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The postmailing situation is all fouled up. I see that Busby mentions two; I seem to recall a single-sheet thing from Caughran, mailed with a FANAC or something of the sort; I also seem to recall that Danner's STEFANTASY was a legal pmlg., with all necessary copies; but I can't seem to find the things. Maybe tomorrow we can dig them up and list them officially.\* (see foot of page)

Apologies also to Dave Rike. We forgot to list his Christmas Greetings postmailing last time (pml'd to mlg 89). It was a legal postmailing also.

And now on with the OEs' report:

Considerable confusion arose last time because we seem to have wrapped the bundles insecurely, with the result that the PO disintegrated some en route to the members. We are now using a padded mailing bag which should cure this problem. It should also help cure the bulging treasury (cf. A FMZ FOR FAPA in this bundle). They cost over 6¢ each.

And speaking of that contribution of Rotsler and Trimble, I especially commend to you the idea that FAPA donate heavily to TAFF. This year especially, when money is harder to come by because of the short timetable, and the candidates are all such estimable men with 99% of inner-circle BNFdom behind one or another candidate as nominators, this seems to me a very good idea. But note that the usual procedure here is too slow; we cannot wait until the August mailing to put it up to a vote in time to contribute to this year's TAFF. However, the signatures of 33 members are sufficient to do ANYthing. Consult the S-t's report to see how much we can afford. Petitions, anyone? Shall we donate, say, \$50 to TAFF?

More remarks on proposed amendments will be found at the end of Bill's Presidential message, I think.

One member was curious recently about the order in which things are listed in the FA. In particular, one sometimes finds that a later issue of a magazine gets listed first on the list, etc. The list is made up by going through a completely-assembled mailing. There may be some relation between the order of the list and the order in which the mags get here -- we pile them up as they come in, and collate the mailing in approximately the order of the pile, because that's the order in which packages get unwrapped -- but the final relation between the two is pretty obscure, because the sheer bulk of the mailing requires us to collate it in sections, and then put the sections together. Supposedly the mailings are all in the same order, but the one we list from may sometimes be a freak (this is likely since it comes from the end of the pile, and the order is often garbled near the ends of the stacks). In most cases you'll find the general order similar, with occasionally a section of 8 or 10 mags in an unexpected location, or backwards. If you want things listed in chronological or alphabetical order, put yourself up for OE and do the job the way you want it done. We find it plenty of work just to get the bundles put together and sent off, without too many duplicates and missing mags in the mailings.

The FA was a bit mixed up last time, because Encey ran off several pages while I was asleep. Fortunately it was possible to get the missing material (the second and third pages of the s-t's report!) inserted properly, but the Poll results had already been put in the wrong place. There were no outside visitors at this FAPA assembly session, so things should suffer less from having too many cooks.

\*Found: STEFANTASY Feb. 1960 . . . . . Danner . . . . . 23 s



(more gush from the ebullient OE.....)

I'm gratified at the generally favorable response to the new format for the contents of the mailing. I rather like it myself.....

However, I think a small further step in cleaning up the format would be to leave standard-size (8 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 11 inches) material unmarked, giving a size designation only for odd-sized items (of which the commonest is the British 8 x 10, or "quarto" size). I have reduced the "S's" this time to lower-case, but they might well be done away with altogether.

By the way, FAPA now owns 500 of those "jiffy" bags. There's no reason why we shouldn't sell the things to the membership at large to mail mags to the OE in. Note, however, that they do not hold much. Thick mags still require boxes of some sort, careful wrapping, and plenty of string. The new champion package-tyer, by the way, is Linard. The XTRAP bundles arrived so well wrapped that it took most of the early afternoon to get them undone; Danner's wrappings look positively flimsy by comparison.

Now comes a rather disturbing announcement: I (A. Young, boy deep-sky-boy) will not be here for the August mailing. I'll be at a three-week summer seminar on "Present problems concerning the structure and evolution of the galactic system" -- at least I think that's the full name -- which is centered nicely on the August deadline. Since the course is being held in the Netherlands, I will be quite inaccessible for the August session.

Presumably, however, the remaining denizens of 11 bvp will still be here to put out the mailing. There are plenty of members in and around New York, for instance, who could come up and help just to make sure the mlg goes out on time (hint).

Anyway, this seems to be my farewell from the OE's post. (Actually, this isn't quite true; I'll be around until July 20, when I leave, and will be here again after the Pittcon until the new OE takes over.)

Don't forget the TAFF form buried in this mailing. TAFF this year has three superlatively excellent candidates, so votes per se aren't terribly critical. Money, however, is. So send your contribution in soon, please.

Local news dept.

.....or, how to scoop FANAC in your own back yard for cash.....

Local fan and FAPA member L. Stark III has sold a story (not science fiction). Presumably it will appear in the next issue of "Caper", a sort of Playboy-type crud-zine. I note in passing that this event supports my hypothesis concerning the current decline of stf, which was written up in a recent issue of Aporrheta. Dean Grennell's remarks on gun-publishing also support this thesis.....

That seems to be it for this time.

*Andy*

P.S. The address given for Shaws is good only after June 1. This should hardly be of much concern, because you'll be reading this only a little before that date.

