was told only two years ago that Garrett Ford was Forry Ackerman, Margaret Crawford, and William Crawford. Ackerman told me himself. Anyway, I always wrote to Garrett Ford, and you know what they paid me?

First of all they wanted to pay me an \$18.75 war bond. They paid \$18.75 for their two-color jackets. And I didn't want that, I wanted money. So when they found out I wanted money they decided to talk me into \$18.75 worth of books. I didn't want that either. It took me about three months to finally convince them to pay me money. They sent me a check which I cashed <u>immediately</u>, for \$18.75, which is what they paid me for all my jackets.

For FPCI I did jackets for <u>People of the Comet</u> by Hall, <u>Planets of Adventure</u> by Basil Wells, <u>The Radium Pool</u> by Ed Earl Repp, <u>The Rat Race</u> by Jay Franklin, <u>After</u> <u>12.000 Years</u> by Stanton A. Coblentz, and <u>The Radio Man</u> by Ralph Milne Farley. All of 'em were very bad.

The Radio Man was my second job. I was given these old pulp magazines it appeared in as a serial, I read it, and in order to do things right I spent at least three full days on my stomach with a magnifying glass torturing the hell out of black ants to get a good look at them. Some of the stuff showed up many, many years later in <u>The Dragon Masters.Still</u>, I found out where the antennae were really attached where the mandibles came out of, and what the eyes looked like.

Because I remember the Paul illustrations; they look no more like ants than you do, Lupoff! I found out what an ant really looks like. Because I didn't know about research, I did my own. I've gotten smarter and lazier since.

So I did these drawings, they were sent to the publisher and from the publisher to Ralph Milne Farley, Roger Sherman Hoar. I had a letter from him that said it was the first time that anybody had actually drawn real ants for his stories, they were eclectic. I didn't know what that meant. The design of the jacket was eclectic too. He guessed the human face was all right but the ants were the best he'd seen as illustrations to his stories.

I was very proud.

I sent off a bunch of samples to John W. Campbell and he sent back notes telling me

I'd spent two years in the Transportation Corps in Fort Eustis, Virginia. One of the things I did was teach guys who'd been in the army since Victor McLaughlin was Sergeant Quirt how to fire an M1 rifle when I couldn't hit the side of a barn with one.

After my post-graduate years I went to Philadelphis and lived above a bar full of prostitutes and degenerates who took great care of me, and I illustrated a kids' book while I was there: <u>The Pennsylvania Story</u>. It was a history of Pennsylvania; I think it's still in use in Pennsylvania schools.

[Getting in the Olde Ess-Tee-Eff]

I got into science fiction, never having read it, because I have a big mouth, and in the Catholic school in which I studied, one time I opened my mouth once too often and a teacher, a nun, a Sister of Charity I might add, as a matter of punishment made me read and report on <u>Out of the Silent Planet</u> by C. S. Lewis. A thoroughly approved-of Catholic writer incidentally.

And I got...well, the thing that really hooked me on it was not the science fiction so much as there was an animal in this story that urinated. And I thought that an animal that urinated in the library of a Catholic school has to be a gas. So in all seriousness I looked up the rest of the science fiction, because I thought "That's a pretty free-thinking field!" You know, a Catholic school, like other schools, has a pretty restricted point of view. Every school to every kid is restrictive anyway.

And the only science fiction I found readily after that, because I was hooked on science fiction after that, was <u>Planet Comics</u>. And I found out there was a thing called <u>Planet Stories</u> which did relate, they were illustrated by the same people. But I got into that and then I found out there was a thing called <u>Famous Fantastic</u> <u>Mysteries</u>. From "Planet" to "Fantastic" wasn't too great a leap, but I found myself confronted with minor classics of English literature every once in a while, cut up though they may have been.

And at that point I was hooked on it.

Those magazines were largely illustrated by L. Sterne Stevens, Virgil Finlay, and Lawrence. Finlay appealed to me because another time in the high school as punishment I was required to copy, line for line, a Gustave Dore engraving from Dante's <u>Inferno</u>, which is full of <u>nudes</u>. And I copied it line for line.

Dore actually drew all those lines on the block before the engraver got to them, and <u>here</u> was <u>this</u> guy who did this wild pen work, Virgil Finlay, and I got hung up on that, and the agreeable aspect of fantasy.

Most of it was fantasy, I didn't get into science fiction actually, it was a little forbidding. I tried reading A. E. van Vogt and I didn't understand. I mean when people would walk through walls just as a matter of course without being explained it annoyed me so I got hung up on Rider Haggard instead. And later graduated into science fiction.

But there were these illustrators, and I really tried for years to be Virgil Finlay. I found it easier to be Lawrence because of a somewhat technical reason, that he drew illustrations rather than designs. Designs have to be intelligently arranged and produced.

So what I did was make up these samples and I figured, since that's what I do, and that's the only thing at that time that I knew, that's what I'd attempt to do professionally. So I sent off samples everywhere.

