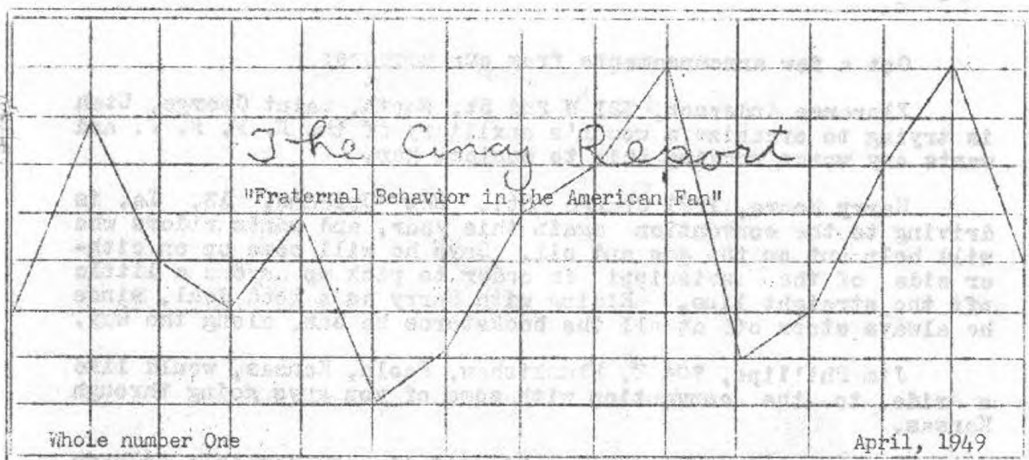




ITH THE signing of the contract with the people at the Hotel Metropole, we feel better in more ways than one. It saved us money by waiting. Since the original estimate back in last July, the cost of the hall for three days has dropped fifty dollars.

We are also now ready to accept advertising for the Program Booklet. The rates are \$6.00 for a full page, \$3.00 per page, \$2.00 per 1/2 page, \$1.00 per 1/8 page, and 50¢ apiece for booster ads. Any half-tone work will be extra. If you are planning on having a photo of some sort in your ad, contact Don Ford or Charlie Tanner concerning the increased cost, etc.

The deadline for program ads is August 1, 1949. That gives you plenty of time to work out what you want to say, and hints vaguely that you might, in that time think up something to say, more interesting than "Hi, fellers!" or "Compliments of--". Send the copy along with the money to Don Ford, 129 Maple Ave, Sharonville, Ohio. The copy need not be dummied unless you wish.

Concerning the hotel reservations-- it will be up to each member to make his or her own reservations. This was the method used by the Torcon, and much as we'd like to do it, we simply will not have the time to furnish hotel reservations service to the members. After all, if you have to write a letter and send the money, it might as well be to the hotel of your choice as to us. All of the hotel men in Cincinnati have told us that they expect the town to be crowded on Labor Day Week-end. We've even had one or two hotels refuse to book the convention on this date due to the large influx of visitors from out of town. There will be a double header ball game, plus a convention of letter carriers. All reservations, therefore, are on a first-come, first-served basis. The Metropole refuses to give block booking. We can only repeat their warnings of "get your reservations in early so you won't be disappointed." Anyone coming by auto, who wants rates on AAA Hotels, write to Don Ford giving the U. S. highway you are coming in on.

Got a few announcements from our members:

Florence Anderson, 321 W 2nd St, North, Saint George, Utah is trying to organize a woman's auxiliary of the N. F. F. F. and wants any woman reading this to contact her.

Harry Moore, 1221 Orange St., New Orleans, 13, La. is driving to the convention again this year, and wants riders who will help out on the gas and oil. Says he will come up on either side of the Mississippi in order to pick up anyone a little off the straight line. Riding with Harry is a good deal, since he always stops off at all the bookstores he can, along the way.

Jim Phillips, 704 E. Plankishaw, Paola, Kansas, would like a ride to the convention with some of you guys going through Kansas.

Several have written in asking if it was possible to have an ad in this report. Well, we won't guarantee the exact date of the next issue, but if anybody wants an ad, figure it at two dollars per page and one dollar per half page. Nothing less than a half page accepted.

