

NEWS FROM YORK . . .

Mrs. Dorothy Mitchell, Secretary of the York Group of the Society (as distinguished from the *Yorkshire Branch*) announces plans for their own quarterly magazine and newsletter "The Silver Boar" to begin in September, 1978. The annual subscription is £2.50, and they would be delighted to have American member-subscribers. Write to Mrs. Mitchell at the address below, with check payable to *York Group, Richard III Society*.

The following items are also available to U.S. members, all inclusive of postage and packing:

- 3 booklets: *Richard III and York* £1.00
 - Richard III and his Council of the North* 80p
 - Richard III and York (his letters)* 80p
- A commemorative goblet by one of York's best potters, Jerry Harper of Fishergate £3.00

All may be ordered by check or money order (add 50¢ to American dollar checks for bank charges; exchange rate as of 1 Sept. is \$1.92 to the pound) made to *York Group, Richard III Society* and sent to Mrs. Dorothy Mitchell, 1 Anderson Grove, Hollybank Road, York YO2 4DX, England. You might check your local financial pages or ask your bank for exchange rates when you order, or just err on the kind side and figure one pound equals 2 dollars, making all the items above just double the sterling price in dollars.

INDIANAPOLIS "500" PLUS ONE . . .

Enterprising reporter David Mannweiler of the *Indianapolis News* called Bill Hogarth after the *Wall Street Journal* article appeared and asked for the names of local members. We found one, Rick Burton, in the files. Rick let us know reactions after the article appeared.

Dear Mr. Hogarth,

Enclosed is the article that resulted from your reference of David Mannweiler to me. With pride and pleasure, I report that the article was not placed in the back pages as filler, but on the first page of the second section.

I wrote Mr. Mannweiler a letter after reading the article thanking him for his kind treatment of the Society and me. He contacted me at work, and the unexpectedness of the call and my own nervousness had rendered me a useless interviewee,



OUR OWN KLASSIC KOMIX

Member Milton R. Stern, who is the Dean of the University Extension, University of California at Berkeley, sent us the cartoon strip by his friend Lauren Gabor which follows. He thought we would be amused. Inquiry to Ms. Gabor, who lives in New York City, produced the information that it was done as a high school class project for a teacher who is an ardent revisionist. We think the approach and the quality of observation are to be cherished. We are indebted to Dean Stern; doubly in debt to Ms. Gabor, who is going on to Swarthmore this fall with all our good wishes, for an entertaining sidelight on Richard III. Says Ms. Gabor, "I adore English history, and am especially fond (sorry!) of Henry VIII and his six wives."

or so I thought. After the fact, I thought of half a dozen things I should have said. Particularly, I regret not having given my two sentence summation for Richard's innocence, since Mr. Mannweiler asked directly, "Do you think Richard innocent?" Of course, I didn't ask *innocent of what?*, but I assumed he referred to the two boys in the Tower. All I could muster in reply was an unqualified "yes."

The article came out well, I think, and I didn't appear as the fool I thought I had been. Oh, and as for those two other members he mentioned, he misunderstood when I spoke of two friends in Florida.

Sincerely,
 RICK BURTON
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(Editor's note: Rick, what are those two sentences?)

We love the image of Shakespeare's Richard being "the kind of guy who would never be invited to ride in the Indianapolis '500' Festival Parade" . . . almost as much as the story of the father who, seeking some common ground with his then "hippie" son in the late 60's, asked innocently what he thought of the Indianapolis "500." Said Sonny, "They're innocent, man!"

