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## IGUANACONZO COMING, BUT NOW . . .

I'm in one hell of an ananchorush, so this ish is going to be kept at 6 pages maximum, and maybe four. Apologies to those in the third section I may have skimmed or missed, but you will *all* get your Just Commentary. See you all at Iggy. And now without even this much ado, let alone further . . .

## EN GARDE AT THE RIPOSTE OFFICE LASFAPA 22

**Beth Schwarzin** Since you won't get comments from anyone else, this disty because you missed the last (probably (or *prolly*, si tu insistes) because of me, here is some to tide you over. ¶ Now that I think of it, I got more comments from you than anyone else in the last month. O Lucky Man! ¶ The Great Conspiracy of Kees, Bobbi and Cal to Lure You Away will be exposed and duly dealt with. If I have to, I'll unleash Ken Kalcheim (*\*ultra obscure comment\**) ¶ I skipped a fat portion and a milk one too at lunch. Do I get a *\*pat\**? *\*hope\** ¶ Enough of the in-jokes. And for all of you eavesdropping in this intimate conversation, the rumours are true. I've discovered There Is No Life After Beth. **Cover** Good line, nice lettering, but Rotsler simplicity . . .

**Organic Cantor** I believe Guy has won the Stevie for the first time. ¶ Happy moving, Marty. (*\*shudder in my own anticipation\**)

**Guy H. Lillian III** "Because of him, the presidency is a crippled institution . . ." Hooray for Nixon! Boy, Guy, you sure make him sound good. ¶ "Because of him people who thought this nation was worth something have lost that faith." A "nation" is an extended tribe of people, something the "United States" has never had and probably never will. What you mean here, I hope, is *state* and how can

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anyone be but glad that Nixon shook their dependency. A president—any statist—who "is not a crook" is an absurd contradiction. Nixon was a bigger thief—but less a murderer—than Johnson and Roosevelt, and Carter's a bigger one yet. And his successor . . . ¶ The only problem with ACLU is that it doesn't go far enough. For the first time, thanks to Skokie and San Diego, I'm considering joining. ¶ (Another ct Cantor) But Arizona was a U.S. territory and that counts. Wrong on Romney, as I've said before. ¶ Agree on condoms. Better to do without (either way). ¶ I don't know who John Guidry is and that joke was putrid, but I involuntarily broke out laughing anyways. (+1 GHL3). ¶ (Ct me) I thought so too. No more! I'm on an APA-diet. ¶ Good criteria for fighting back, of course. ¶ O.K., I'll bite. *Why* was Flandry, oft gifted with strokes of genius and surely possessed of most courtly manners, a "brainless philanthropist?" ¶ Right on Whitaker Chambers and Nixon. I have a gift book on Hiss revisionism—here I've got to read RSN. Let you know . . . ¶ Erk! Demand for *Saucer Sluts* is exceeding supply. Vi . . . that should be *Vic* . . . tells me he's getting envelopes made out and will send copies for \$5.95. Send orders to NLE and I'll pass them on. ¶ "damn all ists"—does that include damning anti-

ists? ¶ The flaw in your statement arises from "...Israeli statisticians . . . their own people..." concept, couples with the notion that a State has anything to do with "protection." The function of a State is *aggression*; it does, true, dislike any other predator going after its herd, of course. None of the rest you attribute to me corresponds even vaguely with what I expressed or thought so I'll ignore your supreme insult: "You sound like a liberal . . ." Answer this question for a quick redemption: name the only song by Phil Ochs I loved. [*Beth is disqualified from answering; anyone else can try.*] ¶ Still have not seen F.I.S.T. ¶ Herbal vomit? *\*duck\** ¶ You consider the Unemployment Insurance rip-off which *steals* food from the mouth of the starving and inhibits people from making adequate insurance against misfortune, the great land grab and home rip-off known for short as TVA, and Roosevelt's monstrous imperialism against Europe at the cost of unheard-of blood and treasure and slavery—including mass-murder firebombing and nuking—benevolent? And the Marshall Plan did not "rebuild Europe" any more than U.S. Foreign Aid lines anything but the pockets of the Third World dictators and their cronies. Call me a theist; I call you an apologist for rampant American fascism at its worst. I suppose the raid on People's Park was *atypical* of a State's action? What *does* it take to wake you up? ¶ Chayevsky is "the foremost middleclass apologist in H-wood"? *\*boggle\** His reputation, until *Network*, was flaming comsymp radical, ol' boy. I *loved* the movie and cheered at the CP member's characterization. Davis is/was a Partyliner; Cleaver is not nor do

I think he ever was. ¶ Phil Dick is pre-New Wave and I thought there was a lot of good in *The Man in the High Castle*. Still, I dislike his recent appalling sense of life. ¶ Glad to know you'll always be around to kick. *\*where's my leather boots with the iron buckles . . .\**

