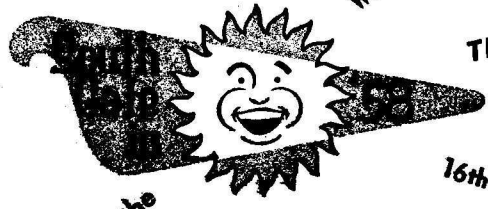


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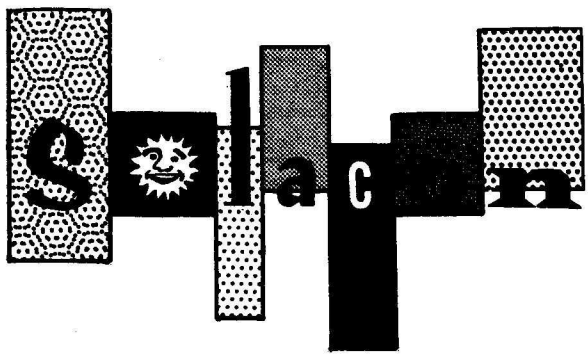
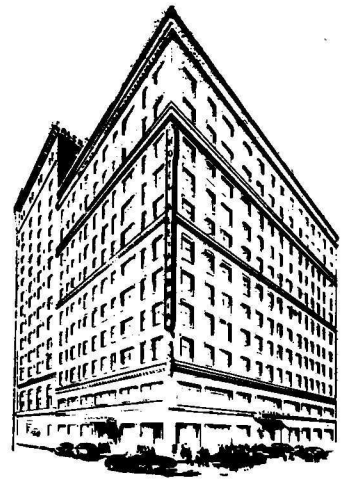
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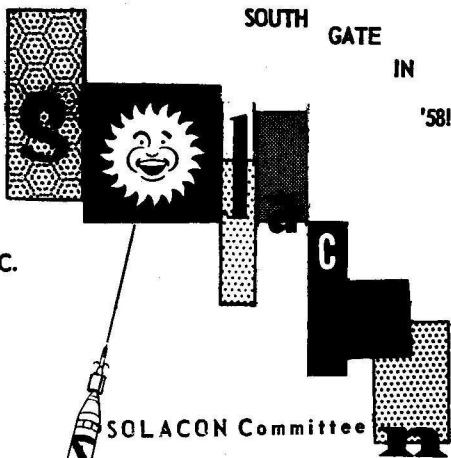
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Nothing But Promises

LEN J. MOFFATT

IT IS OFTEN said that Anything can happen at a Convention. That's one of those statements that can easily be labeled 'trite but true', as any veteran conventioneer will tell you. Consequently, any predictions by me or anybody else as to what will happen at SOLACON would be pretty ridiculous.

However, we do have plans, and a schedule for them, the success of which depends as much on you and the people who have made promises to us as it does on the Convention Committee. Hmmm... Another one of those 'trite but true' statements. Let's talk about...beginnings.

The first question that arises when a Committee sits down to plan a Convention program is: What kind of a program do we want to present? Immediately, somebody says, 'It will have to be a fannish program, of course. After all, SOUTH GATE IN '58 is a traditionally fannish slogan.'

'Well, yes,' says somebody else. 'But not completely fannish...'

'You mean SOUTH GATE IN '58 is not a completely fannish slogan? Why, that's...'

'No, no! I mean that our program should not be completely fannish. Lots of people attending the Convention will not be fans or even faaans. If we go All Out Fannish we may lose some of our best customers. Don't forget it is a World Science Fiction Convention, and those two words, World and Science Fiction, are very important.'

'That's three words! World, Science, and Fiction...'

'Well...pshaw. I mean we will have to have a program that will be of interest to as many interested people as possible.'

'But you can't please everybody!'

'No, but you can try to please as many as possible by having a well-balanced program, with something on the schedule for each of the various types who attend Conventions. Something for the pros, and something for the fans, and something for the readers who like conventions but aren't interested in fanning or writing for the promags, and something for the part-time readers whose other interests include science without the fiction, and...'

