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## See what happens? A man tries to take a few days off to relax from the horrendous duties of OAhood, and while he's out of town things explode. All right, cancel all I said about the OAlections in Sweet Thing #3. I chose Pelz to be teller figuring him to be as close to an impartial participant as we have in Our Little Club. But all that's out the window now. For one thing, his wife is running for the office, and for another thing I've had an official complaint from another of the candidates, claiming that Pelz Won't Do.

As the inventory stands right now, the candidates for OA are: Dick Eney, Dian Pelz, Ted White, Walter Breen, and yuvs B.L. Tapscott, incumbent. That's five, in case you can't tell. Also, contrary to previous expectation, Breen informs me that he intends to publish a Part A of his FR three or four days early -- which means that it will probably be out before this arrives everywhere. With this Part A, Walter intends to include the ballot postcards for the OAlection; but since he's a candidate, they will have to be sent to someone else for tabulation. In addition to this problem, his earlypub could conceivably mean that some (shudder!) latent candidate for the OAcy is being deprived of his chance to file. And we can well imagine the bitching-fodder that would provide.

So, to forestall any such complaint, it is herewith OAofficially declared that the deadline for filing as a candidate in the forthcoming election is whenever Breen publishes his Part A -- but no later than 6 April. If you (not you, Dick, Dian, Ted, Walter) consider this grossly unfair, inasmuch as it deprives you of the chance to see your name on the ballot, tough luck.

Also, the teller for this ~~part~~ election is herewith OAofficially declared to be T O M S E I D M A N. Votes must be in to him on or before Eney's deadline -- April 27. And NO protests, complaints, or bellyaches about the choice of tellers will be entertained.

## The petition to oust Donaho, having failed to attract the requisite cosignatures is herewith declared null and void. Disclaimer. Unless and until it is republished in a FR or f/r, bearing two signatures besides Boardman's, it is to be considered a dead issue. And by the way, Breen has not officially come out as being in favor of it, though White has.

## Schultz has written to me, and is legally on the IWL. He fits the "known fan" de:scription and, barring protests, need not write a substantial letter.

## White's late pages to Fitch do indeed count as f/r credit to Breen's FR.

## In virtue of his cliff-hanging FRactional, Castora is still with us.

\*\*\* VOTE T A P S C O T T FOR OFFICIAL ARBITER \*\*\*

staunch -- fearless -- atomic -- unutterably vile

Yhoa, Scott XI