**Vixen** I saw Fellini's *Casanova* on cable; all right but not great. I mean story, of course; art was superb. (Ct Lynne) Anger is in itself not dirty and shameful; it can be directed constructively: *righteous* anger. Violence may have no connection with anger, of course. ¶ I can see by your attitude expressed in support of Ruth that the population collapse will not be reversed until we dispel the absurd myth that parents owe anything to their children and abolish the Family Welfare State. (Yes, I'm saying exactly what you think I am and watch the fur fly next few disties . . .) ¶ I like nearly all U.S. comic strips and *Andy Capp*, yet have reservations about most of them. Probably stems from my childhood of omnivorous comic glut-tony. (Yes, I even read *girls'* comics! Any *Little Lulu* fandom?) ¶ We ran an expose in **New Libertarian** about the Dalkon a couple of years ago (by Abby Goldsmith). I thought it was anomalous, though. ¶ I do not find it shocking for a woman to aspire to be a good mother and have a job too. And why should the mother always have the advantage in imprint-programming the kids? (*\*womb envy—grrr!\**) Father Lib! ¶ Gt Celia on reading. ¶ Wow! What neat comments to me! I'm amazed, after noting all our disagreements last ish. Well, on to them. (*\*whet\**) ¶ Ook! on your "sharing" hate. You sure you're not a Latent Libertarian? (New category I invented just for you.)

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¶ I can't think of many good points about my parents' marriage but there probably were a few. ¶ What makes my genes desirable will be determined Darwinistically. If they survive, they were desirable; if not... then I am a genetic failure. Obviously this is not the only mark of success for a human animal, but it is for the *animal* part. For many, many reasons, I am very, very concerned about the qualities of my (potential) child's mother. ¶ So if no one supports the fetus—as if no one supported a child or adult—it dies. Fact of nature. Nobody owes anyone a living. ¶ Ah, but you see I do not believe the mother is responsible for the child at birth so I have no problem with that. ¶ Movie theaters do not ban smoking; the State does (usually the local tentacles). Where the State does not, theaters set aside smoking sections. I know; I've used them. ¶ Oooh, you're gonna hate me but I do most of my reading on a bus. ¶ *Atheist*. Agree on comment. ¶ Thanks for our response on "economics of sex." Yours is more a case of demand clearly higher than supply. I'm interested in the cases where supply and demand (mutual demand in this case) *seem* to be equal but there are (to lapse into the technical) barriers to entry or some other cause to be discovered where the market won't clear. Discovering the mechanism (trading, merchandising, advertising, whatever) might increase consumer satisfaction. ¶ All right! on touching. You can hang around me anytime. ¶ *Ecch* right back.

**Charles Curley** "An even better reaction to criticism..." Dear Pot: . . . Your fellow Black, Kettle. ¶ "Anarchy is not genetic." Somebody said it was? Where? ¶ (Ct Elena) O.K., Charles. ¶ (Ct Lee Ann) I don't remember *chocolate*-covered hamburgers, just soft ice cream and peanut butter. But you probably could get them by asking. ¶ Creative typo! *Halocaust* = Burning sensation caused by the presence of saintly attributes. ¶ The *Brigate Rosse* may not be my (our) friend, but they are the Enemy of My Enemy. However, unconfirmed reports have recently implicated them in attacks on *businessmen*. My approval was conditional on their shooting only statist. ¶ Well, Charles, I don't see you taking a shower in front of the APA. (\**pettish*\*) ¶ "...pea soup ex-

ists in the weather, not the *cousine*?" Why should female cousins not eat the soup? Fattening? Sexist soup?

**Elena Pirov** (Cover) So that was Max Stirner's infancy! ¶ My, my, have we—excuse me, YOU—been reading Stirner and Rand this month? ¶ I like the idea of building a stronghold manse in some wild but property-loving area and putting such as books in libraries and vaults there, then playing nomad most of the year. Solve that book-abandoning problem, no? (Naturally, servants and guards would remain at the Retreat.) ¶ Er, why do YOUR ears require two holes apiece, if I may be so gauche as to ask? ¶ In contradistinction, may I offer the following: 1. Most generalizations are true; they are often misapplied to elements not a member of the set from which the generalization was abstracted. 2. Fans are better than other people in the respects that make them fans; this generalization cannot be extended to their non-fannish characteristics. Now let's have at it! ¶ (Ct Carol) Lots of provocative stuff here, but I'll bite on the question of persons such as Hitler and murderers (same class, actually) writing a good piece of literature. One can have an excellent code of morality—save for one error which could lead to murder. But a person with very flawed thought processes could not hold a coherent moral code or write a great novel. ¶ "Elena, peel me a grape," said Marlo. ¶ (Ct Beth) She bucked up, near as I can tell. Certainly has bucked me up. ¶ (Ct Elena) I have heard female orgasms are better, if you think that might be another reason. Perhaps, if I Will Fear No Evil, I will find out... ¶ Yes, I can definitely picture Commander Cody floating around on the edge of consciousness, but I was a bit surprised to see him at the edge of yours. I'd say you were broadminded, but you know what some in This Thing of Ours would do with that line. ¶ SF means Science Fiction to me. ¶ Ah, a cookie, wouldst that said calorie-laden morsel could once again soil my lips and tarnish my throat (perhaps even blot my escutcheon)! [*Beth has me on a diet \*confess\**] Perhaps we can sneak off together for some illicit cookies...and...and...whipped cream! (\**Argh!* No, no I must be *steadfast!*\*) ¶ In mimeo? My dear, I've even dittoed in public! ¶ Cal and

