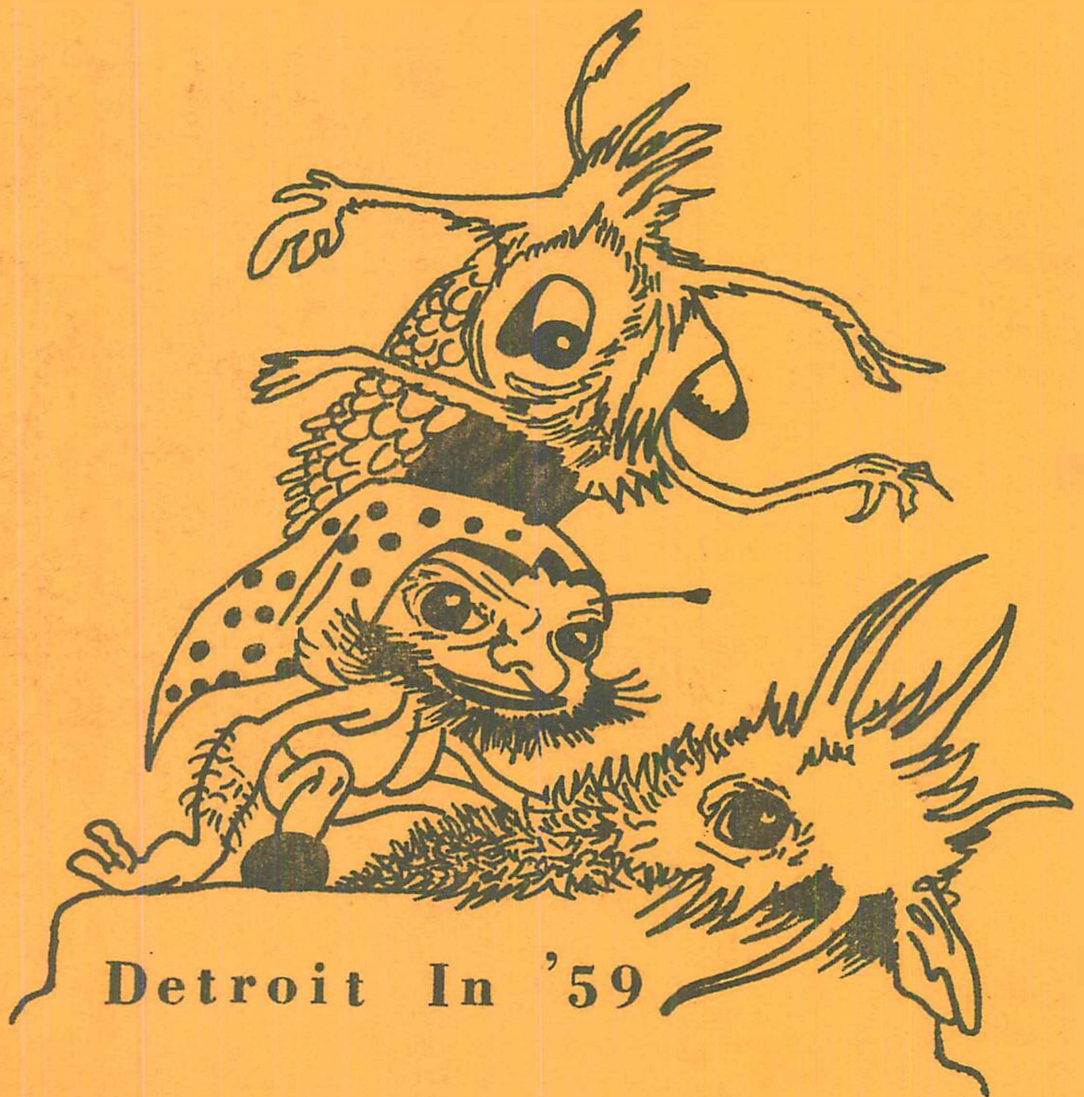


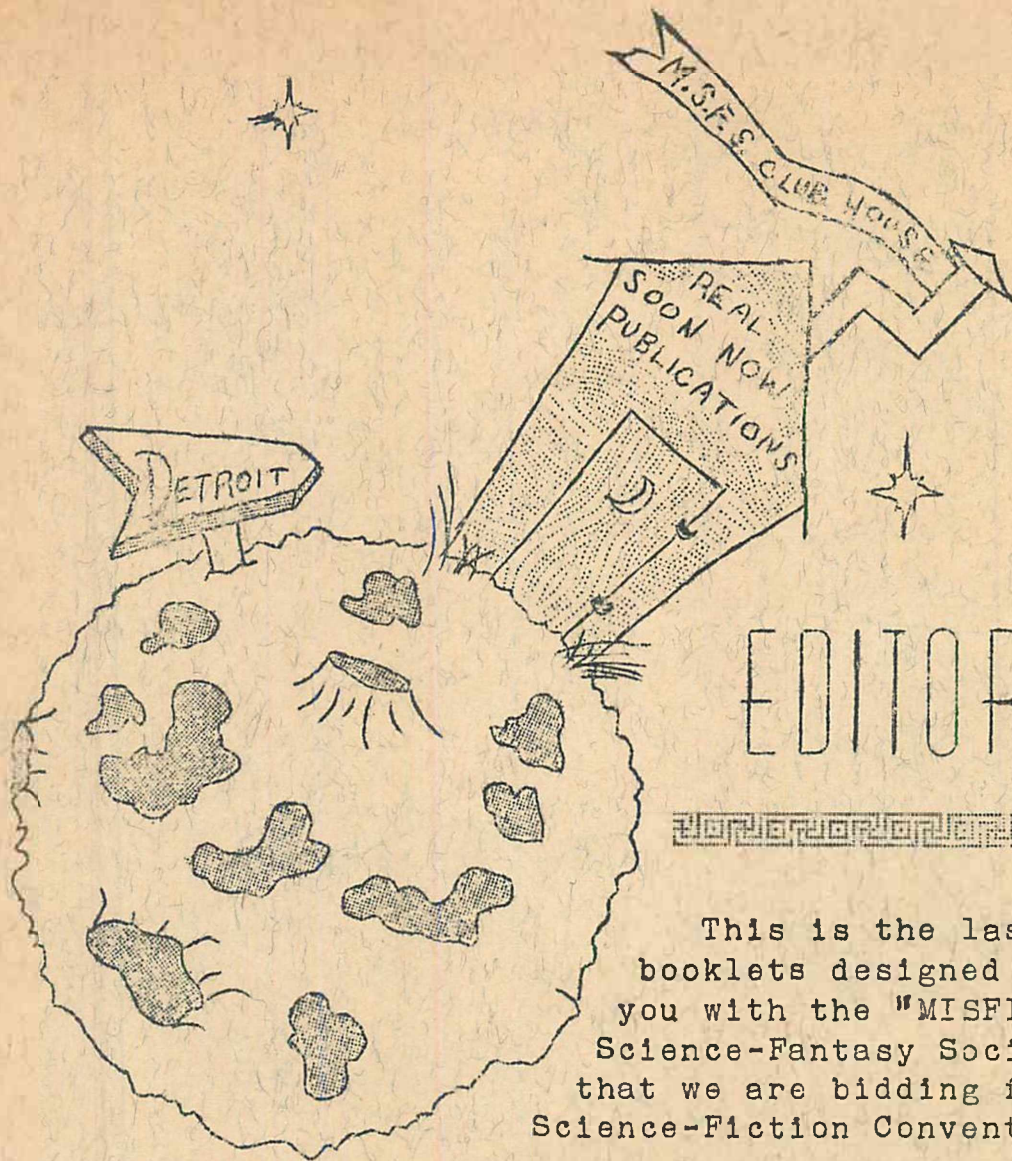
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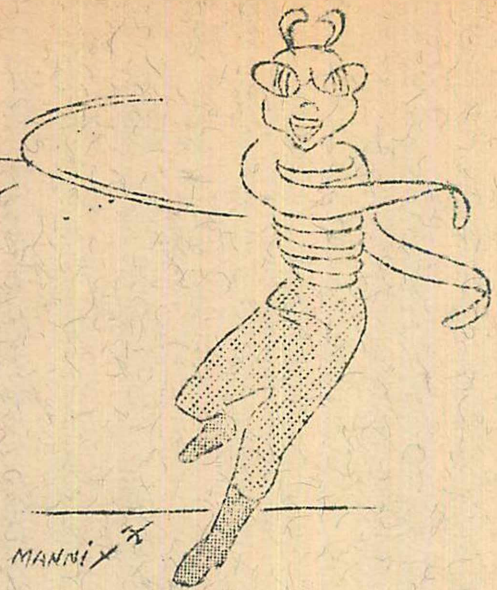
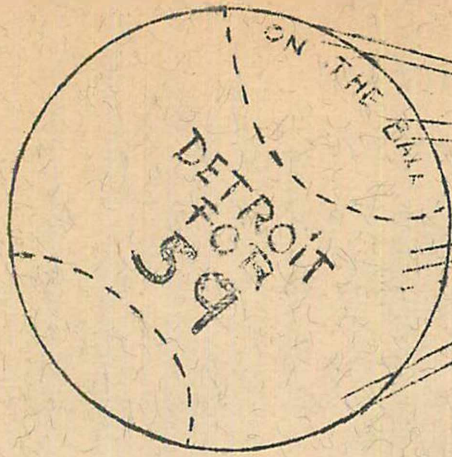
EDITORIAL -

This is the last in a series of booklets designed to better acquaint you with the "MISFITS", the Michigan Science-Fantasy Society and the fact that we are bidding for the 1959 World Science-Fiction Convention.

