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GENERAL POST

Well, it seems like a general reshuffle, though in fact only the custody and operation of the Association's duplicator and addressing machine - and the subsequent mailing of members' packets - are affected.

"Bram" Stokes, proprietor of the bookshop with the funny title, has surrendered his wardship of the two machines. Treasurer Jill Adams is being granted custody of the addressing machine. Precisely who will hold the duplicator - and despatch the mailings - will, it is hoped, be settled very shortly indeed in order that you may read this! (See above for the interim or final decision, as may be.)

Kicking around somewhere is the 1971 Membership List, and a VECTOR. It is (again) hoped that this Bulletin and they will be distributed together. Talking about the VECTOR, Derek Rolls writes: "...this does present a good opportunity to ask if you could insert my apologies for the poor quality of the current VECTOR, and say that this was in no way due to the printing. In effect we were rushed and disorganised and the copy supplied was very bad. Nevertheless, you can promise an improvement next issue. I shall also remember to give you advance warning."

(It must be remembered, of course, that Derek is concerned with the quality of the reproduction of VECTOR, not with the quality of the contents, which is

the province of editor Bob Parkinson.)

BRITISH WEIRD FANTASY SOCIETY: an announcement "You will be pleased to hear that "a society has been formed speci-"ally to represent the interests of horror fantasy and sword & sorcery fans. The

"idea grew from the recently created Weird Fantasy section of the British Science "Fiction Association when it became obvious that the wide range of activities "planned would be better served by an informal independent organisation. We "gratefully acknowledge the help and advice given by the officers of the B.S.F.A. "at this time.

"Our plans include :-

- "1) a monthly bulletin of news and views, 2) free advertising in the bulletin,
- "3) a quarterly magazine of reviews, articles, etc.,

"4) a correspondence circle,

- "5) a lending library of horror, fantasy and S & S books,
- "6) a magazine chain an inexpensive means of reading the latest magazines,

"7) an advice bureau - with special experts covering specific topics,

"8) an annual convention, 9) Whirlpool - a writers' circle,

"10) Fanzine section - allowing the distribution of fanzines between members.
"We hope to provide most of these services in the not too distant future but we burgently need offers from members of help to run one or more of these sections.

"A steering committee of provisional officers has been formed. In the near "future a full committee will be democratically elected and a constitution drawn "up. It is intended that the society shall be properly formed and that all "accounts, etc. shall be open to inspection and audit in the normal manner.

"All enquiries regarding mem be rship should be sent to:"Mrs. Rosemary Pardoe, 15 Selkirk Court, Whitley Rd., LONDON N17 6RF. The sub"scription is 75np (15/-) per annum.

"All contributions to the magazine should be sent to:"Phil Spencer, 65 Southdown Rd., Portslade, Brighton, EN4 2HL.

"Contributions of news for the bulletin should be sent to Keith A. Walker.

"Any other comments, queries, questions on policy and offers of help and advice should be sent to Keith A. Walker, Psychiatric Training School, Burnley General Hospital, BURNLEY, Lancs."

(Comment. It is too early as yet to give an authoritative B.S.F.A. reaction to the above announcement. Your Bulletin-editor's principal reaction is one of bemused shock. Mr. Chad comments: "Wot No Limited Liability?")

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Derek Wintrell (28): 31 Broadoak Drive, Lanchester, Co. Durham. Photography,

automobile engineering. UK.

Barbara R. Hyams: 10 Heather Walk, Edgware, Middlesex. Entomology, psychiatry, reading, zoology. UK and other parts of world.

Peter Bolton: 69 Moorlands Rd., Maghull, Liverpool, L31 5JG. Art, classical

& modern music, books, swimming. UK, USA.

Erik Skovenborg: Holtevej 20, DK-8000, Arhus C, Denmark. Biology, collecting graphic & ex-libris art, travelling, photography. UK, USA, Europe.