Hlavaty are Discordians; the golden apple symbol comes from the Erisians in Shea and Wilson's *Illuminatus!* trilogy. ¶ (Ct Celia) Well, as a Theoretical Chemist, one might call me a "math whiz," but I refuse to line up unless I'm in Cauchy sequence... ¶ Ah, I see you would not circumscribe our hypothetical child. I knew you'd be a good mother.

**Marty Cantor** (Ct Marc) Why can't some talk and some sing at the Iggy party and even some (like me) shuttle back and forth? I've been in con rooms where everything but films were going on simultaneously. Oh, and a Hard Core! on your anti-burning paper taste! ¶ It's still a cheap shot, Marty; are you honestly saying that after being fully aware of my eight years of political activism in four parties in two countries and seven years of militant anti-political action I have not *thought* about politicians? I have known at least as many as you and they are all power-seekers and properly despised by those *thinking* segments who think about freedom. ¶ Why, thank you! (Ct Dan). ¶ Actually, New Wavers have some standards, Marty. They reject prose with plots, heroes, hopeful endings... ¶ Hard Core! on the NOW boycott and freedom of speech in Skokie. (Bet you never thought you'd hear that, did you?) Also, I believe you were the only "list" male to speak up for the female's freedom of choice. Another point... ¶ "Carter has a truly open mind;" he'll listen to any Rockefeller... (No, that's not a cheap shot; I'll back it up in boring and excruciating detail if you wish.) ¶ Proposition 13 was indeed a bad bill; it left some taxes to collect. However, the private sector will *not* be hurt by it. Only big business with statist ties opposed it. There are no "people" or statistics in the "public sector," only slimy little parasites afraid of self-respecting work. Oh hell, your "explanation" of Proposition 13 is too much of a swamp of confused ideas for me to wade through... and I *opposed* voting for it, against the urgings, I might add, of most "libertarians" to the contrary. ¶ Dunhill's shop is around 49th and Fifth Avenue. ¶ Statists holding office are no longer people whose "political beliefs differ from theirs." They are active thieves and murderers. As long as the Red Brigades properly confine their violence

defensively against politicians and other mobsters, I accept or applaud them. Should they become the State, the same criterion will apply for my support of those opposing *them*. Other than that, I think my position was clearly explained. ¶ We disagree to the death on Doc ("He's QX with me") Smith. Anderson's all right; why don't you ask Paul what *he* thinks of Smith? (Heh, heh.) ¶ Allowing individuals to possess atomic weapons is irresponsible claptrap." So allowing groups to have them (and not individuals) is responsible claptrap? And how, pray tell, can a group (State, gangsters, Rotarians) control a Nuke without an *individual's* finger on the button? ¶ I heard that (Ct Eric), Marty, and continue to believe in self-defense. Last I heard, so did Eric. ¶ I too was burglarized twice. Am I safe until I get at least as old as you?

**Lauraine Tutihasi** (Ct Seth) What did that theoretical chemist do for Xerox? Was he replaced? ¶ Well, I've never seen you and Lee stand back to back, but I'll try to arrange it at Iggy if you wish. ¶ Oops! I may have lost track of the antecedents of this argument, but how can one have "complete control of Will"? Is it not the Will which is doing the controlling? ¶ Sounds too well-built; the *Desiree* I was trying to identify further was very *gamine* at 17 when I saw her in 1974. Thanks for the information. ¶ No, I have been quite scornful of Mensa in the past. There are several libertarians in the organization, though, and a "LibSIG." The one in particular I was referring to was a New Jersey member who was a Partyarch; in fact I believe a chairman of NJLP and most definitely a candidate. His campaign included a fistfight with a campaign chairman (Bill George) and an incredibly low note for even the LP. He is currently a lawyer, I believe. ¶ Handshakes are acceptable. After a few years of strong friendship, I occasionally work my way up to (non-sex[ua]l[ist] hugs). ¶ For sure, on beating the tax-vampires. ¶ John Strang said "Yes" to continuing the Round Robin and went off to type his installment (August 1). ¶ (Ct Cal) No absolute concept of good and evil? Ah, another religion out of step with obvious reality. ¶ S'alright now. ¶ **Greg Chalfin** Lee Ann didn't say anything about using her *feet*, although I'm sure that *would*

