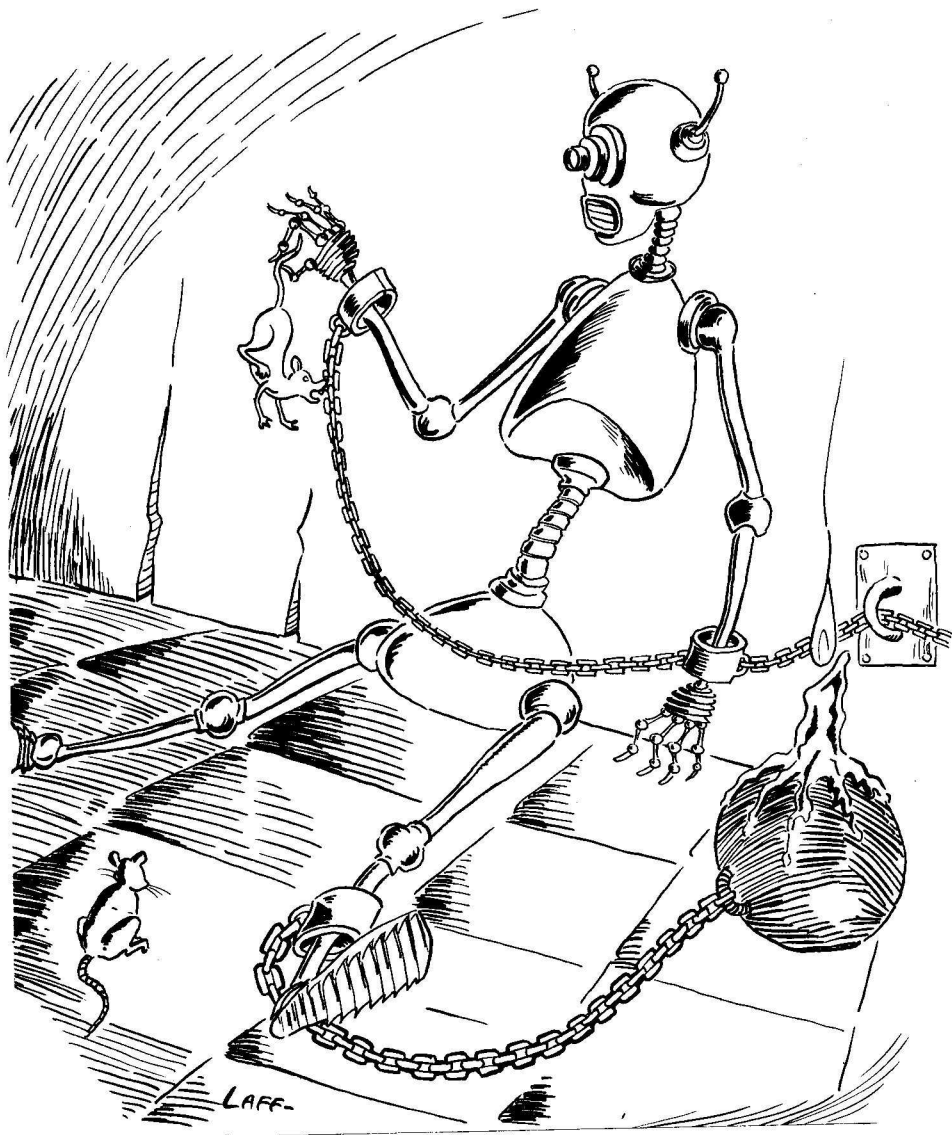


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THE PICK FORT SHELBY HOTEL

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DETENTION

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ALL INQUIRIES AND RESERVATION PERTAINING TO THE HOTEL SHOULD
BE SENT DIRECTLY TO THE PICK FORT SHELBY HOTEL, DETROIT, MICHIGAN

WHO SAID

'PICKLE

BLOCH

FOR

POSTERITY?'

KEEP DETROIT GREEN Bring Money!