As you can see from our endeavors in the past year; we are a large, energetic group of good friends who have known and worked with one another for most of the last ten years. Eight of our members have attended 3 or more World SFcons with several others attending one or more. From this experience we believe that we can produce for you a national convention that will be alive with fun and excitement and entertaining to the participants.

HOSPITALITY IS OUR BY-WORD. Have you met the Michigan delegation at the Solacon yet?? If not, stop by our suite and say hello. Take a look at the photos of past conventions and our other displays. Find out what time our movies will be shown. All in 16 mm color with sound. One of them is a progress report on the Enrico Fermi Atomic Power Reactor being built in Michigan. We will be glad to shake hands with any and all. Stop by and have a drink on us.

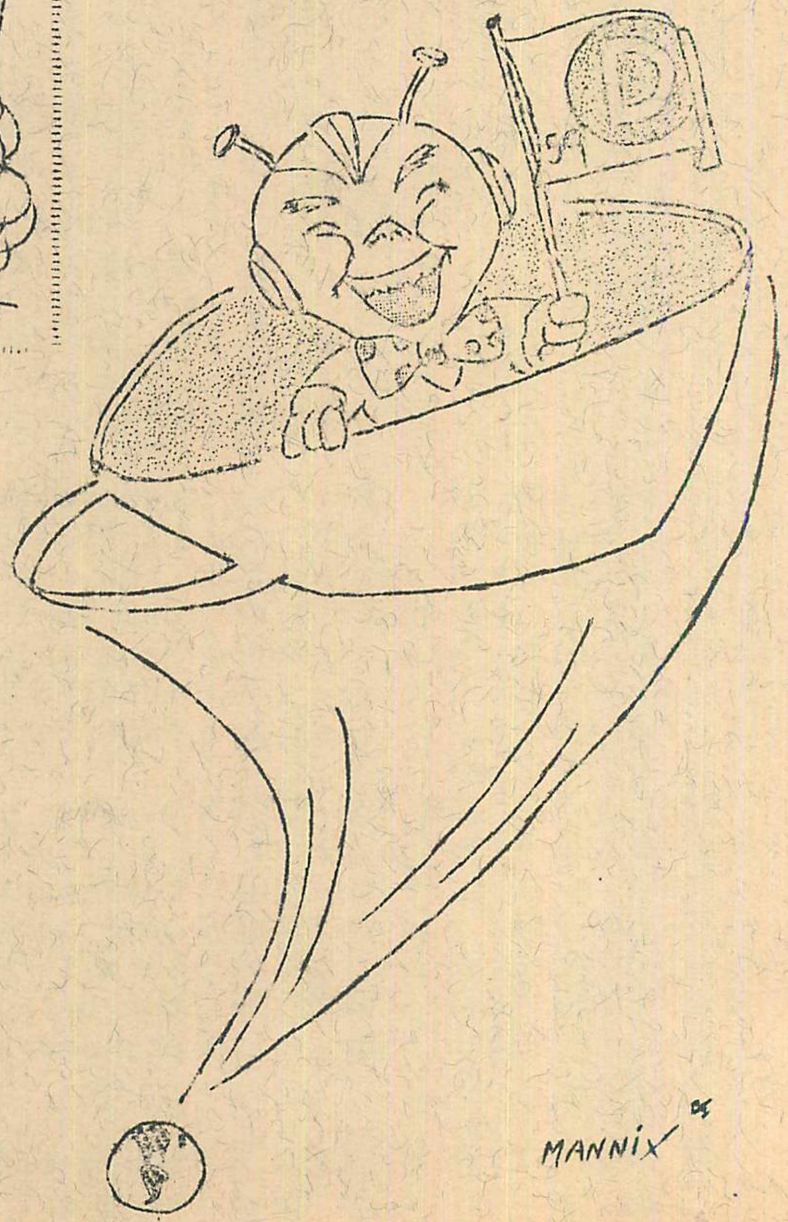
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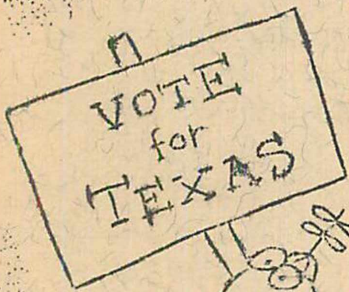
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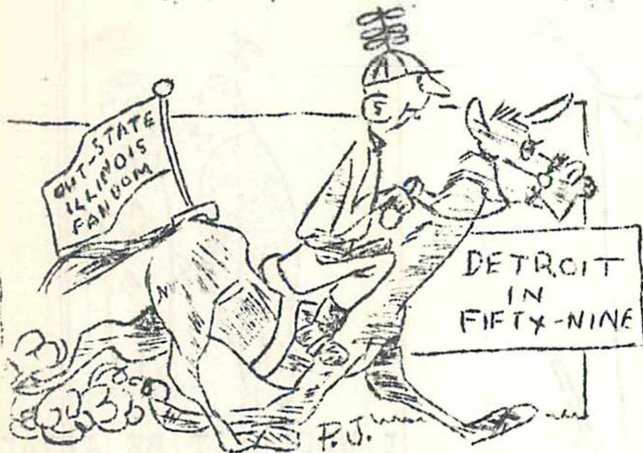
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Ray Nelson

used on our cover, Bill Pearson, Lynn Hickman, RAE, Betty Jo Wells (that doll) and a boy named Mannix from New York that we have never met. Thanks also to Frank and Belle Deitz for obtaining the Mannix drawings for us and other invaluable help.

While we are at it - we wish to thank Dick Ellington for running pages of photos for us on the Libertarian League press; F. M. Busby and Fabulous Seattle Fandom for the work they did on Gestetner and Multigraph for us; the Cleveland Terrans and Nick & Noreen Falasca for the encouragement they gave us and the equipment lent to us that has made our work much easier.



We trust that no one will take offense at any of the ribbing done herein. We have published this booklet as a souvenir of the Solacon for free and all in the spirit of good fun. Almost everything was on stencil several weeks ago and a lot of it even printed before we heard that Dallas had dropped out of the running. We are not trying to

jump on them after they are down and out. In fact we had looked forward to a big wild con site battle. Somebody always has to take the joy out of life.

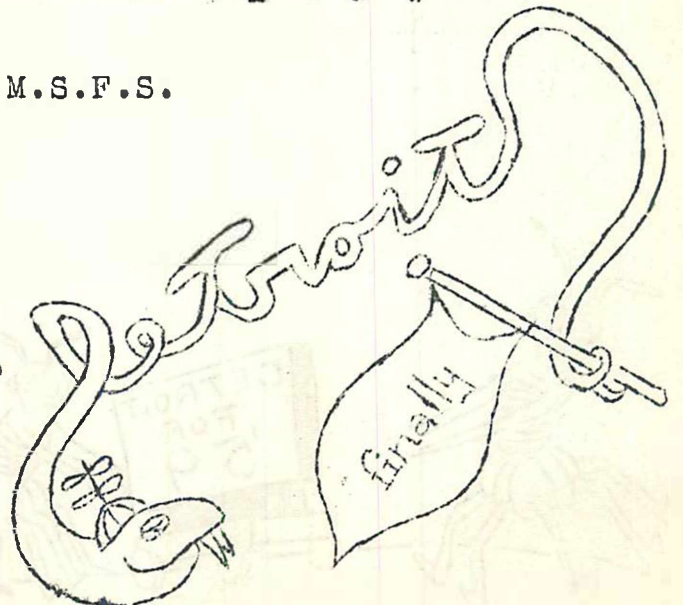
We hope that you all have a good time at the Solacon and that you will give us a vote for next year.

HAVE FUN AT THE SOLACON!

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE M.S.F.S.

