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THIS ISSUE is to give prospective members info on the TSA, announce the annual Yule Meet of the TSA, announce the partial publication of the Proceedings of the Tolkien Conference in TOLKIEN JOURNAL, and give the TSA members the latest pertinent news.

THE ANNUAL YULE MEET of the TSA will be held in NY City on Saturday, Dec 28, 1968 at 7 PM. Doors will open at 4:30. The meeting will be in room 501 of Schermerhorn Hall, Columbia University, and will be co-sponsored by the Columbia University Science Fiction and Fantasy Society. Columbia University is located at 116 St and Broadway, and the only 2 entrances to the campus that will be open at that time will be on 116 St & Bwy and 116 St & Amsterdam Av. Maps of the campus are posted at the gates, but Schermerhorn Hall is at about 117 & Amsterdam. Three papers are on the program-- Notes on the Migrations of the Eldar by Mark Mandel, Mysticism in the Ring by Sr. Pauline, CSM, and a paper by Mrs Veronica Kennedy of St. John's University whose title I have misplaced. We are trying to organize a panel discussion on the Inklings but at this writing still do not have enough panelists. And we hope that as in the past Ian Ballantine and W H Auden will be present. Posters, books, etc will be on sale, and we will have the usual cider & seed-cake after the meeting if university regulations permit.

ADDITIONAL MEETINGS are tentatively scheduled for Boston on March 22 and St. Louis Sept 1. There might also be one in Los Angeles around July 4th. To a large extent these meetings will be controlled by the number of papers submitted for delivery at them. Please submit papers early so that plans can be made.

THE TOLKIEN SOCIETY OF AMERICA IS, in answer to inquiries from prospective members, an organization devoted to J R R Tolkien, the man, his work, his influence. Its object is primarily to further the enjoyment of Middle-earth and other creations of high imagination. It seeks as members both those with a scholarly interest in Middle-earth & mythopoeic literature and Hobbit fans, elf-friends and dragon-lovers.

The TSA publishes the TOLKIEN JOURNAL (TJ) and GREEN DRAGON (GrD) on an irregular schedule. TJ contains an extremely variable selection of items of interest to Tolkien people: news, articles, poems, features, stories, artwork, and letters. The articles are a mixture of scholarly research papers and fan articles. Contributions of material are unabashedly solicited although there can be no guarantee of when a contribution will be published. GrD runs 2 pages, mimeographed, while TJ is printed by offset lithography and usually runs 24 pages.

The primary function of the TSA is to act as a medium for members to keep abreast of events and to contact one another for the purpose of forming Smials or local chapters, and to serve as a clearinghouse for studies of Middle-earth. It also offers for sale to members certain supplies which they might have difficulty in obtaining outside of major metropolitan areas, such as books, posters & buttons.

MEMBERSHIP in the TSA costs \$2 in the USA, \$2.40 or equivalent elsewhere (including Canada). LIBRARY RATE: \$1 extra unless payment accompanies order. AIR MAIL RATE to US, Canada & Mexico, \$1.50 extra. Europe & Latin America, \$3 extra. Elsewhere, \$4 extra. BRITISH AGENT: Archie Mercer, 10 Lower Church Lane, St. Michael's, Bristol BS28BA UK. Membership lasts as long as it takes to produce 4 TJs and includes any GREEN DRAGONS published during that period. Membership normally starts with the most recently published TJ.

PROBLEMS, mostly with the PO. I have had considerable problems with the Abominable Mailman which necessitates my sending your publications to a permanent, year round address. The TSA has close to 2000 members so I have turned the mailing list over to the Lee Letter Service in NYC. They have put the list on addressograph stencils and run off a set of labels whenever I need it. When somebody moves & doesn't notify me in time I must pay 16c postage due on the returned publication, take the time to write Lee telling them to change the stencil, and paying them about 25c for changing it. If a member only goes away for 2 weeks & files a change of address with the PO they will return the TJ & give no indication that the change is

temporary; campus post offices are particularly prone to this. Thus, please have your TJs sent to your home & have a relative forward them BY AFFIXING FORWARDING POSTAGE marked FORWARDING POSTAGE (otherwise the Post Office might return the TJ to me, again). Also, when you move permanently and DO file a change of address notice with the PO they STILL sometimes stamp the magazine NO FORWARDING ADDRESS so I have no choice but to suspend the membership. I have about 200 suspended memberships at present!

