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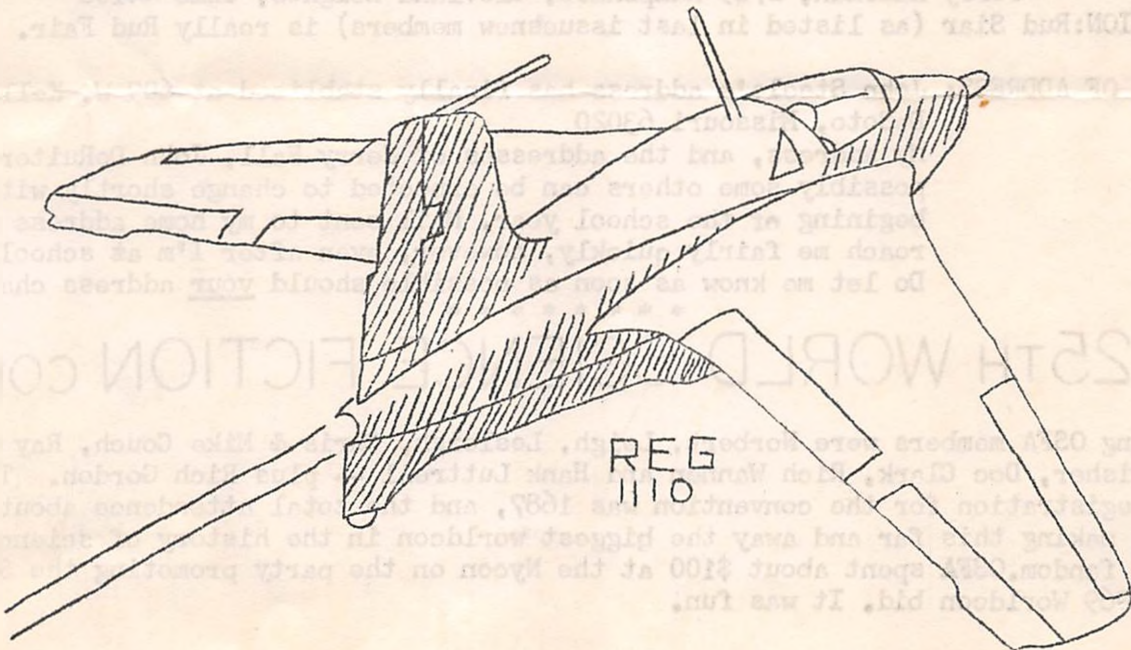
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SYMBOLS ON MAILING LABELS: S means I steal news from you, or plan to:::C you contributed art or news:::R I'd like you to review OSFAN, perhaps:::a number indicates the number of the last issue of OSFAN you will receive unless you do something!

BACK ISSUES: I have a limited number of OSFAN back issues, numbers 21-27, 10¢ a piece.

THE NEXT MEETING will take place at Goodfellow's Hall, 3010 Lemp, Sept. 24, at 1:00 PM. If you find it necessary to find transportation, call one of the following people: Ray Fisher -- Je 5-0711 or Norbert Couch -- AT 7-3366. Goodfellow Hall is being used again this month because we won't be able to start using the Library room (as mentioned last issue) until next month. Rent on Goodfellow Hall is \$10! We will be asking each attending member to contribute something toward the cost -- probably less than 50¢. Douglas Clark has promised to put together a showing of the slides he has taken at some of the recent science fiction fan conventions, including the Ozarkon 2 and the most recent 25th World Science Fiction Convention, to be shown at the next OSFA meeting. Be there, it will be interesting!

THE OSFA PICNIC, the August OSFA meeting, was held at Rockwood's Reservation, deep in the county and far from the crowds -- well, there were a lot of people there, but





it could hardly be compared with crowds at Forest Park on a Sunday. This was the second OSFA picnic -- did you realize that Richard Gordon has thus far attended two OSFA picnics? Britain to the US is a pretty good distance to travel to attend an afternoon fan gathering. Eating, drinking, talking and communication with nature were the main matters of business.