feel different. ¶ (Ct Lee) The opposition to "Science" in the Middle Ages was not all that honest; politics was involved. On the other hand, I think sex teaching has some very reasonable opposition. Unfortunately, many of them are not content to oppose compulsory education but proceed irrationally to compulsory prohibition of sex instruction. ¶ "...boycott stores that charge excessive prices..." What's an excessive price, Greg, and to whom? Why should anyone not be free to assign value to one's own property? Suppose someone decides you put an "excessive price" on your life and wishes to take it more cheaply? Come to think of it, if the housewives in question consider the value the merchants place on the goods in excess of the value they are willing to part with for them, they are already "boycotting"—i.e., not buying. Nobody pays more for anything than it's worth to them save at a point of a gun. ¶ That's how the Huntington Library came about? Well, *laissez faire!* ¶ Completely disagree on "Dealing With" criminals. Self-Defense (including restitution) is the only excuse for violence I'll accept. ¶ Gct Cal on TV. ¶ Perfect aural comment to Marty.

**Dan Gor** (Ct Lee) I just got into *Star Quest* (SF role-playing game like D&D). ¶ (Ct Seth) "Pure" chemistry? What's that? Theoretical, Organic, Inorganic, Analytical, or Physical (at last count) are as close to "pure" as possible, and even then you got to specialize some more. ¶ (Ct Lauraine) Since the government provides absolutely no "services," your view on Proposition 13 collapses. (At least you saved me time, unlike Marty, by having only one premise.) A sound position against Prop. 13 was that it co-opted and tranquilized a population ready to do neat things like tar and feather tax assessors and burn down government buildings. Oh well, when they find they're still be looted... ¶ O.K., I'll read *Michaelmas*. ¶ "...unless there is a more powerful force, i.e. the State, preventing that." But then, by your logic, you need a more powerful force than the State to prevent it from doing what you don't wish, and a more powerful force than that force and... ¶ What's "the Prisoner paradox as an argument against libertarianism?" I assume you don't mean *The Prisoner*, which was staunchly Hard Core! ¶ I loved

Smith's prose to the proverbial nineteenth decimal! Why can't more writers learn to write like that? ¶ (Ct Rita) What "doomsday" cutbacks occurred? Volleyball and summer schools? Those who voted for it were dead right in that respect.

**Sally A. Syrjala** Sambo's is a reference to a Fairy Tale. Why should an Indian boy who turned tigers to butter be considered racist? Has your town gone mad?

**Mike Gunderloy** You sound like another (potential) Theoretical Chemist ("great in Chemistry and good in Math"). ¶ Your "literary preferences list" has about a 50% overlap with mine' (that should have been "...") eject Lovecraft, Ellison, and Lin Carter and I could live with it. Congratulations on your taste for Tolkien, Moorcock, Heinlein, Smith, Lewis, Zelazny, and Anderson; Bierce, Brackett, Asimov, Doyle and Piers Anthony are also good. ¶ Don't feel bad, I was running who would probably be about a 98 Purity until I was 21. I've done pretty much everything since except steal, murder, and betray. ¶ "Sleep... should be viewed as a curable disease"! Sleep is the most pleasant part of existence, to be exquisitely savoured ten hours at a time. Woe betide he who interrupts this blissful state; curses beyond count be rained upon them unto the seventh generation! ¶ The Briggs Initiative is not the same as the one Carol describes in St. Paul. *Briggs* threatens prosecutions of homosexual advocacy in schools, not merely dismissal. The two referenda are different in my anarchoview as night and day. ¶ Feynman Diagrams are based on Second Quantization. I'm sure Nuclear Physics (your example) has use for it as well. By the way, you have at least one vertex in your Diagram but no potential (wavy lines). ¶ (Ct Lee) Come out of the closet, DM! ¶ (Ct Carol) But is not dying for that other person comparable to dying for a Cause which you intensely love and would feel bereaved if it lost? ¶ Belligerent and intolerant? Me? In A&E yet? How strange. I don't think I'd ever get caught up on comments for A&E; besides half of the members were hostile to comments. They did not seem to understand what an APA was for. In the earlier issues, it was much like, say, LASFAPA. ¶ KROQ's style hasn't changed much in the year I've been

listening to it. What did it used to be like? ¶ Well, for \$12 you can have a subscription to *New Libertarian*; if you want me to recommend books I will. Otherwise I'll just remark on political comments you make. ¶ Perhaps it should have been "come into my dungeon." On the other hand, there has been a few kinky episodes in *Wargrypt*. (Ask Beth about K'Claire, heh, heh.) ¶ Yeah, Smith would probably have been well-advised to use Arisians only when Eddorians popped up. And yet, it's hard to criticize the Master. Perhaps we fail to see the significances of the action in Fullness. ¶ Well, nausea is not an argument I can refute except to say it's no way to deal with political issues. ¶ May I point out to you that no referendum (save the Briggs coming up) threatened the rights of homosexuals; they were all intended to repeal legislation compelling favourable treatment. No one has a right to force for privilege. ¶ You're into magic? Read any Crowley? Wilson likes him.