BANG!!! (That's the Chairwoman's gavel.)

The discussion grows more orderly. It develops that a balanced program is the ideal solution, as it is obvious that actifans, pros, readers, etc., do have cross-interests. That is, a pro session will be of interest to many fans and readers, a fan session to pros and readers, and so on. Why, man, this is a breeze. No strain to building a program.

Nothing But Promises

All you have to do is fill up yay many hours, and that main problem is not having enough hours to fill. There would be more, of course, if it were not that morning programming is generally considered very bad planning, and the Committee agrees on this. There must be free time for the delegates to get together informally, visit, yak, have parties, recover from parties, publish one shots, collect autographs, campaign for next year's Con, general rioting and mayhem, taking pictures (i. e. photo snapping, not stealing from the display room), making tapes, looking at displays, shopping for rare books and members of the opposite sex, catching up on one's reading so one can understand the panel discussions, passing out quote cards, passing out, writing letters home, or to Willis, or to Horrocks, baiting Bloch, going to the w/c, etc.

Suffice to say that the SOLACON Committee soon filled up the available program hours. Some items are traditionally a part of every Convention program, such as the Auction, the Masquerade Ball, and the Banquet. Scheduling these items was no trouble at all.

As most of you know, three local groups are participating in the program: the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society will present a futuristic Fashion Show; the Pacific Rocket Society will have a demonstration and film, and will play host in the Assembly Room, and the Little Men of Berkeley are to present a play (thanks to Karen and Poul Anderson) entitled Alice in Thrilling Wonderland.

Three different panels at least: one by three well-known local scholars and debaters; a different and refreshing kind of pro panel; and one made up of fans known to most of you, which should delight the hearts of All and Sundry (Tom All and Sam Sundry, two fake fans from Pratt Falls, Nebraska)...

There will be individual speakers too. Let me drop a few names. Guest of Honor Richard Matheson, Toastmaster Tony Boucher, an eloquent TAFF Ambassador, and all the editors we can catch will hold forth before, during, and after the Banquet. Earlier in the festivities will have been a major address by Ray Bradbury, among others.

The WSFS Business Meeting will be on Sunday. Dallas, Chicago, and Detroit are competing for the 1959 WorldCon. Need I say more? The Westercon Business Meeting will be Monday afternoon, to select the site of the 1959 West Coast SF Conference. Any Bidders?

The National Fantasy Fan Federation will present a 15-minute program, and there will be meeting rooms available for fan clubs and groups to use for their own special meetings.

All the persons and items we are announcing have been promised to us, so what have we got to offer? Nothing but promises.

--ljm

The Staff of this Magazine

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the *Solacon* Committee
to wish you all a very

**HAPPY
SNICK-SNACK
DAY!**

*The Official Outlander Holiday, ranking next to SOUTH GATE IN '58 as a tradition of the Outlander Society. Discovered by Rick Sneary in 1949, lost by John van Covering in 1950, re-discovered by Anna Sinclair Maffatt in 1952. May 29th.

Once again it is time to apologise to Dave Newman: this time, it was the address, in the TAFF section. And likewise for Bill Rickhardt of Detroit, whose name got lost last issue.

FOO on the Cat Cult

- display, v.t. 1. To unfold; to spread out or wide.
2. To spread before the view; to show. SYN : show
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Rules of the World Science Fiction Convention in 1958

GENERAL:

A. The Business Meeting of the 16th World Science Fiction Convention will be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order as modified by these Convention Rules, except that in the absence of controversy, formalities of procedure need not be strictly adhered to.

CONVENTION SITE FOR 1959:

A. A group submitting a bid for the 1959 WorldCon shall submit in writing, to the SOLACON Secretary, at least thirty days before the Business Meeting, the name of the proposed site, names and addresses of the proposed officers and members if its committee, and the name of the group bidding.