Jim Broderick	Fred Prophet
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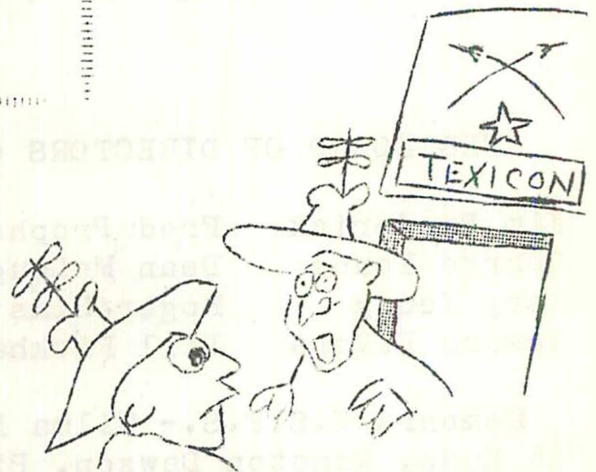
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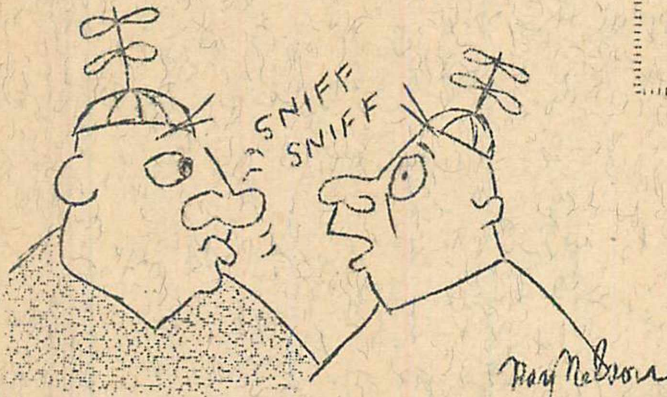
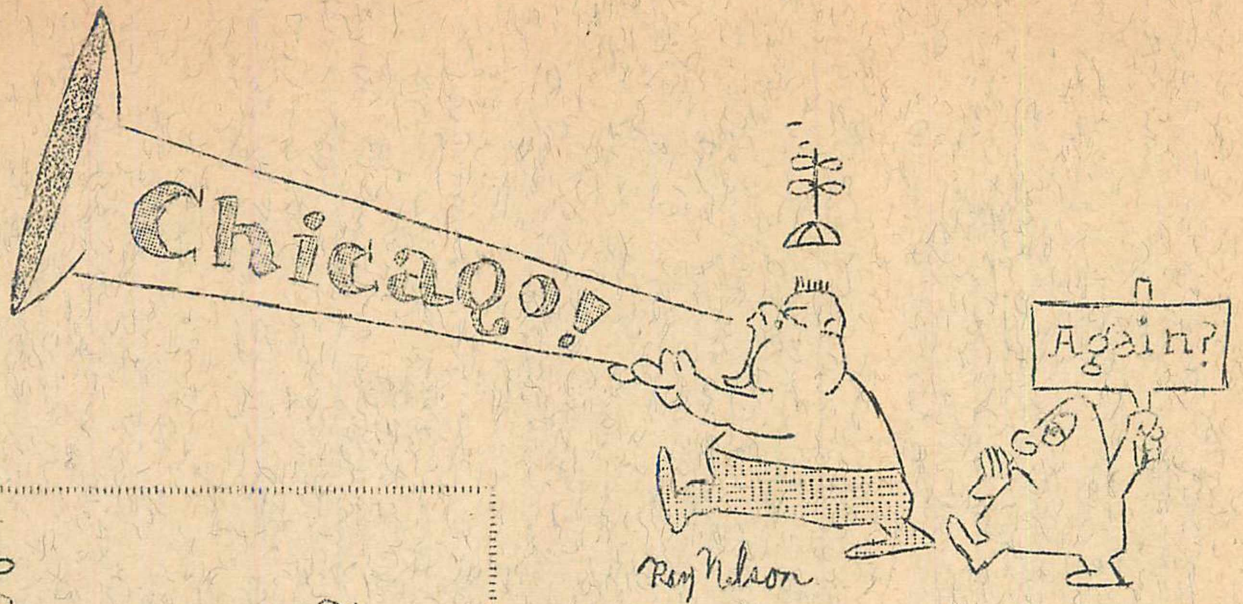


I WOULDN'T BE AFRAID TO GO TO A CON IN TEXAS ON MY OWN ACCOUNT, IT'S JUST THAT I HAVE THE WIFE AND KIDS TO THINK ABOUT.

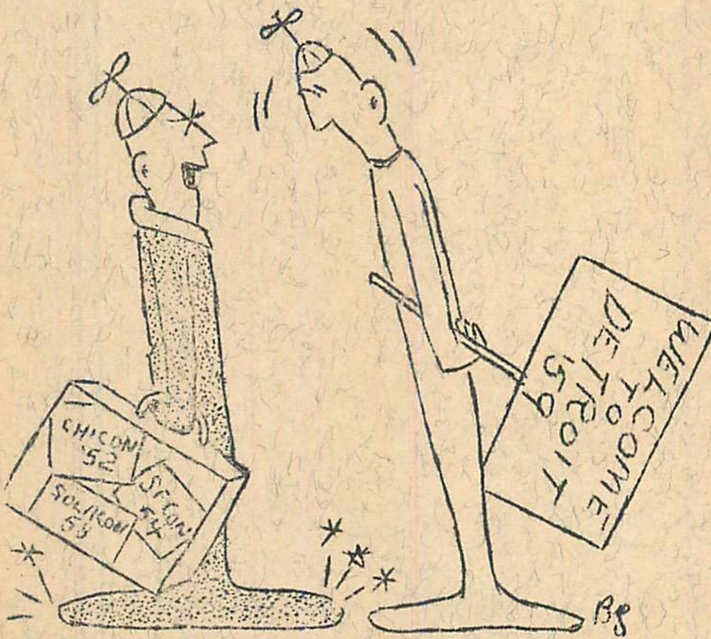
SURE, HER MESSAGE IS COMING ACROSS-- BUT IS IT THE SAME MESSAGE WE'RE PUTTING ACROSS??



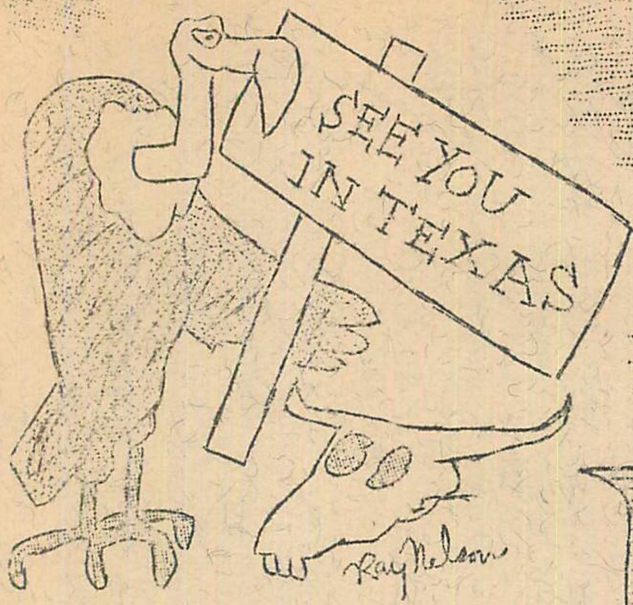
WE'LL HAVE TO CALL OFF THE CON. THE AIR CONDITIONING HAS BROKEN DOWN!



THAT'S FUNNY, I THOUGHT I SMELLED COWSHIT, TOO. WHERE COULD IT BE COMING FROM??

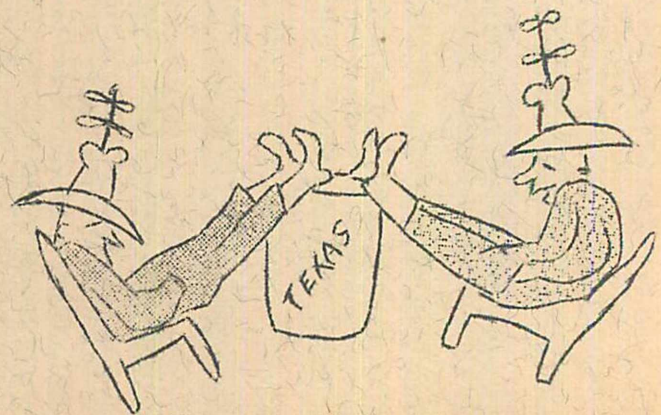
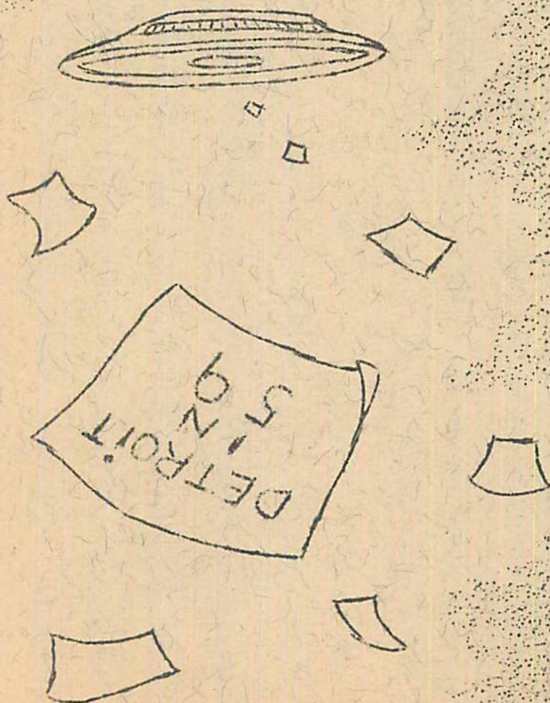


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FISHER-CATALLO HOMES
11791 MIAMI AVENUE
DETROIT 25, MICHIGAN

Telephone
DUNKIRK 1-8383

Mr. George Young
11630 Washburn St.
Detroit 4, Michigan

Dear Mr. Young;

In answer to your recent query, your information is correct, it is our intention to demolish the Fort-Shelby hotel as part of our slum clearance program.

