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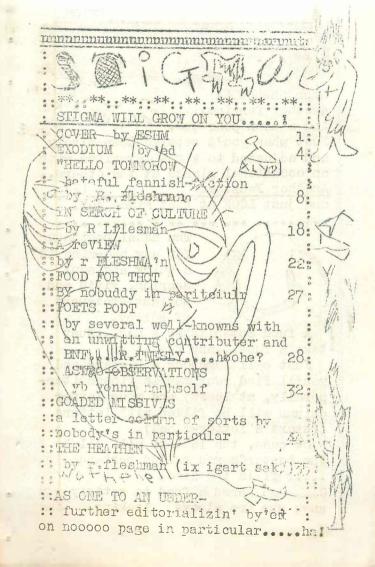
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also the editor, Ronald Fleshman**



OhhnnhinhHELL;
Another fanzine.
And a damn poor one.
Just when you'd settled down nicely

And a damn poor one.

Just when you'd settled down nicely and adjusted to a few favorites with an occasional glance at the others.

Another Fanzine.

and just LOOK at that mimeo job.

The usual beginning for any neo-zine is a quick and soul searing, vivid and defiant statement of policy.

A fued establishes a mag. . . just

Just call somebody a bastard and you'll find your mag is flooded(temporaily, at leest) and your letter column will be filled with letters ((start a letter-xine)).

Ov cuss, the letters will all be from the bastards you called bastards, suf...it fills the zine.

O.K. so heres a fued to satisfy you guys who are always looking for

twouble,

ANYBODY WHO DOES ASSINELY CONDEMN

SCIENCE-FICTION IS A

Aha 。

Oho.

Tis done, nyoe son.

There is a tondency in teditorials for a lot of food forawing and not much editorializing, if you know what I mean.

I just wanner state my case, right hyar and nouw.

The editorials in this mag will show a tendency for a lot of fooforaw and not much editorializing.



A word about good, clean mimeographing with readable words and nott tooo minny

blots on ye page.

The word is y'aint finding that





(Editorial continued)

What other mag kin sey that state-

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Whot odder wantsta?

Frank Yerby, whose "Woxes of Harow" was on the best seller list of the
year and whose "Golden Hawk" and "Floodtide" have both reached pocketboodium
wrote most of "Foxes" while serving as
a janitor in an aircraft factory. "To
put it bluntly, "sez he, "I got most of
my best ideas of? the washroom wall."
Who doesn't?"

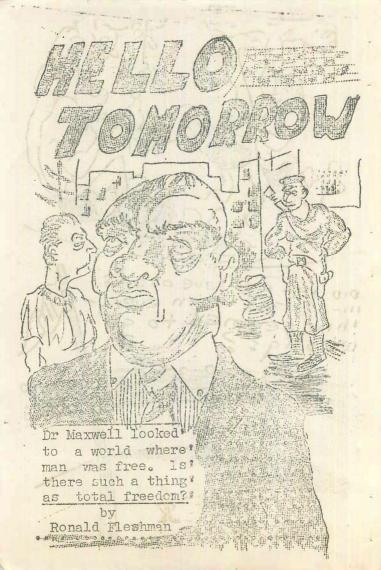
You may think authors drink coffee because of the Balzaac tradition,

I admit that I often think of Honoer while drinkin strong black coffee.
But I was drinking coffee before I even
heard of Balzaac. By the way, I suppose
they've exploded the old theory that
Balzaac died of drinking too mush strong
black coffee. If not, consider it exploded. Balzaac died of overwork.

Coffee never killed anybody. Overwork has slain its millions. Therefor I believe s'abbut time I dropped thisrun-on editrl and go have a drink.

Of coffee?





and today, Senator Hotchkiss, of the Baptist party proposed a new tax cut to Congress. Seems Old Hotchie realizes another election's coming. And here's another interesting sidelight of news, ladies and gentlemen, that brilliant scientist, Doctor H. Maxwell, Dean of the Chicago Institute of Advanced Sciences, and one of the rost helpful of men to our great military with our last world conflict, has seemingly gone off his nut, He announced today that he had prefected an "Elixir of Life" which would able man to hibernate, to live in a dormant state, without aging. It is rumored that the good Doctor had certain Communist affiliations and it is the belief of this reporter that..."

He-was a small man. Bald, almost with just a few stray strandsof damp stringy hair lying limply on his polished dome of a skull, like twisted cobwebs. He had sagging jowls and his eyes protruded somewhat, giving his entire appearance offe of a tropical fish looking out from another world.

