

LOG

BOOK 7A

BEGINNING

1/24/79

ENDING

2/21/79

DATE 1/29/78 NAME *Tomis*
Singer TIME 12:16

MUMBLING
(cont'd from Log Book 7)

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no "Ford of Rivendell"; it's "Fords of Brüinen". Bakshi made up his own ford, just like the choreography. How you could find that unendingly dull standoff "breathtaking" is beyond me. Same with that blah morass in the ridiculous imitation of Khazad-Dûn. I know that I know Tolkien better than every voting member the Forum ever had put together, but Will—when it comes to the Master, you're a disgrace!

PHILEMON SPEAKS AGAIN — pt. XV

Theo opted for machine rations before turning in, as his shock-induced near-catatonia made him avoid all possible effort. When at last he was in bed he fell asleep quickly.

TO BE SUIVID AGAIN —

Mark and Joe are wishing me gone so they can use the mattress they brought in. I'll be leaving anyway, I have a 9 AM class. So long.

1/24/78-W 8PM
Joe Brenner

I have little time so I must be brief:

Last meeting, someone ~~was~~ named Jody stopped by, I neglected to relay that message.

I find it hard to believe I could've locked the key in, but if I did, I apologise.

Next meeting, I suggest we refuse to speak until Larry calls us to order.

Another thing that ~~must~~ be discussed: LUNACON.

10 Fred - I can understand your feelings (I have had similar ones concerning another organization) but please don't give up on us. Things change, asshole's come and go, but hopefully the Forum will remain worthwhile in some way or another.

Incidentally: Another definition of asshole*: One who intentionally disregards basic social conventions.

Note That: It is not necessarily bad to be an asshole, but it would help if such a person had a purpose in being one.

Lan We're starting a club! We need 20 signatures. Anyone who wants to sign up for the EST + M club sign below
① Lan Bu to
② withdraw

READ HIS ENTIRE PAGE THEN GO BELOW

YAMMERS

I have in fact been down here many times lately without writing in the log, but things to say have built up, so now I must.

I am taking this space to hinder establishment of the EST & M Club, which I see no reason for. I ever passed up a chance to get Larry's vote (which I suppose will now go to KUT) by gormans.

3/11 More in a few hours. (Now to 6th line at p/4)

DATE	NAME	TIME
1/27/13	Sous chef	2:12pm



Kurt

Why am I here? It's almost 2:30 in the morning. I guess I was curious.
 1/27 I've been told that many strange people hang out here at weird hours but I'm
 2:20AM the only strange person that is here. Oh well. I was going to write something but I can't
 remember what it was....

[NOW GO BACK TO P. 240 FOR MY ENTRY, WHICH IS CONTINUED BELOW]

DATE	NAME	TIME
1/27/74	Sous Epster	6:47m

MAUNDERINGS

Well back again. I am writing this on the basement ping-pong table because Fred and Lisa are monopolizing the library for reasons I will not speculate upon, and while they let Tom and Lisa's sister in for brief chats, Fred just told me to take the log book and go (say, maybe if I held it for ransom...) Well, anyway, here I am. I would rather be in the library — which is NOT

THE SCIENCE FICTION

BEDROOM! Perhaps, ^{we should} suspend stimulants in the air?? well, I will attempt to hold down antagonisms this entry — my Presidential campaign doesn't need any ~~more~~ opening of old wounds — I'll even hold off on criticizing Greg's absurd statement that seeing Donna is a pleasure.

Administrator Frosch (the oceanographer Carter picked to head NASA) has announced the names of the Space Shuttles:

- 1 - Columbia (^{to go into} Nov. 9, hopefully)
- 2 - Challenger
- 3 - Discovery
- 4 - Atlantis

—which is funny, because they had practically committed themselves to Constitution, Constellation, Endeavor, and Intrepid. (The test shuttle "Enterprise" will be dismantled soon).

Pfui on est!! Larry has asked me not to reveal his opinion that it is a cattle-fodder byproduct, but Will says that ex-

NAME DATE 1/27	TIME 7:12 PM (cont'd)	Hoots, howls, screams, mutterings, mawmawing, screechings, grunts, comments, remarks, opinions, nothings and all that jazz. makes people happy because it makes them complacent — some people, that is. He also says that Kurt is interested in taking it — poor boy! (Kurt, that is, not Will — though Will's not in that fine shape either) (Hey! Wasn't this entry sideways before?) It is funny — Scott says that he can't tell people about est because he hasn't been trained for that's like taking a course — Log 101, perhaps? — before you can write in the log book. Puh!
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Will, a couple of your friends were down here last night. They were reasonably polite, but their apparent interests do not make them Forum material — they spent all their time reading MADs and then borrowing one of my 20-siders to roll themselves C&S character's from Fred's books.

Maria — I want you to know that you have my full permission to alter those details of the phony Wednesday Master Calendar that I posted on the closet door that pertain to you. Also, as I said earlier, (last year), run for Secretary. Linda can be Librarian.

Goldie — don't let Lisa boss you around. Remember, you are the dog. If she starts acting up, try sprinting — it brings difficult humans under control in no time.

Tom — looking up in my tables — An 80th level mage has 7200000-7300000 EXP, 30 six-sided dice plus 3 hit points (Mea & Magic system), Wizard +23 fighting capability (M&M), 37 1st-6th level spells a day 23 7th & 8th level spells 22 9th level spells, and (by my additional spells) 11 10th level, G 11th level, and 1 12th level. Not a serious possibility but if you do meet one, be polite! Very polite! (This fellow automatically makes saving throws).

Now then —

PHILEMON SPEAKS AGAIN — part XII

When the sudden sunrise of Chendey stirred the camp awake, Theo could not feel that he had slept, but neither did he feel tired. The impact of what had passed, and the expectation of what was to come had apparently removed him from the normal flow of life. The rest of the camp, however, had come alive. At breakfast he was constantly pried with questions, however hesitant those questions might be. In mid-meal he was interrupted by a message from Tontino to report to a medical checkup and then to a senior staff meeting.

TO BE RE-CONTINUED

" 8:08
2-6. 12th

So long. Vote for me.
Postscript: I am now leaving. I've just read Gitanas of the Galaxy, and Tom just had a private discussion of Slave Girl of Cov.

[READ DOMMA'S & WILL'S ENTRIES FIRST; THEN ↓]

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122, 123, 124, 125, 127, 128, 139,
142.

And more to come

DATE 1/28/73 NAME Sonja Epstein TIME 10:12

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Will is attempting to single-handedly prohibit ads in the logbook. And with Joe R he is suggesting that I write my comments in a separate log book. I might do so, if it seemed likely that you people would read it, reading my writings being a necessary part of your well-being.

Will does not want me to amend his misspellings, and has added an afterthought note to "excuse" the inexcusable. I could not resist making a little margin note on something caused by his sloppiness on p. 149, but otherwise, I will simply write out (cries Joe Bremer) below:

M-E-D-I-Æ-V-A-L

SOMETIMES A PUNK

B-O-R-N---A-G-A-I-N

A---L-O-T

This is not to say I have much disagreement with the content of Will's entry. And as far est, that fine old est veteran, Donna R. "Outgoing Secretary" Ruettiman told me today, "You don't learn anything in est."

Today I read the first two volumes of Bruce B. "Disaster" Irvine's [GO TO PAGE 149]

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28 Jan Declining gracefully to fill the previous pages empty space with my humble prose, I began this page. Having left the noise and wide phone calls associated with my abode this day, I enter this place to find the lights off! It is bad enough that I do not find myself alone here now. There is much Latin to read/write and Thomas Hardy to read. I need also to get up tomorrow early to be at work promptly. What a drag. A few dollars...

Thank you, those among my readership who attended the guest seminar Thursday night last. No, I do not collect a commission for people brought to seminars or to trainings (you probably put Roth's name down rather than mine anyway since he had the bigger mouth last Mon nite). I do not deserve, either! The est training was a worthwhile experience for me and because of the way I feel toward you people, I would like to share this experience with you. It doesn't matter whether you take the training or not, you don't need it anyway; just be open enough to accept that I enjoyed it. Thank you.

Don't be your defense of Marla's honor. I am reminded of the story of the good knight who happened upon a distraught garden weeping in the woods over her forcibly lost honor. He died heartily as ~~and~~ rode off and found it for her.

* Her is est a "treatment program"

Sandy I need to speak with you.

Onward!

Later: Ah, heaven! Alone at last with Bradley and Arnold!

PLEASE FORGIVE MISPELINGS

WILL 11/28/79: I've spent the weekend (part of it anyway) collecting my thoughts on the est seminar. First off I should say that I don't know a hell of a lot more about it than ~~nothing~~ before the seminar. Those who were there saw that the speaker was rather evasive. I mention this so that all those who read this take it with that disclaimer in mind; and also so I don't infuriate Scott (or Donna).

As I sat listening to the speaker talk about est and relate his experiences I thought I recognized a pattern. After talking to a few graduates and asking some questions I thought I had grasped the pattern. I made the mistake of immediately telling Scott what I thought without thinking a little more deeply about how to communicate what I thought.

My thesis (if you'll excuse that pretentious sounding word) is that est can be associated with religion. I am not saying that it is a religion. What I am saying is that est serves the same function that misdevised religion served and has

many similar structures

First the similarities:

1) Medieval Christianity served (in part) the function of pacifying the peasants. It convinced them that even if ~~their lot in life~~ their lot in life was rotten it would be better in the afterlife. It taught them to accept their position in life and be happy with it.

Est, from what the speaker ~~said one~~^{one is not the best word} of the graduates said, also teaches one to accept oneself (this is, of course, just part of what it does). One lady told me that before the training she was very upset about the fact that she was fat and single. And after the training she could accept it. The speaker said that before the training he procrastinated a lot and that after the training he still procrastinated a lot, but he didn't "beat himself up about it". In effect, he accepted his procrastinations. Please note that I am ignoring, among other things these people said, but I'll get to them later.