However, because of the anticipated difficulties in persuading the building's permanent tenants to vacate, we can assure you that demolition will not begin earlier than mid-september, 1959.

We will therefore be extremely pleased to have your group hold it's convention in this hotel. Not only are we confident that ---after such a weekend--- the remaining tenants would be eager to vacate, but we rather expect that, as a result of your group's visitation the process of demolition will be well advanced before our wrecking crews begin work.

With this in mind, we offer our heartiest invitation to your organization. You will be most welcome.

Cordially,

Wilberforce Beckwith
Sec., Detroit Housing Comm.

Wilberforce Beckwith

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City of Detroit

DEPT. OF HEALTH & WELFARE

CHILD CARE DIVISION
1171 Third Street
Detroit, Michigan

Mr. George Young
1435 Michigan St.
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Mr. Young:

In answer to your recent letter, your information is correct as far as the information is concerned. The only way to get the information is to call the City of Detroit at the address given.

However, because of the anticipated difficulties in the program, the information will not be given until the program has been completed.

It will therefore be extremely pleased to have your information in this matter. The only way to get the information is to call the City of Detroit at the address given. The information will be given to you as soon as the program has been completed.

Very truly yours,
Sincerely,
You will be most welcome.

Miss Mary Beckett
Soc. Sec. Admin. Center

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INTEROFFICE MEMO ---- Don't let this out!

Jim ----

Don't accept any bids on demolition of that old Fort Shelby Hotel until after these Science Stef fans (what the hell ever they are) are thorough with their convention.

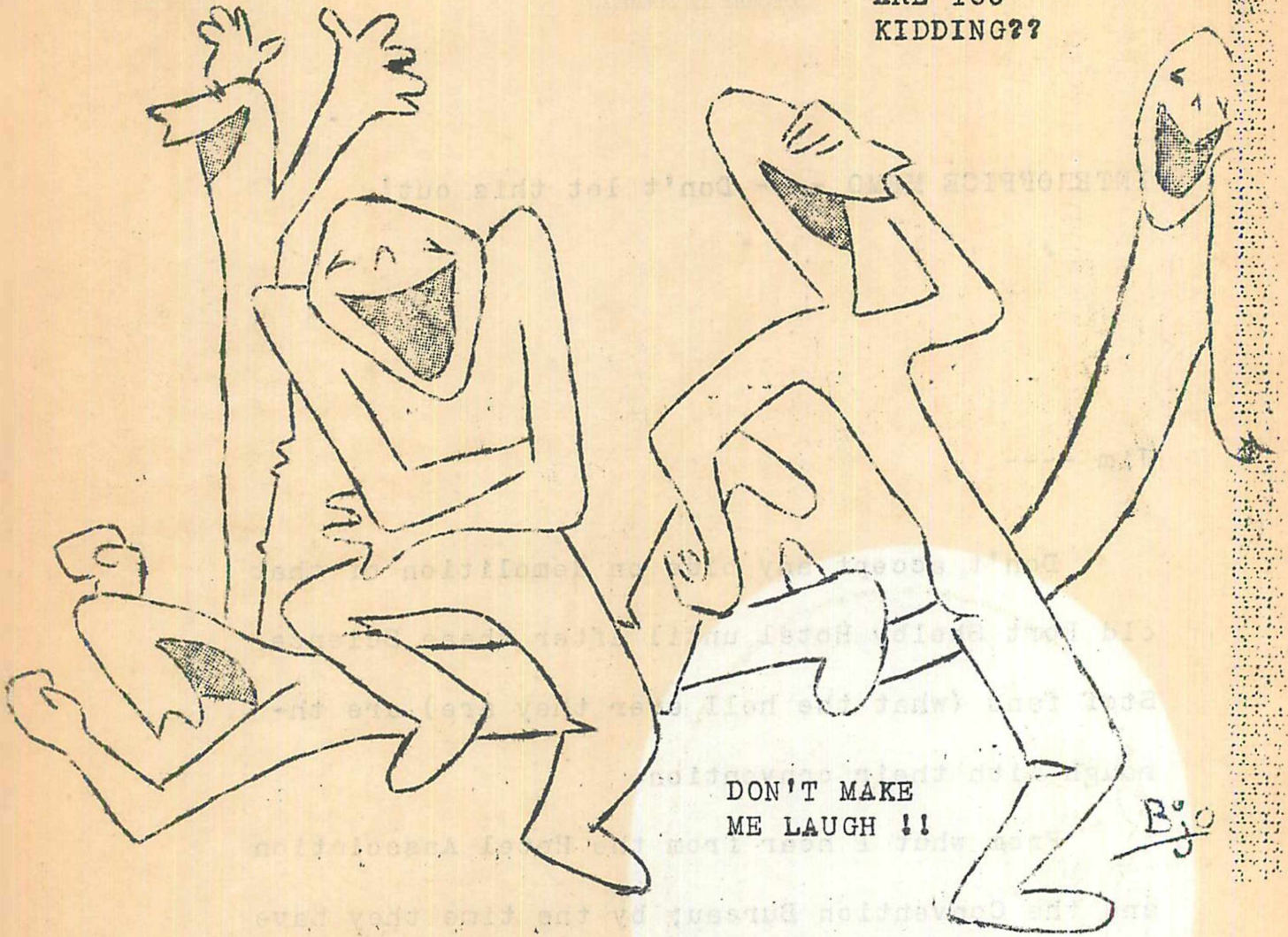
From what I hear from the Hotel Association and the Convention Bureau; by the time they have finished their convention we will more than likely find the job half done.

W. Beckwith

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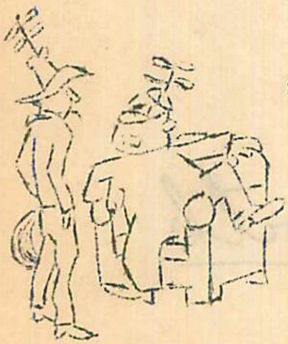
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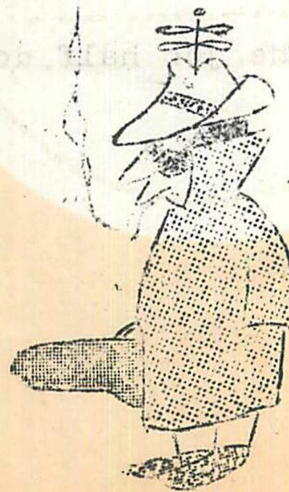


DON'T MAKE
ME LAUGH !!