[Once Around Fast in Fandom]

Meanwhile the Cincinatti people, Don Ford, got me to come down to the Cincinatti convention. I was about 18 at the time, and I was doing fan drawings for John Grossman's <u>Scientifantasy</u> and Gus Willmorth's <u>Fantasy Advertiser</u> and Frank Dietz's original <u>Luna</u> — I had a two or three-color cover, very bad. This sort of culminated at the Cincinatti convention because....

At the Cincinatti convention was a young man whose name I could give you but I'd rather not. And at the con I didn't know anybody so I spent most of my time in my

tion as Guest of Honor by the World Science Fiction Convention.

In addition to his work as a freelance artist he recently was appointed art director for <u>Galary</u> and <u>If</u> magazines, and his distinctive touch in design has already begun to be felt in the interior appearances of those magazines.

All of this would seem an admirable career in science fiction, but only a relative handfull of Jack Gaughan's admirers are aware that this is his second time around that he had a previous career as a science fiction fan and pro, disappeared almost entirely from the scene, and in fact is a bit of a re-tread as an SF personality.

It is customary to include profiles of Guests of Honor in these program booklets, and Ray Fisher asked me to write one on Jack, perhaps because we've been friends for years, and because we live fairly near one another.

Jack lives with his wife Phoebe, children Brian and Norah, Phoebe's mother Susan Adams, two cats and a black-and-white hound called Ace. Their home is an old Lovecraftian manse of rough-hewn stone, narrow flights of steep and creaking stairs, and an attic inhabited by stubborn swarms of bats that refuse to stay exterminated. This stands in the tiny town of Rifton, New York, between New Faltz and Kingston. If that doesn't help much, it's about 100 miles north of New York City.

His studio, files, and Galaxy-If Art Director's office are located on the top floor of that old stone house, and a visit there is enough to make the science fiction fan's eyes pop at the stacks of Jack's works: framed and unframed originals, file copies of those hundred of books and magazines, rough sketches and unfinished drawings and paintings that will appear on newsstands in the months to come.

He is a stocky man of medium height and ruddy complexion, with a ready grin, a ready opinion on any subject under the sun, and a dedication to his work that combines humility with fully justified pride. Here's the kind of think Jack does:

A couple of years ago I sold a novel to Lancer Books and Jack was given the assignment of painting the cover. I arranged to drop in on him accidentally-on-purpose just before the painting was to be turned in, and Jack showed it to me. He'd made a striking picture to go on the book: a sinister sailing ship is seen on the surface of a blood-red sea, while out of a similarly crimson sky filled with enigmatic planets there rises the psychedelically-patterned form of a nearly nude giantess, clad only in a dark blue cloak.

"I love it," I said to Jack, "only in the story her cloak isn't that plain blue — it's worked through with silver filigree."

"Sit right down," Jack said, "read these 150 fanzines and don't look up until I tell you to."

I did as he said, and when he finally summoned me from the pages of the N3F <u>Tight-</u> beam there was the painting, the cloak now worked throughout with intricate silver filigree.

That's artistic integrity.

To tell Jack's story, there's no one better than Jack himself. He is a highly erpressive man whose conversation, except for a slight tendency never to let the other fellow finish a sentence, is a pleasure to share. My wife Pat and I shared an evening's pub-crawl with the Gaughans a year or two ago and the next day I just set down the conversation almost verbatim, disguised our four names and a few local references, and sold the thing to <u>Dude</u> magazine as a short story.

So rather than tell you much more about Jack, I asked him to turn on the tape recorder and tell about himself the other night. I've transcribed the tape, edited and rearranged a little bit to reduce the amount of hopping around that took place, and I'll let Jack speak for himself.

[Some Basic Autobiography]

[Gaughan here] Born September 24, 1930, Springfield, Ohio in a hospital which burned down shortly after my birth. Schooling: parochial all the way up through high school. Then I attended the Dayton Art Institute for four regular years, one post-graduate year on a scholarship, got drafted, came back for one other year on the GI Bill.

gaughan by gaughan



with a slight assist from Dick Lupoff

[Lupoff here] Jack Gaughan, as everybody knows, is the sensational science fiction artist who broke on the scene in the August 1962 issue of <u>Galaxy Science Fiction</u> with his striking cover painting and stunning black-and-white illustrations for Jack Vance's novella <u>The Dragon Masters</u>. He followed this tour-de-force with innumerable other magazine and paperback book covers, black-and-white illustrations, and jacket paintings for hardcover books. In these seven years he has painted the covers of over 100 volumes for Ace Books alone -- plus his work for Pyramid, Lancer, <u>Galaxy</u>, <u>If</u>, <u>International SF</u>, <u>Worlds of Fantasy</u>, <u>F&SF</u>, Walker, and others.

His growth as a professional illustrator has paralleled his growing popularity as a fan. He has attended local club meetings of New York groups, most notably the Fanoclasts, originally a fanzine-oriented, "fanish" group whose members in recent years have crashed the pro ranks virtually <u>en masse</u>, providing the field with a whole crop of authors, editors, and artists. He has attended regional and world SF conventions, and was chosen as Guest of Honor at a recent Boskone.