The Detention Committee urges all of you to send money for your Banquet meal and Detention souvenirs as early as possible. If you can take care of these financial worries now it will leave you spending money at the Convention for things like: 15 color covers from various S. F. magazines; a couple of hundred interior illustrations from both American & British magazines; some Kelly Freas illustrations; 40 color illustrations of astronomical scenes by California artist Dollens; original manuscripts also donated by various magazines including 3 parts of last year's novel "TIME KILLER" by Robert Scheckley. These will all be auctioned off during the Detention. Also, don't forget the "Detention Raffle." First prize will be a one year subscription to 9 S. F. magazines; 6 American mags: IF, AMAZING STORIES, THE MAGAZINE OF FANTASY & SCIENCE FICTION, FANTASTIC, ASTOUNDING SCIENCE-FICTION, GALAXY MAGAZINE and 3 British magazines: SCIENCE FANTASY, NEW WORLDS, and SCIENCE FICTION ADVENTURES.

DETENTION BANQUET - ORDER NOW -

The Pick-Fort Shelby Hotel has insisted that we tell them the number and types of dinners to be served at the Banquet by 10 A.M., Saturday, September 5th, the first day of registration. The number of dinners that we order from the Hotel Caterer at that time will be the minimum number for which the Hotel will bill us. After that time we will be allowed a small margin of increase, but only a very small margin. Therefore, while we will do what we can to accomodate those who do not have advance reservations, we cannot make any promises!

For your convenience we are enclosing with this Progress Report a Banquet reservation card and a Detention-addressed envelope. Your reservation sent in now; will assure you of a place at the Banquet, with a meal of your choice at the price you can afford. We do not ask that you pay for your Banquet meal in advance - tho we feel that if you can afford it now, out of this weeks pay, it will be one more expense that you won't have to worry about at the convention itself. We do ask however; that you let us know in advance if you will be attending the Banquet and to indicate which meal, Prime Ribs of Beef or Baked Ham, you would prefer.

We picked up a number of Banquet reservations at the Midwestcon, and shortly afterwards one of the Midwestern fan clubs sent in their group reservation and payment. We would like to express our thanks to these people and all those others who have followed suit. We also hope that other clubs follow their example and send in their group reservations.

SALE & DISPLAY TABLES:

Table space is still available in the Shelby Room of the Hotel. This large, air-conditioned display room located directly across the hall from the meeting room, will be used exclusively for sales and displays by fans and pros alike.

The display tables are approximately 5 feet long, and the fee (\$5.00 per table for the weekend) will include the adjacent wall space.

We strongly advise you to let us know early if you will want to have a display table. The choice locations will go to those people who had their reservations in first.

We suggest that fan publishers bring their magazines and sell them at the Convention. Several fans and dealers have already reserved tables from which they will be selling their collections and surplus stock. If you have anything you want to sell or just show off, a display table is the best way to do it.

- Travel Tips -

Drivers and riders please contact the appropriate address in your area for information:

Boyd Raeburn
9 Glenvalley Dr.
Toronto 9, Canada

Betty Jo Wells
2548 W. 12th St.
Los Angeles 6, Calif.

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Hyattsville, Md.

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THEM AIN'T NO BONGOS!