B. Nominating speeches shall be allowed a maximum time of ten minutes for each group placing a bid. Bids shall be placed in the name of the proposed Convention site.

C. Seconding speeches shall be limited to two for each group placing a bid, with a maximum time of three minutes for each individual speech.

D. Voting procedure to select the 1959 WorldCon site will be by ballot, except in the event that only one bid is placed.

E. Should two ballots be required to select the 1959 WorldCon site, only the top bids which together received the majority of votes shall be placed on the second ballot.

BY-LAWS AND RESOLUTIONS:

A. The SOLACON Committee will appoint a Rules Committee, and the membership present at 7:00 pm, Friday, August 29, 1958, will be asked to approve this appointed Rules Committee.

B. The Rules Committee will include the Chairwoman, Secretary, and Treasurer of the SOLACON, and a parliamentarian or legal advisor.

C. The Rules Committee will meet at some time before the Business Meeting to consider the written proposals for amending the By-Laws or for Resolutions, for inclusion in the agenda of the Business Meeting.

D. Any proposed changes in the By-Laws of the World Science Fiction Society, Inc., must be submitted in writing to the SOLACON Secretary by 7:00 pm Friday, August 29, 1958. Members proposing changes in By-Laws must be present at the Business Meeting. Discussion of By-Laws will be limited to these written proposed changes.

E. Resolutions must be submitted in writing to the SOLACON Secretary by 7:00 pm, Friday, August 29, 1958. Members proposing Resolutions must be present at the Business Meeting. Discussion of Resolutions will be limited to these written proposed Resolutions.

NOMINATIONS FOR DIRECTORS: OF THE WSFS, INC.

A. Two new Directors will be elected at the Business Meeting to replace those whose terms of office expire at that time.

B. Nominations for these two new Directors must be submitted in writing to the SOLACON Secretary by 7:00 pm, Friday, August 29, 1958, and must be signed by the nominator and the nominee.

C. Voting procedure will be by ballot in the same manner as that for the 1959 WorldCon site.

D. Both nominator and nominee must be members in good standing of the World Science Fiction Society, Inc.

E. Nominating speeches will be limited to one and one-half minutes each nominator.

the SOLACON Committee

Secretary: LEN J. MOFFATT, 10202 Belcher, Downey, California

Program

notes

PROMISES

Masquerade Ball... Sunday Night... Convention Hall
Costume contest, judged by Fritz Leiber, A. E. van Vogt, and Bjo Wells. Dancing. Frolic. Prizes.

South Gate in '58 Reunion... Saturday Noon... City Hall, South Gate
Ceremonious Foregathering of Living Survivors of the Outlanders.

Auction... Saturday Afternoon... Convention Hall
Walt Daugherty will dispose of some priceless Asimov, Finlay, Emsch (covers from latter two), and who knows what's still coming.

Future Fashion Show... Sunday Evening... Convention Hall
Directed by Bjo Wells, produced by LASFS, WOW!

Alice in Thrilling Wonderland... Monday Evening... Convention Hall
Original Play, Karen and Poul Anderson, the Little Men. See this.

Rocketry Today... Saturday and Throughout... Convention Hall, Display Room. Produced by Pacific Rocket Society. Motion Picture. Demonstration. Displays.

Auction Bloch.. Saturday .. Convention Hall
This is It. Invented by The Original, Himself. Books are dead! Buy an author instead. Volunteers to date: Bloch Himself, Alan E. Nourse, E. E. Evans, Marty Greenberg, James Gunn, Fritz Leiber, E. E. Smith, Ray Bradbury.

SF: A dead issue?... panel discussion
planned as an orderly dispute with Clinton outtalking Curtis outtalking Konigsberg, this will probably work out just the opposite, a disorderly spate.

The Pacific Rocket Society... Saturday and Throughout... Convention Hall and Assembly Room. Motion Picture and Demonstration. Displays. PRS will host the Assembly Room during the Convention.

Ray Bradbury... Saturday... Convention Hall
A major speech.