2) Religion has a set of principles which all the faithful believe in. This could be the ten commandments or other moral codes. Est has a "body of knowledge" which is presented to the trainees in the training and which they are told to dis-believe. However, when further questioned the speaker admitted that at the ~~end~~ ^{end} that

of the training the trainees come to "know" this knowledge is true, Scott and the others seemed to emphasize the difference between "knowing" and believing (in the religious sense); I don't see it.

3) EST graduates speak of getting "it." They can't really describe "it" but they insist 'it' totally transforms their outlook on life. And their information booklet says "it" can happen in an instant. This sounds suspiciously like a "religious experience" to me. Many of the devout claim to experience a complete change of their life-views through religion. Including our own born-again Jimmy Carter.

4) EST graduates seem to be unable to describe exactly how EST works. It just does according to them. Here we are asked to accept on faith EST's validity. This puts it in the realm of metaphysics according to my definition.

Now the dissimilarities:

- 1) EST does not demand regular organized participation (such as church-going)
- 2) EST asks for no explicit belief in God, but in effect you believe in the god of EST itself, since you let it guide your life (bad choice of words but the best I can think of)

REPRINT FROM THE NEW YORK TIMES

3) est graduates claim that once they begin to accept their problems they work themselves out. The fat-lady claimed she ~~had~~ lost weight (but she still looked pretty fat to me). The speaker claimed that he filled up his procrastination time with useful things (but those people who suffer his procrastinations still suffer).

After all this I will tell you that I think est works! But, then again, Christianity worked in the middle ages. Both were adapted to their time. Roman ~~Catholics~~ Catholics are leaving their church because it was designed for a feudal world and has been slow in updating itself. est is the religion of the 70's. It makes people happy because it teaches them to accept themselves. I think it really works, but at a price. While the speaker was beating himself up about procrastinating he stood a chance of stopping procrastinating simply because it was making him miserable. Now that he doesn't beat himself up about it, those people who wait for his work will still wait. Ditto for the fat-lady. Some people have complained that est graduates have a "looking out for number one" attitude. A general "PICK your problems I got my own" way of looking at things.

this would seem to be confirmed by the reports of EST's graduates, EST is a religion in the sense that it fills the same function^I and has many similar structure as religion. But as ~~the~~ medieval Christianity carried its price of limiting the peasant to his place in society, so does EST carry the ~~price~~^{risk} of limiting yourself in your own problems.

I know Scott and Donna will tell me that it is just the opposite. They may be right. After all, I'm not ~~a~~ God... or Werner Erhard.

[NOW GO BACK TO PAGE 173 WHICH DONNA WANTED TO WASTE; ~~HOW~~]

DATE	NAME	TIME	SHRIEK S!!!
1/28/79	J.E.	10:38%	Master of Ceremonies Anthology, and in it is an ad for "M.I.", a program that is a lot cheaper and has about the same effects that Will says EST has.

(Notice how they prefer "EST" to be lower cased, making it even more like the latin-root word meaning "it is"? EST is just a way to make money off people by pointing out the status quo! Pft! again upon it!)

I have also pulled out a copy of Xrympis, an early Forum journal edited by Lou Stathis (later a pro assistant editor) and Norman Hochberg, and with a story by the ~~so~~, which I found unimpressive. (And he wins Hugo and is proffered the chair of P. Schuyler Miller! Disgusting!)

The Library (not this one, but the main one) gets

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IT WHO
WAS
GOING
S.E.

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ESQUICENTENNIAL

DATE
1/28/79

TIME
11:00
(cont'd)

COMMONS

Amazing, and some of the copies are apparently very well read (perhaps if we inserted flyers in each?), but they throw them out after two years. Isn't there some deal we could make to get the old ones??

According to the Complete Librarian's Guide to the Science Fiction Library, by Jim Frenkel (another relic I exhumed), the Forum used to buy its books wholesale in large orders from the F&SF Book Co. They really had things together then ... I said it before and I'll say it again—

Bury what petty personality conflicts you have with me — there is not a one of you to whom I seriously wish harm — and vote for me for President. Give me a chance and I'll deliver!

I WAS shocked to discover that Ted Goldfarb had been an honored guest at Modcon. That anti-science non-fiction person should be in the mud not at a con! I have joined the Space Colonization Conference Committee, and am thinking of inviting Don DeMars to speak before the Senate to ask for money — if that dream of mine, the Prowarren, looks viable the Forum

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2/2/79 Tom

I'm here for my shift, and just threw an Al foil ball at Louis. No, I had a good reason. He just told me the **WORST** Shaggy-Dog story I've heard

in a long time. We along with Linda are delightfully discussing various translations of "Jabberwocky".

Everybody JUMP BACK there got an

APOLOGY

Linda: Watch him sweat, folks! Watch his Brow smoke, see his eyes glaze. Stare as every muscle knots in anguish. Will he get it out? Can he survive this trauma? Let's watch & see?

And now back to our main feature.

Last meeting, I did a BAD thing. I, during a heated discussion, told Fred to be fruitful & multiply. But not exactly in those words. THIS WAS WRONG!!!!

For several reasons:

1) Fred is a nice guy. I was not intending to object to him but to his (to me) disgusting idea.

2) I thought I was a little more of a gentleman than that. Apparently not always.

3) Such disgusting personal attacks ~~are~~ immature actions much more suited to politicians and generals

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DATE NAME TIME
1/28/73 G.E. 11:21%
J.B.

will have to do the same. By the way, PSC meets Tuesday & Thursday — with the election of officers at hand, the Forum budget request (make it work out to \$582.50) may be late, but give it thought.

Larry just walked in and said that I betrayed him. Now he has walked out muttering that he won't read the CLG. Moody, these outgoing officials can be... Ameron — does a spell that would turn Harlan Ellison to stone work on this plane??

Since I want to remind will that despite his "definitive ~~long~~ entry" of a few pages back, I am champion of space-filling, I will run down the ownership of the major SF magazines:

Amazing — Sol Cohen, Publisher <sup>Arthur &
Alvin P.
Bernard</sup> ~~Diamond~~ ^{Editor-in-Chief} ~~and Bernhard's~~ ^{experiments} Inc.

Analogy — Condé Nast Publications Inc. (which bought out Street & Smith Publications Inc. which bought out Clayton Magazines), which is itself owned by The Patriot-News Co., which is owned by Newhouse Newspapers, which is owned by Advance Publications Inc., which is owned by Samuel I. Newhouse (b. 1895), who is worth hundreds of millions — his son is Chairman of Condé Nast.

Fantasy & Science Fiction — Edward L. Ferman, Editor & Publisher, and Mercury Press, which he owns

Galaxy — Arnold E. Abramson, publisher, his relatives, and some small investors

Isaac Asimov's Science Fiction Magazine — Davis Publications, owned by Joel Davis, President & Publisher, his sister, and a trust left by his father

Joe R. was recently astounded by my memory of the figures for the ~~new~~ ^{new} Bakshi treasury — well

WHAT POINT?
J.B.
1/29/73

DATE 1/29/79 NAME RAVES, HOWLS, AND BANANAS
TIME 11:50 until he sees those lists!
Yours SMI

There are many other things that I should have been doing all the hours I've been here. So I'll just do the installment and sign off.

PHILBMAN SPEAKS AGAIN - part ~~XVII~~

Theo checked in at the medical director's sent-tent and was subjected to a brief but quite thorough check-up. He was told that it was to guard against his having foreign agents, picked up in his exploit, that might infect the camp. Preliminary analysis showing nothing, he left for the staff meeting

~~M O B B D O G O M B~~ — in SPL 3 by

The Blue Linesman signing off.

Joe Bremer

1/29/79-M

I suggest we change the name of this club to the Science Fiction Bedroom, just to keep Louis happy. ^{NO!}

ADICON 2 looks good. \$2.50 in advance, and there are at least 2 films and 2 speakers I'm interested in. Anyone want to go? (Even if it is ~~in~~ three days before the MSM 132 EXAM. --)

I want to see some interest in these cons now! This is the real important stuff, who cares about presidents?

(2) York who cares about Presidents?

Donna - please come up and see me before
your shift.

Kurt

1/29/79
8:30pm

Hello everybody! Happy Monday! I finally remembered what I wanted to say on Friday. It was my opinion of the est seminar. Very interesting. I disagree with Will on the comparison with religion. I think that he is taking a too broad definition of religion. If est is religion, then so are politics, education, the theater, and science fiction! (Don't ask me to show the connection between those institutions and religion) And since religion is almost a dirty word I think we should avoid it. Est is est, and that is all (this is it). ~~At the moment~~ I am very interested in trying it but my financial affairs won't let me (I just received a call that there is now a college discount now. It's only \$200 instead of \$350. I still can't afford it.) I came up with a few more questions about it which I wish to take up with Scott or Donna. But there is something which I learned about at the seminar which doesn't cost anything. It's the Hunger Project. A group (quite large) of people are determined to wipe out starvation from the face of the earth in 20 years. It can be done! I have some of the details now if you are interested. Next Monday I will have all the information. (I'm meeting one of the people working on the project tomorrow to get some literature) They are having a meeting on Thursday night. Contact me for details.

Louis - I'm surprised! You wrote horizontally!!! Congratulations!!! But I definitely think that the Science Fiction Bedroom is an excellent name! Thank you for thinking of it.

I'm back again. Just got back from Mount. Larry; you were a great Pres. Good luck & congratulations Marks. I think you are our first female President. Together we'll make a great team. I think I am the first Vice President (and a ^{no} freshman at that!) According to Larry I am Vice Shit, that is why I am using his red pen. I think he's depressed. He used to be the big shit, now he's just a nonshit. Anyway... Long Live the Forum!!

Gm

H. F. S. !!!

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6:00
Linda

I was here a half hour late
but I did make it.

Fred & Lisa : 1/30/79 7-8 Lisa's first shift.
Both were here. Now are honest voting
members.

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1/30/79	Z.E.	8:01PM
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RUM BLOG

- * P.S.A. Will now continue in the SFLS log.
- * Don't you write in the SFLS log.
- * I hereby rescind my promise to buy the next SFF log book, as most of my writings will be in the SFLS log.
- * So long ...

~~Tom, I need help desperately
with my T distribution formula. I
have to use it to answer the questions~~

Tom - thanks for all the help. Really.