IMPORTANT NOTE TO WAITING LIST: at the end of the S-T's report you will find Ellik's summer address. If you are slow about acking the FA, make sure you send your note to the correct address, or you may be among the missing next time. Don't say we didn't warn you.



# THE SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

1. The Membership Roster. The following is correct up to 9 May 1960; corrections and additions may be found elsewhere in the magazine. The month after your name is that in which your present membership expires; the number following indicates how many 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " pages or equivalent you must publish in, or prior to, that mailing to renew. Credit has not yet been given for material in this bundle.

Abbreviations used: % - change of address recently. D - dues (\$3.00) are due now, and must be paid by 13 Aug. \$ - dues are overdue; if I don't receive them before the mailing date of this bundle, FAPA just trimmed some excess. A - activity, to bring total to 8 pp, must be in this mailing or the next, or postmailed before the next mlg. ATM - activity must be in this mailing or postmailed prior to 14 May, or you are ineligible to renew. AAug, ANov, etc - A, followed by a date, indicates you must publish 8 pp before or in the mailing so specified to receive it and retain membership.

Overpayments of dues and advance deposits are indicated parenthetically. If there is any mistake, you must notify me. It's your membership at stake.

1. Martin E. Alger, 27886 Dartmouth, Madison Heights, Michigan	Feb 8
2. %Karen Anderson, 3 Las Palomas, Orinda, California	Feb 8
3. %Mal Ashworth, 14, Westgate, Eccleshill, Bradford 2, Yorks, England	Feb 8
4. Wrai Ballard, Blanchard, North Dakota	Feb 8
5. Ron Bennett, 7 Southway, Arthurs Av, Harrogate, Yorkshire, England	Aug 0 D
6. Redd Boggs, 2209 Highland Pl NE, Minneapolis 21, Minnesota (\$1 cr)	Aug 7 DA
7. Marion Z. Bradley, Box 158, Rochester, Texas	Nov 0
8. Charles Burbee, 7628 S Pioneer Blvd, Whittier, California (\$1 cr)	Feb 8
9. FM & Elinor Busby, 2852 - 14th West, Seattle 99, Washington	May 0
10. Gregg Calkins, 1484 East 17th South, Salt Lake City 5, Utah	Feb 8
11. Gertrude Carr, 5319 Ballard Ave, Seattle 7, Washington (\$2 cr)	Nov 0
12. %Terry & Miriam Carr, 1818 Grove Street, Berkeley 9, California	Nov 0
13. Jim Caughran, Apt 6, 1909 Francisco Street, Berkeley 9, California	May 0
14. John Champion, Box 5221, University Station, Eugene, Oregon	Nov 0
15. Georgina & Norm Clarke, 121 Delorimier St, Hull, PQ, Canada	Aug 8 DA
16. Walter A. Coslet, Box 6, Helena, Montana	Nov 8
17. Robert & Juanita Coulson, Route 3, Wabash, Indiana (\$1 cr)	Aug 0 D
18. Leslie A. Croutch, Box 121, Parry Sound, Ontario, Canada	Aug 0 D
19. William Danner, RFD #1, Kennerdell, Pennsylvania	Aug 0 D
20. Chick Derry, Apt 2, 7703 Alpine Street, District Heights, Md.	Nov 8
21. Phyllis Economou, 2416 East Webster Place, Milwaukee 11, Wisconsin	Feb 8
22. Ron Ellik, Apt 6, 1909 Francisco Street, Berkeley 9, California	Nov 8
23. Richard Eney, 417 Fort Hunt Road, Alexandria, Virginia	May 0
24. Bill Evans, P.O.Box 86, Mount Rainier, Maryland	Feb 8
25. Martin Fleischman, 90-09 153rd Ave, H oward Beach 14, New York	Feb 8 ANov
26. %Pete Graham, c/o SP, 303 Fourth Ave, New York 10, N.Y. (TEMPORARY)	Aug 8 DA
27. Dean Grennell, 402 Maple Avenue, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin	Aug 0 D
28. Jack Harness, 2818 Francis Avenue, Los Angeles 5, California	Nov 8
29. James Havelin, Box 1235, Scotia 2, New York	Nov 8
30. %Lynn A. Hickman, 224 South Dement Avenue, Dixon, Illinois (\$1 cr)	Nov 8
31. Lee Hoffman, 54 East 7th St, Basement, New York 3, N Y (\$1 cr)	Aug 0 D
32. Curtis D. Janke, 1612 South 7th St, Sheboygan, Wisconsin (\$1 cr)	Nov 8
33. Sally Kidd, 6021 Kimbark, Chicago 37, Illinois	Feb 8
34. Jean et Annie Linard, 24 rue Petit, Vesoul, Haute-Saone, France	May 0
35. P. H. Lyons, Box 561, Adelaide P O, Toronto, Ontario, Can. (\$1 cr)	Nov 8
36. Dan McPhail, 1806 Dearborn, Lawton, Oklahoma	Feb 8
37. Sam Martinez, POBox 3581, Tulsa 23, Oklahoma	Aug 8 DA
38. Bill Morse, c/o Mrs Ridgeway, West Compton, Shepton Mallet, Somerset, England	Aug 0 D
39. Sam Moskowitz, 340 Seventh Avenue West, Newark 7, New Jersey (\$1)	Nov 8