This was Doctor Herbert Maxwell, a man who had developed and improved

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on the Hydrogen Bomb, a man who had instrumented in the cure of cancer, a man who had adapted super-sonic sound into a weapon for the military (this out of all his great discoveries had been the one that got him the Nobel Prize---for outstandin a@com-plishment in the field of "military science) and finally the Dean of the Chicago Institute of Advanced Sciences.

He didn't look like a genuus--9but like a fat, dissatisfied businessman.

And he was dissatisfied, Sickened. Sickened at the horrible society aroud him and the demands that it had made on him. The thoughts of the people who had died through him. The people whodied because they did not have a good enough excuse to live, as did their murderers, who were after all, making the world safe for democracy. Their murderers who were now the masters, the keepers, the whip-wielders of this carnal, ugly world.

He hated it?

He hated the sound of the dirty city arising for another day of sin and graft, the small of the human bodies twisting and turning in their efforts to get to their tasks, the

sight of his university, rotting on its timbers next to an ultramodern apartment building that catered exclusively to politicians, playboys, and prostitutes, the nauseating sight of his bleary-eyed, pimple faced and immovable students.

HE hated it:
Automatons:

Robots building bigger, living higher, dying faster...founderin g on the mire of their wwn cess-pool of civilization.

The man looked down at hissweat covered hands. He glanced out them window at the ill-tended grounds of the university.

"I can't go on," he said aloud. He glanced around to see if anyone

had noticed him.

He contemplated suicide. Why not? Let the people see how it was without him. Let them rot in their own destruction without pity.

But then he knew he couldn't.
They wouldn't miss him. They, in
their own miserable existances wouldn't know he gas gone.

butions to the world. He had helped to cure cancer, lor what? Man turned to him now, asky 3 for the c

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to cure cancer. For what? Man turned to him now, asking for the care of another disease and another and another...more...

And the H-bomb. He remembered back in 1958, when the army came to him and spoke of patriotism and duty. And how he'd given them what they'd wanted and how they stood in the cockpit of the airplane watching the first test bomb go off over anartica. And hearing of the thousands killed in Moscow.

And then they'd come again, with gratitude and war effort and the equality of man. He'd given them the X sound wave director that turned a man's brain to jelly. He still remembered the fat politicians with the big cigars who had shook his hand and told him of the millions of enemy he had destroued for his country and what a great, proud feeling he must have. The fat bellies didn't think that he could feel any other way, that he could drown. The dream-the beam seaching life out in the night, and the man rising form his sleep, holding his head and screaming ... antil he could scream no more, ... and the beam moving on efor more life, more resistance.

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And now people rejected him when he showed then a way that man could live forever. A simple chemical process of slowing down life processes and function: to a minute necessity. But they laighed. They called him Ponce de Leon and his fountain of Youth.

When he sould offer them destructtion, they turned to him, but when he offered them immortality, they turned from him, as from a blasphemer, Man was not mean; for immortality, the church had said. That was it. The church had said. But why should the church be so powerful? Simple.

Russia was godless. The U.S. was against Russia. Russia was against God. Therefore the U.S. was against godlessness. They had to be devout, fanatically so. And the fanaticism continued after the war. The church state that the founders of the Constitution had abhorred, now existed. The church said man was not meant for immortality.

And they called him fool. They were the foole!

He mused. If I could only get away from this savage would, if I could only live in an advanced civilization

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where science is king. Where man is ruled by logic and pureness. Where there are no taboos or withce's tales ...if only I could get away and live somewhere else, sometime else.

Sometime else!

Why not? Supposing I could live in the future. • the future. Who is to say that after a thousand years the world would not have done away with all its prejudices, its graft, its turmoil, its conflict; its blood, its horror.

The idea infleamed him. The more he thought of it, the faster his mind worked. Leave this base life and live after them all through the experiment they said would never work. Live in a world where man would surely be free of inhibitions and strife, in a world of reason.

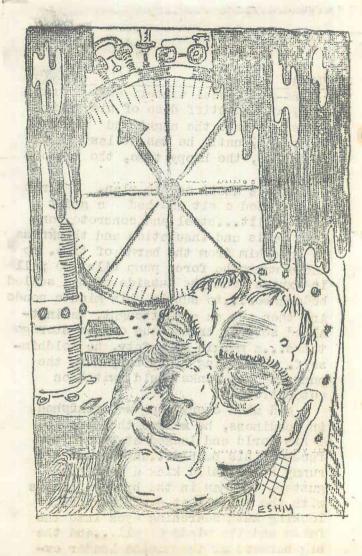
A world of reason...how will it come about? By the sacrifices of others. By the sacrifices of the dumb brute beasts he now scorned. But they didn't realize. He did not belong with them...he was not one of them. He could not wait and know what will come in a thousand yours and not be able to touch it or be a park of it. He meat go to the world of the future...he must be there.