Its about 2:30 a.m. and I had
the most interesting conversations
with Tom, Lisa, + then Larry.
This place has a warmth to it.

I want feedback; Who
liked Time enough for Love
by Robert A. Heinlein. I agree
with Heinlein. Does anyone else?

- Fred - I want to talk to you.

* WHO WANTS TO DO A CON?!

Kurt - Greg - congrats. Let us all
work very closely together.

Joe Rogers - please write an entry! Bye Bye

THE LEFTS
WERE ON!

DATE	NAME	TIME
3/1/79	S.E. President SFLS Club Joke SFF	6:10PM

SHREKS

Marla, I have wanted to do a con for months, see the bottom line of page 150 - I would call it the Prowancan, even though David Lubkin ^{the coders survived I AND made my bookons!} says they should still be called Bookcons from now on - but as one was not provided for in your line budget request, perhaps it would be impossible for the SFF to do one before Fall 1980, and the SFLS has no intention ^{at present} of applying for funds so --

AND SINCE THE SFLS'S ATTEMPTS AT PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE HAVE BEEN MET WITH MINDLESS ANGER AND INSINSITIVITY, YOU CAN'T COUNT ON MY HELP!!

And I repeat the rumors that Michael W. Carberry

6:18 IS nonexistent.

A voice [in the written sense] is about to arise that hasn't arisen in years - that of me - NEW BILL graces these pages with his pen [the forum doesn't have one of its own]. I was also at the est seminar. To argue whether est is relying or not is silly, because "est" is not a well defined term. It shouldn't be used to help or hurt the goal. If

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something works it should be used.
 It seems to me that est works for some people, and I hope to talk to Scott or Janice again a little more to get my idea clear.

Even if it was (religious) would that necessarily be bad? The catholic church works for a lot of people so it must have something going for it [I don't believe that either and hope someone can shoot that particular example down].

Scott was nodding his head like a rapid fire machine gun during the seminar. Is that what est does for ex-graveters - exercise their neck muscles.

I felt nothing profound during what they called 'a process', and these things in general never do anything for me - my mind doesn't work that way. I also once went to a Sri Chinmoy thing and felt no 'higher state of conscience' or anything like that.

Est is certainly not a hoax because it actually works. It's hard to put down something that works, but - I do wonder if it works as well as the speaker said it did.

Next order of business - a profile of an ex-member and by ex-excommunicate Dave Lubkin
 'Flaming asshole'
 'Conceited'
 'Glory-seeker'

My excommunicate has been called these things by people who probably know him

better than I, but I still think
of him in a better light. He was more of
a "devils advocate" than he was conciliated. He admitted
quite freely that he does well because he works
hard, and I'd even say he was a nice guy.

I do append that I only roomed with
him for one semester, one where I was quite
busy, and we really didn't see that much of each
other, and it was right after rooming with my
worst roommate ever - one Norman Fergos.

I've bumped into Scott Finley accidentally
more in the last two weeks than in my entire
Sophomore year - fate or bad luck.

Actually Scott is rather active [People's book
co-op, SFF, Eros, I don't know what else] and
he's lived in a lot of different places [Kelly, Roth,
I don't know where else], and had two different
interests [engineering, biology].

So between all that I think he might
know about 90% of the campus. Bumping into
him a lot this semester shouldn't be unusual
but not-bumping into him last semester should be -

WIII 9:09pm, 2/2/79

Since I've already seen the Goodbyegirl
I'm here instead. JUST a few comments
on New Bills comments on my comments
on est. I fully agree with his statement
that religion is poorly defined. What I
was saying was not that est was a religion
but that it seems to have the same function
as religion did in Medieval (spelled right)
times. Also I agree that even if not

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Were a religion it wouldn't be bad I said in my entry that I thought est worked and also that Catholicism worked in medieval times. The question I was trying to raise was at what price does it work.

Enough of that! I notice that Louis has broken his promise to write in his own logbook and not ours. Frankly I don't care anymore, I'm sick of yelling at Louis, sick of thinking about him, sick of writing about him. My final suggestion is that we gain title to the room and bodily eject Louis, his logbook, and his alleged vice-president.

DISCONTINUITY

I've just spent the past hour and half reading the logbooks. It's interesting but you can't really tell that much about the Forum from reading it.

Friday nights are lonely when you don't go out to a COCA movie and your roommate is out getting bombed - which is probably what you should be doing.

Is there a point to it all?

God I sound morbid!

I've got an idea for a new fantasy role-playing system called Swords and Magic or, for short, ~~S&M~~ Swords and Magic. Characters would have characteristics of strength, intelligence, wisdom, dexterity, constitution and ~~alignment~~. alignment.

Your alignment would go from evil to

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HERE~~ ~~LEADERSHIP
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more
leadership~~ ~~HERE!!~~

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FORUM NEWS

Welcome to the first issue of HYPER (no, we're not nervous; Hyper is a shortening of that famous sf communicating device: Hyperwave). HYPER is Stony Brook's science fiction newsletter and is written, edited, typed, printed and distributed by the people down (literall) in the Science Fiction Forum. The Sf Forum is a student-run organization that sponsors most of the sf events on campus.

One of the major services we run is the sf library. The library has 2,500 volumes and science fiction magazines dating back twenty five years. Books are lent out, to anyone with a Stony Brook I.D., free and on a monthly basis. The library is located in the basemen of Hendrix college, Roth Quad. Its hours are posted around the University, and on the door of the library.

The Forum also plans to run 8-10 films this year, if funds are forthcoming from PSC. While the schedule is not yet finalized, we are looking into getting Dr. Strangelove, THX 1138 (directed by George Lucas) and many others.

The latest sf service offered by the Forum is now resting in you ls. In HYPER we hope to keep Stony Brook's science fiction enthusiasts (that's you) up to date on the latest sf happenings both on campus and in the real world. We also plan to have one or two reviews in each issue. These will not necessarily be reviews of the latest sf books. The purpose of these reviews will be to inform you of what books we feel are worth reading. We'd also like to hear from you. If you'd like to submit a review, just bring it down to the library when it's open. Chances are, it will printed. We also plan to run cartoons and trivia quizzes every so often.

Finally, we'd like to encourage you to attend meetings of The Science Fiction Forum and get involved. We meet every monday at ten p.m. in the Science Fiction Library.

SF NEWS

FRANK HERBERT is writing a fourth DUNE book. It will take place before some of the events in the first three books.

THE FIRST ISSUE OF OMNI sold out its press run of one million copies.

sadistic to masochistic with appropriate die modifier for low or high constitution (low constitution characters would opt for an alignment of sadist). There would be several character classes that would depend upon your societal standing. If you are low on the totem pole your options are limited, serfs can only be victims, but upper class persons can be task-masters, overlords ~~etc.~~ all the way up to court torturer. There are also magic classes. Magic-users with a sadist alignment take great joy in slowly deforming prisoners. Magic-users of the masochistic alignment summon demons to beat up on them.

Clerics of sadist alignment or masochistic alignment are possible. But both must be evil clerics. They have a lot of fun with those "cause grievous wound" spells!

The main advantage of the system is the simplicity of its adventures. A party composed of equal numbers of sadists and masochists goes into a dungeon and walks around till they encounter some monsters whereupon the sadists throw the masochists to the monsters who torture the masochists to death, giving everyone a good time.

Next week plan's for another game: Tunnels and Abysses (T and A) where we find out what a dungeon orgy is really like!

Sunday - will - good entry.

Bill - why did you room with David for only a semester?

I want feedback on Some Enuf 4 Luv. Bye -

An ~~intolerable~~
specimen

[John] February 5, 2:40 A.M. I have just read from the log for the first time. Since I'm in a slightly nasty mood, I'll just say what I feel. Louis seems to be an intolerable stuffed up jackass, with an ego swollen like a hot air balloon. The log seems to show flashes of creativity and humor, but mostly seems to show moodiness. ~~I suppose it would be more interesting if I really knew the people involved.~~ I don't suppose I'll bother to read more unless Lisa wants me to. Here's her entry.

[Lisa] February 5, 2:40 A.M. It feels so good to be writing again! I'm very unhappy with Louis because he refused to write for me on what night was it? I'm thinking, I'm thinking. Umm... Bah. It must have been ~~Friday~~ oh! some night this week. I have a message for Will. I'm still very terrified of normal pianos. When I went to fine arts on Wednesday, I had problems playing the piano that was there. I need some encouragement because I think I have a lot of talent, that I'm not using profitably. Tom, Louis will never listen to you, no matter what you do. The more you pay attention to the SFLS, the larger and more beastly it will grow. Why not try to ignore him for once.

As far as EST is concerned, you people have gotten me so curious, I've decided to go to a seminar. I'll give you all my opinion on it when it's over.

I had a lot to say, and I'm trying to figure it out. After all, it's been ages since I could write, and I'm having trouble catching up. What would you all think about putting more of the log book on tape for me?

(Slow down girl, you're wearing out my hand) John

No, I will not slow down, it's been a long time since ¹⁶⁵
I could write in this book.

I'm glad Marla and Kurt got elected, I think they
can do better than I could.

~~I~~ I would like to have the shift from 8-9 on
Tuesday, and I ~~would~~ need a volunteer to do it
with me. The reason I'm writing this in the log is
that I can't get anyone's attention over the all the
noise at the meetings, since its after chorus and my
voice is not that good, and anyway, I'm going to miss
tomorrow's meeting.

Kurt have you written your poem about me yet?

I spoke with David Lutkin on the phone Saturday
nite, and he seemed to be doing pretty decently.
^{John} (If you don't give me a break soon, it'll be a long time
before I can do any writing either, my hand is getting
rigor mortis)

So that's where that funny smell comes from. I've
been noticing it for some time now. If it wasn't
so late, I'd call Marla and ask her what to do
about it.

^{John} (Either slow down, or buy some air freshener)

Never mind, I'm nearly finished anyway.

Umm... let me think. That smell is beginning to
bother me.

I'll probably have to feed him to the pipe man if
they seem hungry tonite.

I'll write more during my next library shift
hopefully, and I hope the meeting goes well tomorrow
night. Good luck Marla. You have my support even
though I won't be there.