**Bobbi Armbruster** Oh? Tell us about your new white slacks. ¶ The latter part of your remark in (should be "is") what is significant. Up until recently, *Brigate Rosse* did not make war on business and property, only against politicians. (Words are not violence.) Recent reports, if true, that they have attacked innocent businessmen, would turn me against them. They were entitled to self-defence against Moro, who has been Prime Minister and would be again, and thus in control of the Italian police and army. I do think the execution was foolish, aiding only Fanfani and the conservative Christian Democrats in their internal power struggle. I could go on for great lengths on their tactics and strategy, but I won't bore you (unless you ask for it). ¶ So I wrote! ¶ Oh, yeah, one uses tissue paper for wrapping too. Heh. ¶ Too late for the disinfectant, the anarchoinfection is slowly spreading. Soon you'll have this uncontrollable urge to not salute flags, and do what you believe in and feel repelled at exhibitions of initiatory violence... (\*chortle\*) ¶ Aha, you have a dungeon. So who runs in whose? ¶ Law/Evil is a lot like Lewis' *Screwtape Letters*. Statists are usually in that group. People who obey Evil Laws, or who impose Evil through laws, fit. ¶ O.K. you're booked for *Wargrypt*. How many characters

each? ¶ Aargh! Weak on the Smith Question. (\*flaw\* sniff\*) ¶ Hold it, which history books should I read? Who do you claim instituted divorce earlier? ¶ "Bobbi is just a nickname"? Then, who are you really? ¶ Excellent comment to Stella on Germanophobia. ¶ (Ct Sally) "Somehow the thought of politicians and dumps go so well together." Oook and hard core! (\*the infection is spreading\*) **Lee Ann Goldstein** Mutiny on I-95! Awright. ¶ I know what you mean about pilot/navigator relationships on long drives. I'm a natural Navigator type. ¶ "Most of the men I've had sex with I would not call lovers. Some of them I didn't even like." Thanks for confirming me in my die-hard monogamy. ¶ (Ct Dave) Why should living in New York elevate the taste of cream soda? Save for Dr. Brown's, all the other brands are available elsewhere. I prefer the Prairie Rose (Edmonton) colourless kind, myself. ¶ All in all, it was, so your wish must have worked. My first such birthday in many years. ¶ Surely even in my con reports I say something contentious. I know silence does not mean assent in this APA! ¶ Note how slim, svelte and correct this zine is; no more drunken apahacking it is! ¶ SSADL/APA-LOOSA. \*groan\* ¶ ...pation. Again? *Antici*... ¶ Mike claims he knew not what he was doing. Now that he's back east again, we shall see what happens. ¶ Your view of Disney films implies you are an artistic Naturalist; too bad. I'm a die-hard Romantic, and I believe Art (selective recreation of reality) has better purposes than to record actually life in action. I find nothing "perverse" or obscene in leaving sex out when the artist sees no need for his point. Consider Walt Disney to be an Artist of the first rank I do, and the greatest Entrepreneur of Artwork in this Century if not all time. If Seth agrees with your answer for him, I'll refer him bak here. *Seth!* ¶ I consider Kimball Kinnison and Clarissa MacDougall excellent characters, people just like me. *Clear Ether!* Blast jets and away! ¶ Thanks; Alan also explained it, and told me why he changed the monicker. ¶ You mean you're not the only person in the world who likes to go to the dentist? (\*They must be hunted down before they reproduce\*) ¶ Hmm? Why should not Guy waste time feeling sorry for himself if it feels good to

him? Surprising reaction from Laissez-Faire Lee Ann. ¶ I agree with Guy on touching, as I said before. ¶ What? Rewarding Guy for that utter misrepresentation of my position on the PLO? Hmm. You must be in love or something. Ignore the last few comments.

**Virginia Bauer** Tsk. All that trouble to cooperate with the system that is oppressing you. Vote for Nobody! ¶ The late Totie Fields now, alas. ¶ My mother was a comic readers, and thus turned me on to reading at around age 4. She had a pile "back on the farm" of vintage 1940s comics which I avidly dove into. One summer we went bak to visit and...they were all gone. ¶ Lillian appeared in enough comics that I remember his name, and I remember only those appearing five or more. Go through a bunch at random.