He has been almost unbelievably generous with his time and talent, advice and materials, contributing artwork or articles to innumerable fanzines including Luna, Scientifantasy, Fantasy Advertiser, Insides, Psychotic/SFR, Lighthouse, Starling, Tanstaafl, WSFA Journal, Niekas, Algol, Horib, Odd, Shaggy, Amra, and Granfalloon. His <u>Nycon Comics</u> was a mainstay of the successful bidding campaign of the New York convention in 1967.

His career has been crowned with three Hugos (best professional artist and best fan artist in 1967, and best professional artist again in 1968), and now by his selec-

Jack Gaughan is one of those...<u>phenomena</u>...who very occasionally show up on editors' doorsteps. If you look very carefully at his forehead, you'll see that it says there in the tiniest of calligraphy, <u>God is not dead</u>. He asked me to tell you. (If you look there and don't see this message, maybe it's because only editors and art directors can read it.)

Jack Gaughan is one hell of a good artist. Everybody has his own favorite Gaughan drawings and paintings: maybe the drawings he did for Jack Vance's THE DRAGON MAS-TERS, or for Fritz Leiber's A SPECTER IS HAUNTING TEXAS, or the covers for THE GHOSTS OF MANACLE by Charles Finney (Pyramid) or KING OF THE WORLD'S EDGE (ace), or the "muck-man" cover he did for <u>Galaxy</u> several years ago. (That's one of Jack's own favorites, I suspect, if only for personal reasons. You see, Jack's always had this urge to do a good old-fashioned science fiction cover where the alien monster is carrying off the beautiful heroine, but when you work for high-class magazines like <u>Galaxy</u> you don't get much chance for that. "You'll Never See It In <u>Galaxy</u>", after all. But one day lo! along came this manuscript for which he was to do a cover, and there was this monster who carried off this girl through the swamp, see, and you just <u>know</u> what scene Jack painted. If you see him smiling for no apparent reason — if there's no drink in his hand, for instance — it may be that he's thinking about that.)

There are reasons why Jack is so good, of course. Sure, he went to art school, and he was a personal protege of Hannes Bok, and he's studied the classic painters, engravers and illustrators and can shoot the jargon all night if you want. But there is more: he loves doing art, and he does it all the time. He carried a big thick sketchbook everywhere he goes, and he uses it. He sketches people on the subway, scenes by the river, his wife Phoebe looking pensively out a window. Or he writes notes to himself: theories about art and life, techniques to try, effects to aim for. That's why a Jack Gaughan drawing done in July 1969 probably doesn't look too much like one done in May: he's been thinking and experimenting and changing bit by bit every day. When I last looked through one of his sketchbooks-in-progress, it was No. 78 or so, I think; but that was a couple of years ago, before he moved into the country, so he's probably up past 100 by now.

Jack cares about what he does. He researches his work — his studio walls are lined not only with art books, but with illustrated references of all types: sourcebooks on astronomy, animal anatomy, fashions through history, machinery, electronics, you name it. He's so conscientious that he even reads the stories he illustrates, every single one of them. You might be surprised how many big sf artists don't; they just read a plot synopsis, or the opening chapter, or maybe just fake it all the way, basing their drawings on a title and a guess. Not Jack — he reads the stuff to get the <u>feeling</u> of a story, and he puts all his art and craft into making a representation of that story that will complement and compliment it.

That's why Jack is a Star.

As I said, we all have our own favorite Gaughans; and no matter what yours is, it's a cinch that you remember it with special fondness. You probably take out that book or magazine every now and then, just to look at his art for a while.

And there's one thing more that's a cinch about Jack Gaughan paintings and drawings: every one of them was turned in on time, and nobody got an ulcer worrying about whether or not the art would be there when the deadline was. He makes it good <u>and</u> gets it in on Monday.

Because Jack is a Star who is also a Pro.

I thought I'd tell you all this because Jack is, after all, the Pro Guest of Honor at this convention, and if you should happen to run into him at some party where he's decided to, ah, sing...well, I wouldn't want you to think he's being honored for that.

No; it's because Jack Gaughan is a Star. And a Pro. And, by the way, a Good Man.

In fact, if you want to know the truth about <u>my</u> favorite Gaughan, I'll tell you. It's him. Himself. <u>Jack Gaughan</u>.

When he stands up at the banquet as Pro Guest of Honor, clap like mad. I'm going to.

-- Terry Carr

Jack Gaughan The Pro introduction by Terry Carr

When I was very young I used to get extremely puzzled sometimes about the attitudes editors had toward some artists. I mean, here would be this artist, X, whose work was beautiful, imaginative, meticulously done, visually and conceptually exciting, and I'd ask, "Why don't you have X do more stuff for you?" and the editor would shake his head and mutter something about deadlines, or temperament, or his ulcer.

And a day or two later I'd pick up a copy of this editor's magazine (or that editor's magazine, or that other editor's book over there) and I'd find a cover that was.. well, the spaceship was recognizable as a spaceship and the humans were anthropomorphic, and I guess it didn't misrepresent the story it illustrated or give away an O'Henry ending or anything. But it didn't do anything to or for me; it was just sort of there. Needless to say, it wasn't by X; it was by somebody who'd done nine out of the last ten covers for that company, and somehow I'd never even noticed his name.