Oh, by the way Kurt, I had a real good fire
Friday nite, why don't we get together again.

^{John} (What a relief its over!)

~~bad artist~~
bad artist

DATE 2/5/79 NAME Tom
Song System
President SPLS
Club Socie SFT

TIME 1:17

DRIBBLES OF DIZZIUM

I will pass over Will's intolerant ravings, and tell John he has no appreciation of greatness.

* Joe Rogers is from Glen Ellyn, Illinois;

* According to the World Almanac, the National Ding-A-Ling Club is headquartered in Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

* Is there a connection?

Lisa, people occasionally have things they must do other than write for you.
Bye for now -

Joe Brechner To New Bill -

2/5/79-MONDAY Because something works, does not mean it should be used.

Homicide Bombs work.

The question is: is the psychological effect of est desirable?

Len I've been reading Jean-Paul Sartre. Here's a profound quote from his book Nausea:
"They're going to sleep together. They know it. but since they are young, chaste and decent, since each one wants to keep his self-respect, and that of the other, since love is a great poetic thing which you must not frighten away, several times a week they go to dances and restaurants, offering the spectacle of their ritual, mechanical dances . . ."

"After all, you have to kill time. So they are in no hurry, they delay and they are not wrong. Once they have slept together, they will have to find something else to veil the enormous absurdity of their existence."

Isn't that profound?

Everybody has a veil which they use to hide the absurdity of their existence. My veil is the prospect of being an engineer and eventually becoming rich and semi-famous.

Probably the reason you are in college is to find a purpose to your life. I ask you all... what is your veil? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ?

Analysis of the last sentence

There are only two explanations to this pessimistic view of sex and life.

The first possibility is that Sartre recalls having had a bad experience when losing his virginity. He therefore expresses his belief that thinking about going to bed with a woman is better than going to bed with her.

The other possibility is that Sartre was an oversexed old philosopher who had sex so often that it meant so little to him. In fact, he thought sex was boring. He therefore thinks it is ironic that the young couple uses the prospect of sex as a justification for their existence.

Most of you would enjoy reading "Nausea" (I think it's amazing) so check it out!

Murta - give us a summary of time enough 4 luv and maybe we can give you feedback.

Kurt 2/5/79
9pm Monday

We've got trouble. We don't have a room to show Dr. Strangelove in. I was all over campus today to try to arrange something. The best I could do is A small room in the Union (120 people) on Feb 19 (Monday) from 7-12.

Larry just asked me, what's my veil. I'm not too sure. We'll have a lot of them.

The point is, how closely does your veil(s) fit your real self. If your veils are loose you seem like a very fake person (Fake people turn me off)

A tight fitting veil on the other hand, (besides showing off your figure) gives a better insight into you as yourself. They give you depth and substance, something for someone else to grab onto and to learn about you; to join with you, to be a friend in the truest sense. That's why the SFF has such a warm feeling about it. Most of us have tight veils. We are real people. We reach out to each other and feel, sense, and care.

Louis: Ha Ha Ha Ha Ha Ha Ha Ha Ha (etc) I think you are very funny.

Chris: I also enjoyed myself very much on Friday.

Back to veils. As a person grows closer to another they shed their veils; slowly and ~~more~~ cautiously. But when they are gone the relationship can finally continue to grow in beauty and completeness. That's all for now, ~~see you~~

Unveilfully, Yours

Kurt

Joe Braggs - Marla -

Time Enough for Love -

Long and rambling. Parts of it were pretty good. Da Capo (time travel + incest) was entertaining (to my memory, read it awhile ago) very wish-fulfillment (Louis: correct spelling)) with plenty of room for a happy ending (I suspect they go back and pick up Lazarus longs parents very late in their life, bring them forward and rejuvenate).

One of the problems, I think is that the immortals did ^{not} ~~not~~ age.

Feel like immortals. They say

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Lazarus is bored, and suicidal, and tired with everything but you don't have the feeling that he is. When you find out he's tried to commit

Suicide several times it comes as a surprise.

Hertlein also at one point demonstrates his amazing ability to be boring on the subject of genetics. For more example's of same see the end of one of his earlier works Beyond This Horizon.

This is a quality that has not changed over the years.

2/5/99 Tom

Real bummer tonight. I confronted Louis at the meeting. Sort of voice of the Forum, I guess. Those of you who may feel Louis is interesting - very real and clear because of the large amount of his writing in the logs. I on the other hand am a diaphanous figure in the distance. If nothing else I'll probably be known as "the man who kicked out Louis." Oh-hell. Daniel Webster must have had days like this.

Any way the points of my speech (tirade?) were:

- 1) Louis HAS NO CLAIM TO THIS ROOM OR ITS CONTENTS
- 2) Louis' "ORGANIZATION" HAS NO RIGHT TO USE THE ROOM OR CONTENTS.
- 3) WE WILL NOT TOLERATE THE CONTINUED PRESENCE OF A COMPETING ORGANIZATION AT THE FORUM'S HEADQUARTERS. BUT SO: 4) HE CAN a) TEAR UP HIS BOOK (SFLS LOG)
/ OR b) REMOVE IT FROM OUR LIBRARY
OR c) LEAVE PERMANENTLY.

I suppose he thought I(we) was kidding as he packed up

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N.O. and left. I followed him out with his logbook and told him to take it if he ever wanted to see it again. At that time I think he really realized I (we) meant business. He took the book & stomped out. Kinda shakin' (I hope).
BROUGHT
OVER LOGS
BACK
THE NEW
THE DAY.

- LOUIS, 1) You cannot expect to play big fish in a small pond when everybody else is as big as fish.
2) We don't hate you Louis, but we can't put up with intolerable behaviour.
3) I'm sure if you'll act reasonable even reasonably outspoken, all will be willing to have you back.

BUT NOT UNLESS.

I've just been accused of being obsessed with Louis. I'm just afraid of his actions undermining a very (to me) unique and valuable organization. Louis, you notice it took that to accuse me. All else I think should be tolerated.
BUT NOT THAT.

God, I'm tired. I'm going to close this. I hope the future understands... or at least, the present.

I'm going to Mount & drown my Hasta Fuego.
depression in bagels & Milk.

TOM

P.S. Linda just burst out laughing at the thought of me as a "diphasic figure" (I'm 6'3" and 215 lbs) TOM
quizzing as to whether we (she) is typical or unique. I

P.P.S. Someone said Lois thinks he's a character out of a Heinlein novel. This may be true. However, if he is then sure as hell hot he isn't the only such in this organization and ~~as~~ should tread lightly lest he be stomped by those who are softer but bigger-sticked.

PPPS And I've even got red hair. *TOM* And YEARS MORE
EXPERIENCE *DON'T TRY TO MAKE US FEEL
SICKY FOR YOU*

IN DETERIORATING

TOM

5/16 Larry - loved your latest entry. Am I to take a hint perhaps? I don't recall Nausea being like that. I should re-read it. There are many things I should read and re-read. Yes. There does seem to be school happening lately. And this tends to produce books to be read.

I need to write a poem for my Yeats class - iambic pentameter that has a rhyme scheme. It's coming along but fitfully at best. The professor requires 8-line stanzas. I gave him a piece of poetry that ~~didn't~~ fits the qualifications last week and promised, because that was a piece of shit, to do a better one. I find it strange to write creatively on demand.

Farewell until...

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July

Donna - how could you say think that I was intending my entry as a hint to you. My entry does not apply to what has happened between us. What happened between us is enough to justify my existence (at least if I were a theist). It was good! The word "inert" should not be used when discussing what happened between us.

It's fun talking to you through the book but maybe we can talk to each other in person.

2.6
Marta

Is everyone really interested in helping with the Space Colonies Conference? I am for one. Let's do something about it. — Tom - please get over your depression. Or, is it that you just want a home-cooked dinner...

It's funny about veils and sf people. I notice that many sf people are SHY and quiet in a crowd of disgustingly normal/boring people, but LOUD and BOISTEROUS with other sf people around. Or, they are extremely LOUD wherever they are. Is that a veil of insecurity? Of pent-up expressions finally being let loose where someone will UNDERSTAND them? Did we turn to speculative books because we were loners, or were turned off to society? Are sf books a great escape from life - people that we know? The books certainly brings us together - we are one of the closest clubs on campus.

March

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Kurt, while a veil may hide certain parts of you, it itself is an important part of you. The image you portray to the world is part of your being.

- Louis - is it true that you are running for president of the National Dong-a-Ling Club? Or are you starting a Dong-a-Ling National Society? **NO!**

Joe B - Being shocked about Lazarus' suicidal thoughts is good - it makes you realize how little you know about people. Your closest friend could be quiet about something that is destroying him/her, but won't talk or communicate about it for fear of shame, hurt, loss of respect, etc. It showed that Lazarus was not perfect. Wisdom isn't everything.
Let's all go to ApriCon! Bye

2/17

When I ask someone to write for me
2:05 AM it means I have something important to say
to Louis and by the way I wasn't ready about it
anyway - and it would have only taken
3 minutes for you to write what I had to say.

I see you're continuing on the same path of disgusting behavior, which you exhibited last term towards Linda and besides, ~~and~~ a member of SFLS shouldn't be writing in our logbook anyway.

P.S. If I'd known I missed the meeting tonight I would have liked to have seen Tom's great performance. Did anyone think to tape it? No, silly.

Dad 12 Nov 1969
2/16/69 3:45

ARGUMENTS & REBATS

Too bad you can't tell the difference between competing and complementing. I'm sorry you're refusing to authorize our use of ~~the~~ your books during the hours we're operating the library. We won't fight you unless you insist on fighting us.

" " 3:20 Ciao (Maria - I'm afraid you'll change your mind about helping with the Space Colonization Conference but - I'm on the committee).

WILL, 7/16, 6/11. Last night was definitely a good meeting - but will they ever let us into Mount again?

Maria, yes I am very ~~interested~~ interested in the space colonies conference, I just wonder whether or not we can put it and our SF con on around the same time. It seems like we have to pick one or the other. perhaps the con should be put off a year.

I'd like to suggest that we mimeo some Standard Form letter to be sent to all those who have overdue books, asking (or demanding) that they return them. We could send them by campus mail.