40. FFC Milton R. Parker, RA 18547359, 693rd Engineer Co (Depot), APO 227, New York, N Y	Aug 8 ATM D
41. Bob Pavlat, 6001 - 43rd Ave, Hyattsville, Maryland	Nov 8
42. Elmer Perdue, 2125 Baxter Street, Los Angeles 39, Calif (\$1 cr)	Feb 8
43. Boyd Raeburn, 89 Maxoms Avenue, Willowdale, Ontario, Canada	Feb 8
44. William C. Rickhardt, Canyon, Contra Costa County, California	Feb 8 ANov
45. Dave Rike, 750 - 60th Street, Oakland 9, California	Feb 8
46. William Rotsler, 1131 1/2 N Genesee, Los Angeles 46, Calif (\$1.50 cr)	Feb 8
47. Dick Ryan, 11411 Mayfield Road, Cleveland 6, Ohio	Aug 0
48. Ray Schaffer, Jr, 4541 Third St NW, Canton 8, Ohio	N.Y. Feb 8
49. Larry & Noreen Shaw, 16 Grant Place, Grant City, Staten Island 6, N.Y.	Feb 8
50. Bob Silverberg, Apt 4B, 915 West End Avenue, New York 25, New York	Aug 0 D
51. Fred L. Smith, 3B Douglas Muir Rd, Fairley, Clydebank, Glasg, Scot.	May 8 ATM \$
52. Rick Sneary, 2962 Santa Ana Street, South Gate, California	Nov 8
53. Jack Speer, North Bend, Washington	Nov 7
54. Larry Stark III, c/o 11 Buena Vista Park, Cambridge 40, Mass.	Aug 0 D
55. Gerald Steward, 219 McRoberts Av, Toronto 10, Ontario, Can. (50¢ cr)	May 0
56. John Trimble, 980 Figueroa Terrace, Los Angeles 12, California	Aug 0
57. Bob Tucker, Box 702, Bloomington, Illinois	Nov 0
58. Pierre et Martine Versins, Primerose 38, Lausanne, Switzerland	Feb 8 ANov
59. Norm Wansborough, 84 Wyke Rd, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, England	Aug 8 DA
60. Harry Warner, Jr, 423 Summit Avenue, Hagerstown, Maryland	May 0
61. Helen Wesson, 68 Asahi-Dai, Negishi, Yokohama, Japan (\$1 cr)	Feb 0
62. Ted & Sylvia White, Apt 15, 107 Christopher Street, New York 14, NY	Feb 8
63. Don Wilson, 1042 - 25th Street, Santa Monica, California	May 8 ATM
64. Stan Woolston, 12832 Westlake Street, Garden Grove, California	Aug 8 DA
65. Andy & Jean Young, 11 Buena Vista Park, Cambridge 40, Mass.	Feb 8

"D" AFTER YOUR NAME MEANS YOU MUST PAY THREE DOLLARS (\$3.00) BEFORE 13 AUGUST 60.

Dropped: Bloch (resignation, effective to include the 90th mlg); Madle (dues); Higgs (activity--see below). Joined: William Rickhardt (cred: editor of Flip #1, March 1959); Martin Fleischman (cred: material in Eva Firestone's and Elinor Busby's SAPSzines); and Pierre et Martine Versins (cred: editor and publisher of France and Science Fiction). Also dropped was Elmer Perdue, but he rejoined pronto.

2. The matter of Ray Higgs. Members Rike, Trimble, Harness and Warner complained that the postmailed Dis An Dat was partially reprint material violating sec 3.1 of the constitution, as three pages of it was copied line for line from the FA. Accordingly, I dropped Higgs and refunded his dues; he appealed to Phyllis, but she upheld my hard-heartedness, and details are probably in her report.

3. The matter of Elmer Perdue. This year, Elmer tried to get under the wire by financing Rotsler's Quotebook (send quotes to Quotebook--big second issue in preparation) and being credited as publisher. I decided this does not count as activity valid for renewal, and refunded his dues; Phyllis, that sterling vice-president, upheld my decision...wherefore Elmer has been reinstated only on receipt of twelve or more signatures, per sec 3.3. The twelve (actually fourteen) signatures were those of T&M Carr, David Rike, Jim Caughran, FM & E Busby, GM Carr, Jack Speer, Boyd Raeburn, John Trimble, Rick Sneary, Don Wilson, Dan McPhail, Stan Woolston, Redd Boggs and Bob Pavlat.

4. The (minor) matter of Helen Wesson. The OE included Japanese Genesis (the first half of an issue of Helen's Fantasia) in the last mailing, although there were insufficient copies sent him. I have given Helen credit for renewal for two reasons: (1) at least two members (Anderson and Rike) received incomplete and oddly mixed bundles, and extra copies of J.G. just might be found; and, (2) there is precedent for allowing leniency regarding activity for overseas members which I am invoking in allowing her to send extra copies to the OE immediately, and to any member who may request one through a similar mix-up to (1) above, such copies to be furnished before the mailing date of the next mailing.