"Oh Christ," I'd moan, "why do they bother with these nothing covers? Why don't they have all the covers by X?"

Later on, when I became wise in the ways of the world, I found out the answer to that. X was a groovy artist, all right — when he was in the mood, and when you could get hold of him on the phone, and when you didn't have to worry about when he turned in his painting. Which is to say, he wasn't reliable, so publishers didn't rely on him. When he did his thing it was lovely, but it wasn't according to schedule.

There's an author, a pretty good one, who writes for me, and whenever I call him about a deadline for one of his books he says, "Do you want it good, or do you want it Monday?"

The same thing happens with some artists — some of the very, very best ones. Which is why they don't get more assignments — for covers, interior drawings, or whatever. They're not pros; they're really hobbyists, doing their drawings for themselves and then selling them after the fact.

There's nothing wrong with being a hobbyist, of course; in fact, there's a lot <u>right</u> with it. But publishing science fiction books and magazines isn't a hobby, so it has to be done by the pro rules, which include, most prominently, regular, relentless deadlines. A lot of times, if it isn't there by Monday, it doesn't matter if it's good or not: somebody else's work that was handy and bearable had to be slipped into its spot and everything sent off to the printer.

The guy who can turn in work that's printable and on time, every time, is what's called a Pro, and he's blessed by every editor in the business. He probably doesn't win awards or sell more copies for you, but he's there to keep the customers in the auditorial until the temperamental star shows up, late as usual.

By and large, those are the two kinds of people who produce the material you see in the sf books and magazines: the Pros, and the Stars.

But now and then God decides that editors aren't such wretches that they should have to undergo unalloyed torment and anxiety every week and every month of their lives (they'll get enough hell after they die, after all), so he sends them a gift: a Star who is also a Pro. Maybe it should be called a miracle, but I don't believe in miracles. But come to think of it, I'm not sure I believe in Jack Gaughan, either.

3:00	pm:			A Look At The Whole Ball Of Wax, by Harlan Ellison.
4:00	pm:			More auction.
7:00	pm:	н	н	The Awards Banquet. The Toastmaster, Harlan Ellison, will present the Guests of Honor who will speak on subjects of their choice; and the awards will be presented by Bob Bloch.
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4:00	pm:	н	ш	Final Auction.
5:00	pm:		11	The official business of the convention closes, and the chairmen of St. Louiscon present the gavels to the chairmen of the 1970 and 1971 conventions
6:00	pm:		П	Time to say goodbye, andyou guessed it: Moviestill dawn.
PROJE	CT ART SHO	W:		The Tenth Anniversary Showing of Project Art Show will be open throughout the con, in the Starlight Roof.
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3:00 pm:	11 11	The regular auction.
4:00 pm:	(Pool-Side)	A Mid-Western, Hot Summer Afternoon, Old- Time, Pool-Side, Meet-The-Pro Party With Sarsaparilla, Sno-Cones, Cotton Candy, and Calliope Music For All.
1:00 am:	(Khorassan Room)	Movies, continuing till dawn.



SATURDAY, August 30th:

SUNDAY, August 31st:

9:00	am:	(Chase Lour	nge)	Registration opens for the day.
		(Khorassan	Room)	A Comics Program, supervised by Bob Schoenfeld.
11:00	am:	11		Selection of the 1971 convention site.
12:15	pm:	(Empire Roo	(m	Annual Burroughs Bibliophile Dum-Dum.
1:00	pm:	(Khorassan	Room)	This afternoon is dedicated to a series of panels on the science fiction package,with discussions of the visual aspects by s.f. artists, followed by discussions of con- tentual preferences by editors. Capping it off will be a dialogue between two authors with two points of view.
4:00	pm:	41	11	The auction again.
7:00	pm:	ш		The Masquerade Ball Begins.
7:30	pm:	н	,,	The Parade of Costumes starts, and judging of costumes begins promptly.
11:00	pm:	н	11	Following the Parade of Costumes, the Rock Show.
1:00	am:	11	ш	Movies begin again, and again go till dawn.



9:00 am:		(Chase Lounge)		Registration opens for the day.	
		(Khorassan	Room)	A Tolkien Society Program, supervised by Ed Meskys.	
11:00	am:	н	11	Selection of the 1970 convention site.	
Noon:		п	a t	Who Sawed Courtney's Boat? The mysteries of the ages finally revealed by Bob Bloch, Bob Tucker, and a Special Mystery Guest.	
12:45	pm:		11	This afternoon is dedicated to a series of panels on the history of science fiction; how it was, how it has changed, how we can expect it to be in the future, by authors who have contributed to the field.	

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THURSDAY, August 28th:

1:00 pm:	(Chase Lounge) (Starlight Roof) (Chase Club) (Lido Room)	Registration begins for early arrivals. Project Art Show sets up. Booksellers Room sets up. N3F Hospitality Room sets up.
8:00 pm:	(Khorassan Room)	Movies, continuing till dawn.
9:00 pm:	(Zodiac Roof)	Welcome Party for registered members.
10:30 pm:	(Zodiac Roof)	Filk-Song Fest, with cash bar for the rest of the evening.