I think the idea of having our own fanzine is excellent. As I see it, we should aim for a 25 page fanzine, with a print run of 1-2000.

If the interior pages were mostly mimeo, and the cover and some interior art pages were xerox (9200) we could do it for \$125-250.

I am willing to try to coordinate the thing if I can get two other people to volunteer help and the rest of you to write things. If we can't get it together on a fanzine, we'll never get it together on a con!

I'd like to suggest the name XRYMPH for the fanzine. When the Forum put out a fanzine in '71 that's what they called it. Now, I hate to cite tradition, since LOUIS has made it a dirty word, so I won't. I just think its a good name and is appropriately strange.

AND NOW!

another in my series of Physics JOKES! What did Ben Franklin say when he discovered electricity? Ans! OUCH, that Hertz!

2/6/79 Fred and I are here and soon I Greg - Well that joke is absolutely awful and besides Franklin didn't discover electricity he just proved that lightning is electricity I don't know what to do with you Lisa suggests execution GAKK?

2/6/79 Bill B. Ohm on the range, huh? (Worse joke) Whoever wrote that people are attracted to sci-fi because They're lonely/ alienated has a good point BUT: why sci-fi and NOT beekeeping or something?? Are we all, perhaps, just romantic (I use this in the larger context) dreamers?

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Space is to use a trite cliche, "the final frontier." Perhaps we all, (SFF people) since we don't find acceptance of happiness in our world, search for it elsewhere... in the star-cluttered mists, no doubt. Think of the Futurians. (30's Sci-Fi club that produced Pohl, Asimov, etc) adolescent males (w/o girls... sorry Martha, Linda, etc) who don't find happiness in their society - so, they construct their own (and get the girl at the end of the story, watch). Hmnm... this does deserve more thought. comments.

NOT

Jackie 26 Cheer up Tom!

I am sick - my throat hurts (no comments, please) and I have a bad cold, I'm even freezing in here - help!

Who saw the "Best of the Horror Movies" show this evening? Excellent!

Bill, why does space have to be the final frontier? Why can't the final frontier be a "state of mind (?)" (Timothy Leary is Dead) or peace for that matter - well, peace must be fantasy, not s.f.

Larry - why can't you be tickled - you must have an immense amt of physical control...

Gregg grow a beard!

Donna - I'd really like to see the constitution.

Kurt - Thankz for cutting + untangling the red tape, + coming out alive.

Bye -

8:45 AM
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I always
have to keep
connection
IT'S Greg!

NO! ^{great idea!} → PAGE TORN OUT!

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7 Feb I am down here very early for my shift
today because of classes not happening. Such
nice snow! Think of all the time we'll get
on the squash courts tonite! O lovely! And brand
new balls to play with! (I can hear your dirty
minds clicking over that last sentence!)

Marta - Ted has the constitution since I don't have
the \$ to make copies and he does.
It still needs proof for me that Polity truly
consists what rules we operate under. All they
need is a constitution to be happy. I'm certain
they don't give a fart in hell whether, in fact,
we do operate under what they have undoubtedly
lost by now.

It doesn't matter. It truly doesn't matter. ^{RUDIGER QUOTE?}

Saray - I didn't automatically think it's really.
Just thought I'd ask. If what happened be-
tween us is enough to justify your existence, you
seem very easily justified. No, I don't want to
say that; it sounds wrong. And, yes, I did
feel inept. Sort of like I cheated you. It
was a strange time for me. Maybe (probably).
I'm out of practice.

General question: ~~Why do~~ why do
women have to go to the nearest national monument for
~~use~~ their birth control devices (Steve
Martin).

Enough electric jobs! Let's talk about current events

~~CROSS OFF~~ ← ~~OM~~

New Bill here -

I roomed with David for only one semester because I wanted to go back to the halls and I was only there by accident anyway — Both we and Dave wanted roommates and didn't want pot luck.

Louis — how could you not write for Lisa, that is really cruel. you're DOING IT MOST OR YOU LIFCIBET

Back to Dave — I don't think he was an asshole, but I won't argue the point. I also don't think Joe Hertzlinger or even Scott Finley is an asshole. I have a high tolerance. Louis is on the road to being an asshole and will probably be the first one I've known in a while.

~~H~~ Having not put thoughts to paper in a while, it's time for me to break another vow. I'm now writing in the log book.

To all: David Lubkin is a person.

As such, he has good and bad qualities. I like David. I find it difficult to ~~categorize~~ categorize any further.

In reference to The Louis Question:

"Whereas ~~everybody~~ everybody most some of the members of the SFF hate dislike Louis, + he SFF should disown him." I do not agree with

the above. When the SFF decides to disbar a person from it, it has just lost 2 members. Personal problems with Louis should be dealt with between the parties. If Louis' access to the library upsets the foreman, the key could be moved. Louis would then have to hold a shift to get the key. There are optional solutions.

Tom: In \$115, I will write on a topic very close to you. Until then, don't hold your breath.

Donna: what are you out of practice at?

Marla: I am not interested in putting on a convention

To whoever "wrote" on the instructions for librarians, "plagerist." The work she plagiarized was mine. Marla understands that anything I give to the SFF belongs to the SFF. That includes words. Her name at the bottom indicated the authority by which this paper is placed there. OK.

A person, Horace Eggpurt, just walked in and said that he heard about the SFLS and wanted to join. I told him of the SFF and he said he'd heard about it at Poly and wanted to join the SFLS.

~~Tom~~: I'm moving my stuff that I had down here out of the SFF. If Louis can't keep what he wants down here, why should I.

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To Fred

I'd like to discuss the idea of being bored with you. Before, when I admitted to you, "I'm bored" your face lit up as though a great revelation had come to you. Apparently, you thought you had been enlightened about my mental state and interpreted "I'm bored" to mean "I'm depressed". **WRONG!** Boredom is a relative thing. A person can say, "I'm bored because I've been watching T.V. all week" and another person can say, "I'm bored because I've only been to 6 parties this week". When a person says "I'm bored" you're really not getting any information out of him (When I say "I'm going fast" does it mean I'm in a rocket ship travelling through hyperspace or does it mean I'm in a Corvette travelling through city streets?)

I'm happy to say that I'm not often depressed. However I am often tired due to moronic sleeping habits, which I'm also happy about. Perhaps you mistakenly interpreted tiredness for depression. Perhaps you can avoid such mistakes in the future if you stop "reading between the lines". I was bored!!! Also, I notice that I can be happy about something as trivial as "moronic sleeping habits" - and you thought I was depressed!

Fred - I don't mean to sound hostile but you do often ask me, "Larry, what's wrong?" when there is really nothing wrong.

To Fred, Kurt, and Martha - You all consented to marrying me!
 Now, If we all married each other, rather than the three
 of you marrying me, we would be 4 people having 12
 bisexual, polygamous, orgiastic marriages.

To Bill What's up?

Martha - I am ticklish! Can you solve this mystery?

Bill - If that joke was original - congratulations. If
 not I won't protect you from Fred's wrath! Or gret's.
 Or Lisa's

Lisa wants to marry me!

I have to buy 4 engagement rings!

Bill - Tom did not attend his shift because
 of the ridiculously terrible, inclement, disgusting weather.
 I like David too!

Thank you Bill for sticking up for me.

Louis - you were nice to me. Louis is very reasonable
 when talking about the SFLS if you don't yell at him.
 Louis why don't you start a fantasy club rather than
 a science club it seems more in your league.

About being bored - When Fred is bored he usually
 is also depressed and/or tired. That is possibly why
 he treats Larry's boredom as a problem.

When I am bored it is usually because I'm tired
 of Stony Brook.

I can't think of anything more to say so I'm
 going to roll up some more characters for CTS.

(Ad-libbed by L)

Tomwks, "What is today?" Today is Feb. 8 1979 a Thursday, with snow on the streets and cars under people's feet," says Larry.

Tent

2/8

When did the logbook have to end? It was just getting interesting.

Tableau Jazzfest tonight. I'm thinking of fetching Jerry the Barn from home and going armed. It might be enlightening. Or I might just sit here and decompose.

Marilyn

Donna

Marilyn

Linda

Lisa

Donna

Someone explain the above to me. Perhaps a caption contest. No Freudian analysis, please.

Linda, where are you?

Marilyn needs practice? Hmmm

(re sans) → Marilyn wants Kurt Vonnegut so badly. She says he'd be interesting to seduce. Nantucket's getting boring, maybe?

Lisa, Lisa, Lisa. Hi, there.

I can't believe the sexual content of this entry. I better quit until I recover from this attack of ~~antlers~~

Tony antlers

Tom Again - Larry just read the above. Or tried.
 Luckily it was so illegible that noone will understand
 the full extent of perverse intent hereunto expressed
 with relief,

Tom

Very important, I do not want my
 entries changed. This includes misspellings, notes
 in the margins, etc. You have been
 warned. If the identity of the culprit is
 not obvious, I "amend" the log book at
 random.

Now Lisa's turn

From Lisa to Tom: I left you your
 suitcase. Why didn't you take it?

to All: My new project is
 transcribing C&S into Braille. Fred is
 helping by reading it to me. If you
 know any one who needs it in braille,
 I could possibly help them in some
 way. If anyone can suggest a name
 for my high off character, please enter it
 in the log book.

ANONYMOUS NOTE OF OBVIOUS AUTHORSHIP —

I DID NOT INVENT THE PRACTICE OF CORRECTING
 ENTRIES. WAS THAT MISSPELLING OF "AMEND" INSTEAD OF
 BEIT? (OTHER PEOPLE ASK FOR CORRECTIONS).

but this is mine

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Fred To Louis: if you've read my earlier entries one or two logbooks ago, I don't want nothing messin' up my entries. Joe understands that other people exist. Do you?

Lisa

Tonight Scott, Donna, Fred & I went to see Superman. I thought the movie was very good. However, I would like to tell Scott that if he objects to certain things that I do, he should tell me before it becomes a point of anger. I did not appreciate him telling me after there was nothing else I could do about it. I got to know Donna a lot better and I think she's a really good person.