2 Business Sessions 2!!! Sunday and Monday... Convention Hall
Dallas, Detroit, and Chicago fight it out in the first one, Westercon XII is located in the second.

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BEFORE THE CONVENTION

JOINERS (we know you've joined, but how about the guy in the next cell or the girl next door?) may send a dollar to Rick Sneary, 2962 Santa Ana St., South Gate, Calif. Another buck registers you.

TO RESERVE rooms at the Hotel Alexandria, write to them at 5th and Spring Sts., Los Angeles 13. They'd like one night's price as a deposit, and your arrival date.

RATES

Single	5.00	6.50	8.00
Double	6.50	8.50	10.00
Twin	8.00	9.00	10.50
Suites	10.00 to 25.00		

Groups may still reserve blocks of rooms if they act right now.

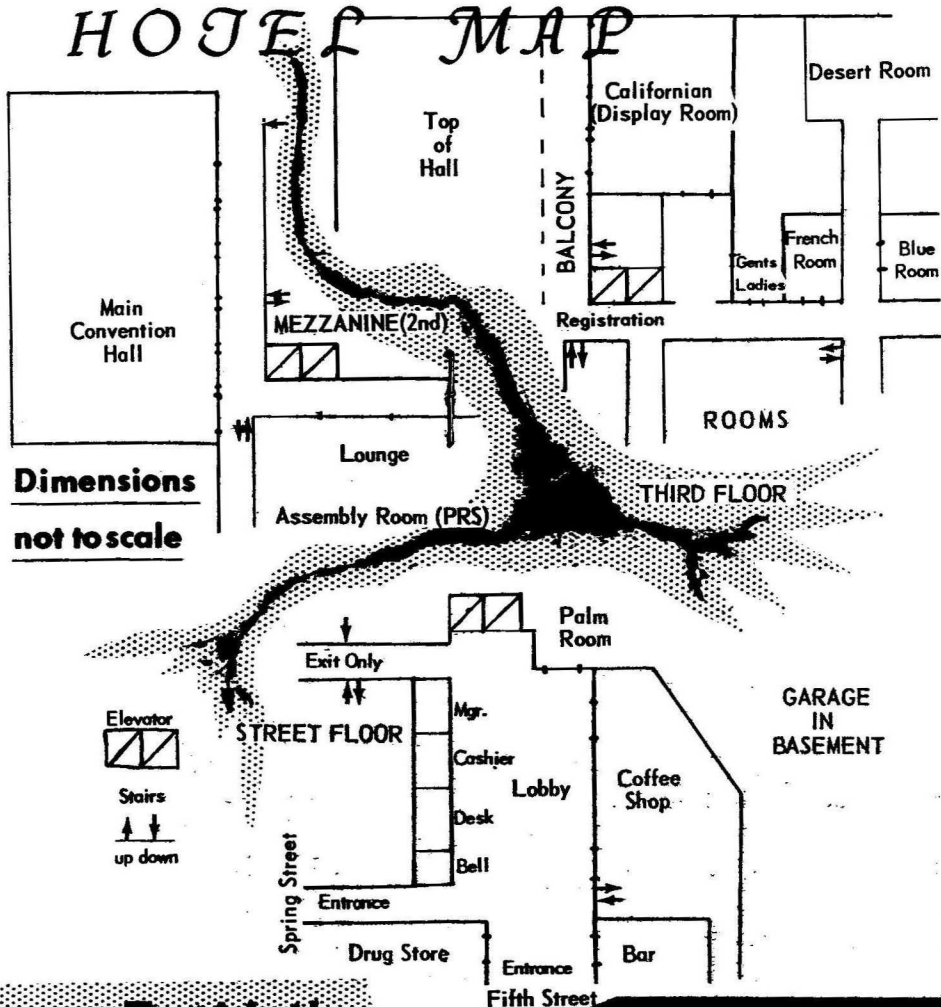
TO ORDER your plate at the Banquet, write to Anna Sinclair Mofatt, 10202 Belcher, Downey, Calif.