Robert Gibson (17): 74 Turners Hill, Hemel Hem pstead, Herts. Chess, astron-

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Alastair J. Niven (16): Birch Hill, Auchmacoy Rd., Torphins, Aberdeenshire,

AB3 4JS, Scotland. Football, pop music, politics. Everywhere.

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you're interested, please ask him !

KENTISH FEN OR

I would like to meet up with any member of the Association
around my own age group, or with any SF group in the Kent area.

Peter Linnett (age 17), 13 Grosvenor Rd., West Wickham, Kent,

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OLD FANZINES wanted. CASH PAID. I am particularly interested in any "runs" of most fanzines, American and Early English (and Irish!) ones in particular. If you could write to me, with details and prices, I'd be obliged: Philip Muldowney, 7 The Elms, Stoke, Plymouth, Devon.

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Andrew Prior writes: "About a lesser vector I feel that rather RECEIVED than have a publication which will be subject to all the troubles about getting material and being printed, the B.S.F.A. Bulletin should be expanded about 3 or 4 times a year if and when there is sufficient material to do so. As is said in t he review of the year of the D.S.F.A. departments the Bulletin is now published regularly every month and this way nobody could complain about not getting a lesser vector as you could state in the Bulletin that not enough contributions had been received to make it worthwhile doing Also wouldn't the printing of one larger Bulletin be cheaper than printing a Bulletin and a separate magazine? If not it might save the people concerned a bit of time to do something else as I'm sure there are a lot more inteeresting things you can do than spend all your free time on editing Bulletins and the like. I have the feeling, however, that the lesser vector in a separate magazine form or an expanded Bulletin will come to little as people (myself included I'm afraid to say) are all for VECTOR and lesser vector but when it comes to contributing that's a different matter." (16 Kenilford Rd., Balham, London, SW12 9PR.)

(Well - not quite every month, and now the postal rates have increased again so alarmingly it's doubtful if the Association's mailings will be hitting a monthly schedule any more, unfortunately. Though, as you suggest, there are more

interesting things than editing Bulletins ! AM)

Jacques Guiod writes: "I have just received the Bulletin No. 41 and I see that — shame on me! — you don't know a lot of things about me. My complete name is GUIOD, Jacques Jr. and I live 19 rue MONGE, not MOUGE. Shall I add that I am 21 ? (although it's going to change in September). I am a student and working on a thesis about New Wave in British SF. God be praised, it will be over in three weeks. I am also a critic for the leading French Fanzine, NYARLATHOTEP, tho 4th issue of wh ich has just appeared. It can be ordered from Marc Michalet, 16 bis rue Duquesne, 69 Lyon 6. The price for one number is 35p for non-French people." (Jacques continues about his various interests and the French sf field. As may be seen, he speaks — or at least writes — first-class English. If you want to hear any more, ask him yourself. His full address is 19 rue Monge, Paris 5, France. And at least I didn't have it as rue MANGE! AM)

CONVENTIONS The 1972 British S.F. Convention will not after all be held in Black-pool, it seems. The venue has already been switched twice - first to Southport, then to Harrogate. This should be a convention worth joining - it may end up in South-West England yet! In order to learn first-hand of the latest location and other relevant data, send 50p- registration fee to Bill Burns, c/o

Orion Press, 81 Marlborough Rd., Salford, Lancs, M8 7DT.

Or if you can't wait till next Easter, will November do? Because over the 13th/14th November (1971) week-end, at the Imperial Hotel, Birmingham, there is the NOVACON. "A lively two-day occasion is planned," we are told, "with Guest-of-Honour James White and full programme of speakers, films, etc. Extensive facilities will also be available for booksellers and other dealers." B&b rates at less than £3 per night (for Friday and Saturday nights) are promised, besides a bar which will remain open "as long as required". The University of Aston SF Group, with Pete Weston (hero of EASTERCON 22) as technical advisor, is responsible for the arrangements. To register, 50p to the Chairman, Vernon Brown, Pharmacy Dept., University of Aston, Gosta Green, Birmingham, B4 7ET. (Cheques etc. made payable to NOVACON.)

