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BOOK LIBRARY John Nash, who for the past several years has housed and operated MOVES HOUSE the B.S.F.A.'s book-lending library - by all accounts, with commendable efficiency - has at last been forced by pressure of conflicting interests (including having to travel a lot further to and from work than he used) to relinquish it.

By a stroke of good fortune a new home has been found for the collection only a short distance from John's home. So will all potential book-borrowers please note that from now on the address of the book library is:

25 Rangemore Rd., Liverpool L18 4PN

And many thanks to Elaine Wash, the new librarian. By the time you read this, she should be open for business.

The transfer has unfortunately but inevitably postponed the issue of the revised library list. However, it is still in preparation. Watch This Space.

THAT A.G.M. The 1969 Annual General Meeting of The B.S.F.A. Limited has at last been held, as announced in Bulletin 24. See separate sheet for official notification.

CHECKLIST QUESTIONNAIRE Another separate sheet enclosed with this Bulletin concerns the production of checklists of authors, magazines, etc. Members interested in seeing the finished product are requested to complete the questionnaire and return it to Mike Ashley at the address shown.

In addition, it is learned that Gerald Bishop is planning a checklist of "Venture" magazine. Would anybody interested in this please say so somewhere on the same form? Mike and Gerald are in fairly close touch.

OBITUARY Harold Palmer Piser, B.S.F.A. member of several years' standing, died recently in New York where he lived.

His main interest in the field was bibliographical, particularly in connection with the many amateur magazines ("fanzines") published by sf and fantasy readers. Retired and in his seventies, he energetically pursued his ambition to publish a complete checklist of these magazines, their editors, contributors, etc. Given a few more years, he might well have achieved it.

Instead, it is understood that his lawyer has, acting on his instructions, caused his accumulated notes and files to be destroyed. Which is all that is at present known of the matter.

T.A.F.F. WINNER The result of the Trans-Atlantic Fan Fund Poll has been declared. Eddie Jones of Liverpool (well, Bootle, then) has beaten Belfast author Bob Shaw in a world-wide poll amongst sf fans and will therefore travel to the St Louis World S.F. Convention as official T.A.F.F. delegate. Though not a B.S.F.A. member, Eddie is friendly to the Association and long-established members may recall his design for a permanent VECTOR cover that ran for a number of issues.

T.A.F.F., incidentally, exists to bring alternately a British or European sf fan to a World Convention in America, or an American fan to a major British or European Convention. The next election will almost certainly be to choose a delegate from the U.S.A., or parts adjacent thereto, to travel to Heidelberg for the HEICON '70. Any British reader of this who wishes to contribute to the

Fund, or to learn more about it, should contact Ethel Lindsay, Courage House, 6 Langley Av., Surbiton, Surrey.

TALKING ABOUT HEICON '70... Until the voting at St. Louis, over the American Labor Day week-end, the precise status of HEICON '70 will not be known. However, whether it is accepted as the World S.F. Convention for that year or otherwise, it will be a major event in the sf calendar. The British agent, to whom sterling registration fees are payable (21/-), is Archie Mercer, 10 Lower Church Lane, St. Michael's, Bristol BS2 8BA.

EASTERCON '70 Talk of one leads naturally into the other. Britain's annual sf convention for 1970 is being organised by a committee headed by author George Hay. The exact location has not yet been finally determined, but it is expected to be either in, or not too far from, London. Registration fee is 10/-, and should be sent to Bill Burns (Treasurer), c/o 411 West Green Rd., Tottenham, London N.15. This will, as usual, secure you the convention newsletters as they come out and a copy of the programme book whether or not you actually attend.

N3F CONTEST REMINDER Next in the Dept. of ~~Nostalgia~~ Repeat-ads is a reminder about the short story contest sponsored by the National Fantasy Fan Federation of the U.S.A., which is open also to B.S.F.A. members. Anybody interested is asked to contact the B.S.F.A. Secretary, Beryl Mercer, 10 Lower Church Lane, St. Michael's, Bristol BS2 8BA, as soon as possible, whereupon entry form and rules will be supplied. Stories must be in the hands of the American organisers by November 1st 1969.

