

TAFF PROGRESS REPORT: 1961

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Before beginning the duties I've assumed as US administrator of the Fund, I'd like to use this public space to thank everyone who contributed to and voted in TAFF last year to mark me out for the nonpareil honor of representing American fandom at the British National Convention this Easter. In the several fannish competitions I've entered, it has never fallen my lot to face a more formidable opponent. Many of you know the feeling of running for a job because the only candidates are obviously incompetent; how often, in fandom, do you find yourself facing a candidate with the experience and qualifications of Dick Eney? For this reassuring climax to a long, tense campaign, and for the many offers of aid and hospitality received lately, thank you; my aim in repayment is to be continually at your service during my term as administrator.

In this light I am beginning a wide-circulation TAFF flyer, to inform you at strategic intervals of the state of the Fund, to encourage you to contribute, and to persuade you to vote. This first experimental flyer is to distribute ballots in the race between Eddie Jones and Ethel Lindsay, and to inform you of the final results of the past campaign, based on reports from Eric Bentcliffe and Don Ford. It is being distributed to approximately eight hundred fans all over the world, in hope of attaining a goal of half again as many ballots as came in last year; as this is a short campaign, you've got to get off the dime as soon as you read this to help us reach our goal. Three hundred ballots--it can be done if you decide now to ensure that your candidate comes to the 20th World Convention in Chicago this Labor Day.

	Dollars	Sterling
FINANCES Funds held by Ford on 80Oct61	\$827.50	293- 0-0
" " Bentcliffe " 29Sep61	150.95	53-11-0
Subtotal	978.45	346-11-0
Less 2 tickets for 1962	924.00	327-10-0
Balance estimated Sep62	54.45	19- 1-0

As you can see, a weak year for the Fund will leave the next American candidate to hitchhike from Greenland on. Dollars are changed to sterling as an approximation based on \$2.82 to the Pound and are presented only for convenience, as the International Exchange Rate is subject to change.

Don Ford breaks down all non-individual contributions as follows: 1961 Registration fees, \$20.00; Pittcon Auction Bloch, 99.00; Pittcon Committee donation, 200.00; Atom Antho, 2.00; St. Fantasy costume, 10.00; Seacon Auction Bloch, 94.00; Seacon Committee donation, 200.00. Eric Bentcliffe credits non-individual monies from the LXICon TAFF Auction, 18-0-0; LXICon Musquite Kid collection, 3-13-6.

	Ellik	Eney
RESULTS OF LAST ELECTION British votes	33	25
U. S. votes	98	49
Sum	131	74



VOTING You can help elect your choice of the two candidates (or a write-in) by contributing 50¢ or 2/6d to the Fund if you were an active fan before January 1961. The people who took advantage of these lenient requirements last time were: (Asterisk \* indicates I lack address)

FJackerman	WBellern	Eddie Jones	MDNuttall	Roy Tackett
Jill Adams	RHEney	Eric Jones	JO'Meara	* Dale Tarr
Don Anderson	WHEvans	MJones	EParker	DATHompson
KKAnderson	*AEversfield	BJordan	*EParkes	ATHomson
Dirce Archer	RFaulkner	LKaye	*KCParkes	STolliver
FWArnold	EFirestone	*BKeifer	JPatrizio	BRToskey
Ed J Baker	Don Fitch	SKidd	FPatten	Bjo Trimble
Wrai Ballard	Don Ford	Dave Kyle	RKPavlat	John Trimble
CLBarrett	MFord	Ruth Kyle	BEPelz	Bob Tucker
MDBarrett	TForsyth	*DLacey	KPotter	ETurner
Ray Barto	Dave Fox	JLamb	*JPrice	PTurner
*Ray Beam	DFranson	FLeiber	AREiss	HMurban
*Susie Beam	DGeldart	AJLewis (WC)	BRichardson	LVintus
Claire Beck	JGibson	ELindsay	ERichardson	* F Von Bernewitz
Ron Bennett	RGibson	JLinwood	ARispin	Twalsh
RBergeron	RGindorf	GLocke	Alva Rogers	NGWansborough
RBerman	FGraham	DLupoff	Sid Rogers	HBWerner
KBernstein	LJGrant	FLupoff	JRoles	RWatts
DBisenieks	EEGreenleaf	Hal Lynch	FRoles	WWeber
DWBoggs	DAGrennell	IRMcCaulay	JJRoles	* N Weedall
MZBradley	JGrennell	LMcCombs	Wm Roles	CWells
PNBridges	Bill Grey	MILcInerney	Vic Ryan	EAWheatley
Bob P Brown	RWGrey	KMcIntrye	LSaprio	JWhite
BBurgess	JGroves	BMcKnight	SSchultheis	TWhite
BBurn	LGurney	PRMcKnight	VSchultheis	LWillis
EBusby	JHarness	Bob Madle	RFSchultz	WAWillis
FMBusby	PHarrell	Andy Main	Bob Shaw	MWillits
*John Campbell	WmHarrison	* FMaybe	LTShaw	Art Wilson
MCarr	Art Hayes	AMercer	NKShaw	*Dic Wilson
TCarr	MHelgenson	Ed Meskys	Sadie Shaw	DWollheim
JGaughran	BHenstell	NMetcalf	*RTShea	EWollheim
*JChalloner	*JHerzog	WJMallardi	ISHorrock	Ed Wood
GCharters	CHickman	Chris Miller	NShorrock	* MJWulf
KCheslin	LHickman	PSMiller	BSilverberg	Ed Wyman
DOClark	FHiller	* FMilnes	JSkirvin	BZuber
MSCohen	RHolland	* PMilnes	SSkirvin	
*Jeff Collins	SHoffman	* MEMoeller	Bob Smith	
JWCoulson	*Alice Hyde	* OMoeller	Ila Smith	:EPITAFF, Eric Bent-
RSCoulson	*CBHyde	ASMoffatt	Ray Smith	:cliffe's account of
MCurtis	Livie	LJMoffatt	RSneary	:his 1960 TAFF trip
SCutrell	JJacobs	* JNevin	Jack Speer	:to Pittsburgh, il-
GDaniels	WJenkins	* JNewman	GWSpencer	:lustrated by Eddie
BDonaho	MJohnson	LJNirenberg	Bob Stewart	:Jones, is available
PHEconomou	SAJohnson	HSNuttall	SStiles	:from either admin-
			*LTabakow	:istrator for \$1.00

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