The est seminar I was very interesting, but I don't think it's for me. I am glad that I know a bout it cause I'm now more knowledgeable about something else in my life.

Another thing. Please don't put the key so high up that little people like me can't reach it. Big, tall Fred had to get it.

To Scott: I don't mean to be nasty to you, but I really didn't understand what Propane Lithium was or wasn't. Next time I ask you a question, either tell me the answer, or tell me you'll explain later. All in all, I had

a good time this evening,
any way.

To Louis : treat ~~my~~ my entries like Fred
wants his entries treated

To Tom: You still havin't taken your suitcase.
If you do n't, the pipe mousers will.

If my room is fixed up, the uninviting will
be Monday after the meeting.

Joe Brenner
2/11/79-Sunday

Tom - I am somewhat (but only
somewhat) pissed at you for:
A: Speaking for the entire forum
without following any kind of democratic
procedure.

B: Interrupting ~~the~~ our guests
and the flow of the meeting last monday.
And I agree with ~~Fred~~ concerning
Louis's ~~logbook~~ logbook. Didn't some
of us ask him to write his entries
in a separate logbook?

But I do disagree a bit with Fred's
insistence on strict chronological order
in entries, I think marginal notes should
be permitted (and certainly are permitted
with my entries) but perhaps they should
always be named and dated to help
out any future historians.

(Incidentally: Will tells me that he thinks most people did agree with Tom, and therefore he did represent the majority. But still, I'd have been happier if Tom spoke for himself)

This is what I think the major flaw was in the kind of speech Tom made:

LOUIS IS THE KIND OF PERSON WHO DOES THE OPPOSITE OF WHAT PEOPLE TRY AND FORCE HIM TO DO.

This unfortunate, but I think probably true.

To Louis - Please consider your motives carefully. Mindlessly doing the opposite of what someone tells you to do is no better than mindlessly going along with them. It is still mindless.

For what reason are you doing the things you do? (I don't expect a straight answer from you, but please try and give one to yourself).

MONDAY IS THE LAST MEETING BEFORE ADRICON! WE MUST MAKE PLANS!!

↑
(PREREGISTRATION
DETAILS)

will /2/11/79

I notice that there is currently a debate on whether to ouster Louis from the forum. I am torn on the issue. On the one hand, I would not like to see anyone thrown out of the forum. On the other, I'm just fed up with the whole Louis situation and I would like to see it end. If he pushes his stunts any further he will probably succeed in pushing me to push him out of the forum.

Enough of that! Joe has volunteered to help on Xyrmph (if we do it, and call it that) I still need someone to help with graphics. ~~overdue~~ I'll try to get the whole Apricon thing together Monday.

AND NOW!

YES, WHAT YOU'VE ALL BEEN DREADING; ANOTHER PHYSICS JOKE

What is the telltale sign of an Einsteinian speed freak? ANSI dilated pupils

I'd better run!!!

Quickly.

HOW
DARE YOU
PROLIFERATE YOURSELF
BY LEAVING OUT
THE RANGERS!



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2/11/79 Tom the Ogre

NOT
WITHIN
THE
FORUM
WITHIN
5FLD.

Or at least that's the feedback I'm getting. Not

really, I suppose. The whole Louis thing is (hopefully) settled, but I suppose it's now time to drag you truly over the coals for being so "harsh to poor defenseless Louis".

Let's set the record straight:

1) I felt that Louis had passed the bounds of permissible activity within the forum. My only criterion of permissible activity is whether the actions under scrutiny represent a danger to the continued existence and growth of the Forum. All else I consider reasonable (well almost all else). This forum is at most delightful anarchy, and I will not stand for ~~anyone~~ anyone trying to coexist with / supplant / replace / destroy it.

2) I had discussed the problem with most of the members and I feel I was speaking for most of the members in what I said.

3) I hated to interrupt the meeting, but Louis & friend were about to leave and this had to be said in front of them.

4) I can't be an officer. I'm a grad student and this is a Polity club. ~~that I work~~ Nonetheless, I have some gift of oratory (next stop - college prof.) and I felt I could put the point across to Louis because:

- (a) - I can outtalk (not just outinsult or outshoot) him.
- (b) - If he saw I ~~had~~ was one of the most tolerant members of the forum, pissed at him; he might realize we meant business.

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I was happy to see Louis at the forum Wednesday(?)
as I want him as a member. I miss his caustic
entries. I think that the value of Louis as a countering
viewpoint is often lost on the membership. Look people,
Louis may be:

STUBBORN	RUDE	LOUD
OPINIONATED	BELIGERENT	CAUSTIC
OUTSPOKEN	AGGRESSIVE	BAD-TEMPERED
PERFECT	DIVINE	GLORIOUS

but look at his finer points. He's got red hair & freckles

just like me. Tolerance - Unity (look at the word clearly Louis) -
brotherhood - that's supposed to be what we're all about
here. Look around a meeting. Not a slaggard in the bunch.
All intelligent, hard-working, imaginative people. What would
Heinlein say if he were here? Tsk, tsk. Louis may
be wrong sometimes, but his counter opinion may be
purest gold in the middle. Listen to him, think carefully about
what he's saying, prepare your answer lovingly.

concerned
Then squash him if necessary.

~~seriously~~ In short, Louis
SERIOUSLY though

COME BACK

2) Don't ever attempt to subvert the forum
again. And I mean it. Any ecologist worth
his salt knows enough about the competitive
exclusion principle to realize that the SFF
and SFWS could not coexist peacefully.

Therefore I will take whatever measures I
deem necessary to ensure the SFF's survival.
Selfish of me but that's the way the cookie
crumbleth.

3) COME BACK
4-?) COME BACK

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Notes to all:

1) Please Make marginal notes on my entries

I think its fun and a great thing about the logbook. WILL DO!

2) Marla says my problem is simple: I want to go to bed with everybody. THIS SIMPLY ISN'T TRUE. I only want to go to bed with all the girls. Haven't you all heard about redheads?

3) The above may also be Louis' problem, too.

If so, take heart Louis! I didn't lose mine till I was ~~██████████~~ (Marla asked about this and was shocked by the answer). I was so obnoxious in high school that I didn't even kiss a girl until my senior prom (also my first date) (If any soft-hearted ladies out there want to help me catch up on lost time, I might possibly have a spot next Thursday). So keep smiling, faint heart never won fair lady.

4) If my parents ever read the above, I'll be up the mighty Amazon without a boat. So of course you all will be discreet... when we ~~inform them~~ ~

~~I'll write them a letter~~
LINDA WHAT ARE YOU DOING!!! STAY AWAY FROM THAT XEROX MACHINE. AIEEEEEE ~~~~~~

How many copies?

How much a week?

Never, you ~~██████████~~ bandit!!!

~~OBSCURED~~
IT'S
READABLE
IF HELD
UP TO THE
LIGHT-IT'S
THE NAME
OF A NEW
YORK CLUB.
I'M PROUD
OF YOU, TOM,
(IN THIS
REGARD)

••• Copies to my grandmother? And my rich uncle
in Houston? •••

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~~██████████~~

Call Tom 928-3474
or at Science Fiction Forum

Th-Th-Th-Th-That's all, folks! }

Tom

P.T. Questions for all:

- 1) Are all fans: persecuted by their peers
: sexually frustrated
: looked askance at by their teachers in
in early life ???

2) Which do you find more nauseating

In years past 1) The strange looks and such you got when someone asked you what you were reading and you replied "Science Fiction".

OR

Now of the vast numbers of people who, upon learning what book you read, declare "Yeah, I'm into" that sci-fi stuff myself" i.e. the Star Wars Battlestar galactica close encounters crowd.

OR: Do you feel that one or both of the above ~~stereotypes~~ don't really exist in large enough numbers to be significant?

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what an entry!!! Now that I've got writers cramps
I suppose its off to MSRC for a night of boring
scutwork.

IT'S AMUSING THAT HE THINKS
HIS TIRADE OF LAST WEEK HAD ANY
EFFECT WHATSOEVER. NO - NO - NO!
Louis, Louis, Louis...
STORY THAT GIVES you so much pleasure, apparently

Fred Tonite will be the uninviting of
Lisa's Room; (hopefully)

Also I do not push chronological
flow, I just don't like my entries messed
with by unauthorized people. i.e. I can
change them but all others can suck
eggs. I (after all) am Fred. (SIGH)

Tom, I can use it for parts. I'll give
you \$115, easy. Also cancel my debts.

Addenda: Due to lack of cinder blocks,
the room won't be finished tonite. Damn!
Oh well. After next meeting, the uninviting
of Lisa's room. However, if she feels like
it, she might let some of you scum inhabit
her room for a few minutes.

Joe Brenner: I slept here last night,

3/12/79 - Monday incidently. Slept for a whole
five hours or so on Tom's backseat,
Did not use straps.

2/12

Kurt
9:00pm

The problem with organized library shifts is that there are so many entries since my last one, but I love it anyway. I have so many things to say. I'll start with the movie. Roth Cafeteria 8+10 pm (2 showings) Wednesday (VD) Free. We need people there to help set up at 7:30 Ads have been placed and posters (small ones) are in the Union. I have the movie (in my room and booby-trapped) The AU people will run the projectors.

Tom: You are a better man than I. Your Louis speech was wonderful. I feel ashamed for feeling so violent towards Louis but I do agree with you on all points.
 Louis: I want you part of the SFF. The SFF has a number of outcasts of society in it so we have no right to keep anyone out. But please be considerate of others; you'll find that you will have lots of friends willing to be with you only if you care a little bit about them.

Tom: It's not red hair that makes people like you the way you are. It's the freckles. (I was once told that they are on the same gene, is this true) I should know. I won a freckle contest when I was 10. I too am continually horny but the age when I lost mine shall remain a secret. Only women who wish to share their bed with me may know. (Mark, if you try guessing I ~~will~~ guarantee that it will be wrong)

~~Tom~~ Harry, Mark, Fred & ~~Liz~~ - why don't we all marry each other on Valentines Day ~~other~~ before the movie and have the honeymoon after the movie. (By the way I'm writing in red because it is VD) I was going to write some more but now I can't remember. ~~Serenity~~ strikes again

Notes on meeting of Monday 12 February 1979.

