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EDITORIAL

SFR in its old form is to be discontinued for a short period and its place is being taken by the AR DIGEST. This has been forced on us by circumstances beyond our control and also lack of sufficient support. There are, however, a number of specimen copies being sent out and if all the new readers subscribe the next issue will be double the size of this one, and with luck, so will most of the future efforts.

We appeal to all new readers to help us by both subscribing and recommending us to their non-friends. News and features will contain all the latest in the sf world that comes to our notice.

LOVECRAFT MEMORIAL VOLUME

At last this has been printed. Sells at \$5 in US and contains in addition to his biography and his long essay 'Supernatural Horror in Literature' 40 of his yarns - 3 of booklength. Jacket by Finlay, portrait of HPL on back. Providing present effort sells 2 more vols are planned to reprint all remaining stories, articles and poems. 1200 copies of this 600 page book have been printed but only 200 sold to date, so fans will have to wake up if they want the other vols. Published from Arkham House, Sauk City, Wisconsin. USA.

ANOTHER ENGLISH PRO-MAG

It is rumoured that a new English sf magazine will be appearing shortly. Editor will be a prominent London fan and the set up will be very slick, the length probably being over 100 pages selling at the usual 1/-. Further facts are known but until confirmation comes to hand we are reserving fuller particulars until next issue.

THE SCIENCE FICTION ASSOCIATION has been suspended for the duration of the war. Intending members please note.

GOOD NEWS FOR REMINDER READERS

As most fans are painfully aware of reminder news, and indeed, current issues have been very difficult to obtain since the outbreak of war. The sellers of reminder news in England, however, recently decided to reprint from the original type plates several of the best selling US mags in the UK and among these are LITTON, ASTONISHING and SCIENCE FICTION.

The first copies were released on the 27th being the Sept, Aug & Oct numbers of the above. Though limited to 96 pages and containing but few illustrations they are, nevertheless excellent efforts and will help to keep US sf alive in this country for the duration. Price is 6d per copy and at 96 pages as aforesaid, all crammed with reading matter, the value is good.

We have only one point to make, if the people buying the above can make a good effort like this for US sf why not try it for British sf too.

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The second issue of ASTONISHING STORIES will appear about the end of Feb in America, dated April. Cover illustration by Theodor Eron, new sf artist illustrating Simak's 'The Space Beasts'. Other authors are Kummer, Vincent and Dick Wilson.

First SUPER SCIENCE STORIES, issued Jan 19th (US) has stories by Fearn, Ayre, Gallun, Long, Vincent and others; cover by Jack Binder. 2nd iss. dated May, will have cover by Binder illustrating 'Juice' by L. Prague De Camp. Other stories by Gallun, Cummings and P.S. Miller. If successful, this mag will appear monthly, if not...?

The SCIENCE FICTION Quarterly has definitely been published in USA., despite the fact that other publications of the same firm have been suspended for one issue.

SPACEWAYS America's best fan-mag will print 'Letters through the Ages' by our fellow Liverpudlian J.F.Burke in its next issue. Also 'Gleanings' by LRChauvenet (Oho!) 'The World is what you make it' by DA Wollheim, 'Author's Aid' by Hoy Ping Pong. Stories by RJStinson, Moskowitz & Hamling. Well worth 1/3 for 3 issues from H. Warner, 303 Bryan Place, Hagerstown, Md, USA.

STARDUST has now arrived. Similar to the deceased 'TOMORROW' but with slicker set-up, has 26 pages, a poem by H. Warner and an article by H. Nott other than contents already mentioned Science Fiction Service, a department offers a \$ 2 book for 95c and gives gratis a novel to those sending a full years sub. eg \$1. The bargain book is D. Wheatley's 'They found Atlantis' and free books contain some of most coveted titles ever printed.

Second anniversary issue of SCIENT) ISNAPS will scoop the pool with an article about the new Lovecraft Vol. giving inside information, by the Editors D. Mandrei and A. Darloth. Also articles by D.A. Stuart & 'Fank' Kuttner (humourous) and a Northwest Smith epic by Miss Moor. Full particulars of the French Mag will be given, also contributions by Miske, Esabach Marconette & Hornig. Printed at 2709 E. Second St., Dayton, Ohio, USA

We regretfully announced the death of K.R. Miller, US fan, and express our hope that this unfortunate event does not affect the printing of The Bizarre Series. The last of these was 'Three Lines of old French' by A. Merritt, a very fine work which every collector should have.

SATELLITE Feb 1940 has a fine cover by Turner, 'S F in 1939' by D.R. Smith and articles by Eric C. Hopkins & R.G. Medhurst. Published from 57, Beauclair Drive, Liverpool 15, Ed. JFBurke.

FUTURLAN, Leeds Fan-mag will also contain article by DR Smith.

Among the recent batch of fantasy films is 'The Man they could not hang,' starring 'our Boris' who portrays the inventor of a glass heart (a la FFM) who kills a man to try it out on, resulting in catastrophe and sentencing to death. He is hung in the usual manner, but his assistant obtains the body, instals the heart and vulcanises his neck resulting in a general chaos with the walking corpse.

A Dekker plays Dr. Cyclops in film of same name, reducing men to one fifth their normal size. More camera tricks which will remind you of the 'Devil Doll'. Two other films are 'The Tower of London' and 'Return of Dr X' are due shortly.

NEW BOOK REVIEW

DEATH REQUESTS THE PLEASURE by Maurice Bekobra (Faune 7/6). An astronomer in the Ile de France discovers that a meteor will strike Earth and annihilate it in 3 days time. A number of people are present when the discovery is made and how they all plan to get the best out of the hours left to them is the real theme of this book.

FAMOUS FANTASTIC MYSTERIES.

February issue of this mag has 'The Sky Women' by Stilson 'The Kiss of Death' by Withrow 'Plunge of the Knapfen' by Grover 'Sons of the Stars' by Binder (New Story)

and the two continued stories

MARVEL TALES has gone into suspended animation for the purpose of considering the situation. In other words, if they think the new style will sell they intend to cash in, if not, they may come back to the sf field in a blaze of glory. May they decide in our favour.

SCIENCE-FANTASY REVIEW WAR DIGEST will feature Wayfarer in next issue.