5. That Old Debbil Waiting-List. Applicants with the symbol # next to their name are safe--it means they acknowledged receipt of the Feb FA. If that symbol is not there, you must inform me, before 1 August 60, of your continued interest in joining FAPA. Failure to acknowledge two successive issues of the Fantasy Amateur is the most heinous crime a waiting-lister can commit (except marrying a member) and is avenged by a sinister-visaged squirrel who tip-toes into my room at midnight on a moonless night, rips your 5x8 card to shreds, and, chuckling evilly, tip-toes out again. Who knows what evil lurks in the hearts of squirrels?

1. #James V. Taurasi, Sr, 18-36 129th St, College Point 56, New York
2. George Charters, 3 Lancaster Ave, Bangor, County Down, Northern Ireland
3. #Otto Pfeifer, 24304-59th West, Mountlake Terrace, Washington
4. #Bob Leman, 1214 West Maple, Rawlins, Wyoming
5. Douglas L. Hickman, 224 South Dement Avenue, Dixon, Illinois
6. #Lee & Jane Jacobs, 8108 Norwich Street, Van Nuys, California
7. #Nancy Share, POBox 31, Danville, Pennsylvania
8. #Alan J. Lewis, 4550 West Maple Rd, Birmingham, Michigan
9. #Lars Bourne, 3790 Hilyard St, Eugene, Oregon
10. # (TEMP:) A/3c Richard W. Brown, AF 19646261, 4756 A&E Sqdn, Box 935S, Tyndall AFB, Florida
11. #Ed Martin, Box 2121, Hartford 1, Connecticut
12. #Burnett R. Toskey, 7323-19th NE, Seattle 15, Wash
13. Bjo, 980 1/2 White Knoll Dr, Los Angeles 12, Calif.
14. #Bruce Pelz, 980 Figueroa Terrace, Los Angeles 12, California
15. #Ed Cox, Apt 206, 984 South Normandie Avenue, Los Angeles 6, California
16. Art Wilson, c/o CAT, Kaitak Airport, Kowloon, Hong Kong, B C C
17. Leslie Norris, Box 3442, Los Angeles 54, California
18. #Ernie Wheatley, 980 Figueroa Terrace, Los Angeles 12, California
19. #Bob Lichtman, 6137 South Croft Ave, Los Angeles 56, California
20. #Bill Sarill, 11 Buena Vista Park, Cambridge 40, Massachusetts
21. #Louis Russell Chauvenet, 11 Sussex Rd, Silver Spring, Maryland
22. A J Budrys, 631 Second Avenue, Long Branch, New Jersey
23. #Don Durward, 6033 Garth Avenue, Los Angeles 56, California
24. #Arv Underman, 5304 Sherbourne Drive, Los Angeles 56, California
25. #Les Nirenberg, 1217 Weston Road, Toronto 15, Ontario, Canada
26. #John Berry, 31 Campbell Park Ave, Belmont, Belfast, Northern Ireland
27. #Bill Donaho, 1441-8th Street, Berkeley 10, California
28. #Alvin Fick, Box 58, Fort Johnson, New York
29. Pat Ellington, Box 310, Canyon, Contra Costa County, California
30. #Earl Kemp, 2019 North Whipple Street, Chicago 47, Illinois
31. #Norman Metcalf, Box 1360-S, Tyndall AFB, Florida
32. #Mike Deckinger, 85 Locust Ave, Millburn, New Jersey
33. #Leslie Gerber, 201 Linden Boulevard, Brooklyn 26, New York
34. PFC John Quagliano, US 51430661, Education Cntr, 2nd Recon Sqdn, 15th Cav,
35. #Charles Hansen, 701 South Grant Street, Denver 9, Colo. / 4th AD, APO 696, NY NY
36. #Andy Main, 5668 Gato Avenue, Goleta, California
37. Richard Bergeron, 110 Bank Street, New York 14, New York
38. #Howard DeVore, 4705 Weddel Street, Dearborn, Michigan
39. #Ted Johnstone, 1503 Rollin Street, South Pasadena, California
40. #Richard P. Schultz, 19159 Helen, Detroit 34, Michigan
41. #Ray C. Higgs, 813 Eastern Avenue, Connerville, Indiana
42. #Stephen L. Muir, POBox 2342, Terminal Annex Station, Los Angeles 54, California
43. #Albert J. Lewis, 706 San Lorenzo Street, Santa Monica, California
44. #Shelby Vick, Box 493, Lynn Haven, Florida.

Ernie Wheatley (#18) was dropped by mistake last quarter and returned to his proper position this time. I hope the extra-long addresses of Brown and Quagliano don't upset anybody; I hope Hansen's mail doesn't to to the USS Colorado.



6. Finances. The treasury has sunk considerably since last time; but I have not absconded with the money (that's not until this summer)--instead, Andy Young has decided to put out some of our surplus funds to ensure safe arrival of bundles, and the Department of the Treasury (me) has agreed that we can afford it and that it is a worthwhile project.