**Second Section Cover** Abstract geometric design. Duh, I don't get it...

**Kara Dalkey** "...they must share *different* interests." sayest thou in thy correction to Cal. How does one *share* a different interest, unless it becomes the same? *Grab a line, Cal, and let's hoist her on her own petard.* ¶ CEKkies could be confused with *my* future fandom. (\**modesty*\*) ¶ I'm not sure I have a favourite scene in *Rocky Horror*, but what first turned me on to the movie at the MidAmeriCon showing was Eddie's appearance from suspended animation. At that point, I "got" the humour in the movie and it was delightful recognition. (I'm also collecting *Meat Loaf* albums now.) ¶ Want to start a "cradle-robbers' club?" (Beth is 23; I'm 31.) ¶ "Taste of just about everything." Amen, sister. ¶ Your D&D info to Bobbi os out of date: Lee is into C&S; I believe Frank gafiated; and I've been running "worlds" since 1976. ¶ I would love to attend a fanquet for Cal, but since he's not a member of LASFS, they won't throw it. How about some sort of *LASFAPA* gathering-of-approval for First Sales? ¶ Appropriate qats for you ct me. Thank you. ¶ Most readers of my writing (specially *NL* and libertarian things) picture me as older and one thought I was a "Brooks Brothers" type. I'm 31 and non-straight. ¶ Glad you came over (novels). ¶ Love the adapting of Digby's classic. Don't know what I can do about comment-hooking ease, since everyone does it differently. Use

the margins? ¶ "Take a win" is originally Scientologese. ¶ In one breath, World War II (European Front) was caused by the diplomatic machinations of Lord Halifax, English Foreign Minister, the stupidity of Polish Minister Beck, and various economic interests threatened by aggressive German traders especially in South America. (See *The Origins of the Second World War* by A.J.P. Taylor and various articles by Harry Elmer Barnes.) The Pacific Front is the fault of Roosevelt, Stimson, their wealthy backers (Rockefellers), and Japanese cultural inflexibility (they were easy to goad and prod). See Charles Beard's *President Roosevelt and the Coming of War 1941*; also Barnes, Charles Tansill and J.J. Martin. ¶ Marriage is not *sharing* (rip-off) but *trading* value for value. Same with child-raising. Having my child would give me tremendous value which I would attempt to repay. Okay? ¶ Why would killing the fetus cause a mother less emotional conflicts than expelling it for possible adoption? ¶ My genes are *mine* and I don't care if anyone else reproduces or not. Well, I would like to see people I consider worthwhile to pass theirs on, but I'm not going to bug them about it. ¶ The people "doing things" as the State constitute a recognizable class and are a small minority of Society. Since the State is parasitic, it can *never* represent a majority of Society, which must be mostly productive for survival. Statism includes murder and plunder, not just "people doing their things," *laissez faire* and *la-didah*. And benevolence is self-interested; malevolence generally altruistic (often sacrificing others as well). Federally funded medical care is disruptive to the supply and demand of medical care, destructive of the mores of the medical system, corrosive of consumer health care and self-treatment, inhibiting to medical research (in line with *consumer* needs, not doctor's whims for what "ought" to be researched) and of course puts a dissident's health at the mercy of his enemy. ¶ Standards require no force; they would be widely accepted if communicated by word and example and shown to be profitable and generally applicable. Everyone chooses his own standards to follow but *objective* standards can be derived in many areas which most will follow for the desired results. ¶ On Statist

smoking: tell it to Califano, winner of the Churchill (\**puff cigar*\*) award. ¶ Wolverines are provoked by anything that may satisfy their hunger or who just provoke them by being in proximity. "Terrorists" are anybody the State wishes to turn the populace against, and are handy distractions and rationalizations for State Terror. ¶ I think Lesbian love scenes are a physical turn-on to men who are turned on to female bodies in action. *Nothing* is more erotic to me than a female body in orgasm, and the pleasure is exquisite when I get the credit. ¶ \**scream*\* Having a government program for increasing child production would be one way for the U.S. to go extinct. (At least only anti-statists would survive in the next generation.) ¶ No more "Richard M. Nixon Freeway," Kara. It's now the Marina Fwy. ¶ Gct Dangor on "popularizing science." Ave Gernsback. ¶ Darn! You couldn't find any comments. I must be slipping. **Guy H. Lillian III** (Ct Bobbi) Your remarks on "sharing" and wanting people to not give a hoot for your successes and failures make me sorry I spoke up for you. I'll try to avoid defending people who don't want defence in the future. ¶ Birmingham gives me no such flashes, but then I don't have a "yankee psyche." I have only this vague image of a "typical city of the Confederacy," but am unsure of details. ¶ Not only con reports, there's lots of other stuff (reviews, fanfic, art [*\*sigh\**], even news and criticism) to write besides comments. *A&E* (see my remarks to Mike Gunderloy), on the other hand, had an aversion to comments I found pathological. *Frefanzine* has an excellent balance—but so far few stalwart members. I find your zine better balanced than most. ¶ You'll have to work on wresting a copy of *Saucer Sluts* from Vic yourself; I'm still trying to get Lee one. I'll try to have Vic show up August 24, if that'll help. ¶ Ah, I see. So why bring up all those accomplishments of hers. Then again, I wouldn't have tried for two months so knock off a minus point for perseverance. ¶ Illos (mostly) by Heinrich Kley. Thanks. ¶ Just earthworms or all worms? ¶ I second your evaluation of Elena. Me Last illo was my response to Beth's arrival in L.A./L.B.; seems I was so subtle that no one got it. **Ken, Marea, and Alex Ozanne** O.K., I support Eric for Guff,