ELECTION: Douglas Clark collected the ballots at the August OSFA meeting, and conducted a count of all those ballots in at the time of the meeting. Joyce Fisher took all the ballots then in, and those received before the deadline for absentee ballots, and the final results are shown in the list of officers heading this issue of OSFA -- with the exception of the post of Vice-President. Jim Hall won this position, but has just resigned. Nominations for the post of Vice-President will be open at the next meeting!

THE OSFA HISTORY FILE has now been completed, with the final contribution of Sirruish #1 (genzine) by Harold Steele at the last meeting. Also in the file are many newspaper clippings, letters, St. Louis in 69 buttons, and various other things! Anything else that you think belongs there?

NEW MEMBERS: Charles Tzingberg (I didn't list his address last time) 3 Sylvania Drive, East St. Louis, Illinois
Keith Fieldhammer, 153 S. Clay, Ferguson, Missouri 63135
Donna Mathews, Box 8615 State Street Station, Columbus, Ohio 43215
Mike & Rena Hall (I don't have an address; can someone furnish one?)
Ed Steele, 609 W. Kelley, DeSoto, Missouri 63020
Walter W. Reed, St. Joseph's Hill Infirmary, Eureka, Missouri 63025
Jerry Kaufman, 2769 Hampshire, Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44106

CORRECTION: Rud Siar (as listed in last issue's new members) is really Rud Fair.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS: John Steele's address has finally stabilized at 609 W. Kelley, DeSoto, Missouri 63020
My address, and the addresses of Jerry Hall, John DeRuiter and possibly some others can be expected to change shortly with the beginning of the school year. Mail sent to my home address will reach me fairly quickly, however, even after I'm at school.
Do let me know as soon as possible should your address change!

THE 25TH WORLD SCIENCE FICTION CON

Attending OSFA members were Norbert, Leigh, Lesleigh, Chris & Mike Couch, Ray & Joyce Fisher, Doc Clark, Rich Wannan and Hank Luttrell -- plus Rich Gordon. The total registration for the convention was 1687, and the total attendance about 1500 -- thus making this far and away the biggest worldcon in the history of science fiction fandom. OSFA spent about \$100 at the Nycon on the party promoting the St. Louis 1969 Worldcon bid. It was fun!

HUGO WINNERS

BEST DRAMATIC PRESENTATION: The Menagerie (STAR TREK); BEST FAN ARTIST: Jack Gaughan, BEST FANZINE: Niekas, BEST MAGAZINE: If, BEST FAN WRITER: Alexei Panshin, BEST SHORT STORY: "Neutron Star" by Larry Niven, BEST NOVELETTE: "The Last Castle" by Jack Vance, BEST NOVEL: The Moon is a Harsh Mistress by Robert A. Heinlein!

Sunday night saw the presentation of the Costume Ball, with more than 98 costumes — moving before the convention. That is one of the reasons you don't want to miss seeing Doc Clark's slides. ##Other awards given at the banquet were the Big Heart Award, to Janie Lamb, the First Fandom Award, to Edmond Hamilton, a Special Award to CBS for Twenty First Century, and a gold Ping Pong Paddle to Ted White.##At the Business Meeting, Ray Fisher was appointed to head a committee to study the rotation plan.##San Francisco, the Baycon, was voted as next year's site for the 26th Science Fiction World Convention.

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Laurence M. Janifer, author of Slave Planet (Pyramid, 1963) The Wonder War (Pyramid, 1964) and many other stories, has contributed a carbon of his final draft for You Sane Men (Lancer, 1965) to OSFA. The MSS. bears the note, "This copy, the one available, is for OSFA, with all profits therein -- as a personal contribution to the poverty program." The carbon will be auctioned at Ozarkon 3!

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HUGO GERNSBACK DEAD

Hugo Gernsback, a person well known to any science fiction fan, died at 3:50 pm Saturday, August 19th of kidney failure at the Roosevelt Hospital in New York. To quote from SFWEEKLY #197, " 'Firsts' which Gernsback is credited with are nearly endless: the first mail order catalog, the first home radio set in history, the first walkie-talkie, radio catalog, radio magazine, radio store, and, of interest to science-fiction readers, the first piece of blood-and-thunder space opera, Ralph 124C41+.