This is the last quarter to be affected by the dues decrease ordered last year by the then-st Bill Evans, and I have spent long hours slaving away over a red-hot abacus before deciding that the decrease was a good idea, and did its work well: As soon as the advance dues-payments are absorbed, FAPA's treasury will have been trimmed by approximately fifty dollars. The club doesn't need more than \$150 in the treasury at any one time--\$100 would be more than sufficient for a permanent balance--and \$150 is about how things will look a year from now. So I am restoring dues to \$3.00, for persons who must renew with the August (92nd) mailing.

If dues are paid, but are paid short of this sum, I will reply by return airmail and set a date by which the total must be paid in full or all money will be returned and the membership cancelled. I will not do this for persons who must renew with the November (93rd) mailing or later.

If the treasury does go up again, I'm sure my successor will find no opposition to lowering dues for another year. It's a very effective way to get rid of money.

Now here's the state of things:

Balance carried forward, 8 Feb 60	\$ 185.98	
Dues received	25.00	
Surplustock (Wilson & Young)	1.75	
Contributions	.70	
Total in	<u>213.43</u>	<u>213.43</u>

Advance to OE, plus cost of envelopes	70.00	
Refund dues, Higgs & Quagliano	5.00	
to Economou, vp expenses	3.00	
to Raeburn, official expenses	1.05	
to OE, expenses on 90th mlg, less advance	<u>8.91</u>	
Total out	<u>87.96</u>	<u>87.96</u>

Balance to carry forward, 9 May 60 \$ 125.47

Expenses of Feb mailing: postage, \$35.33; FA publishing, 1.78; string, paper, 1.80. Total, 38.91, less 30.00 advance, leaves \$8.91.

7. Elections. Any person whose name occurs in the membership listing on pages one and two of this report is eligible to stand for election to one of the four official positions in FAPA, subject to the conditions of sections 6 and 7 of our constitution. No box-tops; no jingles; no five signatures; no silver rocketships awarded; all you do is notify me in writing before 1 August that you wish to volunteer for one of the four most unnecessary jobs in fandom. To date only one person has filed for an office, and if, by the deadline, there are not enough applicants, I'm going to go scour the woods for 'em. Let's have lots of candidates.

Next mailing is election-time for amendments, too. There is a proposed amendment to change the petition-rule for waiving activity requirements, and another to lower the dues of overseas members to \$2.00 permanently; it is now too late to get amendments on the ballot, as the gist of them must appear in this Amateur. For other amendments not mentioned here, you might try the President's Report.

8. Addresses. You must send all information (and monies) pertaining to your membership, application for membership, or expiration of membership, to me, not to one of the other officers. Note that during the summer I will be moving. Here are times and places to locate me:

(prior to 15 June 60): Apt. 6, 1939 Francisco Street, Berkeley 9, California  
(15 Jun to 1 Sept 60): 127 Bennett Avenue, Long Beach 3, California  
(after the Pittcon): back in Berkeley--address will be announced.



## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The chief reason for having a President's Message this time - other than that I like to see my name in print - is to announce that the annual elections are next time, and that all of you who want to ~~do/some/work~~ get some ogoboo should file with our esteemed and bushy-tailed secretary-treasurer. As he will no doubt mention in his report. In addition, three amondments to the constitution have been proposed. In accordance with Section 8 of the constitution they are presented below.

No 1. Amond Section 2.3 of the FAPA constitution to read:

2.3 If there is a vacancy when a person applies for membership, the secretary-treasurer, upon receipt of one year's dues and accept-ance of the credentials which the applicant shall have presented, shall notify him of his membership, which shall begin upon the date set for the next quarterly mailing, unless another date shall have been established by the secretary-treasurer. If the roster is full when a person applies, the secretary-treasurer, upon acceptance of the credentials which the applicant shall have presented, shall place his name upon a waiting list as of the date his application was received by the secretary-treasurer. When a vacancy occurs, the secretary-treasurer shall notify the person whose name is earliest on the waiting list. The applicant shall then submit one year's dues and again cite credentials. Upon acceptance of his credentials, the secretary-treasurer shall notify him of his membership, which shall begin upon the date set for the next quarterly mailing, unless another date shall have been established by the secretary-treasurer. Credentials, to be acceptable, must have been first published within one year of the effective date of their citation, which shall be the date the application is first received by the secretary-treasurer and the date the membership is to begin, respectively.

Proposed by: Boyd Raeburn, Gerald Steward, P. Howard Lyons, Gregg Calkins, F.M. & Elinor Busby, and Bill Evans.

No. 2. Add a Section 2.31 to the FAPA constitution, to read:

2.31 The waiting list shall be listed each quarter in the official organ, copies of which shall be sent to each person upon the waiting list. The secretary-treasurer shall require from each person on the waiting list suitable indication of continued interest in membership not less often than every other mailing; non-receipt of such indication shall be grounds for removal from the waiting list.

Proposed by: Boyd Raeburn, Gerald Steward, P. Howard Lyons, Gregg Calkins, F.M. & Elinor Busby, and Bill Evans.

No.3. Amond Section 3.3 of the FAPA constitution to read:

3.3 On endorsement by 22 other members, a member's lack of re-nawal credentials shall be waived on a particular occasion.

Proposed by: John Trimble, Charles Burbee, Terry Carr, and William Rotsler.