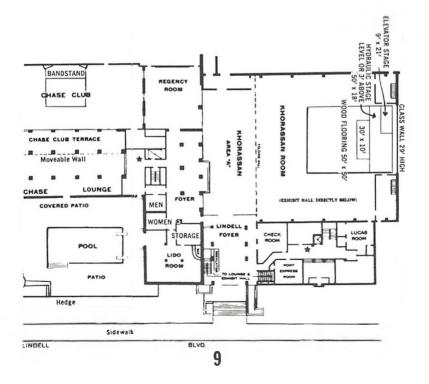


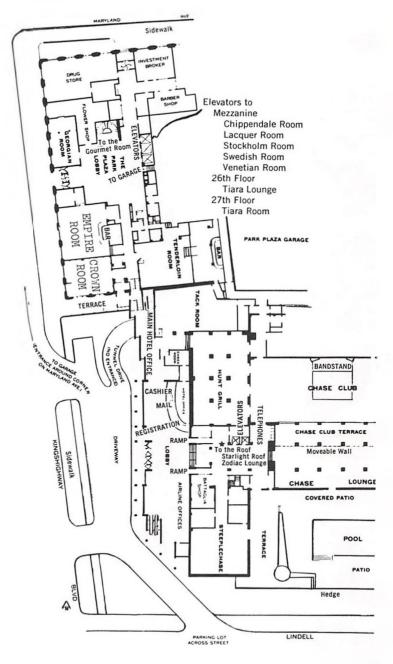
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9:00 am:	(Chase Loun	ge)	Registration opens for the day.
10:00 am:	(Zodiac Roo	f)	Pre-business meeting for those who intend to present motions and other related mat- ters at Monday's regular business meeting.
11:00 am:	(Khorassan	Room)	The convention officially opens. The chair- men make a few announcements relating to the seriousness of the occasion that brings us here; introduce the notables present, and present the program's theme: The Anatomy of Science Fiction.
11:30 am:		11	Robert Silverberg gives the first keynote speech, <u>The Genre of Science Fiction</u> .
Noon:		п	Terry Carr presents the second part of the program theme, with a keynote speech on <u>The Phenomena of Fandom</u> .
12:30 pm:			Ben Bova gives the third keynote speech, concerning our relationship to the scien- tific community: <u>The Realities of the</u> <u>Future</u> .
1:00 pm:			It Didn't Quite Turn Out The Way We Planned The moon-landing in fact and fiction. An illustrated discussion by Harry (Hal Clement) Stubbs.
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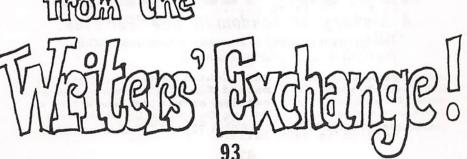
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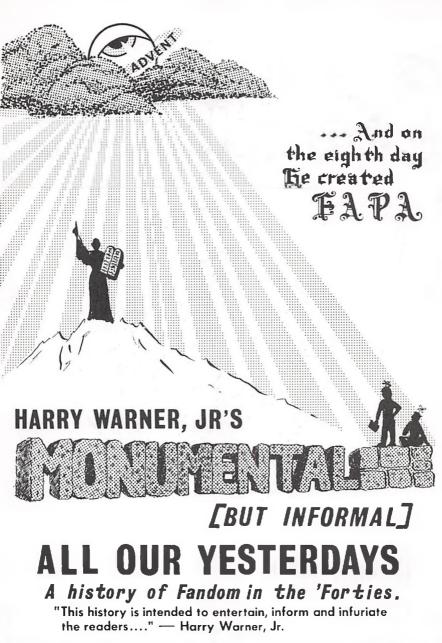
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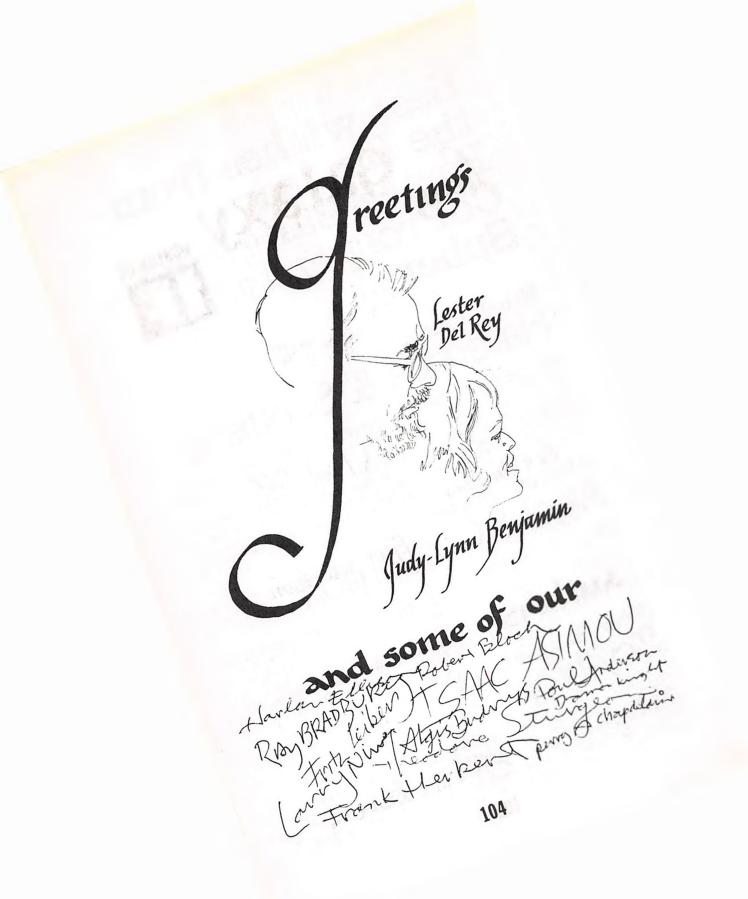
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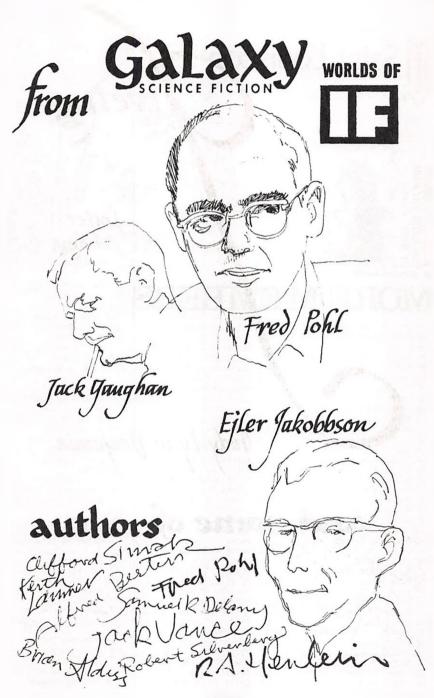
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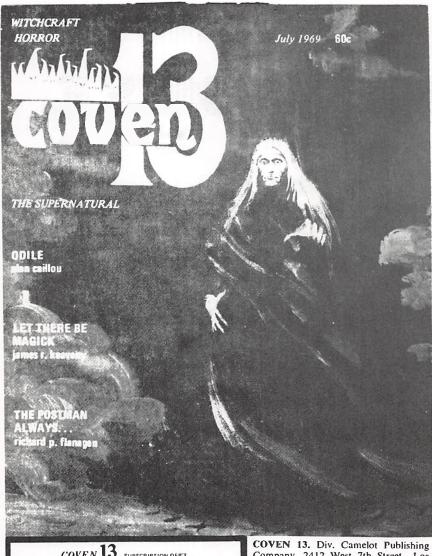
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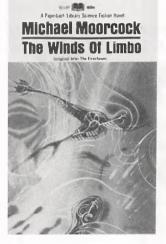
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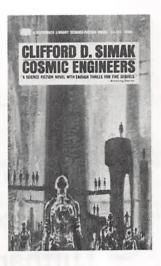