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He would seal himself away from them, take a stiff dose of his "Elixir and sleep into the night and through the years, until he was at last in the good time, the happy time, the tommorow.

He set about on his plan. First he selected a sit and had a great wault built...steel and concrete and lead walls and insulation and thickness to save him from the harms of time. He had a mammothe force pump bilot to pull in oxygen from the outside of his scaled bedchamber...to supply his minute needs And then, as an afterthought, he installed several tremendous oxygen storage tanks...a margin of safety, he toldhimself. Something might happen to the pump and the tanks would switch on automatically.

And when everything was finished, in readiness, he walked the streets of his world and looked at the dirty faces of his people...and he saw the runny nosed child kick a dog in the gutter, the man in the brown uniforms with the pistels at every corner... looking with searching eyes into the faces and the minds of all...and the big banness of the divine leader every



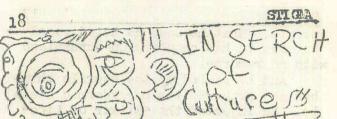
poople, What he saw, he hated and he went to his chamber, unmournfuland with no remorse.

And he sewled up the sterile chamber and prepared the hyprodermic needle. He injected the "Elixir of Life" and he went to sleep with a wise and knowing grin on his face.

Suddenly he awoke. He fet an immediate sense of failure. The elixir had not worked. He jumped upage, and tumbled flat on the floor, He arose, slowly, painfully. He walked to the time indicator to ascertain the hope that was racing through his brain. The solemn face of the indicator showed t at one thousand years had passed. ... one thousand years!

He wanted to shout, to scream, to become irrational; And he would of if his next thought hadn't calmed his racing blood. The world was outside waiting. waiting.

He wanted to tantalize the last moment,, to feel it to the fullest, to saver it. He walked around the room, fingering the equipment. He noticed that his oxygen pump had stopped about two-hundred years ago. Good thing he had the storage tanks. The pump had probably broken (cont. page 26_)



It was one of those days.

You feel the need for something

to read.

Bad.

You thumb through your well thumed through Spilbane collection.

Naha

You want to enlarge your MIND, to-

You sigh halfheartedly, jump in the old buggy and head for the local

shopping center.

You park and walk into the drug-(drug) store which deals exclusively in Irons, Luggage, Hairpins, Magazines, Post Cards, Cosmetics, Jewelry, Sodas, Supports, Stationery, Tobacco, and... ...ahem...drugs!

You walk to the magazine rack.

You glance around.

Yourre looking for something cul-

tural.

You see something that passes for a photography magazine, in reality felled with pictures of NUDE women.

Your blood races,

Your temples throb.

You reach for the

book.

The hand of conscience

tugs at you.

You remember your promise. Something to give you culture. Knowledge.

You see a few of the different(? magazines described as Science-Fiction **

You remember vaguely hearing some-

thing about it.

They must have culture,

Science-Fiction.

Science-Fiction?

Science-Fiction:

You grab one with shaking hands

and glance through it.

Presty deep looking stuff.

Not deep. CULTURAL.

You place the book back on the rack.
You place at other Science-Fict-

ion becks,

Your back stwaightens. You've made your desision.

**TO THE TREET TOTAL

ZITE.

You walk to the counter.

You pay.

You walk out of the store, your head held high.

A man who has made the right decision.

Under province that is clutched some-+ming that passes for a photography magazine, in reality filled with pictures of NUDE women.



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A REVIEW OF THE REVIEWERS OF THE REVÆ REVIEWER OF THE REVIEWS OF THE REVÆ IEWERS OF REVIEWER'S REVIEWS.

by the reviewer*

ReViEwInG this Hunder: Universe Science Fiction, 354, Bolk Pubco., George Bell--editor.

... first ish of a new mag that provises in its very promising edit-

orial to keep remising.

rish-like gills of these mags that always offer an innovation in science fiction, always something out of the ordinary, something special:

two and then spoils the whole nice illusion by saying that his mag will print only the best stf written.

...whutta let down after all that

homey-type build up.