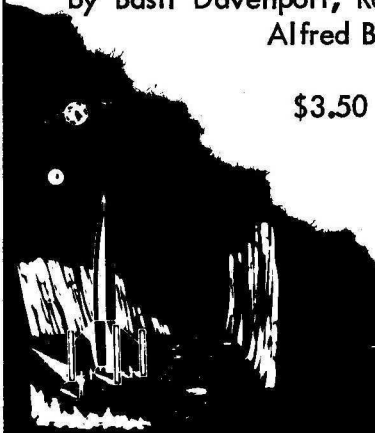
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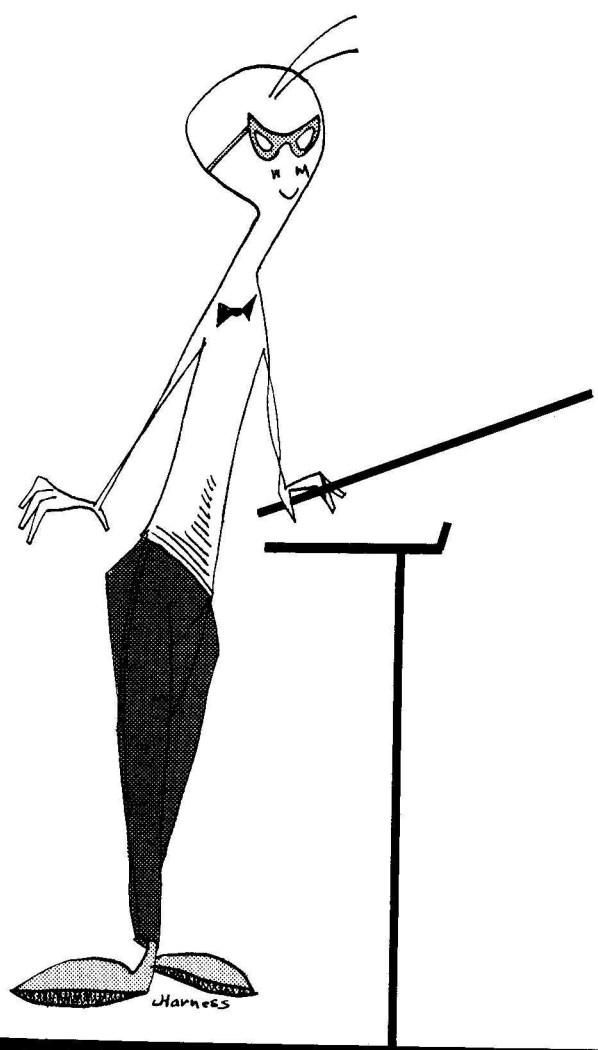


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JOHN BERRY

Fan Guest of Honor

Normally, a British citizen cannot be deported from the British Isles. However, Her Majesty's Government has made a special exception in the case of John Berry.

The Goon is coming to Detention!

In recognition of his great disservice to Queen and country, the Detention Committee has been forced to name John Berry of Belfast, Ireland, FAN GUEST OF . . . of HONOR?

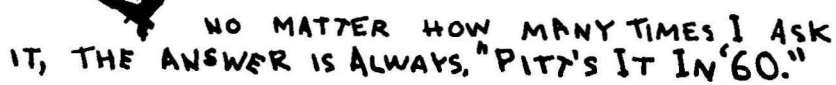
Mr. Berry's major crime has been the surreptitious publication of a seditious scandal sheet called "Retribution." Not content with this, however, he was the prime instigator and high archdruid of an occult movement known as the Goon Defective Agency, whose periodic reports have been confiscated by authorities in every civilized nation.

A previous attempt to deport Mr. Berry failed last year when a philanthropic organization known only as TAFF intervened and insisted that he be kept in the British Isles. Outraged by this miscarriage of justice, a motley crew of Mr. Berry's erstwhile friends decided that something had to be done. Devoting their private fortunes to the project, they descended on Belfast en masse, equipped Mr. Berry with tasteful summer outfit of tar and feathers, and carried him on the first leg of his journey aboard a vehicle commonly known as a rail.

Mr. Berry is expected to arrive at Detention in the custody of an extremely defective goon. While Detention is in progress, Mr. Berry will be a prisoner of the Detention Committee, and will be quartered (and perhaps drawn) in the Convention suite.

TRANSPORTATION TO THE HOTEL

The Convention Committee will do what it can to arrange transportation to the Hotel for those fans who are coming by public transport. If you are going to want a ride, write the Convention Committee c/o James Broderick, 12011 Kilbourne, Detroit 13, telling when you will arrive in Detroit, type of transportation you are coming on (including bus, train, or flight no,) and what terminal you will be at. If the Convention Committee can work you into its schedule, it will do so. Otherwise, you will be advised on the best and simplest way to reach the Hotel. (Note: both the Union Railroad Station--Pennsylvania RR--and the Greyhound Bus Terminal are within a few blocks of the Fort Shelby Hotel.



