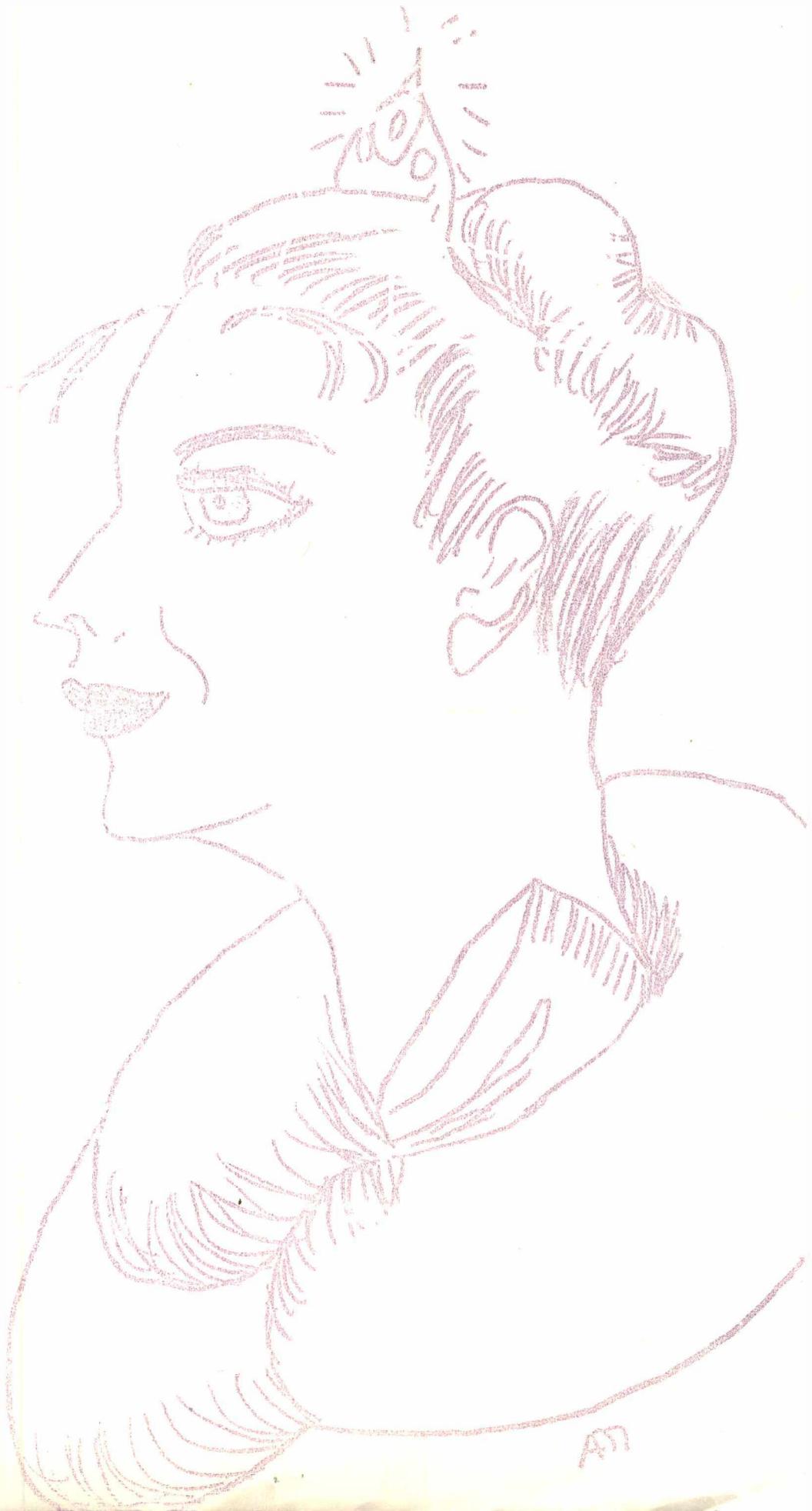


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Behold the mountains... You, -- so small!
 Behold the mountain... Makes you feel tall!

Behold the River's sheen.... In moon-light serene
 Behold the river You are the Queen.

Behold reflections In your soul
 The depths and heights The godlike goal.

Man is never tall or short Never wide or thin
 Man has mind for godly court To set his mansions in.

Ann Chamberlain (2-14-60)



I'm afraid I'm to blame for the lateness of this issue of TSF, because I failed to file my report with the OE by the announced deadline, which was August 30th. So please forgive me, Lloyd and you of the membership. But since I have finally made it there are several matters I want to bring to your attention.