Leinster was the best stour. One of those neat little epochs to put yuh on guard afin the "man next"... alien life on the earth. kries in vain to make friends with us... but ye brutal barbartin he absonce of true reviewers the editor is forced to usurp this title. true reviewers—take notice:

ians of earth's modern world sez non? WITHARTHMEN give chase and threaten with smarling dawgs and blazing guns to do do bodily harm to be outer worlder... (that's the impression they impart, anyway)...alien is forced to flee in violence and his whereabouts at present are as yet, unknown...or are they???? D'jever have the feeling sumpins watchin?

Clos second is Bob Eloch's...Constant Reader...The way a hostile planet succeds in getting shut of earth explorers

id pretty funny and gory.

Or is it gurey?

Coming third is Mark Clifton's...

Bow Down to Them. Its another satire on the corruption of a future earth government, Good for a chuckle or so, especially if you were ever in the service.

Three other stoars...Down Will Come the Sky, The End, and Mustle Man by Bond, Fritch and Robinson, respectively have the usual, entertaining O. Henry chiller endings that typifies a stf stoar that always sells.

However, it is the remaining two stoars...unimportant enough in them-

selves but kinda funny when they appear in the same mg continue to gimme squirms of disgust.

Y'ed showed loose judgement in let-

ting them come together.

Stowawy...by Mack Reynolds is about a highstepping space ship that holds e every record that they keep records on in the Inter-Phanetary Navy.

Ye spaceboat is about to lose its prestige, as its crew is not performing to the best of their little round abilities.

There is dissension among the crew and quite a few of them are going buggy. Seems they ve reached outer space and somebody hid their checkers so the entire crew is consequently sinking into insanity mire via boredom.

WHEN.

A girl appears...not a bad touch in itself and designed for a lotta laffs but when the girl turns out to be a man.

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The ther stoar, The World Well Lost by The Gore Sturgeon is actually billed on th cover...T, STURGEON'S MOST DAR-ING CARY (in ReD and Blue letters, Yet.)

p be concise... (a great virtue and credit to any reviewer, brand of cigarett or litke, Spillane stoar):::

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a pair of extra solarians show on earth and their home planet, an isolationist who never had no truck with earth, asky for their return, claims they're criminals.

Not wishing to affront, earth sends a pair of ol' buddies (the George and Lennie type affiliation) to take the criminals back. The return of the pair proves uneventful as the criminals are so much wrapped up in each oters limbs and so filled with obvious affection that the smide earthmen dub them the dubious dubber of "Lovebirds"

Through some asinine character development of the "Lennie"-type character it comes about sl-o-o-o-o-o-owly to the eyes of the reader that there is sumpin not quite kosher about the "Lovebirds" affinity for each other.

With a little byplay, Lennie lets the "Birds" go,

End of story discloses that home planet of "Birds" has a society where men are drastically different thatn weren in thier fizical makeupe, so drastically that many men turn to homosexuality, etc. When original envoy comes to earth and sees that carthis sexes are pretty close to the rate material make the he thinks that each is a planet of homes. Hence no diparaticals as.

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It also turns out that the Lennie character is also a darling and bids the Lovebirds adieu becaus he just couldn't stand-to-see-the-poor-things-suffer.

The story ends with a giant of a man stroking the sleeping lips of a smaller man with his oversized paw and burburling. I'm glad its you, little pringe, I'm glad its you.

Shades of Gore Vidal: ITH THITH THE NEW THEODORE STHURE

ITH THITH THEODORE STHURGEON?
ITH THITH THEODORE VIRGIN?

H'ummmmm? SECOND ISHOF UNIVERSE is out June 5th, darlings.

Braasaaaaaaaaack!

FIELLO TOMORROW—cont. from promere it leads to the door if and looked back at his silent bedroom of the last thousand years.

"Goodbye, Goodbye, savage life...he??

My last breath of rationed air, he f thought as he filled his lungs. He rested his hand on the knob of the chamber door now to tasted the sweet pure air of freedom.

In addition to other forms of nonsense, Aristotle is credited (poor man) with poomothing the syllogism, if not actually inventing it.

Thatsthe line of reasoning that

goes:

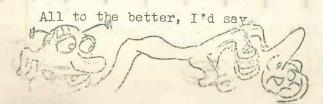
Socrates is rational.

Socrates is a mar.

Therefore, man is rational

Even at that time everyone know perfectly well that Socrates was not retional. Subsequently, an unsung Great Thinker was pointed out that "the major premise of the syllogism takes for granted precisely the point to be proven."

These days syldlogisms have given way to Twenty Questions and Charades.





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Who loved to play stud for apparel.