Our membership now stands at just a little under 150. That is about average, I guess. However, if each member could only get one other fan to join, we'd be in pretty good shape. There's a lot of things we'd like to do that we can't because we lack the cash until the memberships come in. Fortunately we still have nothing to complain about. So far, none of the paper has cost us a cent. Only one pack of stencils has had to be paid for, and we've enough to last until the convention. The fine art of scrounging, so well learned in the army, has paid off here, also.

The Philadelphia group is going to present a play or space opera of some sort. Any other group is cordially invited to have a spot on the program. Why not take us up on it and have fun putting it on?

Donald Ford

Secretary-- THE CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Cincinnati is peculiar among cities of its size in having a very concentrated town center. Within a quarter of a mile of the Hotel Metropole will be found all the hotels listed in the list on the last page, two large second hand book stores, one of the largest new book stores in the middle west, Mountain Square, the center of the City, the Post Office and about a dozen other points of interest.

Without a doubt, a fan can, if he chooses, see most of the town of interest to fans and never get more than a half mile from the Metropole.

MEET THE GANG

Some thirty-five or so have joined the group since the first issue of the Cincy Report was issued. We're printing their names and addresses complete. The ones whose names and addresses appeared before are merely listed by name here. The last issue, just before the convention, will list the addresses of everyone.

Previously listed:

Mrs Florence Anderson
 Forrest J Ackerman
 Martin Alger
 Lloyd Albough, Jr.
 Robert Briggs
 Sam Basham
 Joseph B. Baker
 C. J. Bowie-Reed
 S. W. Bowne
 Jean Boret
 Dr. C. L. Barrett
 Jerry Barrett
 Redd Boggs
 John E. Blyler
 K. Martin Carlson
 Lyell Crane
 Leslie Crouch
 Edwin Counts
 Harold Choney
 Paul Cox
 Alastair Cameron
 Miles Davis
 Donald B. Day
 Franklin I. Dietz, Jr.
 Ted Dikty
 Chandler Davis
 Lloyd A. Eschbach
 E. E. Evans
 Theodore Forbes
 Richard Frank
 Phil Froeder
 Lester Fried
 Louis E. Garner, Jr.
 William D. Crant
 W. S. Houston
 Jonne Evans Hanlon
 David Hageman
 Kieth Hoyt
 Allan Howard
 W. Leslie Hudson
 Celia Keller
 Colonel Doctor David H. Keller
 Jay Klien
 Franklin Kerkhof
 Joc Kennedy
 Melvin Korshak

Roy Lavender
 James R. Leary
 Arthur Levine
 Don Lindgren
 E. D. Leeth, LGar
 Art Ludlam
 Robert Madlo
 John W? Mishler
 Zeda P. Mishler
 Ron Maddox
 John Millard
 Leonard J. Moffatt
 Sam Moskowitz
 Harry B. Moore
 Floyd B. McClure
 S. W. McCoy
 David McInnes
 Pam McInnis
 Ned McKeown
 Alex Osheroff
 R. K. Pavlat
 F. Phillips
 Charles B. Riddle
 Dale Rostomily
 Milton Rothman
 Arthur H. Rapp
 Alex Saunders
 Joe Schaumburger
 Hal Shapiro
 Rev Earl J. Short
 Ray Short
 Ben Singer
 Stanley Skirvin
 Charles E. Smith
 Geo O. Smith
 Paul Spencer
 Norman Stanley
 Ronald Stone
 Russell Swanson
 Will Sykora
 Dale Tarr
 Elmer J. Thomas
 Bob Tucker
 Allison Williams
 J. Wasso, Jr.
 Mrs Dorothy Zimmerman

continued.