CONSTITUTION: I suppose our Corresponding Secretary will give you the latest count of the voting on the constitution in his report. The last I heard it was 22 For - 1 Against, which seems indicative that it will be ratified by a vast majority. Thank you one and all. You have given us the fine guide-lines by which we can move swiftly and surely to better the SFG in all aspects. However, the constitution is not a forever closed matter. If you have a suggested change, a proposed amendment on some point you feel we overlooked, or some question about some point, I urge and invite you to write me about it. (See instructions in Article VIII Amendments in the By Laws of the Constitution.)

SOUTHERN FANDOM PRESS ALLIANCE: The By Laws of the SFPA have been ratified and we are in operation. I don't know at this time (Sept. 14) exactly how many will be able to meet the mailing date of Sept. 15th, but I can definitely report that the SFPA zines by Bill Plott, Ken Gentry, Dave Hulan, Dick Ambrose and myself (Dick & I co-edit), and Bob Jennings are ready for the Sept. 15th mailing. But this news I received several days ago, so others may have readied their mailing by the 15th. Bob Jennings is Mailing Editor, so contact him if you are interested in participating in the SFPA or even if you think you are interested in the SFPA. (And remember, even if you don't have repro equipment, we can probably help you locate a fan who will repro it for you at a very reasonable cost.) And what about your genuine pubbers in the SFG? Why don't you circulate your genuine through the SFPA in addition to its regular circulation? It only takes a few extra copies, AND you DEFINITELY get reactions and comments to EACH COPY you circulate through the SFPA, because all SFPA zines have a regular and extensive comment & review column. Stop and think about it. What was the ratio of number of copies sent out and number of comments received for your last issue? The requirements of the SFPA are easy and simple, so why not get in touch with Bob Jennings for full information.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL: Up to Sept. 6th of last year (1960) we had 21 members. Of that number only 8 have renewed. Some were fringe-fans and I expected them to drop out, BUT there were a number of you who were with the SFG from the start, some of you held offices, and some were even the actual co-founders of the SFG. What happened to you? Everyone was sent a notice of expiration of membership (remember the card with the thud & blunder verse?), but could it be that we missed you somehow? I'm instructing the Corr. Sec. to write to you once more, and we hope you want to still be a part of the South's Largest Fan Organization. With the deadline of the next issue of TSF we drop from the roster all who have not renewed their membership in the SFG. You have a grace period to the deadline of the next issue (Vol.2, No. 3) of TSF, which is announced on the cover of this issue. If your non-payment has just been an oversight please take care of it as soon as possible, and if there is some matter you want cleared up before you rejoin write to me and let's see if we can't get it straightened out.

NOMINATIONS: Lloyd (our OE) called for nominations for officer's seats in the last issue. I don't know what results were forthcoming.

Director's Report (cont.)

but it is past time to offer nominations, yet I think we need new elections as soon as possible. I submit the proposal that in this issue and the next (Vol. 2 #'s 2 & 3), candidates for the offices be nominated and their platforms or campaign speeches be printed in full. We present officers will hold our reports in Vol. 2, No. 3 to a bare minimum (or let the OE incorporate the reports into a condensed General News column) in order to give the candidates all available space ... and we will add pages if needed. SO, Candidates, You Will Be Heard ... and In Full.

There are six posts open: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary, Official Editor and Activities & Benefits Committee Chairman. Some of the present officers may wish to run for re-election (and deservedly so), and there will be new candidates with new and progressive plans (and "new brooms" often do a better job), so there is weight on both sides which makes for a good and active election. You don't have to wait to be nominated, but if you insist: "I nominate EVERYBODY!" Now, all you have to do is get to work on your campaign copy for the OO (TSF). Seriously now, let's put some candidates in the field. To save us from mass confusion, no candidate can run for more than one post in any election. If no one runs for ~~one~~ post we will let nominations be open for it again after the election of the other posts; if still there are no candidates for it we'll toss it up for "grabs" or discontinue the post altogether. (Notice the way I make "policy").

This time the post of Director is converted or merged into that of President. I have carefully considered whether I would run for the post of President. I made my decision some 5 months ago and I have found no reason to change it. The things that made me reach my decision I will not go into here since most of them were external to the SFG itself. My decision is that I will not be a candidate for any office in the SFG in this election. But I will certainly remain active in the SFG and vigorous support its policies and activities.

All right, Candidates, let's hear what YOU are going to do when elected.

Alfred McCoy Andrews

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OE now once again I will be scattered from bottom to bottom. First off No one is to blame. I hid the date on the front page of 2-1 and it slipped by everyone. I will hide it either there or on page 2 this time possibly both pages. Page one is an experiment. Ann Chamberlain sent along this and I transferred it. Horrible job (I havent run it yet and therefore dont know how any pages are going to come out) but experiment lends experience. All members regardless of whether they are still in SFG will receive their copies of WHO'S WHO. It is now at the printers. Should be here by the last of Sept. I told him there was no hurry but I would like it yesterday when possible.