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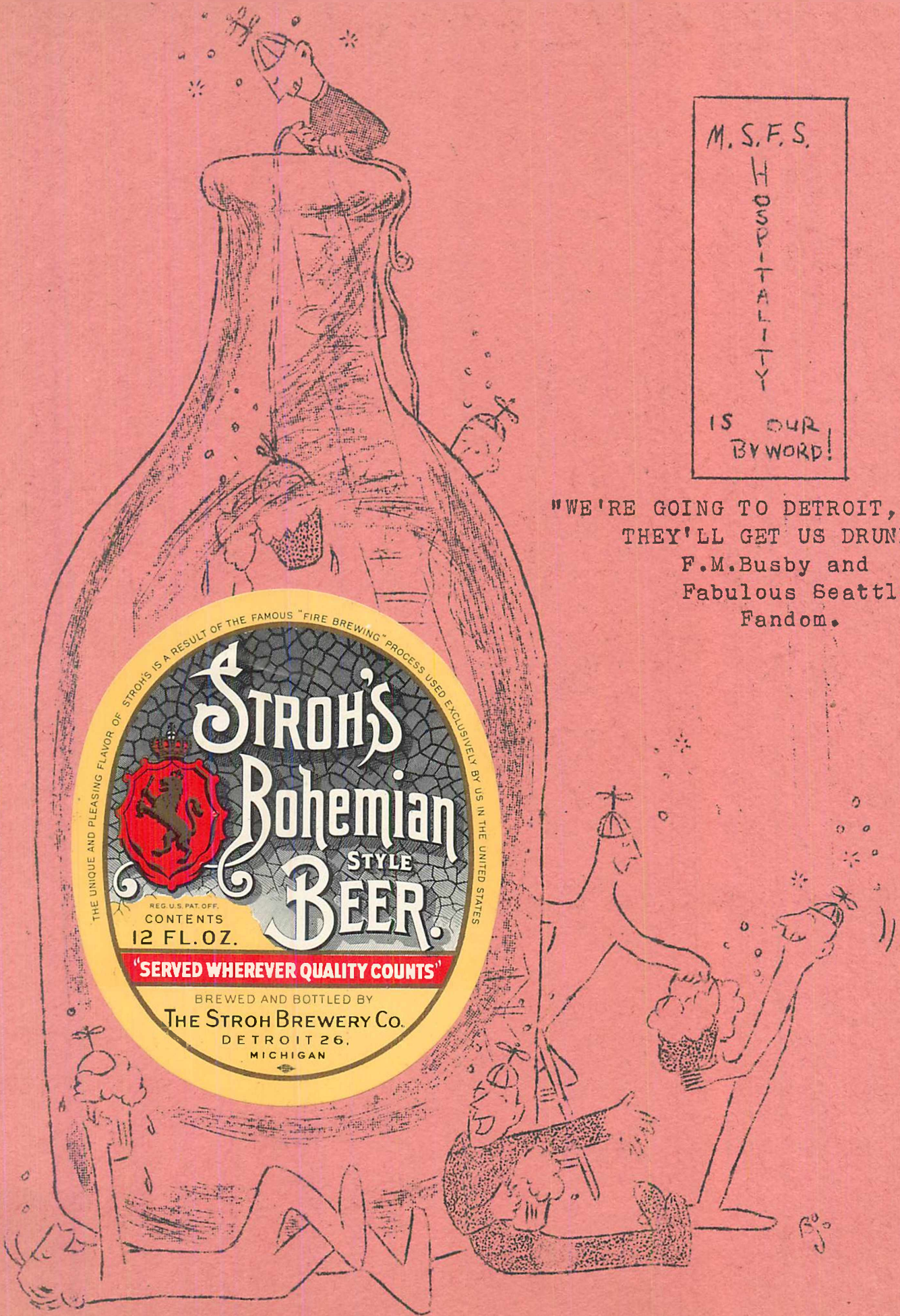


Sorry, I'm
already pledged
to Alaska.



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Ray (indistinct)



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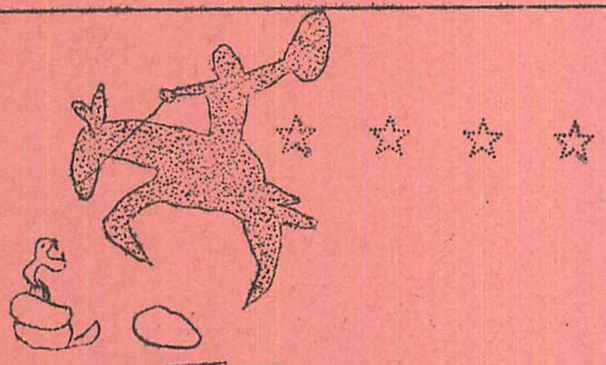
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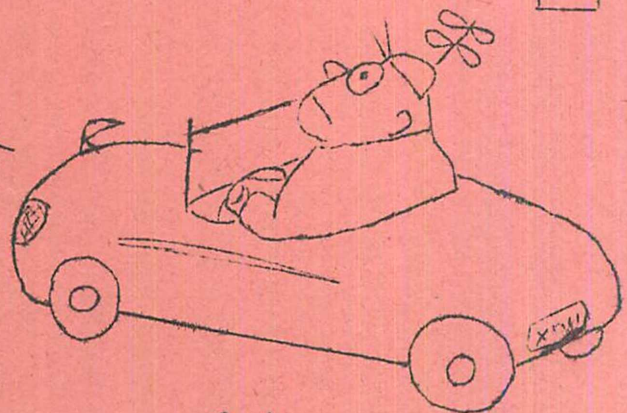
"WE'RE GOING TO DETROIT,
 THEY'LL GET US DRUNK!"
 F.M. Busby and
 Fabulous Seattle
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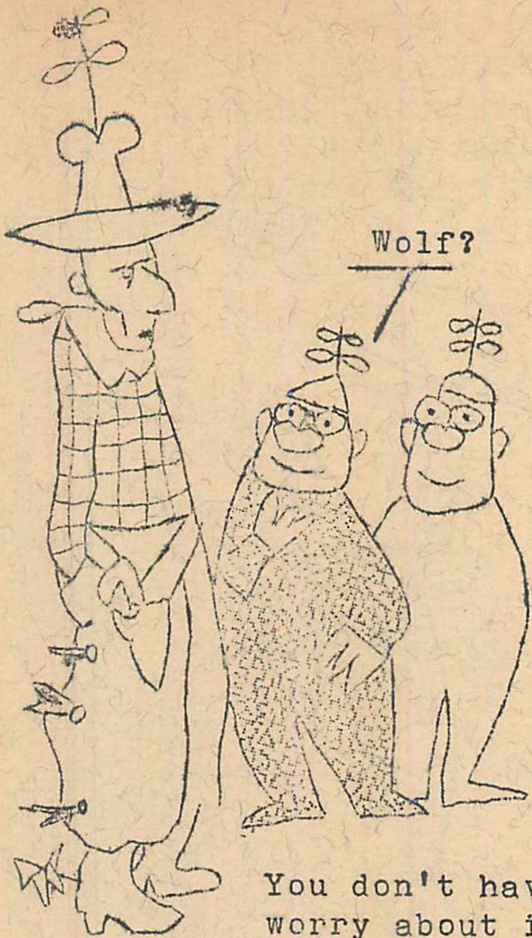
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PROCEED AT YOUR OWN RISK



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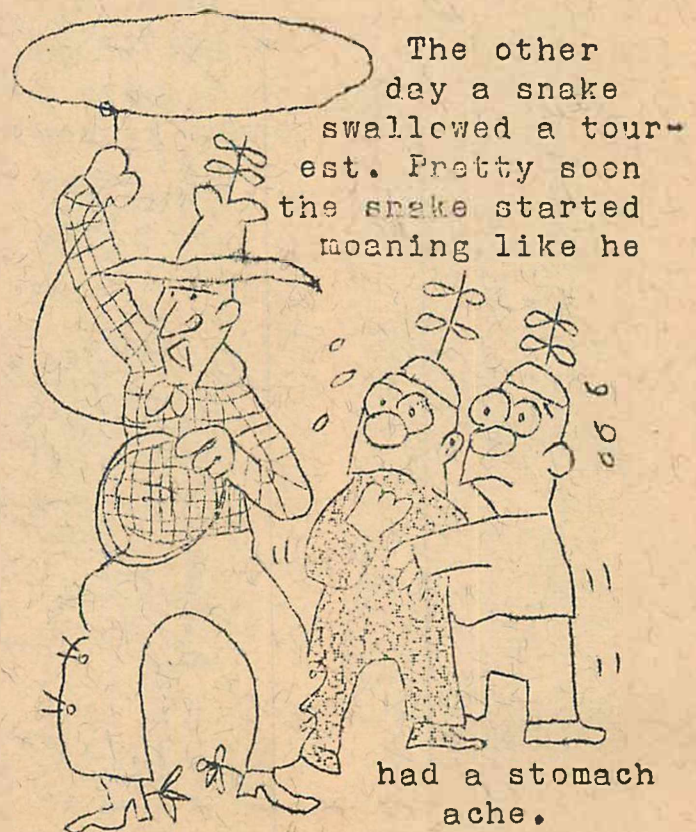
You don't have to worry about it getting too cold in Texas. Just the other day I saw a wolf after a jackrabbit--



-and it was so darn hot they was both walking.

