

THE M I C H I G A N

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NEXT MEETING: Sunday afternoon, the 14th of August is the date, and the place this time is Saginaw -- Krafft's Bookstore, 510 South Washington Avenue, where our newest member, Ralph Fluette, will be host to the MSFS members. Time? From one p.m. on. This will be the last meeting before the Convention, probably, so if you miss this one, it'll be around the middle of September before you get another chance to attend one. Moral: Don't miss it!

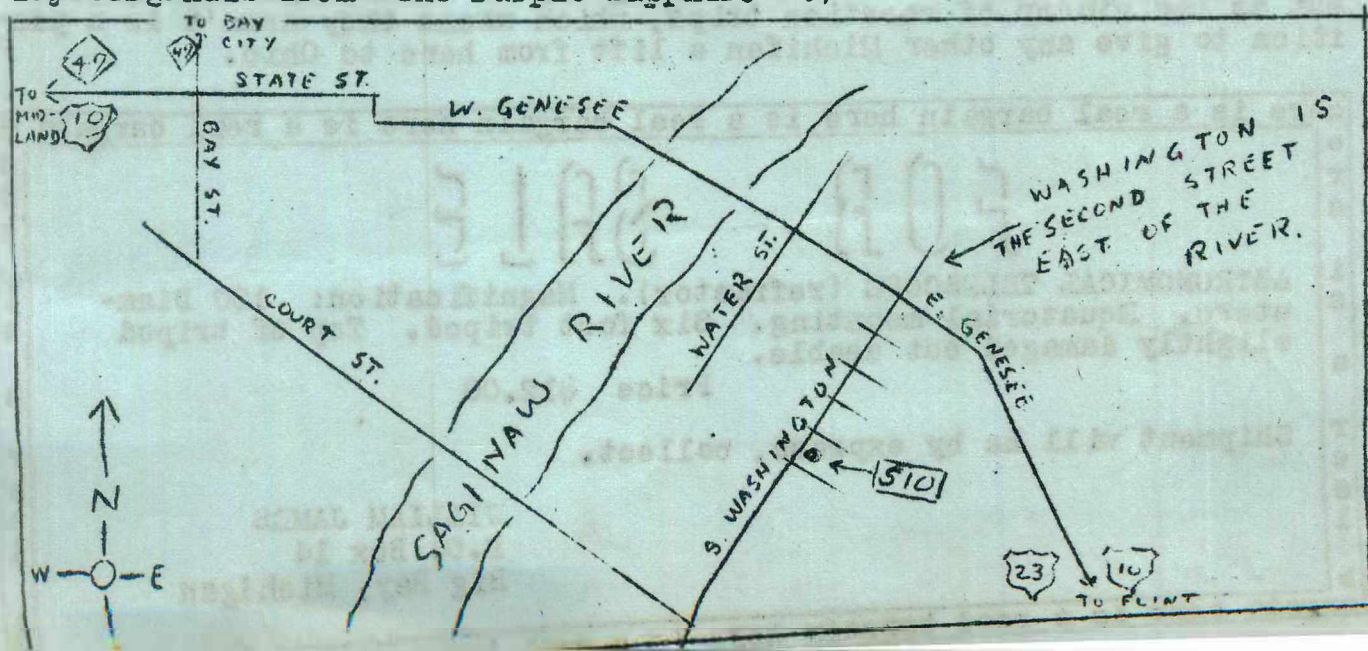
Ralph is the owner and manager of Krafft's Bookstore, and he is making fantasy and science-fiction a specialty of his business, so if you're a collector of either magazines or books, this meet should be especially interesting to you.

The map below should enable you to find the place once you get to Saginaw -- you can find Saginaw without my help, I hope! -- but if you get lost, Ralph's phone number is 2-9492.

The last meeting was a record-breaker -- let's set another new mark this time!

LAST MEETING: It's MSFS tradition that meetings at Ed Kuss's are the only ones that are well-attended, because everyone in the MSFS knows how to find Ed's. But despite the fact that no one had ever been out to Grosse Pointe before, a record crowd of one dozen fen accumulated at Arnim Seielstad's last Sunday.

We have had twelve Misfits gathered in once place at one time before, but only for our semi-annual conventions (One of which we were supposed to hold sometime this summer, but didn't get around to. We will probably have one during the Christmas Holidays, as we did last year, however. Now there was an affair you should still be gnashing your teeth over if you missed it. We held it in Detroit, and auctioned off dozens of promag original illustrations, including the Lawrence cover from the Dec 48 ("Nordenholt's Million") FFM, and two Finlay originals from "The Purple Sapphire" !)



Not only were the usual Detroiters there -- most of 'em, anyhow -- and where were YOU? -- but out-of-towners were swarming over the place. Pat Crossley drove down from Owosso to join the MSFS and find out if all the plugs Rog Phillips has been giving us are justified. Ralph and Art came from Saginaw, and Martin Alger from Mackinaw City. Virginia Beebe was there from Holly, Stewart Metchette from Windsor, George Young from Farmington. Others present were Arnim (of course), Ed Kuss, Howard DeVore, Norman Kossuth, and Erwin Stirnweis.

