

# DEGLER! 161

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Special Not-Much-Happening-Because-It's-Christmas Issue  
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Special Subscription Drive Continued: Any subscriber who gets another fan to subscribe at 15 issue/\$1 will have their own subscription extended by five (5, count 'em, 5) issues. If you get me one new subscriber, you get 5 free issues; if you get me 10 new subscribers, you get 50 free issues...

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Home for the Holidays Dept.: Fred Lerner from the Army; he's stationed in Aniston, Alabama./=/ Ed Meskys, from Belknap College, New Hampshire. Steve Stiles, from Fort Monmouth, New Jersey./=/ Ted White, enjoying Christmas with his parents in Falls Church, Virginia./=/ Terry Carr, on vacation for the week of 24 December through 1 January. For Terry "Home" is Brooklyn./=/ Lastly Ed Ferman, determined to break a leg in Vermont this coming week.

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Sol Cohen Does It Again: Sol Cohen, multi-millionaire owner-publisher of Amazing and Fantastic, has come across with a sure money winner. Mr. Cohen has recently sent a letter to all subscribers announcing arrangements to reprint articles from the Encyclopedia Britannica... Actually, Mr. Cohen will be selling the Encyclopedias, presumably not from door-to-door, but through the mails. Presumably this will entitle Mr. Cohen to receive a few dollars on the side, which will help pay the costs of all the new materiel that Ultimate uses in Amazing and Fantastic. Then again, maybe not.

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Hans Stefan Santesson is editing an antholgy for future publication by Pyramid Books. The subject of the anthology will be stories of religions of the future. No date for publication has been as yet set.

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Gerry de la Ree has bought Ken Kreuger's entire s-f collection, which numbers over 2,000 seperate items ((so what -- so does mine)), and the whole megilla will be sold shortly as part of Gerry de la Ree's own book-selling business.

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Robert Silverberg will speak at the January meeting of the Eastern S-F Association. The meeting will take place at 3 pm, January 8th, 1967 at the Newark, New Jersey, YM-YWCA, 600 Broad Street. To get there take the 118 Public Service Express from the upper level of the Port Authority Buss Terminal at 41st Street and 8th Avenue. Walk two blocks from the end of the line to the Y, I'll be there, if you want to tell me how great Degler! is.

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News From Boston: Mike Ward reports, "Filthy Pierre lost the Ugliest Man On Campus Contest, about \$227 to \$220, to Melvyn "Charles River" Basan, who had the Burton House Machine out drumming up money. Pierre arranged a showing of Forbidden Planet to raise money for his campaign, but APO (the service organization sponsoring the contest to raise money for the American Cancer Society) got cold feet when it was rumored Dean Wadleigh might stomp on Pierre (last year, when he was running a mechanical beaver for Undergraduate Asociation President, he showed, "Sex Kittens Go To College" as a free movie) and took it over as a general fund-raising operation, with speeches by all the candidates. "

New Treasurer of the MITSFS is Robert Weiner, a Collector-type.

And that's thrilling news from Boston, or maybe Cambridge, Massachusetts.



Pseudonyms Dept.: Larry Maddock, author of The Flying Saucer Gambit (Agent of T.E.R.R.A. #1), has also written, under the name of Howard L. Cory, The Mind Monsters, and The Sword of Lankor, as well as Lesbo Lodge, a book which gained considerable readership in fandom, as the names of all the characters were lifted from living fans in Los Angeles.

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Enclosed with this issue is an entry form for the 2nd Galaxy of Fashions, to be held Sunday afternoon, September 3rd. If you're not interested, try to pass the form along to some one who may be.

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Mutt & Jeff Katz. Break Up!! A: Special News Note: Mutt and Jeff Katz, alias Len Bailes and Arnie Katz, are no longer the sole editors of Quip, a fanzine devoted to college humor. Due to force of studies and other pressures, Len Bailes is now associate editor, with Lon Atkins taking the newly created post of Co-Editor. Previously there had been only one editor in reality, as ~~by all-alls take a whole~~ Len typed the stencils and left Arnie's name off them. But all this is changed. With Lon in the Co-editorial chair, Arnie is sure that this dastardly thought would never occur to this product of Southron aristocracy. Or maybe Not.

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Next In Niekas: Ed Meskys reports that the next issue of Niekas will contain John Brunner's TriCon speech, Part II of Jannick Storm's "S.F. In Denmark," and more Glossary of Middle Earth. Ed optimistically hopes to keep that issue within 50 pages, just as he hoped to keep the current issue under 50 pages.

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Other Fandoms Dept.: The Tolkien Society of America will meet at Hotel One Fifth Avenue, in the Marie Antoinette Room, from 8:30 to midnight. Admission will be about 75¢, and will feature Dick Plotz, Society founder, telling of his recent flight to England to interview Tolkien, and will discuss Professor Tolkien's plans for publication of the Silmarillion. Judging from news I've heard, it's not too encouraging for Tolkien lovers.

The Tolkien Society will meet on Wednesday, December 28th. That's a little detail I seem to have left out.

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"First Fandom is not dead -- it's merely tottering, granddaughter" -- Bob Tucker  
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What do you know -- there's no more news this week. This is no doubt due to every one being busy eating their Christmas repasts. To all subscribers who sit back in their chairs in 10 States across the country, I want to wish you all a very happy new year.

Best wishes,

*Andy Porter*