"Gernsback started the modern science fiction field in April 1926, with the first issue of Amazing Stories! This magazine, by itself, created an entire field of fiction, and, as a by-product, the entire microcosm of fandom, which arose from the discussion column in Amazing. . . Hugo Gernsback, creator of the modern science fiction field, has died. Without him, where would each of us be today?"

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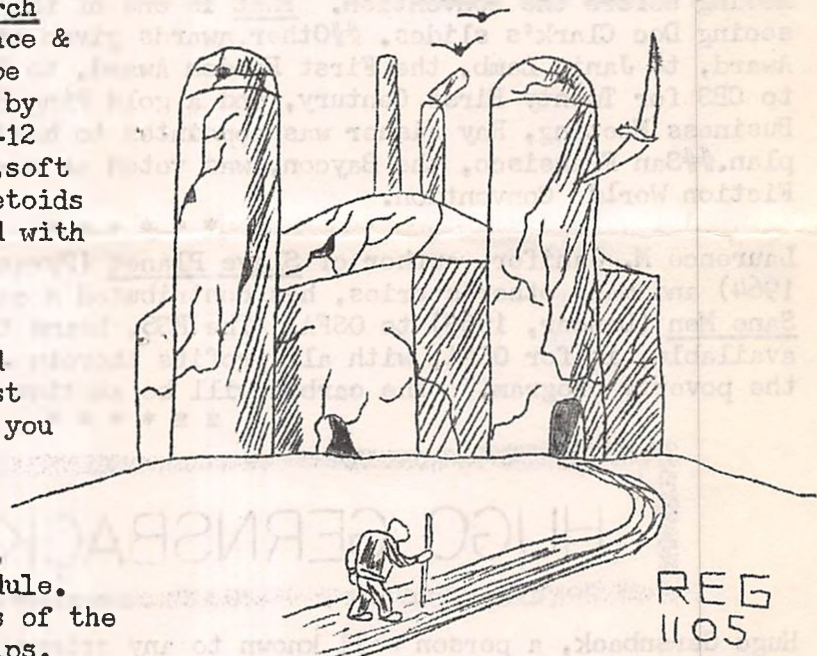
SF BOOK NEWS: The four Conan paperbacks have sold, collectively, over 2,000,000 copies in the past year, Publisher's Weekly reports! A total of 8 books in the series will eventually be published (--SFWEEKLY)## Publisher's Weekly reports Stranger In a Strange Land has gone into a seventh printing, with 352,000 copies now in print. (--SFWEEKLY) ## September from ACE: The Man From UNCLE #12 The Mind Twisters Affair by Thomas Stratton; Big Planet by Jack Vance; When the Star Kings Die by John Jakes; The Universe Maker by A.E. van Vogt; The Best from F&SF:13 ed. by Avram Davidson; Key Out of Time by Andre Norton; Star Gate by Andre Norton; The Winds of Gath by E.C. Tubb/Crisis on Cheiron by Juanita Coulson (double) (--SFWEEKLY)



New from Holt, Rinehart & Winston, Conan Doyle: A Biography by Pierre Nordan, 376pp., \$7.95## A Robert Silverberg book you might not be aware of (. . .if you care) Planet of Death, 128 pp., \$2.95. It is a Pacesetter Book, "for those with limited reading ability." Another Pacesetter book, to be released this fall, is Master Mike and the Miracle Maid by Elizabeth Starr Hill. "Zap! Zoom! Zowee! Miracle Maid!"## Holt, Rinehart & Winston will also be publishing a Jules Verne book in October, not available in English before, called A Long Vacation, 192 pp., \$3.50. It is a non-fantasy, about some boys stranded on a deserted island.## August will see the publication of Operation Time Search by Andre Norton from Harcourt, Brace & World, \$3.95.## E.P. Dutton will be publishing Poems of Earth & Space by Claudia Lewis, intended for the 8-12 age group, 48 pages, \$3.78. ". . .soft clouds and blue skies. . .the planetoids and rocket cones, telstars studded with blue stones. . .at a breathless, astronautic pace."