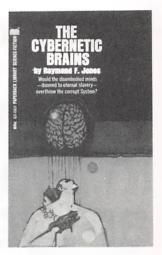
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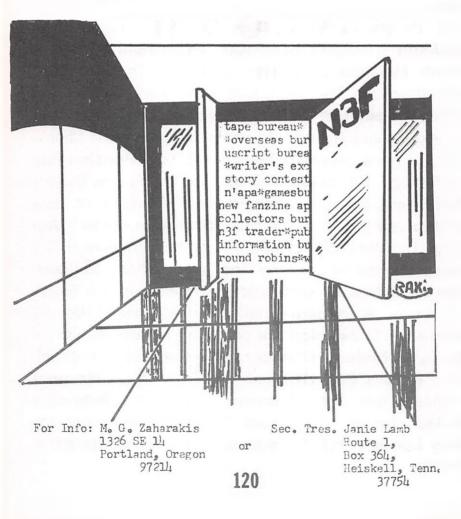
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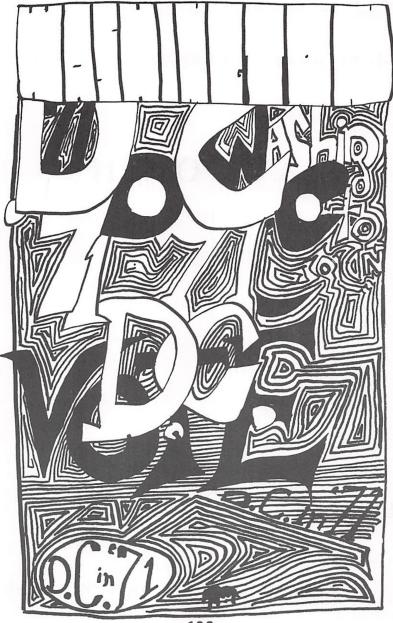
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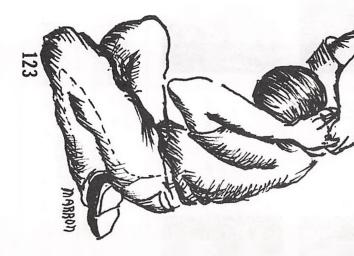
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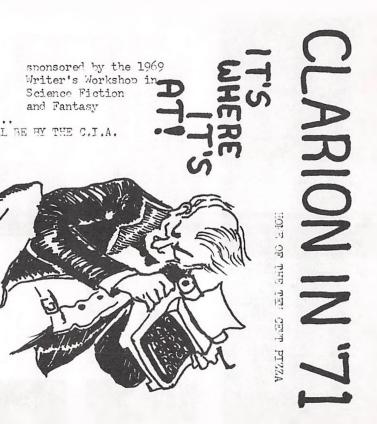
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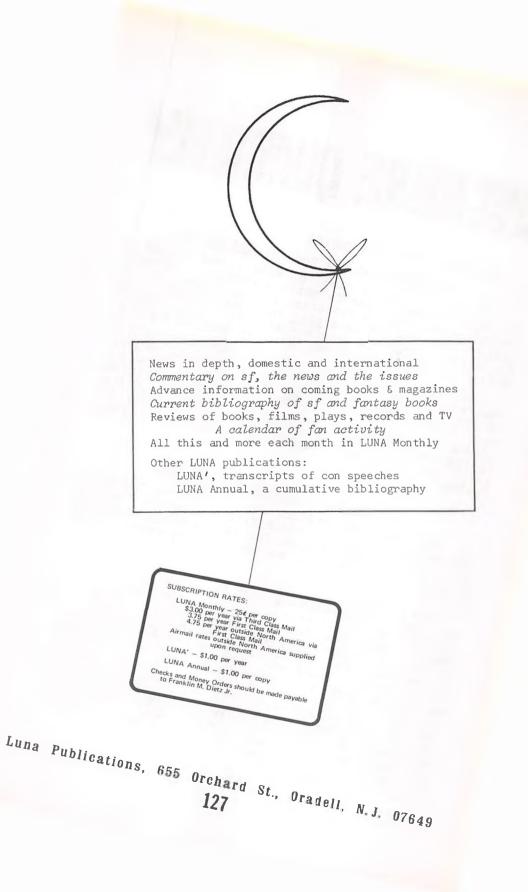
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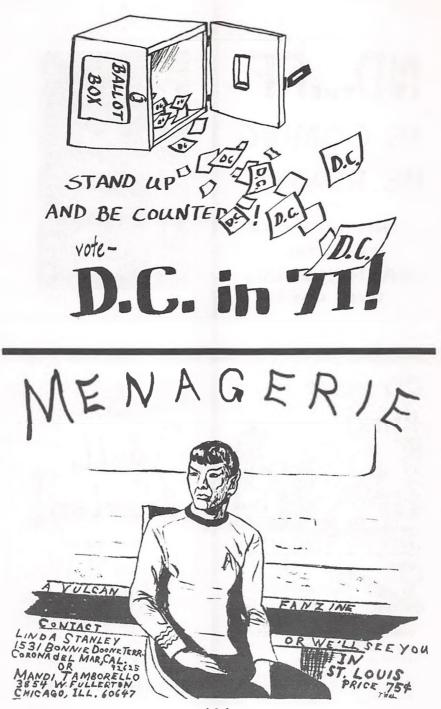
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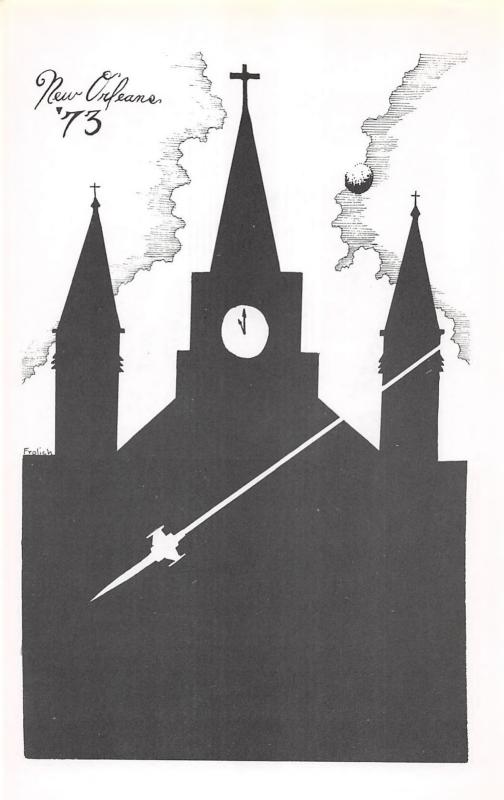
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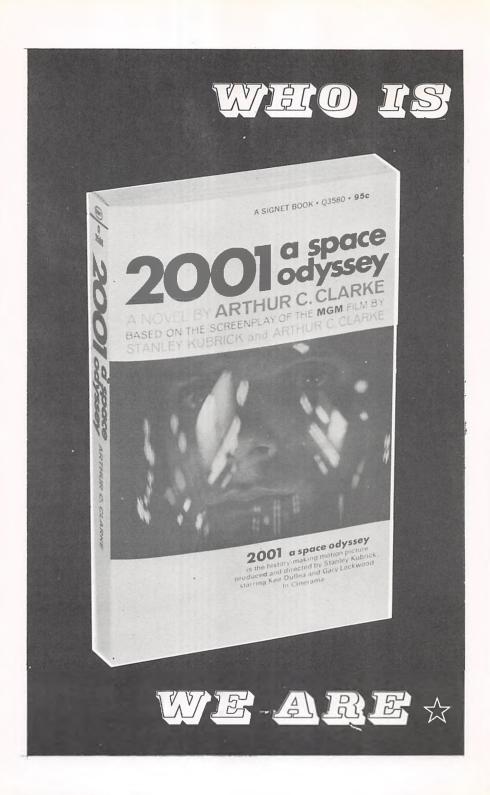