Prime Rib of Beef	4.50
Lobster Newburg	3.50
Broiled Half Chicken	3.25

TO HIRE display space in the Californian Room, write to Rick Sneary, 2962 Santa Ana St., SG.

8-ft tables	pros, 7.50	fans, 5.00
6-ft tables	pros, 5.00	fans, 3.75
wall space	1.00/horizontal yard	

HOTEL MAP



**Dimensions
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AT THE CONVENTION

THE REGISTRATION desk is on the third floor, overlooking the Hall, to the right coming off the elevator.

THE HOTEL Coffee Shop is open from 7am to 8:30 pm, maybe later.

THE LOBBY Drugstore is open 7am-10pm, maybe later.

ANYONE OVER 21 and not evidently intoxicated may purchase drinks or jugs between 6am and 2am in Calif. Minors are not generally allowed in bars.

THE HOTEL day ends at 2pm.

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*The 1/16 page is for fans only, size 2½x1½ will be reduced to about 2x1¼. Best copy size is 1/3 larger than final size: 10x6, 5x6, etc. Or, if you prefer, same-size (except the 1/16 page).

Thanks (so far) to Dallas, Detroit, Chicago & Advent, Wisconsin, St. Louis, Galaxy, LASFS, PRS, the Foo-on-the-Cat-Cult, the Cat Cult, and especially NFFF.

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PROGRAM NOTES (cont'd)

Banquet... Sunday Evening... Palm Room

Rates and entrees shown in ad on previous page. Toastmaster, Tony Boucher. Guest of Honor, Richard Matheson. The TAFFman and Mike Hinge will be asked to say a few words each in his native tongue. Verbum Sapientis from editors. Etc.

Pro Panel...

Details classified. (And that's the McCoy. Anna forbade any revelations, but you'll want to hear it...that is, them.)

RUMORS

The following program items are publicized without the consent of the SOLACON Committee, perhaps over their dead bodies.

Bathtub Pushing... Saturday Night, late... Room 1729
Rick Sneary will push a bathtub out the window.

Art Exhibit... Some other time... Display Room
A one-man show of his tattoos by the Illustrated Fan, GWFields.

Investigation... Later... Convention Hall
First Public Hearings of the Novelty-Investigating Subcommittee,
Sen. Ted Johnstone in charge.

Operatic Fiasco... Much Later... Convention Hall
World premiere of the new Moffopera, commissioned by the State dept. for the Brussels World's fair, but not presented there. Written and composed by Len Moffatt; directed (with an iron hand) by Anna. Starring the composer, Rog Phillips, and Honey Wood. Orchestra: Stan Woolston at the vertical Miehle, Forry at the phone.



Mike Hinge, fan and artist from New Zealand, coming to USA to study, work, and live, plans to attend SOLACON's masquerade in Maori costume.

Any recognized fan groups who want meeting space at the SOLACON should write the Secretary to be sure of scheduling.

Fans with a chance to come to SOLACON a day early are invited to the Thursday night meeting of LASFS, an ancient among fanclubs. The group may have new quarters by then, so get in touch with any LA fan on arrival.

A meeting of the Grand International Tea Drinking Society has been tentatively scheduled for the Desert Room on Friday.

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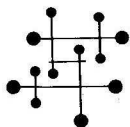
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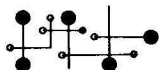
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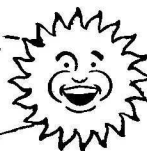
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FROM NEW YORK, with the usual airline stops, the aircoach fan-flights, one several days before the Con and one the day before. Write: Belle Dietz, 1721 Grand Ave., Apt. 4C, Bronx 53, N. Y.

BELLE ALSO has or will have information on trains and busses, for slower-moving, economy-minded fans.