PITTSBURGH SCIENCE FICTION ASSOCIATION

Baby Sitting

The idea of a Baby Sitting Service has been enthusiastically greeted. We have made arrangements with the Hotel, who have agreed to furnish a room equipped with roll-a-way beds and cribs to be used as a nursery.

However, a charge will have to be made for the sitter, depending on the number of children occupying the room at any given hour. But, whatever the case, the charge will be reasonable.

The Committee is trying to arrange for the services of a registered nurse, who would have charge of the children in the evening and early morning hours.

For your best possible enjoyment of the Convention we do not urge you to bring your children, however, if you must, and you want to take advantage of our Baby Sitting Service, please let us know ahead of time the number and ages of your children so we can make suitable arrangements.

THE BIG SWING

IS TO CHICAGO

Contact:

Earl Kemp

2019 N. Whipple

Chicago 47, Ill.

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In the meantime WASHINGTON: 1960

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AND FANTASY

Compiled by Donald H. Tuck

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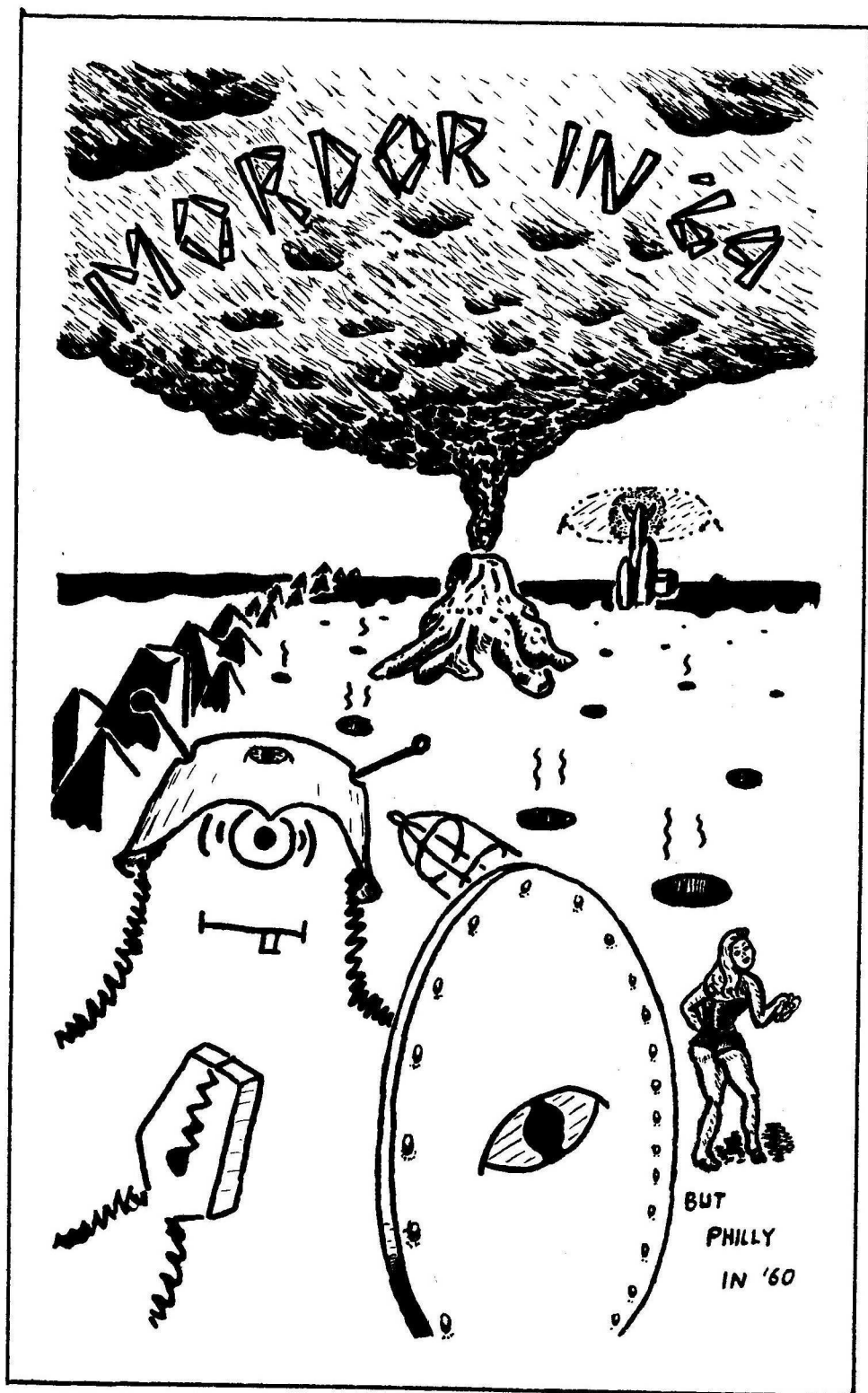
Howard W. Devore