Not the least of the world-shaking events of the meet was that George finally talked Erwin into finally joining the MSFS.

Excellent and more-than-ample refreshments were provided by the Seielstads.

Fresh off the press (or mimeo), the February ish of THE MUTANT, in all its lurid orange-covered glory, was distributed to the fen, and Virginia volunteered to mail the mag to the remainder of the subscribers. Incidentally, she has just sold a story to WEIRD TALES, so keep your eyes on the stands for that mag!

While we're handing out plugs, in case you don't already know it, Pat Crossley is the secretary of the Chicago Rocket Society, and will be glad to furnish information about that organization to anyone interested. You'll find her address in here somewhere.

The MSFS mimeograph, Whirling Gertie, was turned over to Arnim, who is undoubtedly up to his ears in ink by now. William James of Big Bay has accepted the editor's post on our Official Organ, and with a team like that working on the mag, it shouldn't be long until you find another ish of THE MUTANT in your mailbox. Are you glad?

Details of the Cinvention trip were talked over. As it stands now, Martin, George, Ralph and Art are definitely slated to ride down in Mart's beautiful new Packard. There are some other waverers-on-the-fence, but anyone else who decides they want in on this group should write Martin E. Alger, Box 367, Mackinaw City, and tell him so. There is also one more place vacant in the MSFS-reserved hotel rooms, and the first guy to yell (via postcard to me) gets it.

Ray Nelson and Ed Kuss are also going to attend the Cinvention -- but as the windup of vacation trips, which means they aren't in a position to give any other Michifen a lift from here to Ohio.

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solves, and this constitution only complicates things. # By executive order of the B.O.D., THE MICHIFAN is now serving as our OO, a change which should be incorporated as an amendment to the constitution if it is to continue. # Since the deadline for filing candidacies for the 1950 elections has already passed, I hereby set 31 October 1949 as the deadline for such filing, this action subject to confirmation by the Board of Directors.

I intend to initiate a petition in the next few days, directing the 1950 officers, as their first task, to prepare a revised constitution for submission to the membership.

The MSFS is running fine the way it is, and I'm not trying to change it to conform to the constitution. But I think we should change the constitution to conform to what we've learned in the last year.

By the way -- if your city wants the Christmas-week State Convention of the MSFS this December, come to the Owosso meet prepared to bid for it.

PUBLICITY: The MSFS is now large and active enough for its affairs to be of interest to the newspapers. As part of the Secretary's job, I intend to issue press releases whenever there is anything happening in the club to justify it.

It would be of great help in this matter if each MSFS member would let me know the name and address of his home-town newspaper(s).

CANDIDACY: In case you are wondering, the Director of Publications is Ray Nelson, 433 E. Chapin, Cadillac, Michigan. Send him your 50¢ and statement of candidacy before the end of September! Let's have a large slate of candidates this time!

MEMBERSHIP LIST: Just to have all necessary info in one place, here is the complete current roster of MSFS members, as of 1 September 1949:

1. Martin E. Alger, Box 367, Mackinaw City, Michigan.
2. Virginia Beebe, 404 Hadley St., Holly, Michigan.
3. Howard Devore, 16535 Evanston, Detroit 24, Michigan.
4. Bruce Davis, 4000 Eighteenth St., Detroit 8, Michigan.
5. Bill Groover, 113 N. Porter St., Saginaw, Michigan.
6. Gerald Gordon, 11635 N. Martindale, Detroit 4, Michigan.
7. William James, P.O. Box 14, Big Bay, Michigan.
8. Dr. Glenn C. Hazen, 28480 Summit Dr., Farmington, Michigan.
9. Ed Kuss, 7502 Grixdale, Detroit 12, Michigan.
10. David H. Keller, 55 Broad St., Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania.
11. C. Stewart Metchette, 3551 King St., Windsor, Ont., Canada.
12. Radell Nelson, 433 E. Chapin St., Cadillac, Michigan.
13. Arthur H. Rapp, 2120 Bay Street, Saginaw, Michigan.
14. Fred Reich, 3986 Beechwood, Pontiac, Michigan.
15. Herbert Radd, 17483 Fleming, Detroit 12, Michigan.
16. Pvt Ben Singer, 3346th Tng Sq, Branch P.O. #1, Chanute AFB, Rantoul, Illinois.
17. Arnim Seielstad, 1500 Fairholme, Grosse Pointe 30, Michigan.
18. Don Vetowich, 931 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit 8, Michigan.
19. George H. Young, 22180 Middlebelt Rd., Farmington, Michigan.
20. W. T. Lightner, 15728 Greydale, Detroit 23, Michigan.
21. Pat Crossley, 707 W. Main Street, Owosso, Michigan.
22. Ralph V. Fluette, 510 S. Washington Ave., Saginaw, Michigan.
23. Erwin Stirnweis, Jr., 730 W. Euclid, Detroit 2, Michigan.

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