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Edwin M. Aprill, Jr. has published the first issue of CS -- Cartoonist Showcase, of interest to those of you who collect newspaper cartoons. This publication will be printing comic strips on a good quality of paper specially for collectors, and will appear on a monthly schedule. The first issue contained reprints of the James Bond and Modesty Blaise strips. CS Cartoonist Showcase is \$2, and can be ordered from Edwin M. Aprill at 5272 W. Liberty Rd., Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103.



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The NATIONAL FANTASY FAN FEDERATION: The N3F short story contest deadline is November 1, 1967. I mentioned this once before in OSFAN, but I think I'll remind you. 1st prize is \$20, 2nd \$15, and 3rd \$10. The final judge is Fred Pohl. I have one entry blank, which you can have, or they may be requested from Michael Viggiano, 1834 Albany Ave., Brooklyn, New York, 11210. There is a 50¢ entry fee unless you are a member of the National Fantasy Fan Federation. N3F dues, I might add, are \$2.00 for the first year, or \$2.25 after October 1st for the remainder of this year and all of the next, payable to Janie Lamb, Route 1, Box 364, Heiskell, Tennessee 37754. I have a membership application for the N3F, too, if you want it, just ask me. Also, if you want more information on the N3F you might put some questions to me about it.

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SIRRUISH #5 is finished. And like, 65 pages long. We don't want to mail out any more copies than necessary, as they cost quite a bit in postage, so it will be distributed at the next meeting, and then mailed out to members who were not able to attend. It was also distributed to as many people on our mailing list as possible at the Nycon.

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FANZINES RECEIVED: Rather than including fanzine reviews in OSFAN, I thought I might at least include a short list of most of the fanzines I get in the mail, with a short comment-description -- and I'll continue to comment on St. Louis area fanzines as they are published.

THE PULP ERA Lynn Hickman, 413 Ottokee Street, Wauseon, Ohio 43567 50¢/copy, 5/\$2.25, 10/\$4.00. #67, the most recent, is 130 (!!!) pages long, Lynn's 17th anniversary in

amateur publishing, and costs \$1.50. Worth it, if you like old pulp magazines. SPOCKANALIA Derva Langsam, 250 Crown Street, Brooklyn, NY 11225. 50¢. 90 pages of STAR TREK material. Well done, too. CONSERVATIVE NON CONFORMIST Donna Mathews, Box 8615 State Street Station, Columbus, Ohio 43215. No price mentioned -- a promise of a letter of comment or a trade fanzine should get it! Longest piece in this short fanzine a very interesting Ozarkon report -- but, then, it would be interesting to me, I'm mentioned! Also a good (lotsa puns) parody of Fantastic Voyage and Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea, by Hank Davis.

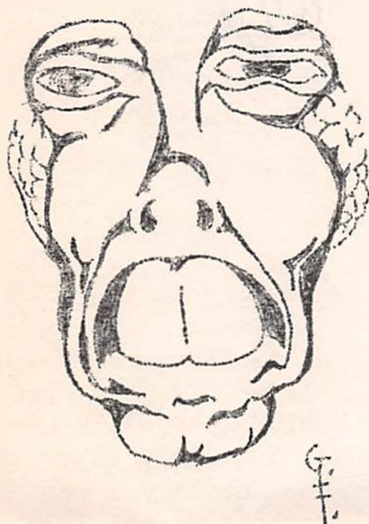
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MICKEY RHODES had just won the \$100 Badger Prize at the Art Guild Show. Mickey was the youngest member of the art section of the show. This showing is the most competitive in the St. Louis area, and the Badger award one of the most important!

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Wayne Finch sends news of a get together for cavers, co-sponsored by the Mid-Mississippi Valley Grotto and the Missouri Speleological Survey. It is to be held at Meramec Caverns, and will consist of two commercial cave trips, a banquet, and many wild cave trips. The date is September 29, 30 and October 1. Registration for the banquet and commercial cave trip is \$2.50 per person, and \$.50 per person or \$1.00 per family registration. For more information, talk to Wayne, or write him at 616 North 73rd, East St. Louis, Ill., 62203.

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Originally, I had planned to use the remaining space for a roster, but Richard Wannan was unable to work one up for me, due to the press of school beginning again. There should be one here next time for sure.

ART CREDITS: page one: Lettering, Hank Luttrell
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page three Jurgen Wolff
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page six Richard Flinchbaugh



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