MEMBERS WHO HAVE ORDERED BALLANTINE MAPS in October (including at the Tolkien Conference) and have not received them by Jan 20--please contact me at that time. Both Ballantine Books & I were temporarily out of maps at that time so I placed an order with them for more when reprinted and to save time included typed out address labels for the orders on hand. The PO struck again and the orders were lost and I never got the maps and have no readily accessible record of whose orders were lost. Orders were noted on file cards in my records, but there are 2500 cards and I cannot make a search of all these. I remember a few and these orders will be filled just about Christmas when I expect to FINALLY get more maps from Ballantine.

WHILE CRYING ON YOUR SHOULDER, let me point out that I am by profession a teacher and when grading time rolls around I must drop all TSA activities for 2 or 3 weeks and then it takes me another 2 or so weeks to catch up. Also, several times a year I go away on business or vacation for a few weeks which delays the processing of orders & memberships. So if you don't hear from me for a while please have patience, but after 2 months inquire again as I do occasionally make errors.

AN ACADEMIC CONFERENCE ON TOLKIEN was held at Belknap College Oct 18-20, and plans are being made for future conferences elsewhere. The next OFFICIAL TSA conference will be some time in October on the Green Bay campus of the University of Wisconsin. It will be on Secondary Universes in general, and about 1/3 of the program will be on Tolkien. Write Professor Ivor Rogers for details. I plan to have a major conference sponsored or co-sponsored by the TSA each year, and will probably have another one at Belknap in 1971.

A one day conference to commemorate Bilbo's birthday will probably be held in Urbana IL; for details write Jan Finder, 51 W Illinois Av, Apt 4, Urbana IL 61801.

Two weekend-long conferences will be held by the University of California in Berkeley, one on Fantasy, Dreams & Myths (Jan 17-19), the other on Literature & the Life of the Spirit (Feb 7-9). A dozen or so lecturers will appear at each, and at least the first will be eligible for academic credit. For information write Diane Swanson, Public Information Office, University Extension, UC, 2223 Fulton St, Berkeley CA 94720.

Twenty people presented papers to the Belknap College Tolkien Conference, 15 in person and 5 for later publication. (3 of the latter will be given at the 1968 Yule Meet in NYC.) They are now being typed for publication. As they are completed they will be published in TJ to get them to the readers as fast as possible, and when all are ready they will be brought out as a separate book. Details on the book will be announced later. Several papers will be in the next TJ, #10, out in early 1969. Nancy Patterson (U of Waterloo, Waterloo Ont Canada) has a few copies of her paper on illustrating Tolkien which she will send free to the first few people to request them.

MERCHANDISE AVAILABLE FROM THE TSA includes all back issues of TJ as indicated on the blank. I have just reprinted Vol 1 complete (#s 1 & 2) on a single folded sheet of paper, and photographically reduced the legal-length pages to 8.5 x 11. The new version can be included in bound volumes much more easily and will be sent free to libraries which had purchased the old version, upon request. The TSA also sells the Ballantine editions of the Tolkien books, including their new HARDCOVER reprint of Road Goes Ever On, all available at 20c off the regular price. If you are unfamiliar with Road, it is the music of Swann's settings of several of Tolkien's poems in the form of an art-song cycle. The music, for the most part, does NOT capture the feeling of Middle-earth. The book also has several pages of notes by Tolkien on the early history & religion of Middle-earth and the Quenya & Sindarin languages, as well as translations of Namarie and A Elbereth Gilthoniel. It is identical to the Houghton-Mifflin edition except that the cover design is the 3 Ballantine LotR covers as one continuous picture with no lettering.

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Remember--order buttons from John Closson, 179 E Houston St, NY NY 10002 at 25c per button + 10c per package. Order Houghton Mifflin Tolkien books from your favorite dealer or F&SF Book Co, P O Box 415, Staten Island NY 10302. Items other than back issues of TJ sold TO MEMBERS ONLY. All new NIEKAS subs start with #20, all new TSA memberships with #9 (or #10 when that is published) unless specified otherwise. NIEKAS 20 should be available at the YULE meet Dec 28, 1968.