WE INTERRUPT THE REPEAT-ADS because it seems the appropriate point to offer the B.S.F.A.'s congratulations to member Leroy R.A. Kettle of Coventry, whose story "Dream is a Death" has been adjudged the winner of the B.S.F.A.'s own story contest. See S.F. Writer's Bulletin No. 4 for further details.

BACK TO THE REPEATS And about time too, snorted Keith Freeman indignantly. Which means that this is the Magazine Chain spot. The chain circulates current sf and fantasy magazines to those who wish to read same for the charge of 4d per magazine. Chainees also pay postage on to the next reader. Keith's address is 128 Fairford Rd., Tilehurst, Reading RG3 6QP, Berks.

TAPE RESPONDENCE SECTION Gerald Taylor, organiser of this B.S.F.A. department, now has tapes available of one sf play, one serial, several episodes of "Star Trek" (which are still being recorded weekly) and several episodes of "X-1", a series of short plays for tv. Contact him at 29 Butts Mount, Leeds LS12 1PL, Yorks.

LETTER PAGE ??? Your Bulletin-editor has a hazy idea that somebody recently suggested something about the Bulletin possibly having a letter-page, and wishes he could remember who. (The Secretary's no help here - she has, as the saying says, worries of her own.) Anyway, on reflection, the Bulletin is willing to consider the idea. It must be clearly understood, though, that: (a) preference will be given to letters that are brief and to the point, (b) letters must deal with Bulletin-type topics rather than with VECTOR-type topics, (c) the column will not be allowed to become unwieldy, and (d) the editor's decision, as always, is final. So take it from there if you wish.

WHERE DO YOU BUY YOUR SF FROM ? Member Roy Gray, of Runcorn, suggests that other members might be interested to know. Members moving to another town,

starting university, etc., often have difficulty at first in running to earth the shops in their new locality that stock an adequate selection of sf and fantasy literature, whether new or second-hand. "I don't mean a list of shops like Foyles or Smiths where you can just get the latest Panthers and maybe F&SF and Analog," he says. "But shops keeping a special area for S.F., or having U.S. imports.....and even New Worlds."

Comments on this proposal, or even lists of local emporia qualifying, should be addressed to Roy Gray, 39 Victoria Rd., Runcorn, Ches.

CORRESPONDENTS WANTED

Peter E. Presford (26): 10 Dalkieth Rd., South Reddish, Stockport SKJ 7EY, Ches. Interests apart from sf/fantasy: Antiques, Stamps, Weapons, Football, & "Interior Design". Prefers correspondents from: Britain and Italy.

Shirley J. Lindsay (Mrs.): 377 Street Lane, Leeds LS17 6SE. Reading Good Books, Crosswords. UK/USA.

Peter J. Wilde (18): 98 Church Rd., Sheldon, Birmingham 26. Athletics, Mathematics. UK only.

Michael D. Laws (22): 83 Peddars Lane, Stanbridge, near Leighton Buzzard, Beds. Music - progressive rock/underground; Marvel Comics; Cosmo-anthro-psychology; philosophy; classical civilisation; poetry. UK, USA, Commonwealth, "maybe France", and "other parts of the universe".

Rev. Leonard S. Rivett (46): Norton Vicarage, Malton, Yorks. "Religion in modern SF". UK/USA

Cal Clothier (29): 12 St. Peter's Cres., Morley, Leeds LS27 9NY. Reading, Writing, Botany, Politics etc. UK only.

Anthony R. Wallis (18): 142 Elizabeth Drive, Airedale, Castleford, Yorks. Comics, stamps, writing (not just sf). USA.

Kathleen G. Ray (53): Chorley & District Hospital, Chorley, Lancs. Travel, Ancient History, Genetics, Reading (omnivorous). UK/USA.

Stephen Wilson (13): 4 Den Rd., Shortlands, Bromley, Kent. Ancient History, Poetry, Philosophy., UK/USA.