Concluding those previously listed:

Charles R. Tanner
Arthur E. Tanner
Albert Toth

Mari Beth Wheeler
James A. Williams
George H. Young

And now, here's the new bunch:

Michel De Angelis
302 E. 38th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Duke Henslee
1400 Linn St., Apt 9
Cincinnati, 10, Ohio

S. G. K. Ashfield
27 Woodland Rd.,
Thornton Heath, Suffolk, Eng.

Charles Henderson
2146 E. 13th St.,
Salt Lake City, 5, Utah

Alvin R. Brown
N227 South Quad
Iowa City, Iowa

Miss Addie Huddleston
1820 Logan St.,
Cincinnati, 10, Ohio

Wrai W. Ballard
Blanchard, North Dakota

Edward Kuss
7502 Grixdale Ave
Detroit 12, Mich.

Warren Baldwin
112 Park Ave
Norfolk, Nebraska

Albert F. Lopez
Penn State College, Dept of E. E.
State College, Penn.

Robert Bloch

Miss Judith Merrill

Ray E. Beam, Jr.
1863 North Harding
Indianapolis, Ind.

Stewart Metchette
3551 King St.,
Windsor, Ont, Canada

Cynthia Carey
1028 3rd Ave, S.
Moorhead, Minn.

James E Phillips
704 E. Plankishaw
Paola, Kansas

Mr. and Mrs James B. Cullum
Box 268
Englewood N. J.

Ralph R. Phillips
1507 S. W. 12th Ave
Portland, 1, Oregon

Jack Doherty
68 Latimer Ave
Toronto, 12, Ont., Canada

Jack Perley
Pine Point, Maine

Walter J. Daugherty
336 W. 31st St.,
Los Angeles, California

Jack Roberts
69 Erie St.,
Tiffin, Ohio.

Rick Gould
123 Ravenwood Ave
Rochester, 11, New York

Fred Rothfuss
2830 Medina
Columbus, Ohio

continued:

Marshall Spangler
216 W. Lakeview Ave.
Columbus Ohio.

Henry M. Spelman III
75 Sparks St.
Cambridge 38, Massachusetts

Arnim Seielstad
1500 Fairholme
Grosse Point, 30, Mich.

James V. Taurasi
101-102 Northern Boulevard
Corona, Long Island, New York.

Dr. & Mrs E. E. Smith
Chicago.

D. B. Thompson
Box 445
Imperial, Nebraska

Betty Sullivan
4234 Florida Ave
Cincinnati, Ohio

Mr. & Mrs. Basil E Wells
R. D. #2
Springboro, Pa.

Leland Sapiro
2931 Linden St.
Berkeley, California

Norman Wogener
121 Maurus St.
St. Marys, Pa.

Hotel Rates.

Here are a list of hotel rates at the most popular hotels of Cincinnati, as provided by the Convention Bureau of the C. of C.

Alms Hotel	Twin beds-- \$7.00--\$8.50
Broadway Hotel	Singles--\$3.50 Twin beds-- \$5.50--\$6.50
Fountain Square Hotel	Singles--\$4.00--\$5.00 Doubles-- \$6--\$7.50 Twin Beds-- \$7.50--\$8.00
Gibson Hotel	Singles-- \$4.00--\$12.00 Doubles-- \$6.50--\$12 Twin Beds--\$7.50--\$12-- Suites--\$15--\$45
METROPOLE HOTEL	Singles-- \$3.00--\$6.00 Doubles--\$4.50--\$10 Twin Beds-- \$5.00--\$10 Suites--\$10--\$20
Netherland-Plaza	Singles-- \$5.50--\$10 Doubles \$8--\$13 Twin Beds-- \$9.50--\$13 Suites \$20--\$50
Palace Hotel	Singles-- \$2.00--\$3.50 Doubles \$4--\$4.50 Twin Beds-- \$5.00
Sinton Hotel	Singles-- \$4--\$7 Doubles-- \$2.50--\$9 Twin Beds--\$9.50--\$12 Suites-- \$15--\$30
Terrace Plaza Hotel	Singles-- \$7.00 \$12 Twin Beds-- \$10.00--\$15.00

I'm sure we all appreciate the supplying of this list and I'm sure we'll all immediately write and reserve suites at the Netherland Plaza. Seriously, though, if the prices of these rooms are too steep, there's lots of other, cheaper hotels and of course, as always, the Y. M. C. A.