(Price on Tolkien Reader is 75c, Road Goes Ever On is \$2.75)

Five posters are now available--the Ballantine 'Come to Middle-earth' travel poster (\$1.50), the Ballantine Map of Middle-earth (\$1.50), the Ballantine Mural (the three LotR covers as one picture SIX FEET wide & with no lettering--\$5), the Caedmon Records poster with Cereth lettering saying 'New Record, New Book--J R R Tolkien Speaks & Is Set To Music' (\$1), and the Houghton-Mifflin personality photo poster of Tolkien (\$1.) Because of the large expense of the mailing tube & postage I must charge 35c PER PACKAGE to cover the cost of the mailing tube.

I also edit another magazine, NIEKAS, which is about imaginative literature in general, and anything else that might interest me--like Gilbert & Sullivan or Georgette Heyer. It contains a fair amount of Tolkien material, and averages 75 mimeographed pages an issue. Issues are normally 60c, 4 for \$2, but the new issue (#20, ready Christmas 1968) is so big that we are charging 75c to people who order after it is finished. Copies of #s 6, 9 & 10 are available at \$1 each, and 18 at 75c. (#9 was the first issue to publish Tolkien material) Expect a delay in copies of 6, 9 & 10 as they are stored in California and orders must be forwarded to there. NIEKAS has won the Hugo award as best Fanzine (amateur SF magazine) of 1966.

Diana Paxson Studabaker has drawn a set of 4 dustjackets for the paperback LotR & the US paperback Hobbit, which were published in NIEKAS. These are drawn in an impressionistic style, and are available separately on larger paper at \$1 a set.

These items are sold to members as a service. Because filling the orders is quite time-consuming the items are sold TO MEMBERS ONLY.

There is a surcharge on OVERSEAS orders of 25c perbook and 75c per order for posters. There is no surcharge on back TJs & NIEKU. Overseas orders for the ABOVE ONLY may be placed thru the British agent, Archie Mercer.

Members in the USA may order direct from ACE BOOKS copies of their edition of LotR (remember that ACE has how settled with Tolkien) at 75c a volume, and if you identify yourself as a TSA member you will not have to pay postage. This service is for collectors who want to have both editions. Very few copies remain and the books will NOT be preprinted.

The following buttons can be ordered from John Closson, who designed the ones in Tengwar or Cereth. (179 E Houston St, NY NY 10002) Frodo Lives (in Tengwar or Roman lettering) Go Go Gandalf (in Tengwar & Cereth), Gandalf for President, Support Your Local Hobbit & Come to Middle-earth (all in Roman). Cost is 25c per button + 10c per order shipping. Overseas members should add another 10c per button to cover shipping, and should order direct, NOT thru Mercer.

US members may order directly from Caedmon the record of Tolkien reading some of his poetry and of a singer performing Swann's Tolkien-based song-cycle. If they use the coupon or make an accurate copy of it you will not have to pay postage. Overseas members can inquire of me about postal rates, but they ARE high. Again, this is made available as a service to isolated members; you can probably get a better price at a discount record store in a large city.

Other items might be added to the inventory in the near future. Watch future publications for announcements. Also, I hope to turn more of the sales work to someone else in the near future. NOTICE: I do NOT have any buttons or records in stock, so PLEASE do not order these from me! The order will have to be forwarded & suffer a delay.

THIS SMIAL LIST has been compiled by the new Sheriff of the Smials, ALPAJPURI, 1690 E 26 Av, Eugene OR 97403. All additions & corrections must be sent to him. Some items might be out of date because of the confusion of transition.

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LESS THAN 2 dozen lines remain & I still have tons of news. Most Tolkien news is quickly published in LOCUS, a bi-weekly newsletter from C Brown, 2078 Anthony Av Bronx NY 10457, 8 for \$1. All news I get goes into the next LOCUS, so this is how to get it fast. Biggest item of the last few months was that Tolkien had suffered an injury by falling while preparing to move to a new house this summer. He is mending well, but can now be reached only c/o his publishers, G A & Unwin, Ltd. /// In the future ORCRIST will be distributed to TSA members along with Tolkien Journal. Final negotiations are in progress. The first issue of Worlds of Fantasy (send 75c to Galaxy Publishing Corp, 421 Hudson St, NY NY 10014) had a report on Tolkien, the TSA & the Belknap conference. TJ will accept advertising at \$15 a quarter page (slightly lower for approved non-profit adds). LotR was published in England in paperback IN ONE VOLUME, but with most of the appendices deleted. In a circular advertising the magazine Christianity and Crisis Sen McCarthy speaks of the magazine being in subject matter, in attitude, and style it is in the tradition of men like C S Lewis and Charles Williams. /// ERM

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