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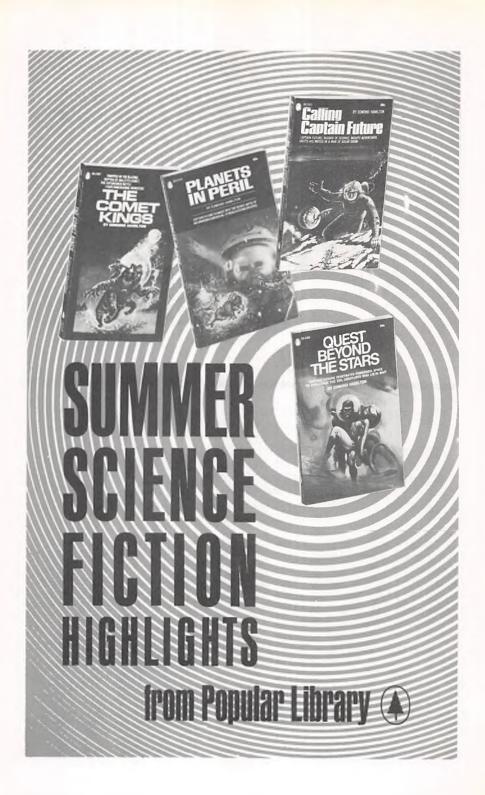
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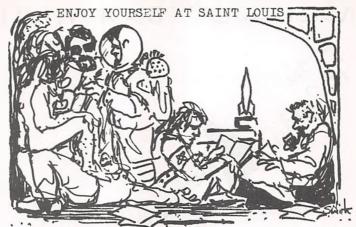
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Again: a No Entry Fee Contest (we don't get enough credit!), but be sure to enclose a SSAE if you wish return of your masterpieces (i.e. for you novice or neofans: a stamped self-addressed envelope).