er...GUFF. How much and to whom? Canadian money any better than Yankee, or should I get International M.O. in Aussiebucks? ¶ (Ct Laurraine) There is an IBM Executive *microelite*? Wonder if it's available over here. ¶ And where I come from, the three meals were breakfast, dinner and supper. But the "meal" in the night you're talking about is generally not eaten here. One is allowed to get up in the night for a "Midnight Snack," a semi-official term and given on airplanes. ¶ As I went into greater detail elsewhere, suffice it to say that I perceive the *Brigate Rosse* as a defense agency or protection club, vigilantes if you insist. That's assuming they only zap *banditti* (politicians) and not innocents. ¶ Free-stall's ITT could not, alas, be found in the NSW of this continuum. But it certainly would hook into a *dungeon* in NSW. Perhaps we can transport characters across D&D universes, at a Worldcon, perhaps? ¶ O.K., send in the reviews. How do you want to be paid? ¶ I think I was referring to "official" references to the Brigade as "terrorists." ¶ What's the etymology of "good-onyerkid"?

**Dennis Jarog** (Ct Laurraine) The worst do indeed rise to the top in "public service." It's a demonstrable principle. ¶ "Muff dive" is cunnilingus, but I'm disqualifying myself as a more or less professional pornography editor. ¶ "SEK II" I've been demoted? By the way, the "initial" I use for 'III' is 3, so "Samuel Edward Konkin III" ♦ "SEK3." ¶ "What then do you do with those who choose not to accept personal responsibility—i.e., injuring others?" What I would do is probably very little; I'm not likely in a libertarian society to go around "doing with" other people. I'd defend *myself*, and insure myself against aggression. Insurance and protection companies *might* apprehend violence-initiators and, delegated your right of self-defence, compel restitution. And if the private, competitive protection agents are ten times as effective in capturing freelance statistas as the State is in blocking its fellow thieves, it *might* even serve as a mild deterrent and lower insurance premiums. ¶ I find it easy to answer, but I'm used to the question. ¶ Anarchy is beautiful and moral; what is often neglected in arguments is that is the only proposed *efficient* system, because it is based on freeing

entirely the market mechanism. Naturally, it is practical; the truly moral and the practical must be identical, given a morality based on Natural Law. Now, what objections do you have left? ¶ Your "g" was no worse than your capital "W, S and W" is. ¶ Please enumerate the essential services you have discovered for the State, in its bureaucratic, inefficient, and predatory ability, to perform. Enlighten this ignorant anarchist. ¶ Why is resistance to oppression time-dependent? The Irish and Ibos, for example, fought off States for centuries until they were imposed by the Imperialist British State. ¶ Agree on Hobbes and Locke. ¶ "That the state abuses its powers and prerogatives is a fact which follows from the same reason for the non-viability of an anarchist structure." Huh? The reason for the State's evil is the reason for no State's evil? Check your premises; you've stated a contradiction. ¶ On the contrary, competition is most useful and necessary to anarchy, such as to prevent monopolization of power. See, for example, *Power and Market, For A New Liberty* both by Murray N. Rothbard, Ph.D., professor of economics, and *The Market for Liberty* by Linda and Morris Tannehill. ¶ Three excellent examples exist for pre-capitalistic anarchy: Iceland, Ireland, and the Ibos, all lasting centuries. (And Israel, time of the Judges.) In modern (statist) times, the High Seas is an excellent anarchy, even though observations are perturbed by the presence of predatory states. Note the workings of the Free Zones and Free Ports on the periphery, too. ¶ Crane just went up several points for his introduction of a bill to restore press freedom from police searches (*L.A. Times*, August 8). ¶ Hire someone else, then, to man the barricades for you; what I object to is your looting me to pay for soldiers. My contributions to your defense must be voluntary. I certainly see no reason to defend you if you're just as predatory as an alleged aggressor. ¶ Well, it didn't really appear any better. I may be able to offer assistance in offsetting your layout here to save you postage. Send me layouts and money for printing. ¶ Well, that is a step.

**David I. Solo** Unrequited love for Minneapolis? I remember it (Hennepin St., I think) as grimy and dull. And that was in the

summer (of 1969). The latter judgment was from my hosts, who had been there a year or more, one from Edmonton, and one from Denmark. ¶ "Rape is one thing that I'm not rational about..." Oh, you support it? Opposing it and defending against it is the rational position so... \*tsk\* ¶ (Ct me) \*groan\* ¶ WOW? And a Stupid Old Woman would be a \_\_\_\_\_. ¶ O.K., I accept your definition. Since all those not part of the state apparatus have committed a statistically insignificant percentage of the "acts of violence done for political motives," while all the State does is threaten violence for (what else?) political motives, elimination of the State would eliminate significant terrorism on this planet. Your definition, easily verifiable facts, elementary logic: should you concur, I welcome you in the Struggle against Terrorism. Ah, but that's not the entire argument. A good percentage of the alleged violence of the so-called terrorists is defense against a State. If, then, you admit that violence in self-defense for anti-political motives is acceptable, why, we are in complete solidarity! Comrade David. ¶ Creative typo! *bunc* of voyeurs = special sleeping arrangements for mutually observing autoeroticists.

