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### **General Comments**

This is the first Worldcon with a two-year lead time and, as such, we are feeling our way in a number of areas. It means we have extra time to plan events but also that it is harder to pin down participants two years in advance. There are additional progress reports, mail rates are going up, as are printing costs and these must be taken into account. Cons are now providing more in the way of movies, meet-the-author parties, special exhibits and the like. Another expense which has arisen is the need for security guards in the Art Show and Hucksters' Room. These costs are all a part of your membership.

We are trying to discourage people from joining the convention at the convention itself for a number of reasons. First, itmeans committing extra manpower to service these people at just the time when manpower is most critically needed in running the program, handling last minute details, etc. Although this is alleviated to some extent by hiring registration clerks from the Chamber of Commerce, we would rather spend the money on the fans. Second, if we know that only a few people will be joining at the convention we will have a much better estimate of the number of Program Books to be printed. Since we want every member of the convention to get a Program Book we must overestimate the print run. The fewer needless excess copies we have to print means that much more money can be used for the convention fitself. Third, it is much easier for us to process a few members a day over the two-year period than to process 3-500 in a few hours at the convention. For these reasons, the cost of joining at the convention will be high. There are still almost two years to the convention and that's plenty of time to send in your membership. The cons are large now and they can no longer be handled on the loose personal basis that was possible in the past. In many ways this is unfortunate but it is necessary if anything is to be done - ask any past convention chairman.

### Registration

Until 1 September 1970 the registration fee is: \$4 - Supporting \$6 - Attending The fee after that time will be announced in the next Progress Report in publicized elsewhere. The fee for registration at the convention has not yet been set.

Conversion: The cost of conversion to Attending membership is the difference between the cost of Supporting membership at the time you bought a supporting membership and the cost of an attending membership at the time of conversion.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: All reports and information will be sent to the last address on the records of the convention. If you change your address, please send a notice directly to the convention. This will enable us to keep our records up to date and to expedite sending you your *Progress Reports*. MEMBERSHIP CARDS: Membership cards will be included with this report if they arrive from the printer on time If not, they will be mailed in the next Progress Report.

Banquet

The Awards Banquet is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, 5 Sept. 1971. Tickets are not yet available as we have not yet settled on a meal; however, the cost is expected to be in the neighborhood of \$8.

Since Boston is justly famous for its fine seafood we would like to know if you might like a seafood banquet. Note that we can get a higher quality of fish than meat for the same or lower price. We would be very interested in hearing whether anyone who plans to attend the banquet is strongly opposed to fish.

All seating at the banquet will be reserved. Seats will be assigned in the order received. Groups wishing to sit together may reserve an entire table (10 persons) by purchasing their ten tickets in a single order. There will be a discount for groups purchasing tickets in blocks of ten. In addition, ticket holders who are part of a table group will be admitted to the banquet hall first. Group table reservations will be available *ONLY* in advance and *NOT* at the convention.

In keeping with our general policy, tickets purchased in advance will be discounted from those purchased at the convention. The absolute deadline for banquet ticket sales at the convention is 4 pm (1600 hours) Friday, 3 September 1971. Due to the vagaries of the postal system, no banquet ticket will be sold through the mail after 10 August 1971.