FROM CLEVELAND-DETROIT-CHICAGO area, the TRAVELCON motorcade, starting from Detroit Aug. 24 and returning Sept. 7, is looking for more riders and more cars. Many well-known Detroit and Chicago fans (hmmm!) are going, as well as the TAFFman. Write: George Young, 11620 Washburn St., Detroit 4, Michigan.

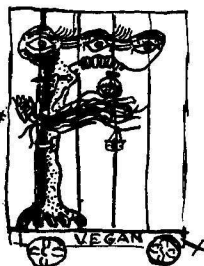
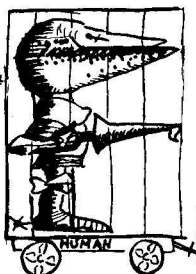
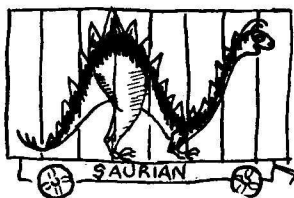
FROM ALL OVER share-the-ride clubs are springing up and being registered by two hardy NFFFers. Riders or drivers write their registrars, and the two kinds are matched up by a committee of other hardy NFFFers and brought together. Deadline, July 15, but try later. Registrars: East of the Mississippi and Eastern Canada: Frances L. Light, 3715 N. Marshfield, Chicago 13, Ill. West of the line: Mrs. Bellie Edwards, P. O. Bin 6, Ridgecrest, Calif.

Anyone wishing to volunteer anything like a steamship-via-Panama, or needing more info about transportation from the East, is urged to write the Dietzes.

ANYONE WHO PLANS TO NEED TO BE MET, such as airline passengers, steamship passengers, etc., should write the SOLACON Secretary as soon as arrival date/time is accurately fixed. It is believed that the Alexandria mounts a mooring post for dirigibles, so balloon passengers need not worry. The Greyhound and Trailways depots are within a block of the Hotel; Union Station is some seven blocks off; the Airport Limousine stops at the Hotel.



The National Fantasy Fan Federation



Look us up at SOLACON! We'll have a table in the Display Room (third floor, off the balcony), a piece of the main Program, a Meeting in the Desert Room, and an activity center in our hotel room, including (we hope) typers and mimeo. Come one, come all.

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NFFF Annual Dues: \$1.60

NFFF Sec.-Treas.: Janie Lamb, Route 1, Heiskell, Tenn.

COUNTDOWN

FLIGHT 1: PROJECT "SOUTH GATE"

- 1.1 Reserve Hotel Room (see p. 8) NOW
- 1.2 Order Banquet Plate (p. 8-9) BY 8/25
- 1.3 Join Travel Group (p. 16) BY 7/15+
- 1.4 Make Display, buy space (p. 3,8)
- 1.5 Send in Program Ad (p. 8) BY 8/6
- 1.6 Get Costume Ready (p.7)
- 1.8 Vote on TAFF and Hugo Awards
(Ballots enclosed)
- 1.9 Remind Friends of above

World Science Fiction Society

OFFICIAL NOTICE



A Business Meeting of the World Science Fiction Society, Inc., will be held at 1:00 pm on Sunday, August 31, 1958, in the Alexandria Hotel, Los Angeles, California.

The Agenda of this meeting will include the following:

- (1) Voting upon a proposed Amendment to the By-Laws, to be known as Article III, Section A, Paragraph 5, to read as follows:
A quorum shall consist of 5% of the members registered in attendance at any meeting.
Note: This amendment was voted upon at the LonCon; if approved in 1958 it will become a part of the By-Laws.
- (2) Election of two new Directors to fill the vacancies created by the expiration of the terms of James V. Taurasi Sr. and David A. Kyle.
- (3) Discussion and voting on any other Amendments and Resolutions which have been accepted as a part of the Agenda by the Rules Committee, in accordance with the World Science Fiction Convention Rules (reprinted in this Progress Report).
- (4) Selection of the 1959 WorldCon site, in accordance with the Rules.

--THE SOLACON COMMITTEE