CORRESPONDENTS WANTED ANNEXE Alma Oldham (Mrs.): 8 Southgreen Drive, Stratford on Avon, Warks. Music, travel, dressmaking, history, cars-boats-and-planes. UK, Commonwealth.

Frank Smith (19): 83 Lea Farm Rd., Leeds, Yorks, LS5 3PU. Playing football, music, camping & biking in summer. UK.

NEW AND REJOINED MEMBERS (since the 1971 Membership List went to bed)

- 951 George, Peter A.: 7 Southcote Lane, Reading, Berks, RG3 3AA
- 1193 Hyams, Barbara R.: 10 Heather Walk, Edgware, Middlesex
- 1194 Bolton, Peter: 69 Moorlands Rd., Maghull, Liverpool. L31 5JG
- 1195 Fowler, Christopher J.: Childs Hall, University of Reading, Upper Redlands Rd., Reading, Berks, RG1 5JW
- 1196 Timoney, Thomas: 1 Rosslyn Av., Low Fell, Gateshead 9, Co. Durham
- 1197 Wintrell, Derek: 31 Broadoak Drive, Lanchester, Co. Durham
- 861 Walker, Keith A.: c/o Psychiatric Training School, Burnley Hospital,
 Burnley, Lancs
- 992 Kerr, James A.D.: c/o F.C.O. (Ibadan), King Charles St., London SW.1
- 1198 Oldham, Alma (Mrs.): 8 Southgreen Drive, Stratford on Avon, Warks
- 1199 Smith, Frank: 83 Lea Farm Rd., Leeds, Yorks, LS5 3PU
- 1200 Boxer, High M.: River Cottage, Melton, Woodbridge, Suffolk

CHANGE OF ADDRESS (since the 1971 Membership List went to bed)

- 782 Bickerstaff, Michael: now 24 Chestnut Manor Close, Staines, Middlesex
- 484 Healy, Michael A.: 130 Corwen Rd., Tilehurst, Reading, Berks, RG3 4TA (now)
- 529 Jones, Thos.: now Melrose, 39 Leacroft, Staines, Middlesex
- 1935 Noyle, Alastair B.: now 32 Pemberton Pk., Gelli Rd., Llanelli, Carms, S. Wales
- 1036 Tahil, Patricia (Mrs.): 63a West Hill, Putney, London SW.15 (now)
- 1041 Hacker, J.D.: now 92 Wisley Way, Birmingham, B32 2JU

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1067 Rolls, Derek J.: add OX2 OHH

CORRECTED ENTRY

1182 Guidd, Jacques Jr.: 19 rue Monge, Paris 5, France

STOP PRESS 1s. European SF Convention, Trieste 12-16 July 1972. Attending Membership \$7 Supporting Membership \$4 IMPORTANT: Anyone who has already paid \$2 Pre-Supporting Membership can have it changed to Supporting Membership without further charge, or to Attending Membership by paying a further \$3 IF THIS IS DONE BEFORE 30th June 1971.

PROVISIONAL PLANS FOR AWARDS

Categories: NOVEL: 35,000 words (or over) published during 5 years previous to Convention (1967-71) SHORT STORY: less than 35,000 words (1970-71) DRAMATIC PRESENTATION: Theatre, TV, radio or film. (1970-71) ARTIST: Professional or nonprofessional (1970-71) AMATEUR PUBLICATION: 4 issues, 3 of them 1970-71 PROFESSIONAL MAGAZINE: 4 issues, 3 within 1970-71 COMICS (1970-71) MOD. OP.: The idea is for the agent in each country to be responsible for sending a nomination for any or all categories to the Trieste Committee by 15 Feb. 1972. (Selection procedures decided by each country for its own nominations). The final vote will be taken at the Con, except in the case of the novel which will be decided by a jury. Because of the high cost of postage, to avoid increased expenses it has been decided that the nomination you send will be a vote in that category. Please send this direct to Jean Muggoch of 99 Ealing Village, London W.5.