4705 Weddel St.

Dearborn Mich.

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- 327. Bud Baril
- 328. Marvin Mindes
- 329. Bill Mallard
- 330. Dale Tarr
- 331. Oscar Moeller
- 332. Brian Counts
- 333. Edwin Counts
- 334. Frank Anderasovsky
- 335. Mary Ellan Moeller
- 336. Margaret Ford
- 337. George Irwin
- 338. Garry Davis
- 339. Bouglas O. Clark
- 340. Dick Ryan
- 341. Ray Bellerose
- 342. Bernard M. Cook
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- 346. Mary M. Martin
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- 348. Jan Sadler Penney
- 349. Roger Blackmar
- 350. Morris Scott Dollens
- 351. Howard Green
- 352. Joan Skirvin
- 353. George C. Mayer
- 354. Bill Donaho
- 355. John Berry
- 356. Donald Franklin
- 357. Eugene Seger



Program Notes

Reporter: **Dean McLaughlin**

NEW YORK: (ECH)

John W. Campbell, Jr. has informed us that his speech, which was announced in Progress Report #3, will be titled "The Right to be Wrong." Also, recognizing that there has been some criticism of his emphasis on psi and psionics in ASTOUNDING SCIENCE FICTION, he has suggested that we arrange a panel of psi's opponents to explain why they are opposed. Already, Judith Merrill (who favors psi but dislikes psionics) and Dean McLaughlin (who admits to being completely hostile) have agreed to take part. Other possible panelists are being contacted.

Enlarging from a suggestion by Hans Stefan Santesson, editor of FANTASTIC UNIVERSE, there will be a section of the program devoted to statements by Science-fiction editors on their plans for future issues of their magazines and the principles by which they select the material that goes into them. Taking part in addition to Mr. Santesson will be John W. Campbell, Jr., of ASTOUNDING SCIENCE FICTION, Cele Goldsmith, editor of AMAZING and FANTASTIC, and Robert P. Mills, who directs THE MAGAZINE OF FANTASTIC & SCIENCE FICTION. It is worth pointing out that both FANTASTIC UNIVERSE and ASTOUNDING SCIENCE FICTION are scheduled to undergo considerable change within the next few months.

LEVITTOWN: (ECH)

Ed Emshwiller, whose film DANCE CHROMATIC recently won top award in an international experimental film competition sponsored by the Creative Film Foundation and Cinema 16, has promised to bring this prize-winning film to Detention--as well as several other films he has done.

MILFORD: (ECH)

Damon Knight, having previously agreed to take part in a critics session with P. Schuyler Miller, has now agreed to go along with our suggestion which should make this program item twice as exciting as it would be otherwise. His only reservation: "If Sky's willing." Word from Pittsburgh is expected momentarily as this report goes to press.