1) I do not plan on working toward SUSB SF Con for the next 3 years. ANYTHING!

2) I like anarchy. People telling who can or can't exist in an anarchy are not anarchists.

3) I don't think that organizations that do damn little about

PARLIAMENTARY



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do not need or desire Parliamentary Procedure.
It makes meetings very strange & undesirable.
Just an opinion. If I don't like something (un-
like certain people in the SFF) I just change
the channel (leave). I liked the old SFF. I
may just attend my shift. I'm tired.

Finis

Linda

I apologize for missing
my library shift - my mind
was absent. -Linda.

Larry, why don't you ever get involved
in controversy?

Linda

I don't argue!

Tom He never wakes up enough to argue

Linda - yes you do.

Larry No I don't!

Tom Actually Larry is too cool to be heated to
an embroiling temperature

Linda so's who arguing now?

Larry - I am, god damn it!

Linda see, I told you so.

Larry - I don't listen to what you tell
me and nor does Tom. He's sitting reading a
porno magazine and snoring at the same time.

Tom ZZZZZZ

Hinda - good. Now we can talk privately,
I'll bring the goat if we can get Marla's wife.
Meet you behind the tennis courts at 1:00.
- p.s. you have no imagination.

Whoops, I think Tom woke up just now. I
wonder why.

Larry - Why not!!!!

Hinda, you lost your pocketbook!

Hinda - I Did Not, you sadist!!!

Larry - Yes you did. You MARSHMALLOW!!!

Hinda - that's getting really suggestive now,
isn't it?

Larry - No it isn't. You Banana Split!!!!

Hinda - Pardon me, but I think you're ~~an~~
Freudian slip ~~an~~ is showing.

Larry - Quiet! You Fruitcake!

Tom ZZZZ Garppe YawNw2orp - ZZZZZZZZ

Hinda Read your first entry! Now what
do you have to say for yourself?

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Larry - I refuse to read my first entry.
& I don't want to. And nothing can make me!
Tom Giveth all.

NOT
ANARCH?

Tues the 13th of February, 1979.

Unable to find a pen. I donated one yesterday & it's gone. Amazing.

I'm here. Lisa isn't. For shame.

Tom
WTF

Lisa is ~~so~~ here. Fred are you ^{oblivious} ~~so~~ ~~you~~ ~~can't~~ ~~see~~ don't even notice a girl sitting on your lap. For shame.

Harry Dear People,

I have come upon a moral and ethical dilemma in my life and I need your informed opinions!

Last Saturday I went to the laundry and discovered an 18K gold "pinkie" ring. I asked myself "Should I keep this ring?"

I estimated the gold content of the ring at ≈ 75 to $\$100$ (1 ounce gold = $\$225$) & put up a sign and creatively returned the ring.

After returning the ring I asked myself if I did an honest thing or a foolish thing by returning the ring! I concluded that it was a foolish thing to do.

NOT
COUSIN
Anarch - a piggy bank - Florida

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4.
5.
How
do you
know?

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What is the purpose of honesty? Will God reward me in the afterlife? How will the girl go to bed with me out of gratitude? Maybe! In short I stand little. To gain by returning the ring. \leftarrow How good do you think she is, Larry? You might be surprised, Tom. However, by not returning the ring I gain something worth \$100. Could it be that \$100 means so little to me? Would I have returned a \$1000 ring? No way! What if she were Zhu-Zhu, Larry? Tom. I don't think my motives were altruistic. I just can't figure why I returned it. —

Because deep down you are a nice person Larry.

Question 6: Would you have kept the ring?

Why? \textcircled{O} Why Not?

Joe Brenner 6/11
7/14/79-W

To be purely pragmatic, an altruistic act is worthless unless you tell other people about it, so they can admire you for being a Nice Guy.

One wonders why Larry is asking such a simple philosophical question, his entries are usually much more complicated --

(Seriously, there is a psychological explanation that I might offer for the above behavior:

There is a kind of mood that develops ~~when~~ sometimes when speaking with friends where there is little or no division between thought and speech. What fun would \$100 be if you had to break this mood whenever you thought of it? The purpose of a clear conscience ((SHEUNG))) is to be able to speak freely. HOW'S ZAT?

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14 Feb
Sonoma Hello. I am here briefly ~~tonite~~ because of
fancy guitar playing later on. Again I
miss Dr Strangelove.

Lacey - so when do you want to talk?

2/15/79
Kurt
12:40 PM
Success!!! "Dr Strangelove" was superb! About 175 people
showed up!! Thank all of you for helping clean up and everything else.
We have the Union Auditorium for March 28 (6 weeks from now),
April 18 (3 weeks later) and May 2 (2 weeks after that).
Any ~~available~~ ideas for films. How about "Silent Running" and
"Forbidden Planet" or "Metropolis"? (We can get Metropolis free from the
library - we could show it as a double feature with Forbidden Planet.)
I feel fantastic!! We beat Murphy's Law! (It was a tough fight, though!)
Unfortunately I'm all revved up with no place to go.
But I'm happy & hyped. Anyone for sex? . . .

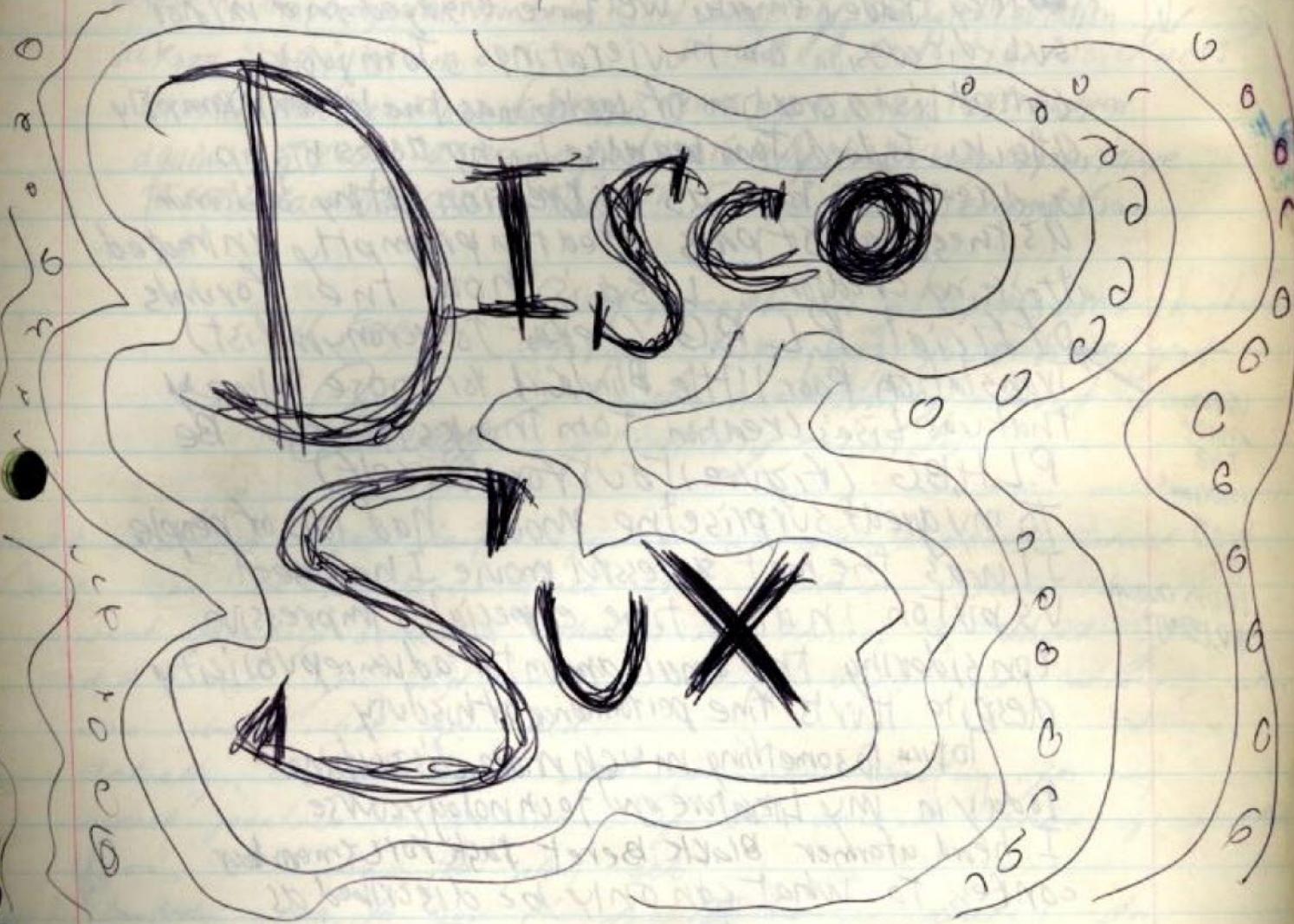
2/16 P.S.C. meeting - Tonight ? P.M.

Line Budget meeting - Sunday Feb. 24 @ 7:40 P.M.

2/16 Lisa & Tom (With cheap shots by Greg)
What time is it Lisa? "12:04" "Jesus I've got 12:06."
No Lisa I'm not going to write down everything you say. I just
didn't. (wag)

There is a very noisy Hall party going on. I'm here
looking at a film catalog. Lisa came down because she
can't sleep ~~at~~ with plaster falling off the ceiling. She says
if you're in the bathroom it sounds like the Russian Army.
Red or white Lisa? Oh. She says it sounds like both

mixed together and fighting each other. Oh by the way, you in the future hopefully will not ever have to listen to what I am now being tortured with. Am I being cryptic? Well let me clear up the confusion with two little words



We have decided that we want a cyclone to pick up the Forum and carry it to O2. Lisa wonders how Fred can sleep through the Russian army filming "War & Peace". Greg says it's simple for a Russian Hobbit. I'm going to turn stereography over to Greg while I rub Lisa's back.