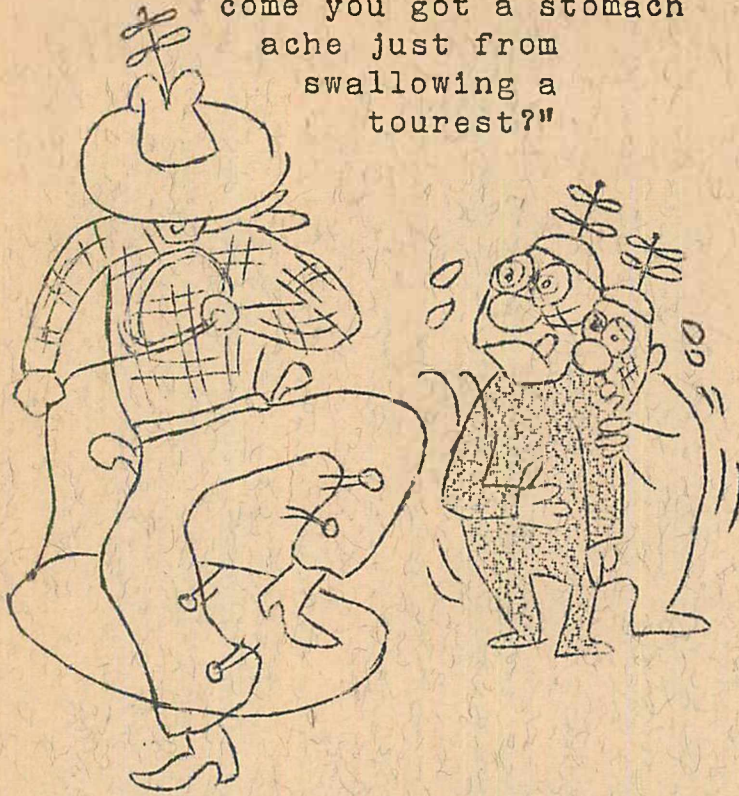


Everything is biggest in Texas. Take the snakes, for instance.

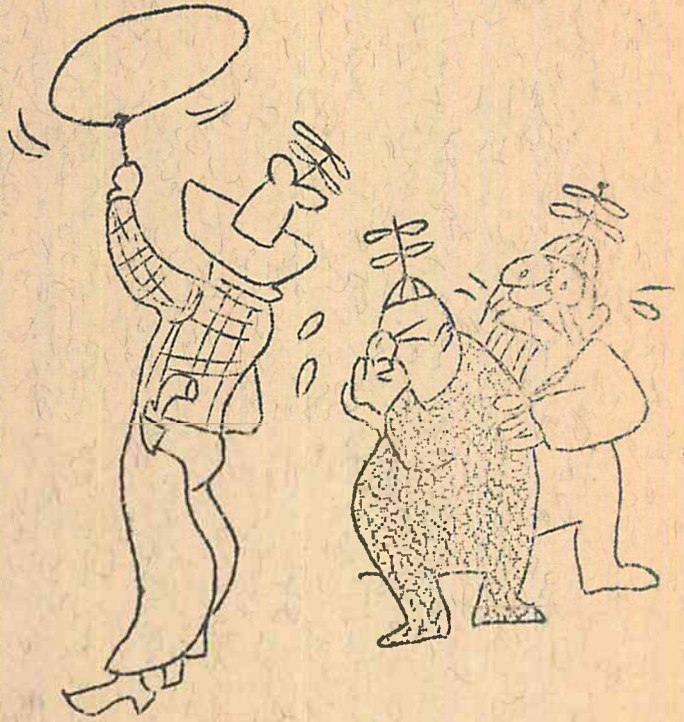


The other day a snake swallowed a tourist. Pretty soon the snake started moaning like he had a stomach ache.

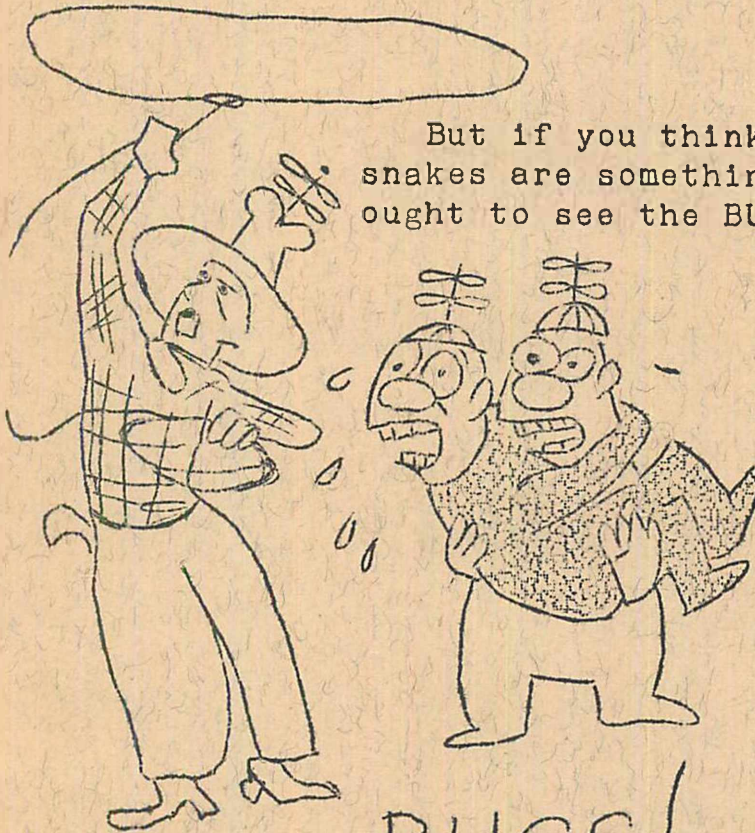
Another snake asked him what was wrong. He asked him "how come you got a stomach ache just from swallowing a tourest?"



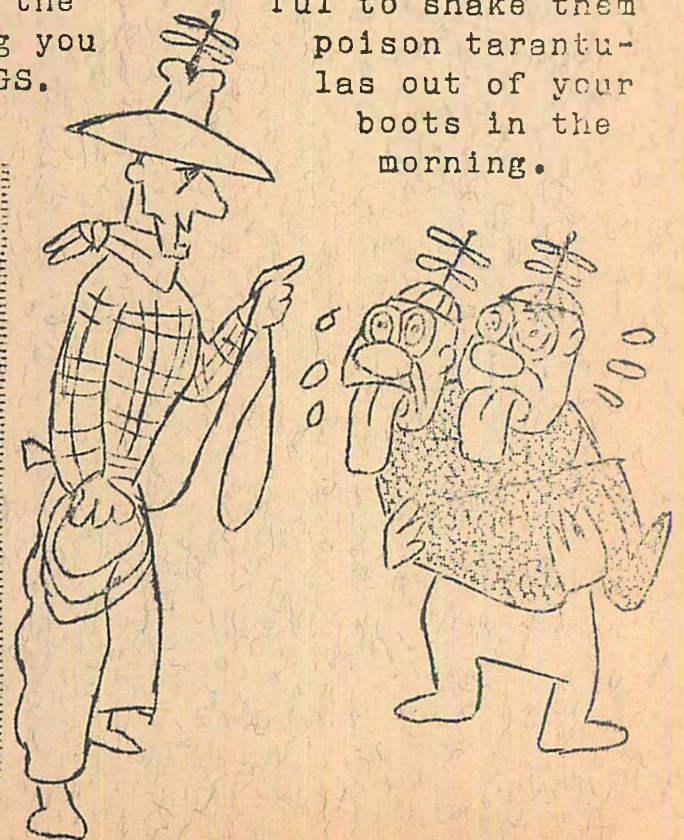
"Swallowing tourests don't bother me," answers the first snake, "it's just that this one was in his ear at the time!"



But if you think the snakes are something you ought to see the BUGS.



You gotta be careful to shake them poison tarantulas out of your boots in the morning.

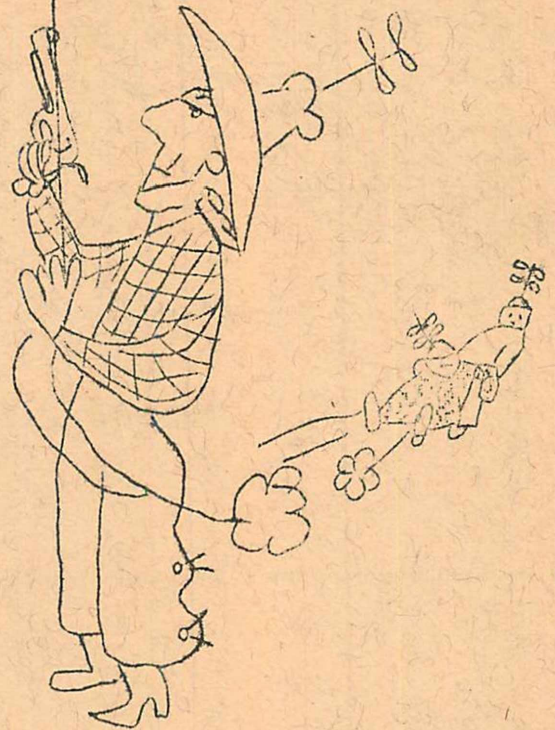


BUGS!
DID YOU SAY BUGS?

And man you ought to
see the cyclones, dust
storms --



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tain lions; but it's
a great place for a
con.