Due to some confusion on the part of the Convention Committee, the title of the speech which Judith Merrill will give was incorrectly given in Progress Report #3. Her tentative title, "Human Relations in a Future Society" has been changed to: "The Men in Science Fiction." We look forward to hearing what Miss Merrill has to say on this topic from her unique point of view. In addition, Judith Merrill has agreed ("with certain reservations") to take part in the AUCTION BLOCH.

RULES

For The Business Meetings

The meeting to decide where to hold the 1960 World Science Fiction Convention will convene one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) hour after the Banquet in the general meeting room.

Any city in the Eastern Zone - as defined in the generally accepted rotation plan - or outside the North American continent, may be nominated at that time, providing that the persons making the nomination be known fans or known to be associated with Science-fantasy or fandom. Any nomination challenged for this reason can be disqualified by a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) vote of those present in the meeting room, following debate.

It shall be assumed that all of those attending the Convention who are interested in voting on the 1960 Convention site will be present in the meeting room; therefore no specific quorum will be required.

Each nomination will be permitted a total of twenty-five (25) minutes actual speaking time, to be divided among nominating and seconding speakers according to the wishes of the group sponsoring that nomination. At least one "second" (though not necessarily a speech) must be made to each nomination.

The doors of the meeting room will remain open during the nomination period, and persons will be permitted to enter or leave as they desire. However, five minutes after the nominations have concluded, and following warnings over the loudspeaker system, the doors will be closed and will remain closed until the 1960 Convention site has been named.

Voting shall be by written ballot. If no single city receives a majority of the votes cast in the first ballot, the city which received the least number of votes will be stricken from the list to be considered in the second ballot. This process will be continued until one city receives a majority of the votes cast, and is declared the winner.

By this vote, the group sponsoring the nomination of the city decided upon, will be given and shall assume the responsibility of organizing and managing the 1960 World Science Fiction Convention.

The meeting will be conducted informally. However, if any matter of procedure is challenged, Robert's Rules of Order shall be taken as the standard authority, except where said rules conflict with the rules as outlined above.

Monday evening the Business meeting will consider any other matters of business pertinent to the Convention which any member of the Convention wishes to propose from the floor. Proposals must be handed to any member of the Convention Committee by Sunday evening September 6th at 6 P.M. At this meeting a full financial report will be given. And the gavel will be handed to the city that has been selected as the 1960 World Science Fiction Convention Site.

COUNT DOWN

SPACE SHOOT - "DETENTION"

- 0 -10 Register for "DETENTION" membership.
- 0 -9 Reserve hotel room.
- 0 -8 Order Banquet plate.
- 0 -7 Make costume for Masquerade Ball.
- 0 -6 Prepare display.
- 0 -5 Order souvenir cards.
- 0 -4 Rent table and wall space.
- 0 -3 Vote on Hugo Awards.
- 0 -2 Join travel group.
- 0 -1 Tell your friends about the above.
- Travel to "DETENTION"

REGISTRATION TIME:

Registration will begin at 9 A. M. Saturday, September 5th on the second floor lobby of the Hotel in front of the main Convention meeting room.

TRAVELER'S CHECKS

If you plan on brining any amount of money, protect yourself with Traveler's Checks.

COSTUME BALL

We have been informed by a Men's magazine that they plan on taking pictures of exotic costumes. In view of this fact in might be worth your while to spend a few extra minutes on your costume.

FROM THE OHIO TURNPIKE TO DETROIT

Follow the Ohio Turnpike to Exit 5 (Stony Ridge-Toledo). After going through the toll plaza, follow the "Toledo-North" sign onto Ohio Route 120 (Toledo Expressway).

Continue on Ohio Route 120, which becomes the Detroit-Toledo Expressway to Michigan Route 85, which continues through Wyandotte and Lincoln Park to Fort street. Take Fort Street to downtown Detroit.