A few notes on the above. The original intention of No 1 was to require the presentation of credentials both to get on the waiting list and to be admitted to membership. On considering the present version carefully several other points were noted, which have been included in the revised version. There is provision now for a waiting list, but no requirement as to the order with which names are entered. Again, as Bob Pavlat has pointed



out, a member who is being dropped for activity or non-payment of dues is still a member until the next mailing, and is entitled to receive all postmailed material until that time. Hence, no one from the waiting list can take over his membership until the date of the next mailing; they can be notified that they will be a member as of then, and can prepare for the mailing, but cannot be considered a member until that date. Hence, the receipt of their dues does not set the date of membership, unless they are received after the mailing date. The only exceptions to this would be if the ex-member has resigned as of a certain date, or two memberships have been combined through marriage, or the member has died. This also requires that the credentials presented be acceptable; the older version merely requires that they be presented.

The second amendment is to make formal the present requirement that the waiting list acknowledge their interest at least once every six months, to remain on the waiting list. It also provides for the sending of the FA to them, so that they will know where they stand.

The third is to change the number of signatures required to waive activity credentials for renewal from the present 12 to 22.

These will be voted upon at the annual election, next mailing.

Other than that, I have nothing to report. So, I will shut up.

*Bill*

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#### Last-minute announcements from the OE:

Rick Sneary has proposed some amendments to the Constitution; these have not yet reached the President in proper form and were not included in his report above, but are included here so that they may be voted on next time if the necessary red tape has been satisfied by then. Rick's proposal concerns the matter of reprinted or simultaneous material from other apas:

"...SAPS has it's no prior release clause, which covers them . . . but this would not work for us. Partly because it goes against the tradition of members mailing copies out to non-members, but largely because we will not always be able to depend that our Sec.-Tres. will know when a fanzine has appeared in another APA. Thus I perpose in rather rough form the following Constitutional amendments..

It is perposed that the following be added to the FAPA Constitution:

- 5.61 A member may distribute his FAPA publication privately, or through other APA's, but may not receive activity credit for them from other groups.
- 5.62 A member may distribute publications not primarily for FAPA through FAPA, if they otherwise meet the requirements in Article 5.51 through 5.57, but not receive credit for it.
- 5.63 For a member to receive renewal credentials for contributions as discribed in Article 2.21, they must appear in a publication stating it is primarily for FAPA distribution.

"I am not compleetly satesfied with the wrrding, and thus I am not really requesting that you sign this as it is.. I am especially doubtful of the partly underlined words in 5.62.. I would be agreeable to having this crossed out..

"The perpose I was aiming at is that there be no limit on what a member does with his zine, and no added limit on what can go into a mailing, but that activity credits be given only to purely FAPazines. . . This would diss-credit a few publications members have picked up at work, and the worry about doubling up of credits.... My signature goes with any general revision you may make."

(continued at bottom of p.10)



Greetings --

The capabilities and facilities of the vice-presidential office were not over-taxed this past quarter, although it has not yet assumed the aspect of a racket which Ronel made it out to be. I have one more quarter to go -- maybe I can glide through that one on a cloud of glory sans responsibility.

Received a card from Quagliano after he read the issue of 8-PAGER I mailed him which cost him his membership last time.

"The zine came today. Bourne did a fair job. Weber didn't. It's an outright steal. I was expecting a legit bitch but this isn't even paraphrase. Too bad. Best, John."

Official business this time concerned the membership status of Racy Higgs, ex-Fapan.

In February, Ron notified Racy that his postmailed DIS AND DAT was not adequate renewal credit because three of the eight pages therein were direct reprints from the contents pages of the Fantasy Amateurs for 1959. (There were a number of complaints from other members about this.)

On March 6, Racy appealed to me for a decision, basing his case on A) he had 8 pages in the 86th mailing and 8 in the 89th, thus giving him 16 pages for 1959, or 13 if the three in question were disallowed, and B) he did not reprint from the FA's but gathered the information in question directly from his bundles.

A), of course, was a try, but not a very good one. After all his years in FAPA Racy must have known that activity is based on the membership year, not the calendar year and material he had in the 86th mailing which wound up his previous membership year had no bearing on the matter.

B) required some study, as we do permit all sorts of indexed material with no stipulation as to its nature. However, when I realized that he had omitted to list the entire second-section of mailing 88 which was not listed in the 89th FA -- yet gave the 88th final total as 507 pages as listed in the 89th FA, which total included the second-section, it was obvious that the listings could only have come from the FA's. So gently but firmly I said no.

Enough of this. Arthur is starting to call me Mme. Axe. And that's the all of it.

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(the OE comments on Sneary's suggestions)

*Bhyllis E.*

My own feeling is that non-credit material should not be circulated in the mailings. It makes extra work for the OE, and costs us postage.

Concerning duplicate-circulation zines, there is a real problem. On the one hand, you often feel that you'd like to spread good things around and not limit them to just one APA; on the other hand, the considerable overlap in membership among the APAs does justify giving reduced page-credit, at least, for such material, which is not new to the overlapping members. But I do not see that we can deny the bi-apan credit in his other APA (cf. Rick's 5.61); this would simply not be an enforceable regulation. We could deny such material credit in FAPA, or give it only half credit. Section 5.63 is sound, but hardly seems necessary. What do you think?