Terence A. Bull (23): Flat I, Holly Rd., Blackheath, Warley, Worcs. Politics, History, Sociology, Music. Trotskyists anywhere.

Reginald D. Rolfe (27): 16 Oakfield Rd., Finsbury Park, London N.4. Esperanto, Political thought, General reading. UK/USA.

Haydn R. Paul (16): 44 Rugby Rd., Hinckley, Leics. Reading of comics, sword & sorcery, horror; writing/art for articles on aforementioned. UK/USA.

Christine J. Reilly (22): 12 Sinclair Av., South Parks, Glenrothes, Fife, Scotland. Writing (stories & songs), politics, mythology, correspondence, travel, collecting postcards, arguments. Anywhere at all.

SMALL-ADS FREE TO MEMBERS

GENUINE FREE OFFER "Riverside Quarterly" is small, neatly lithographed and published in Canada. It contains serious articles on sf and allied topics, its contributors include professional writers, and any member of the B.S.F.A. who would like a free copy is invited to ask for one. Contact Leland Sapiro, Box 40, University Station, Regina, Canada.

(Incidentally, some recent issues of "Riverside Quarterly" are now available from the B.S.F.A. Magazine Library: Joe Bowman, "Balinoe", Ardgay, Ross-shire, Scotland.)

STUDENT WITH OVERDEBT seeks help. 150 SF Paperbacks, none over 2/6; send S.A.E. for list to Hartley Patterson, Dalton Hall, Victoria Park, Manchester M14 5RL.

WANTED to complete a set - the paperback (Corgi) edition of "New Writings in SF 4".

I will pay the full price for a copy in good condition or exchange it for some of the following S.F. magazines: Amazing April & May 1964; January, April, June 1965. Galaxy June 1963, April 1965. The British reprints of: Astounding November 1958, Analog January 1961, August & October 1960, July & August 1963, Mag of Fantasy & SF August 1962. Kevin O'Malley, 51 Giles Rd., Littlemore, Oxford OX4 4NW.

CANADIAN FANDOM RETURNS ! HUGIN AND MUNIN 7 is available from your friendly U.K. agent: Peter Roberts, 87 West Town Lane, Bristol BS4 5JZ

News, reviews, letters, articles - 40 pages for 2/- can't be bad. 5 issues for 8/6 is even cheaper. Try a copy and meditate thereon.

WANTED Galaxy Sept '68 If June '68 will pay 6/- for either magazine  
+ in good condition Br ASFs: 1950-54 inclusive 2/3 per issue  
1955-63 inclusive 1/9 per issue

Apply: J.O. Featherstone, Hamilton Lodge, South Hill Av., Blackrock, Co. Dublin, Irish Republic.

WANTS CLARK ASHTON SMITH: Out of Space & Time (1942), Nero & Other Poems (1937), Sandalwood (1925)

LORD DUNSANY: 1st Gods of Pegana (1905 ?), 1st Book of Wonder (1912)

THOMAS PRESKETT PRIEST: Varrey the Vampire (any edition, any condition)

Offers c/o Beryl Mercer, 10 Lower Church Lane, St. Michael's, Bristol BS2 8BA

LOCAL GROUPS From time to time the B.S.F.A. Bulletin publishes as comprehensive a list as possible of local groups interested in sf and fantasy, including (inevitably) both members and non-members of the Association. Thus:

LONDON. The situation is fluid at the moment, but one thing never changes - the Globe. On the first Thursday of any month, call at the Globe, Hatton Garden (nearest underground station Chancery Lane, or bus to Gamage's) at any time during evening opening hours and look or listen for your fellows. Having found them, introduce yourself or wave an analog or something.

BIRMINGHAM Bob Rickard, of 91 Streetsbrook Rd., Shirley, Solihull, Warks, runs a group at Aston University - or if he no longer does, he'll provide the name of his successor. And he himself will probably be glad to meet you anyway, even if you don't have the remotest connection with Aston University.