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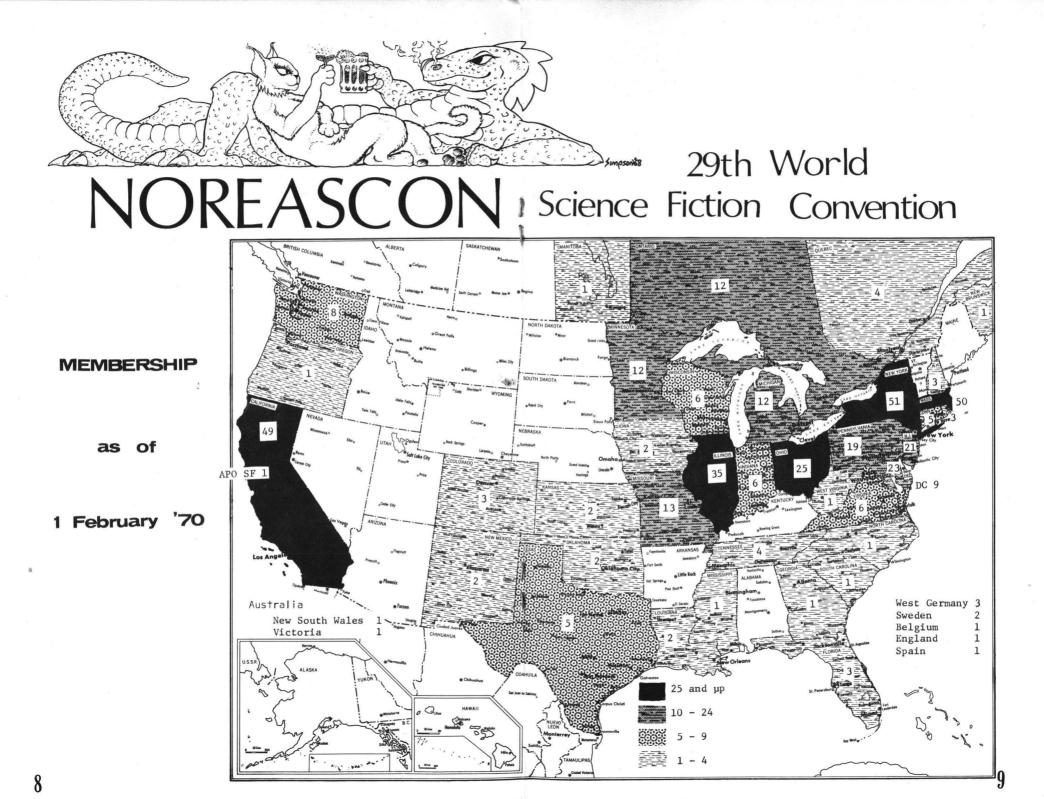
With the increase in value of the Art Show and the Hucksters' Room it has become necessary to provide professional security guards to prevent theft. Therefore, the convention is hiring guards from the Boston Police Department for this purpose.

Most of the problems and thefts are caused by non-fans. To handle this problem window badges (such as those used at Nycon 3) will be used instead of the cardboard name tags. These must be worn to get into all functions with the exception of people in costume at the Masquerade and ticket holders at the Banquet. This is necessary, unfortunately, to prevent those who have not paid the registration fee from imposing upon those who have had the courtesy and honesty to do so.

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- --- to introduce more complex programming and projection techniques
- --- in part, to generate that nexus where Entertainment Value and Information Level combine to create a valuable program item
- --- in part, to provide an item of such intrinsic value as to be truly worth the participant's (attendee's) time.

This program item exists now as a program concept yet to be tested. It is not yet the final approach. For this reason, among others, we are trying out at Boskone 7 (Statler Hilton Hotel, Boston, Massachusetts: 27-29 March 1970) an encapsulation of the programming that is being planned for Noreascon.

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### **Special Interest Groups**

Any and all special interest groups, sub-fandoms, clubs, etc., should get in touch with the committee so that we may try to meet their requirements for a gathering at the convention. When writing please estimate size of group, preferred time for holding your meeting, whether you want a food function and, if so, what price range do you desire.

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### Auction

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In addition to raising necessary money for the convention, the auctions are the only place that most fans can get original artwork and manuscripts. Donations of auction material are very welcome. Generally, the person donating the material will get 60% of the sale price, though in special cases other arrangements can be worked out. Jerry Wenker has given us some old manuscripts from *Fantastic Universe* and Judy-Lynn Benjamin of *Galaxy* last year made some contributions to the New England Science Fiction Association to be auctioned at the *Boskones* and they have passed some of it along to us. We'd like to say thank you to all these people.

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