Parting Shot Dept.: I've complained, in the Official Letters, about the rough wording of some parts of the constitution, and suggested that I re-word them for the sake of clarity. My fellow-officers were horrified: "You can't just go rewriting the constitution to suit yourself!" they cried. However, as OE, I have control of what goes into the FA. So you will find the Constitution slightly different this time around...



**THE FAPA CONSTITUTION**  
(Adopted effective 14 November 1959)

**1. Function**

The Fantasy Amateur Press Association (FAPA) operates in the general field of amateur activity that has grown up around interest in fantasy fiction. Its quarterly mailings distribute to its members material written or published by members.

**2. Members**

2.1 Not more than 65 persons can be members of the FAPA at any one time.

2.2 Membership is open to anyone who can show, as proof of his interest in fantasy amateur activity, the existence of one of the following credentials:

2.21 That he has had contributions, in the form of verse, drawing, fiction, or nonfiction, published in two fantasy amateur publications that were not produced in the same metropolitan area.

2.22 That he has been the editor or publisher, in a real sense, of at least one issue of a fantasy amateur publication (fanzine).

2.3 If the roster is full when a person applies, the secretary shall put his name on a waiting list. As vacancies occur, the secretary shall notify those whose names are earliest on the list. The applicant may then send dues and cite credentials. The credentials must have been first published within a year of the date his membership is to begin. His membership begins when his dues are received unless a different date is established by the secretary.

2.4 A new member must have renewal credentials distributed with the third mailing after his joining or with an earlier mailing or postmailing following his admission. Otherwise, he shall receive only the first two mailings of his membership year, his membership shall be cancelled and his dues forfeited.

2.5 Husband and wife may jointly share a single membership, and will be considered as a single person under the requirements of this constitution.

**3. Renewals**

3.1 To renew his membership, a member must have renewal credentials. Renewal credentials consist of credentials as described at 2.21 and 2.22, but must total at least eight 8½ x 11" pages or the equivalent in page area. Letters will not count unless they represent a substantial contribution to FAPA. To count, renewal credentials must be distributed in FAPA mailings or postmailings during the year that ends when the fourth quarterly mailing under the member's current membership is sent out. Postmailings that are not distributed before the fourth quarterly mailing date do not count. Reprints do not count unless they represent substantial work in re-writing or compiling the material (this provision shall not serve to deny credit to material solely because it was distributed outside of the FAPA shortly prior to its inclusion in a FAPA mailing.)

3.2 If a member fails to have renewal credentials due to section 5.56, an error of an officer, or postal delays beyond what might be reasonably and cautiously expected, he shall, if he offers dues in time, have an additional quarter in which to make up his credential deficiency. In these cases, dues will be refundable. The member will not receive the fifth mailing unless the credential deficiency is removed, nor will further extensions be granted.

3.3 On endorsement by 12 other members, a member's lack of renewal credentials will be waived on a particular occasion.

3.4 Renewal dues must be paid so as to be received by the treasurer on or before the mailing date of the fourth mailing under the member's current membership.

**4. Finances**

4.1 Dues are \$3.00 per year. The treasurer will accept contributions. The official editor will sell surplus stock to members at such reasonable prices as he may set, the net proceeds of which will be turned over to the treasury.

4.2 If it appears that the treasury will lack funds to cover the cost of the next mailing, the secretary-treasurer can notify the membership of an equal assess-



ment on all members, sufficient to meet expected costs and provide a small reserve. Members not paying the assessment will not receive that mailing until they pay the assessment, within a time limit of six months.

4.3 The treasury will pay any legitimate expenses incurred by officers or auxiliary officials in the discharge of official functions required by this constitution.

## 5. Mailings

5.1 The official editor shall send out identical bundles to all members immediately following the mailing dates. The mailing dates are the second Saturday in November, February, May, and August.

5.2 When necessary in order to get information to the members, officers may make mailings at FAPA expense between regular mailing dates. Other publications sent in by members may be distributed with such mailings if those members agree to pay any additional cost incurred. The official editor as an individual, and other members, sometimes send publications to the members at other times. The expense of such unofficial mailings is not chargeable to the treasury.

5.3 Fanzines distributed between regular mailing dates are counted as postmailings to the preceding mailing under these conditions:

5.31 Identical mailings have been sent to all members at substantially the same time, and additional copies, to bring the total to 68, have been furnished to the official editor.

5.32 The publication satisfies sections 5.52 through 5.54.

5.4 Members are not obliged to distribute their fanzines through the FAPA, but all items included in the mailings are produced at the publisher's expense and are free to members, being considered as exchanges.

5.5 Publications in the official editor's hands on the mailing date shall be included in the quarterly bundle if they meet these requirements:

5.51 68 copies (to provide a margin for error) are furnished.

5.52 They are printed, mimeographed, hectographed, dittoed, photographed, or legibly reproduced in some other way that gives a sufficient number of identical copies.