There is again no report from various people. I didnt get 'um. Also none from the Activities and Benefits committee. The letters are lost somewhere. WHERE?! Historian - you have anything for next (cont. p 5)

Only one fanzine received this past month so the usual review will not be written.

I must say here, in self defense, that many of my correspondents may be wondering what has happened to me. Well-first off I have used up all my own stamps, and secondly club stamps WILL NOT be used for correspondence other than that relative to the Southern Fandom Group. To do so would be unfair to the entire club, so, in the future I am asking all correspondents to include a postage stamp if a reply is requested, regardless. It will help a lot in savings to the SFG treasury. In the single year that SFG has existed I have used over \$20.00 in postage stamps, and while it was necessary, in the start of SFG, to use a lot of stamps, there is no point to using them for personal letters.

At this date (9-5-61) membership stands at 41 (OE here now 42) -- 9 short of my personally set goal for Sept. 1, 1961. I have sent out approximately 10 questionnaires in the past month. Several have been returned and three are now members; others have been notified of acceptance and it is now up to them to complete their membership by sending in their dues to Director Andrews.

I have recently uncovered the name and address of a fan right here in Dalton. If he is still here, fanac may take a turn in Dalton that will have this town on its collective ears before long. I'm going to attempt to get him to join SFG. His contact letter goes out this morning; the week-end holiday kebauxed everything in town. You could die here, before the drug store would open up and let you BUY some medicine. The doctor question is even worse; we are far too short of doctors. Thank Ghod this world is FULL OF FAANS!

I am also running for the office I hold now and offer as my platform my record of service in SFG since we organized. Being too modest (WOT! YEW! modest! tsk! tsk!!) to boast I refer any queries to Director Andrews.

Bob Farnham

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 (cont. from p. 4) - issue? Anyone else with a spare article or item for the OO? Send them along. Next issue is to be taken up with platforms but there are more coming up.

I am thinking myself of running for OE - and wont announce my decision until next issue. Next issues deadline is October 25, 1961. This will allow sufficient time for everyone concerned, to get their letters, platforms, ideas in. The issue will be in the mails by October 30th along with the ballots.. This makes two offices being run for but we have more that must be filled.

All Neffers received JANEY'S JOURNAL. Those of you who arent I hope you can get copies. Very nice zine. For this time OE says -30-

ROSTER (September 17, 1961) according to my personal records, notes, letters, cards from Director and C/S. {LDB}

Richard Ambrose; 1745 Murray Hill Rd.; Birmingham 16, Alabama.
Alfred McCoy Andrews; 1659 Lakewood Dr.; Birmingham 16, Alabama.
Thomas D Armistead; Quarters 3202; Carswell AFB; Fort Worth, Texas.
Ted Brookes; 4950 LaVista Drive; Tucker, Georgia.
L. D. Broyles; Rt 6, Box 453P; Waco, Texas.
Jerky Burge; 1707 Piper Circle SE; Atlanta 16, Georgia.
L C Chesney; % Leeds Homes Inc.; 3315 Bessemer Super Hwy.; Bessemer, Alabama.
Joe Christoff; P.O. Box 121; Sphere; Gulf Breeze, Florida.
Carroll Collins; ~~Route #14~~ Church Hill, Tennessee. Rt. #5 (change)
Bob Farnham; 506 2nd Ave.; Dalton, Georgia.
David Flick; 819 Stuart St.; Harrisburg, Virginia.
Ken Gentry; 3315 Wzcell Rd., Nashville 11, Tennessee.
Jerry Gray; Rt # 5, Clanton; Alabama.
Emile Greenleaf; 1303 Mystery St.; New Orleans 19, Louisiana.
W. S. Houston; 116 Church St.; Greensboro 37, North Carolina.
Harry K. Hudson; 3300 San Bernardino St.; Clearwater, Florida.
David Hulan; 132 Goss Circle 9-B; Redstone Arsenal, Alabama.
Lady B. Hutchins; 1633 Ardath; Wichita Falls, Texas.
Bob Jennings; 3819 Chambers Dr.; Nashville 11, Tennessee.
Richard A. Koogle; 5916 Kevere Place; Dallas 6, Texas.
Janie Lamb; Route #1, Box 364, Heiskell, Tennessee.
Norman Metcalf; Box 1262; Tyndall AFB, Florida.
Tom Milton; 6215 East Gate Rd.; Huntington 5, West Virginia.
Richard H. Minter; 412 East 2nd Ave; Draper, North Carolina.
Dr. D. C. Montgomery; 124 South Broadway; Greenville, Mississippi.
Harry B. Moore; 602 Grove Ave.; Harahan, Louisiana.
Larry G. Moore; 3829 James Ave.; Fort Worth, Texas (resigned - c. 9-5-61)
Earl Nee; Room 109 - Parkhill House, Sam Houston State Teachers College; Huntsville, Texas.
Frederick Norwood; Box 401, 3 Ames, St.; Cambridge 39, Massachusetts.
A. J. Offutt; 233 Savoy Rd.; Lexington, Kentucky.
Michael J. Padgett, Jr.; 3230 Washington St.; Augusta, Georgia.
Jerry Page; 193 Battery Place NE; Atlanta 7, Georgia.
Floyd J. Perley; 115 Sherwood Circle; Ocean Springs, Mississippi.
Bill Plott; P.O. Box 654; Opelika, Alabama.
Poul Shingleton Jr.; 320 - 26th St.; Dunbar, West Virginia.
Howard Shockley; Rt. 4, Box 48; Opelika, Alabama.
Roy Tackett; Rt. 2, Box 576; Albuquerque, New Mexico.
Harry Thomas; 124 Cherokee Ave.; Athens, Ga. (New - 310 S. Oak St.; Sweetwater, Tennessee.)
Bernie J Wermers; 1703 Lenore Court; Baltimore 7, Maryland.
Robert Williams; 4425 Rear West Pine; St. Louis 8, Missouri.
Bill Wolfenbarger; 602 West Hill St.; Neosha, Missouri.
Loubel Wood; Star Route; DeFuniak Springs, Florida.