General Over-all World's Fair-like theme this year: Poems, Stars and Jewels;

and Oh, yes; <u>deadline</u>, for Mayor's Proclamation and all: <u>Oct. 1</u>. <u>Poetry Day Committee</u>, c/o Golden Atom Publications, P. O. Box 1101, Rochester, N.Y. 14603





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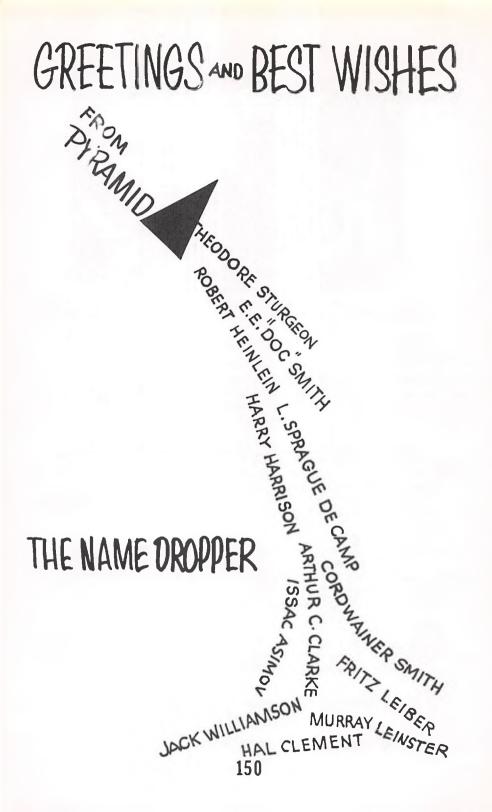
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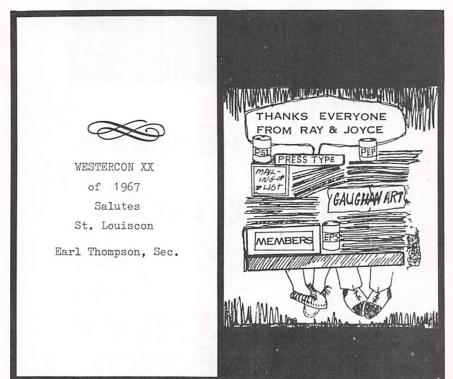
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