MANCHESTER A similar group for students of various institutions of higher education in the Manchester area is or was run by Hartley Patterson, Dalton Hall, Victoria Park, Manchester M14 5RL. Another local group, with a strong interest in horror, films, horror films, amateur movies (anybody know what the difference is between a film and a movie? Or, rather, why I automatically put "horror film" but "amateur movie") and having fun with it, can be contacted c/o Harry and Marie Nadler, 5 South Mesnefield Rd., Lower Kersal, Salford 7.

LIVERPOOL and Merseyside generally. Contact Norman and Ina Shorrocks, 2 Arnot Way, Higher Bebington, Wirral L63 8LP, Ches.

LEEDS The B.S.F.A. is strong in Leeds at present. Members are invited to get in touch with Doreen Parker, Flat B, Laurel Bank, Laurel Mount, Leeds

LS7 3JY.

TYNESIDE As usual we're strong in the land of the Geordies too, but nobody up there ever seems to do anything about it. Any resident of those parts who wishes to meet others with sf/fantasy interests had better get in touch with the Secretary, Beryl Mercer. If there is more than one, they will be given each other's names and addresses and the rest will be up to them.

BRISTOL Contact Archie & Beryl Mercer at the address at the top of the Bulletin.



BOOKS RECEIVED FOR REVIEW and which will shortly be available from the Library:

Neutron Star: Larry Niven (Macdonald)  
 The Second IF Reader of SF: ed. Frederik Pohl (Rapp & Whiting)  
 To Worlds Beyond: Robert Silverberg (Sphere pb)  
 Orphans of the Sky: Robert A. Heinlein (Mayflower pb)  
 The War Against the Rull: A.E. van Vogt (Panther pb)  
 The Tenth Victim: Robert Sheckley (Mayflower pb)  
 Implosion: D.F. Jones (Panther pb)  
 Binary Divine: Jon Hartridge (Macdonald)  
 The Killing Thing: Kate Wilhelm (Panther pb)  
 The Listeners: Murray Leinster (Sidgwick & Jackson)  
 Tarnsman of Gor: John Norman (Sidgwick & Jackson)  
 Science Fiction Oddities: ed. Groff Conklin (Rapp & Whiting)  
 Dragonflight: Anne McCaffrey (Rapp & Whiting)  
 The Disaster Area: J.G. Ballard (Panther pb)  
 Turning On: Damon Knight (Sphere pb)

NEW AND REJOINED MEMBERS

150 Harrison, Harry: Box 1058, Imperial Beach, California 92032, U.S.A.  
 243 Bull, Terence A.: Flat 1, 1 Holly Rd., Blackheath, Warley, Worcs  
 273 Holt, Thos.: 7 Ash Grove, Weaste, Salford M5 2FQ, Lancs  
 618 Clarke, Ron L.: 78 Redgrave Rd., Normanhurst, Sydney, N.S.W. 2076, Australia  
 882 Freenan, Michael J.: 31 Hillcrest Av., Whitehaven, Cumberland  
 910 Jones, Terence L.: 30 Wattleton Rd., Beaconsfield, Bucks  
 955 Kerrigan, Brendan P.: 7 The Village, Kirkleatham, Redcar, Teesside  
 956 Osborne, "Steve (Peter)": "Touchwood", Leys Rd., Harvington, Evesham, Worcs.  
 957 Presford, Peter E.: 10 Dalkeith Rd., South Reddish, Stockport SK5 7EY, Ches  
 958 Sewell, Anthony R.: 10 Stansfeld Place, Wood Farm, Oxford  
 959 Lindsay, Shirley J. (Mrs.): 377 Street Lane, Leeds LS17 6SE, Yorks  
 960 Ross, Alexander T.: 13 Collinbridge Drive, Newtownabbey, Co. Antrim, N. Ireland  
 961 Wilde, Peter J.: 98 Church Rd., Sheldon, Birmingham 26  
 962 Rivett, Rev. Leonard S.: Norton Vicarage, Malton, Yorks  
 963 McNelly, Dr. Willis: California State College at Fullerton, 800 North State  
 College Blvd., Fullerton, California 92631, U.S.A.  
 964 Laws, Michael D.: 83 Peddars Lane, Stanbridge, near Leighton Buzzard, Beds  
 965 Clothier, Cal V.R.: 12 St. Peter's Cres., Morley, Leeds LS27 9NY, Yorks  
 966 Sapiro, Leland: Box 40, University Station, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada  
 967 Rolfe, Reginald D.: 16 Oakfield Rd., Finsbury Park, London N.4  
 968 Prior, Andrew G.: 16 Kenilford Rd., Balham, London SW.12  
 969 Wilson, Stephen R.: 4 Den Rd., Shortlands, Bromley, Kent  
 970 Ray, Kathleen G.: Chorley & District Hospital, Chorley, Lancs  
 971 Kewell, John A.: "Chalkover", 1 Greenleas Av., Emmer Green, Reading, Berks  
 972 Wallis, Anthony R.: 142 Elizabeth Drive, Airedale, Castleford, Yorks  
 973 Paul, Haydn R.: 44 Rugby Rd., Hinckley, Leics  
 974 Reilly, Christine J.: 12 Sinclair Av., South Parks, Glenrothes, Fife, Scotland