LETTERS (for the want of a better title this is it)

And Howdy to you Lloyd Douglas Broyles (D) My thanks to you for TSF7. I had begun to wonder what had happened to the organization. Am pleased to see that it is still alive and growing. + I read Andrews' report with interest. I hope that the apa will be a success for it will surely help keep the organization going. + Bob Farnham's fanzine reviews. Ugh. Daphne Buckmaster will be interested in knowing that Fitch is now putting out ESPRIT. So will Fitch, for that matter. I heartily approve of fanzine reviews but if you intend to run them as a regular feature then I suggest you do something about making them worthwhile. Farnham should be able to do much better than this. + No comments on the constitution. I'm a non-voting member, you know. + No other comments either. Just wanted to let you know that I had received the zine. New Home address by the way: 915 Green Valley Rd. NW, Albuquerque, N.M. s/ Roy Tackett (Iwakuni, Japan, 27 August 1961 -MSgt L. H. Tackett, USMC; H&HS-1 (Comm), MWGH-1; 1st MAW, FIFPac, % Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, Calif.)

One of the few letters I received on this. It was a pleasure to hear from him. Now as to his gripes. Bobeff take note. Your reviews were short. I did not edit them so you know I included all you said. About ESPRIT I know nothin'. Sorry that he had no comments on the constitution. If he disliked it he may have had some excellent suggestions for added items. *

Now this looks very strange indeed. The Southern Fan in ditto. It's TSF all right: there's Al and Bob like always. Offutt, alas, is missing--and where's that wild TSF lettercol? Did I lose my way at that last turn in the time-track? Strange.... // Still, you've done well and it appears I'll have no need to feel anxiety for TSF while it's in your hands. Only thing I can find to criticize is the unevenness of the right-hand margins. Justified margins make the difference between slovenliness and neatness and are therefore well worth the small extra effort they require. Hope you'll restore 'em to TSF. // Somebody has changed the last two words of ARTICLE IV Section 1b of the Constitution from "two years" to "one year." Is that a type or sabotage? // Been intending to write you for some time now to ask if there's any info you need. s/Jerry Burge -- August 21, 1961.

Thanks Jerry. I cut your letter to the few lines above. I will use any and all items I can get. Thought I had answered your letter personally but can't find it if I did. Sorry again about the wandering right margins. But I am composing and transcribing on masters. I just can't picture attempting to type out the whole thing and justify them redo on masters at this time. I am attempting to end more in line but have gone hogwild on this page. ☺

There were a few cards received not enough to include here so I will go on to one loyal friend of all --
Thanks for including me on mailing list for Southern Fan. And congratulations on a rather competently edited fanzine incidentally. Sure wish you luck now you've got SFG on the go and really growing. // Think your biting off more than you can chew comfortably by going monthly with your fanzine tho. // Incidentally I'm curious as to why New Mexico is not included in Southern States Eligible for membership. However it looks like SFG is going to be a real force in fandom if it continues to grow as it is, and with you in there pitching like that its fairly certain it will. // Suggest you recruit NSF neofan Tom Armistead, Quarters 3202, Carswell AFB, Ft. Worth, Texas (don't did to SFG. He sounds int-