Take it away Greg // / / / / / / /

Grey

Hello - Hello - Hello Tom is starting off with a bad rhyme, Tom is exhorting me to write as Tom's backflip is causing extreme laughter. They trade remarks we have engaged in a minor sub-discussion on movie ratings Tom just called Lisa a creation of Larkman as the latter promptly attacks. Indeed Tom had Lisa lying across his lap and referred to her as his creation biting Larkman as the source of parts, creation promptly animated attacking creator. Lisa is now the forums official P.L.B.G (refer to acronym list).

Translation Poor Little Blind Girl for those too lazy that was Lisa's creation Tom thinks it should be P.L.H.B.G (Figure it out for yourself)

To my great surprise the movie had lots of people. It was the most successful movie I have seen US put on in a long time, especially impressive considering the small amount of advance publicity despite Hrrt's fine performance of this duty.

To turn to something much more disturbing today in my literature and technology course I heard a former Black Beret talk for remember confess to what can only be described as War Crimes and atrocities. He told us that they were the counterparts of Germany's S.S. he was impressing upon us the horrors that intelligent men can commit when they rationalize their actions & toppling why, and yet intoxicated with god-like power, it also shows the amoral horrors that a government which is supposed to be the defender of the basic rights of humanity can commit. It is our task as the projectors

WHO
MADE
THE
MOTION?

A
FROM ANOTHER
PRESENT?

into the future is to try to prevent technology from being used as a corruptive force if we can let us not permit night moves such as this to materialize in our home

(Biologically induced
damage parallelism
radiation sickness)

believe me men women and children being killed some by simulated radiation
sickness is a nightmare

simulated radiation sickness?

Let us learn from the madness of previous terrors not to allow this to happen again

It was a strange and profoundly disturbing experience to come face to face with this and I hope I have learned from it

your friend Greg, people in glass houses shouldn't throw stones, but you have got to do something about your
Greg priority - kind

16 Feb. Lucy - you have acquired a story about which you Donna can be righteous with your children when they want to keep something that is not theirs. I thank you did what you did; it was neither right nor wrong; it was just what you did.

Actually, I am here with you now waiting for my squash partner to arrive. If he doesn't show up rather soon, I'll have to play solo.

Anybody going to see the trash movies tonite? I'm really in the mood for filth now. Well, if the truth were known, all day long.

18 Feb. Greg - the invoice for our most successful "Dr. Strangelove" is in the desk. See ya's at the meeting

- Joe R.

DATE	NAME	TIME	NOTES
4/18/79	John Geller	11:24	What pencil note of a couple days ago is in error! I just spoke to John Piazza of the Budget committee (and BC), and tonight's hearings were <u>the last!</u> Anyway, Feb. 24 Is <u>not</u> a Sunday... better look next year.

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Dress up for tonite's picture,
Don't forget,

2/19
8pm
Kurt

This is a first. I just arrived for my library shift and Nobody was here. I talked to him for a while but he didn't say anything interesting. He's sitting in the corner muttering to himself. It seems that if Somebody comes he will have to leave. Oh well. Uh oh! Fred just walked in and Nobody left. OK so now somebody is here but where is Everybody? What's the matter? A little snow got you cold?! I thought we were like the mailmen: Neither rain nor sleet nor even snow will keep us from slowing down the mail (or something like that) Fred just left and Nobody came back. From the looks of the burned matter on the desk it looks like one of us pyros got out of hand. I swear it wasn't me! I'm quite content burning my roomates clothes... while he's in them. I'm glad I'm here. I was depressed since Thursday but being here makes me feel better. God it's quite down here. If Everybody won't come I'll settle for Somebody, Anybody, but this Nobody is driving me crazy! . . . Finally Somebody is here. Nobody left again. Fred, Lisa + Linda are here. Isn't anyone getting dressed up!? Ah! I've got it! Everybody dressed up as the Invisible Man and they're all here!

19 Feb
Rosina

I did go to the trashy movies the other day; after setting ~~through~~ Satan's cheerleaders then left for other occupations.

Had a go at Stand on Zanzibar earlier today ~~but~~ and got little out of ~~that~~ ^{what} I read. I have little patience with auto writing lately.

19 Feb
Fred

To Louis: the SFF has apologized to you for burning your paper. I did do a little about the motion. It passed with little opposition.

To others: pushing other peoples stuff around may is not an inalienable right

To Louis: (reprise) I am interested in joining the SFLS. Please give information in the logbook (if no one decides to destroy this page or that page). This way, I can show that I am twice as interested in SF as any mere mortal. I, not being as close to the SFLS, have not noticed any infringements in the SFLS. However, I'll find them and be as noisy there as here.

Who wrote that?
Wanda

Finis

DATE	NAME	TIME	COMMENTS
2/20/79	Louis Epstein President SFLS Club Soto SFF	10:12P	Fred, you're one of the few -at-most in the SFF who I would accept into SFLS. Also, I hope that you will try and aid the SFLS's nascent fanzine — I understand our announcement got into the Weekend Calendar. We made gotten a good deal on 2 40-page issues, 1000 copies of each. There isn't much info on SFLS as we are still a-organizing. Will, now your name is where it belongs. It was a pleasure putting it there.
"	"	10:31 5:02	

THIS SPACE
WASTED BY
WIZZ

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WILL 2/20/79! I've little time to write
as I have a calc. test tomorrow,
last night's meeting was depressing!!

There were far too many bad feelings going
around, and I have a feeling that our
discussion of Louis was just a way to
air them, rather than the cause of them.

For those who have changed their
mind on Apricon, Tom will be transporting
~~people~~ people to the city. He can be
met in back of the Union at 10 in
the morning. Admission for Apricon is
four dollars.

TO TOM: In addition to those who said
they were coming to Apricon at last
night's meeting, Joe Brenner and one or
two of his friends wish to come.

If this will be any problem for you
please say so here in the logbook, I'll try
to come by Thursday to check out any
comment you've made.

TO LOUIS: I'm afraid I don't understand
your cryptic comment about putting
my name where it belongs. ^{you HAVE AN OVERDUE BOOK-} Also, you
seem to be under the impression that
I hate you. This is not so. When you
annoy me I feel annoyed and that is all.
Occasionally you infuriate me, but this too
quickly passes. You see, Louis, I really
don't care enough about you to hate you.
As strange as it may sound (though
perhaps not so strange!) I can only
hate people I am relatively close to.

Though I'm sure you find it hard to believe, you are of minuscule importance in my life. I'm just fed up with all the attention ~~to~~ that's paid you. Frankly, you're not worth it. And until you make yourself worth it (which is not so terribly hard to do) ~~I'll~~ I won't even hate you. I'll just be indifferent and annoyed.

Z Lisa and I were 40 minutes late. We were out trying to get her shoe fixed.

Will: If Louis is so unimportant why do you keep telling him. Are you trying to convince him or yourself.

Grey - Due to the lack of pens I once again take pencil in hand.

An idea for a story or series of stories that I will one day have time to write (hopefully!) A society where the beings are self-imregnating (they get no fun of it) but where ingestion produces massive pleasure and is therefore taboo

Brily yours

Grey

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Joe
Brenner
2/21/79-W

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BUY
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TICKETS,
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I've just bought index cards and scotch tape.

I've taken the liberty of removing \$3.44 from the cashbox.

If anyone strenuously objects, I will return it.

(Sorry, I would have ~~NO~~...
donated it, but I ~~CAN YOU~~
want to ~~buy~~ ~~PATTI~~ ~~AN UN-~~
~~Smith~~ ~~tickets~~ ~~WEATHER~~
going to be short ~~on~~ ~~CASE?~~
money)

PLEASE WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE, JOE!

ALL
MAIL
TO
THE
WEST
SHIRT-TAB BOOKS

TOM I reinterate Will's
Message. I and two
friends from Huntington
would like to go to ~~TON~~ APRICON.
Will we fit in your jeep?

TOM has a Ranchanger out of

Not too much to say to everybody today. On Sat. I go into the city to see Bremertoneller and Werner Erhard. Should be a good time.

How did everybody enjoy the snow Monday? I thought it was lovely.

Why doesn't anyone write to me? To hate you?

YOU NEVER SAY ANYTHING THAT IS
CONTROVERSIAL OR PERVERTED ENOUGH TO
INSPIRE AN ANSWER FROM OUR SLOTHFUL MEMBERS,

Joe Bremer Just read "Flopsweat"
2/21/79-W a Harlan Ellison short story
in the March '79 HEAVY METAL.

It is definitely worth reading. It bears
some similarities to an early story
of his called "THE TEDDY CRAZY SHOW",
but ~~is~~ shows a vast improvement. He's
learned a lot about writing over the years.
And I was afraid he was passed his
peak.

I am informed by Fred that
"alot" is not a word. For those of
you who did not understand what I
meant by the collection - of four - letters -
which - is - not - a - word , I should explain
that I thought that "alot" meant "quite a bit,"
or "a good deal", that is to say "a large
amount". I am sorry if the metaphor
using "a plot of land" to symbolize "a large
amount" confused anyone.

Barbara McLaughlin

2/21/79 - Have read through the logbook
since my last entry and made appropriate
and not so appropriate comments on the margins.
I am now up to my own entry. I have been reading
the culture trivia test in Fortnight and was
wondering whether anybody literary out there
could help me. Who was Sir Galahad's father?
What was Clara's Uncle's name in "The Nutcracker"?
(Why do I bother with these things?)

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2/2/79 Tom

I'm here for my shift, and just threw an Al foil ball at Louis. No, I had a good reason. He just told me the **WORST** Shaggy-Dog story I've heard in a long time.

We along with Linda are delightfully discussing various translations of "Jabberwocky".

Everybody JUMP BACK there got an

APOLOGY

Linda: Watch him sweat! Folks! Watch his Brow smoke, see his eyes glaze. Stare as every muscle knots in anguish. Will he get it out? Can he survive this trauma? Let's watch & see?

And now back to our main feature.

Last meeting, I did a BAD thing. I, during a heated discussion, told Fred to be fruitful & multiply. But not exactly in those words. THIS WAS WRONG!!!!

For several reasons:

1) Fred is a nice guy. I was not intending to object to him but to his (to me) disgusting idea.

2) I thought I was a little more of a gentleman than that. Apparently not always.

3) Such disgusting personal attacks ~~are~~ immature actions much more suited to politicians and generals