GOOD NEWS Members will doubtless be pleased, not to mention relieved, to learn that the British Fantasy Award is not dead. Re-titled the British Science Fiction Award, it is now back on the rails and it is definitely planned to make a presentation at the 1970 Eastercon. Watch for further particulars shortly.

ALSO COMING SHORTLY - badges. Members (and even casual enquirers) frequently ask whether the B.S.F.A. has a badge, or why it hasn't. So it's about to get one. The badges will be distributed free to all members, and it is intended to issue replacements annually.

There will doubtless be criticisms of the design at first. Nobody who has been in on the planning stage seems to be really satisfied with it. However, the wheels have been set in motion anyway on the grounds that any badge (within, obviously, reason) is better than none. When the first lot's exhausted, further supplies will probably be altered according to the balance of comment received. And so on.

"ORBITER" APPEAL Members may recall the "B.S.F.A. Orbiter". This was a chain wherein amateur writers and artists passed their own and each other's work round criticising as they went. The erstwhile organiser (Robert Cooper) eventually vanished from the scene and nobody knows where the Orbiter material got stranded - whether in Robert's hands or elsewhere.

If anybody does happen to be sitting on it, could the Secretary have it, please?

Furthermore, and in any case, it's time the Orbiter was revived. For this we require (a) a volunteer to organise it, and (b) amateur writers and artists to participate. If those interested would give their names to the Secretary, the thing will be put in motion forthwith. (And if 67 people say they want to join but none of them is willing to organise, then we'll be back to Square One.)

Anybody who wants to file the new members/change of address with the annual Membership List will have to tear this item, I'm afraid. Sorry.

#### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

- 895 Gian P. Cossato now 17 Collingham Place, London SW.5  
 320 Christopher M. Priest now 1 Ortygia House, 6 Lower Rd., Harrow, Middlesex  
 943 Glenn E. Sadler now 618 Havana Av., Long Beach, California 90814, U.S.A.  
 532 W. Stoddart now U.4092885 Sgt. W. Stoddart, Sergeants Mess, Royal Air Force Lyneham, Chippenham, Wilts  
 295 Edwin J. Trevorrow now 39 Hillcourt Av., Finchley, London N.12  
 238 D.M. Wilson now 3 Lothian Rd., Jedburgh, Roxburghshire, Scotland  
 684 Michael Kenward now (provisionally) c/o 31 Mottisfort Rd., London SE.2

#### ADDITION TO MEMBERSHIP LIST

The following member should have been included in the 1969 Membership List:

218 Webb, Gerald M.: 67 Shakespeare Rd., Hanwell, London W.7

The listings above and overleaf together comprise the first authorised amendment list to the 1969 Membership List. E&OE