5.53 The 68 copies are identical in size, artwork, typography, wording, etc., except for serial numbering (if desired).

5.54 They represent to a substantial extent the work of the member who sends them in.

5.55 They conform to the requirements for second, third, and/or fourth class postage.

5.56 While some relation to fantasy or fandom is desirable, there is no restriction on the type of material except that it must not be against federal law. If such a violation comes to his attention, the official editor shall exclude the publication from the mailing.

5.57 They do not require special packaging. Material which requires special handling due to its size, shape, or weight may be mailed separately by the official editor, at the expense of the member submitting the material. The official editor is not obliged to provide this service.

## 6. Officers

6.1 The following officers are elected annually from the membership:

6.11 The president. He has general direction of the FAPA's affairs. He appoints members to fill vacated offices, appoints a teller for the annual elections, and may appoint auxiliary officials for other purposes. He has what power is necessary to deal with situations not otherwise covered by this constitution.

6.12 The vice-president. He becomes president if the presidency is vacated. In case of a controversy over the meaning of this constitution, after two or more sides have been formally presented by others, the vice-president shall decide and his decision is binding. He conducts an annual egoboo poll, and furnishes results to the official editor for inclusion in The Fantasy Amateur.

6.13 The secretary-treasurer. He receives membership applications, renewals, and filings for office. He keeps track of members' standing in regard to renewal cre-



dentials. Each quarter he shall send the official editor a list of members' names and addresses, an identification of the credentials of new members, a report of income and outgo, and other information within the scope of his duties. He shall furnish the official editor information for preparing the ballot. He must keep the FAPA's funds separate from his own in cash or deposit. At the end of his term he shall turn over the records and funds to his successor. The secretary-treasurer must be at least 21 years of age.

6.14 The official editor. He shall assemble and send out the mailing. He has custody of surplus stock. He shall publish election ballots and the official organ, The Fantasy Amateur. The Fantasy Amateur shall appear in each quarterly bundle, and shall contain information on postmailings, a list of the current mailing's contents, the reports of the various officials, the text of any proposals to be voted on, and other appropriate material at the official editor's discretion. The constitution shall be included in The Fantasy Amateur not less often than once every six months.

6.2 Each officer serves until his successor is elected and notified, unless he first resigns, loses his membership, or is expelled from office.

6.3 Although each officer is responsible for the duties indicated, he may have the help of others in performing them.

6.4 In the absence of a formal controversy, each officer may decide for himself doubtful points concerning his duties.

## 7. Elections

7.1 Elections are held by mail. Candidates whose names are to appear on the ballot must file with the secretary in writing. The ballots shall be included in the summer (August) mailing, except that ballots for the use of oversea members shall be mailed to them first class or air mail at the time the summer mailing is posted.

7.2 All votes, to be counted, must be in the teller's hands a month after the mailing is despatched. The teller shall notify all members of the full results of the election within two weeks after the ballot deadline.

7.3 A plurality is sufficient to elect.

7.4 No person can be elected president, or vice-president, more than once in five years.

## 8. Amendments

Proposed amendments to this constitution, in writing, endorsed by four members, no more than two of whom are officers, shall be submitted to vote. The proposers shall send a copy with the signatures to the president, and other copies to the other officers. The gist of the amendment must be given in the Fantasy Amateur the mailing before it comes up for vote. Unless the president orders a special vote, amendments shall be voted on at the annual election. A majority of the votes must be favorable for the amendment to be adopted, and such majority must be more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the membership.

## 9. Special Rules

9.1 Special rules may be adopted at any time when a majority of the members endorse a copy of the proposal, if the proposal has been sent to the entire membership at substantially the same time. Such special rules can refuse applicants, expel members, remove officers, override officials' acts, suspend sections of this constitution, or do anything else within the sovereignty of the organization.

9.2 The vice-president shall distribute with the annual egoboo poll, and as a part thereof, an official form on which members may list names of waiting-listers to whom they object. The vice-president informs the secretary-treasurer of the results of this portion of the poll, and does not tabulate it as a part of the egoboo poll. Any waiting-lister objected to by ten or more of the voters in this poll is dropped from the waiting list and may not apply again for admission for one year.

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The third part of the paper is devoted to a discussion of the evidence of the fossil record. It is shown that the fossil record is a very important source of information about the history of life on earth. The author discusses the various methods of determining the age of fossils, and shows that the fossil record is in good agreement with the theory of spontaneous generation.

The fourth part of the paper is devoted to a discussion of the results of modern experiments. It is shown that these experiments have provided a great deal of information about the conditions under which life can arise. The author shows that these experiments are in good agreement with the theory of spontaneous generation, and that they provide strong evidence for the fact that life is a complex of many different parts, all derived from a common ancestor.

The fifth part of the paper is devoted to a discussion of the implications of the theory of spontaneous generation. It is shown that this theory has important implications for our understanding of the history of life on earth. The author shows that the theory of spontaneous generation is supported by the evidence of the fossil record, and by the results of modern experiments, and that it provides a very plausible explanation for the origin of life.

The sixth part of the paper is devoted to a discussion of the conclusions of the author. It is shown that the theory of spontaneous generation is the most probable one, and that it is supported by the evidence of the fossil record, and by the results of modern experiments. The author concludes that the theory of spontaneous generation is a very important part of the history of science, and that it provides a very plausible explanation for the origin of life.