**Leigh Strother-Vien** (Ct Marc) Judy Filkstone was a name I created in a thinly veiled satire of NYUSFS fen many, many *CLEAR ETHER*'s ago. It's based on Judith Goldstein (now Mrs. Richard Friedman). ¶ Sheesh. I was just asking if you intended to add a hypothetical mate's surname in hyphenation. Down, down... ¶ Doc Smith was a C\*H\*E\*M\*I\*S\*T in "real life!" \*seethe\* ("Physicist," bah, humbug...) ¶ Blackie Duquesne? Boo, hiss! Why, why, he's as bad as Fu Manchu... no, worse.

**Alan Prince Winston** Why would I want to read a zine with such an anti-life dedication? ¶ Perhaps because *Queen* is stfnal-fantastic? ¶ Hah! Another Freddy fan! ¶ (Ct Laurraine) So name a single loss to anyone but bureaucrats in these alleged "cuts" from Proposition 13. Just think of those poor volleyball-players who have to finance their own games. ¶ Hang around again sometime. ¶ My Ghod, are you the only other LASFAPAN who commented on Russell's death? I feel like quitting right now. ¶ We agree! ¶ O.K., O.K., enough on Con Reports. Sorry

Westercon was such a bore. **Kees Van Toorn** The television play probably sounded *tempting*. (I assume you don't mind my correcting your English.) ¶ Sounds like you made a sound economic judgment. ¶ Long live commercials! Love that "black money" reference. More, more on Dutch counter-economics! Cable here is strictly private, and in L.A. area, there are competing companies. ¶ Tell me about the bureaucrats' strike! Did people start co-operatives and businesses to drive people around and such? Maybe the Dutch people will notice they can get by just fine without government. ¶ Swedish sex education sounds like what the Birchers here suspect goes on in the U.S. classes. \*snicker\* ¶ Sambo's is best known for pancakes. Forget the hamburgers. ¶ Have you heard of John J. Pierce's resignation from *Galaxy* in protest over Abramson's non-payment of authors? ¶ Gct David on Art subsidy. ¶ I'll ask Brian if he wants to buy some Prime Dutch Womanflesh... pictures, that is. ¶ Send the article, re-write if you want, and illos are great. *Impulse* and *Qeester* (if I can find it) on the way. I'll throw in a subscription to *NL*. ¶ Of course it would make sense to publish three quarterlies a year instead of one monthly in your tax system. Is there a Tax Revolt going yet in Holland, maybe like Glistrup in Denmark or Proposition 13 here?

**Tom Digby** Maybe I'll attend my next class reunion. I don't even know if there are any. (Bonnie Doon Composite High, 1964.) ¶ Gct Jim on drunken rights.

**Cal Johnson** I once dug up potatoes for my old man. Blah indeed. ¶ Ah, another mention of Russell. Maybe there's hope... ¶ What? You're trying to lure Beth to Corsicana? Are you part of the same conspiracy as Kees and Bobbi? ¶ Love to have steak with you in Malone. ¶ (Ct me) Mergenthaler typesetting machines have a computer. It counts up the units of the letters and the minimum space between words (variable space, unlike the fixed spaces used, say, at the beginning of paragraphs—I em). When you reach the "justifying range," you are informed by blinking lights and bleeps, in case you want to correct the line, break it yourself, or throw in a discretionary hyphen. If you just keep going, it will attempt to cut the line off at the space before the word that

went "over the edge" or at a discretionary hyphen. (The more expensive ones have syllabification programmes for hyphenation.) If it cannot (because of maximum space limitation set by switch) it stops and forces the operator to break the line. Otherwise, it starts on the next line, setting that line. It fills in the spaces between words equally (some models will also put small amounts of space between letters if allowed to) to fill out the line. This is in justification mode. One can also switch the typesetter to a "ragged right" mode which will push everything to the left, so it will look arty. Typewriters naturally are ragged right. You can also get ragged left and even ragged center programmes! In justification mode, to get the last line to crowd to the left, you hit a *quad left* key (there are also quad right and quad center keys). And there's all sorts of other things, but in short answer to your question, the computer justifies the lines. That's probably more than you could possibly want to ever know. ¶ O.K., in what respects is Texas better? Name them, go ahead. ¶ We'll save a place for you at our next party. Right, Beth? ¶ "I drink therefore I am?" I filk therefore I fan? Hmm, maybe I'll filk it. ¶ You're up on comparative religion, I see. But can you trace CofC back to the Reformation? Lutheran, Calvinist, Anglican...? ¶ When I went to Sunday School, I best liked the hymn-singing. My parents disliked singing at home. ¶ "...and then you die." Ghod, I remember that expression, and the special word emphasis, from Back Home. \*nostalgia\*