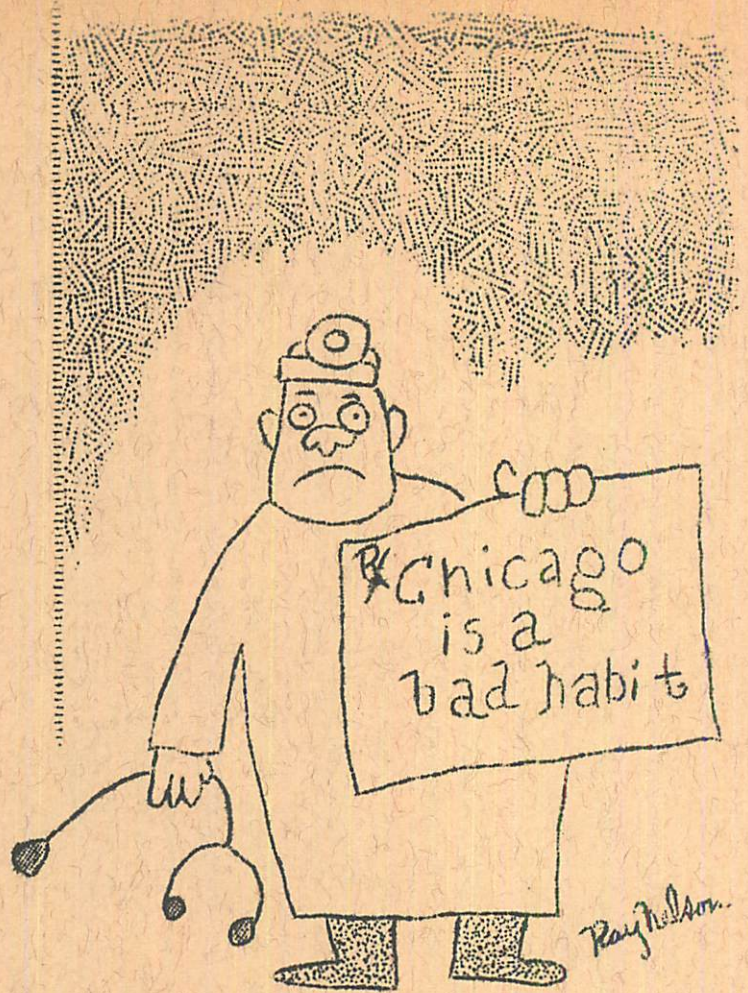
I know I can
count on you boys
to vote
for
Texas.



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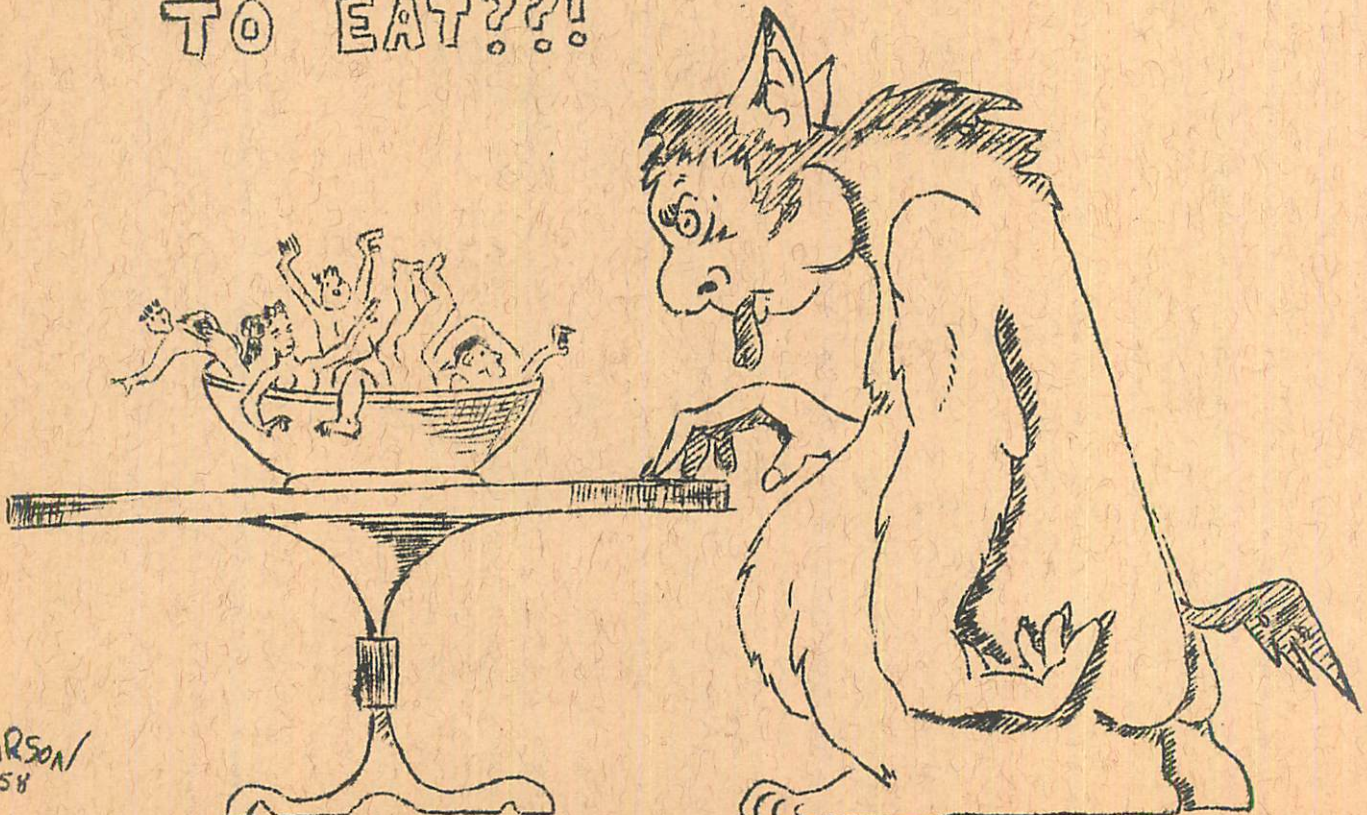


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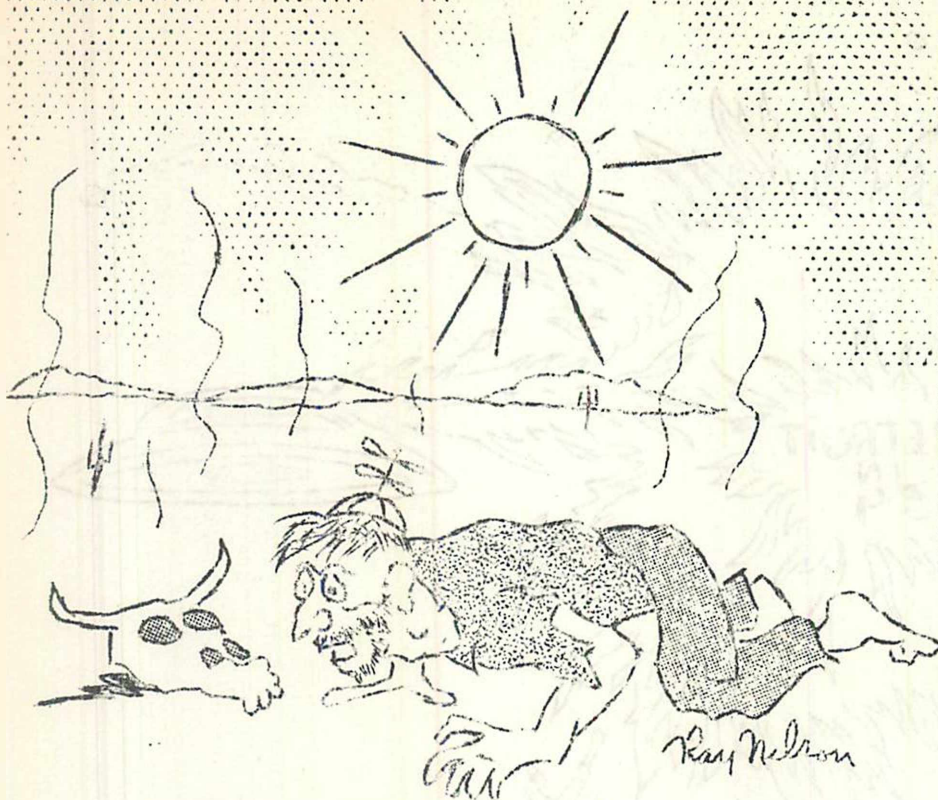
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TOO POOPED
TO EAT??!

