

SFPA MEET GREAT SCOTT

A one-shot produced and directed by Great Rich, that noble hero of Tallahassee Fame who lives at 117 S. Meridian St. #3, Tallahassee, Fla. 32301. Phone number, incidently, is 904-224-5731. Richall Press #72. For those interested, Undulating Memories of Times Past and Present #2 is, in reality, Richall Press #71 and not #70. August 18, 1974. The purpose of this issue is to introduce the Great Scott, who has appeared in various Richall Press publications in the past. Take it away TGS!

Hi! I am the Great Scott. Notorious back-stabber and part-time religious fanatic. Listen well, for I am about to tell you about a really pathetic example of human endurance.

Our story begins as we see two average lower middle class parents struggling to succeed in raising a family. Already they have had a son and a daughter and are now going on their third child. So on May 20, 1955, the universally tolerated and virtually unknown individual known throughout as the GREAT SCOTT came into this world. Yes, he lived his life as an adolescent just as almost every other adolescent his age has. But there were differences...for one thing, the Great Scott was neglected, rejected and misunderstood by all but his parents, and even then it happened on occasion. However TGS was wise enough to know that it mattered little and consequently did not wallow in self-pity as many would have done had they been in his place.

TGR: Great Scott decided he was hungry and ran off to the burger-barf for a cheep threel. He now continues his biographical musings...

Our story continues, and we see the Great Scott as a juvenile. He is still neglected and rejected but is beginning to show signs of becoming the mature Great Scott. Now a strange thing happens...during the course of his life, Great Scott has met and known many different types of people. This conglomeration of meetings has left the Great Scott with some degree of flexibility in nearly all his outlooks. Should he come to this conclusion or that one? Then he met The Great Rich. The Great Rich, scoundrel that he is, tried to instill TGS with the ideas begotten from logic and reason. This has motivated TGS to the point that TGS has decided to reconsider some of the ideas he had previously taken for granted. Let me say this, though, I have never taken anything for granted. I have come to my own conclusions by my own means and through very few others. I have read a great amount of books of all kinds and if I may say so myself, I am not altogether ignorant. So to bring this informative review to a close, I will say that I am still open for suggestions. And now a word or three from...

DGR: Thanks for typing my initials Great Scott, but DGR? De Great Rich? You been hanging around Buns too long...even starting to abbreviate as he would. One can say many things about The Great Scott (particularly how he madeled his name after that of a certain noble hero), however some of the good things would include such as, he is very honest (about as honest as I am, which is pretty doggone honest) and is very dependable. I know quite a few people who don't even have half of what the Great Scott has in this area. Unfortunately, Great Scott has a few offsetting characteristics including his ability to accept certain things as 'truths' without being able to cite any sort of evidence for his 'truths' other than 'these are true by defination' and similar arguements, the gist of which is 'all these are true, because all these are true'. Great Scott also has problems when it comes to explaining himself or defending some belief and almost invariably winds up convincing the person he is talking to, that he doesn't know what he is talking about. To the casual obsevervor, it would appear that the Great Scott is so mixed up that he is incapable of explaining anything and they generally conclude Great Scott is just stupid, when this isn't really

the case. Great Scott generally has some good reasons for doing what he does or for believing in what he believes...it's just that you have to drag it out of him. Sometimes Great Scott doesn't have good reasons for doing what he does, ETC... however, perhaps these are some of the things he mentioned as areas he was improving on. Also, Great Scott is real stubborn and when you get him in an argument, it doesn't matter how much good, solid evidence you present him with...he'll still argue that he is right and you are wrong. I would imagine that is because of the reasons that he is rejected and (mainly) misunderstood. If people can't understand you, it seems quite certain that they will misunderstand you. Great Scott claims he is not a redneck (as some people are wont to claim he is), yet his inability to explain why he is not a redneck leave a lot of doubt in people's minds. Also Great Scott has real different parents (who were associated with the John Birch Society at one time and were bigwigs in the 1972 Wallace for President drive) and this may account for some of the Great Scott strangeness. I guess I've rambled on enough for awhile and I imagine Great Scott has all sorts of interesting things that he wants to say. So, take it away, TGS!

I'm back again, and I have words of wisdom...with friends like TGR, who needs enemies. But lets get back to the original plot. During my entire reign, I have held to the philisophy that money is not everything. This explains my present dilemma. Keeping this in mind, I have not been motivated enough either from without or within to carry on my education. As someone has aptly stated, college is a paper chase. However, it can also help one to athink moreeologically and to entitle one to a better paid job afterwards. So the question is, are you willing to sacrifice your time and energy with no guaranteed future or work and remain dull and stagnant. 'Tis indeed a problem. And I intend to make a decision one way or the other in the near future, as I should have entered college over a year ago. Incidentally, I have talked to people of just about every possible background and nature, and the general concensus runs about 50/50 concerning this.

I think the crux of the matter lies in the fact that I have little ambition. This is not to say that I would not take advantage of a good situation if it appeared, but it is just that I would prefer for it to come to me. Also I am somewhat scientifically oriented and am trying to think of bizarre new ways to conquer the world. Well, I had better stop before I get carried away, so TGR, take it away...

TGR: I suppose I could mention that Great Scott has a Honda 500 motorcycle and drives around at all sorts of high speeds (55 mph in a 25mph zone), but I won't, and besides TGS might mention it later. Though TGS hasn't mentioned it thus far, he qualifies as being one of these Jack Kirby fanatics and has quite a collection (as do all too many others) of Marvel comics besides. TGS spends his time working in a department store Toy Department (J.M. Fields) and, as he says, is notorious for going around and goofing off a lot. This fanzine is a result of one such period of Great Scott Boredom and Great Rich desire to produce fanzines and not get kicked out of apas. I've about finished everything I wanted to say, so I'll let the Great Scott wind things up.

Remember me? Well I've come back to haunt you. I have words of wisdom... There is one problem I see in knowing the Great Rich, and that is that he is so insensitive to other peoples problems. I am to a small degree, also, but when TGR starts insulting you, and attacking you verbally with malicious intent, you begin to feel neglected and rejected and misunderstood. He has his good side, too (his back-side), as do the rest of the mad gang, but I wish he and the others weren't such skeptics.

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