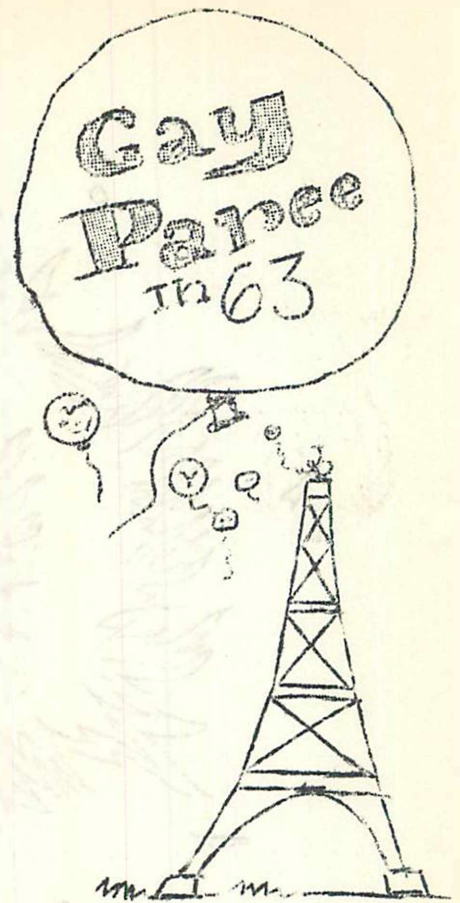


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WE'LL PEP YOU UP AT THE "DETENTION"!

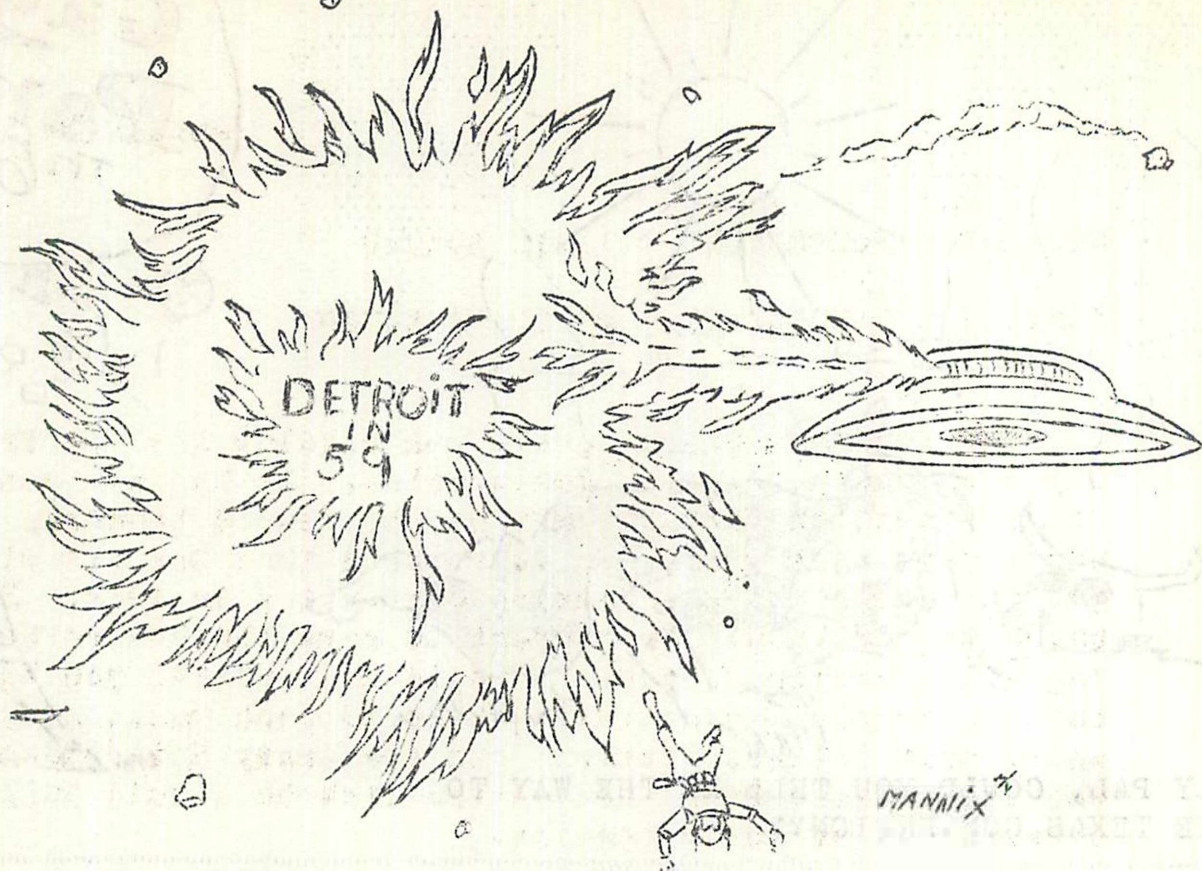


SAY PAL, COULD YOU TELL ME THE WAY TO THE TEXAS CONVENTION??



WODDYA WANTA GO TO DETROIT FOR? NO CITY LIGHTS, NO SHOWS, NO V.D., NO BIG PLACES, MAN—NOTHING TO DO BUT GO TO A CONVENTION, MEET FANS, TALK, LIKE-





DETROIT POLICE DEPARTMENT

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

August 12, 1958

Date _____

To:

COMMANDER MOTORCYCLE TRAFFIC BUREAU

Subject:

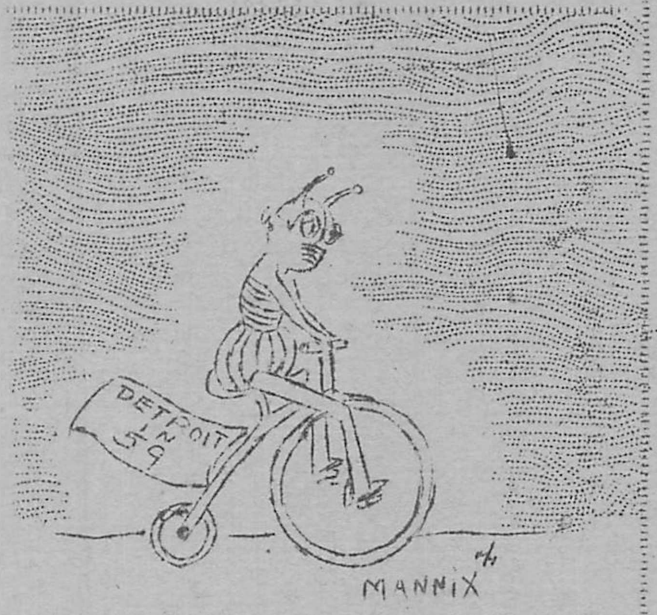
TENTATIVE CANCELLATION OF LEAVE DATES

As you know Charlie, the men usually have Labor Day week end as regular leave dates. It has now come to my attention that the men may be needed to work those days next year. It is rumored that Detroit will get the World Science Fiction Convention in 1959. I think that it would be prudent to have the men covering all in-coming roads. I would also advise you to issue a couple extra ticket books to each man. As you know, most Science Fiction Fans are crazy hot-rodders and the revenue from these extra tickets should pull Detroit out of the recession.

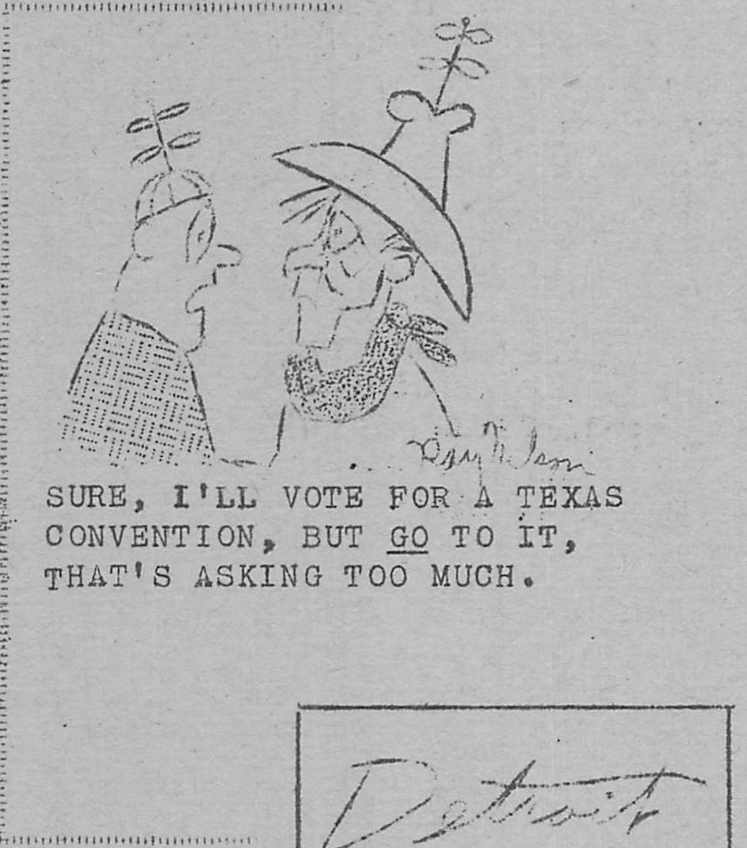
Very truly yours,
S.L. Polk
DIRECTOR OF TRAFFIC



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Ray Nelson
 SURE, I'LL VOTE FOR A TEXAS CONVENTION, BUT GO TO IT, THAT'S ASKING TOO MUCH.



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