Her oppenents straight flush
Bought a maidenly blush
and a hasty trip home in a barrell.

The kings of Peru were the Incas,
Who get to be known as big drinkas.

They worshipped the sun and had lots of funnn.

But the peasents all thought they were stinckas:

A gent with a drooping mustache, Chewed some hair out while eating hash. The phrases profand. That he shrieked in his pain. We shall represent here with a

A sickly old gent from Algoma
Once fell, ina sort of a cora
And he lay on the grass
Till a kick in the glutenous maximus
Sent him hurrying, sourrying homa.

little willie, in a pout.
hacked screaming sisters tonsils out
asked, "Who to you expect to me,
a painless tons leateny"

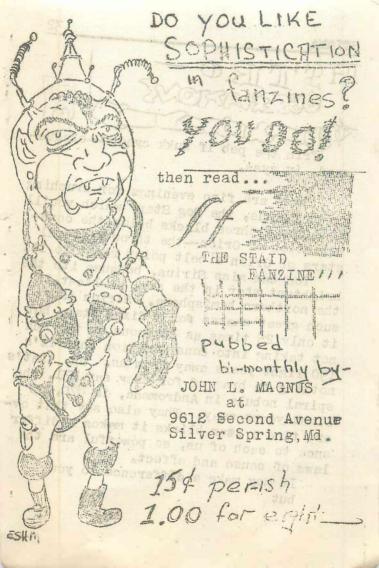
There once was a sailor named Juano
Who shipped on a boat-losd of guano
Soon he uttered these words...
"This stuff's for the birds,
But its good for the flora and fauno!"

a stout social leader named kroll thought her costume exceedingly droll at the masquerade ball, dressed in nothing at all and backed in as a parkerhouse roll...

There once was a lady from Slinger,
Who guzzled ten beers and a stringer
Said she, from the floor,
"I could stand a few more,
But I'm scairt if I drink them I'll ling-

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"Give auntie dear a chair" said ma and will politely rose he gave his aunt a chair all right across her pobbbred nose... A loose living lady from Brillion Whose intent was amassing a million Found her work so much fun That, before she was cone. She decided to show for a tril Mary had a bathing suit-The latest style, ro doubt And when she was inside of it She was more than helf-way out. A bee is such a timy soul, It has no thought of birth-control That is why in times like these WA have so many 'sons of bees ... TATELPARATA PARTA TANDA DA PARTA TANDA DA PARTA The sign upon the barber shop wuz reely very queer it sed, "During alterations, we'll shave you in the rear Here I sit in the moonlight forsook hv wimmen and men while murmuring over and over I'll never eat ontons agin ... 'esceltaa duef eigh ouflrrph slrrph. ooum nyaaah dei urrpf'n glask 'a: 'rm--nuepe dylpp ys-kepetti blambh Cycil glak'h----'a troppfyn plask 722 postry is E Z when you invent the janguage...)





DO YOU LIKE

uzed, iv cyss.

These are fine evenings for brushing up on Sirius, the Dog Star, which you'll find obout three blocks below the constellation of Orion-the three diagonal stars of Orion's belt point right to it.

You can miss Sirius, because its the brightest star in the sky, at least in the northern hemisphere. Sirius isn't such great shakes for a fixed star, but it only 25 times as luminous as the sun not taking into consideration that it's 190 light years away from us. Oh, that's nothing to brag og for they say M31, the spiral nebula in Andromeda, is 870,000 light years away. They also say that every time a star blinks it makes a differ ence to each of us, so powerful are the laws of cause and effect.

It may make a difference to you.

but





This and forthcoming pages have been reserved for forthcoming correspondence (we hope) on this and forthcoming issues (and/or anything else that should strike the mentals of any corresponder, forthcomingly corresponding).

Since this is the first issue of vermag, there are no correspondenthesets's

Therefore the forthcoming pages reserved for forthcoming correspondence have been detoured until forthcoming issues of ve mag.

Write, plis.

Correspondence answered.

Free.

Fatherly masadvice.

Free.

ed correspondence not? An overlook on my part. Recieved a letter yesterday (spelled vestiddt*)...Pretty good when you consider I only mailed it 2 days ago.

IN THIS SPACE (orthismag))

THEHEATHEN

ron fleshman (with no apologies to Rudyard Kipling, who should have known better).

In the dark night far off, above Amidst the nearby stars
Lives a heathen dirty face
On the red sand planet, Mars

They are stupid, They are dirty and their warclubs' made of stone And they don't obey no orders—Unless they are their own

Their skin is a light ochre, Their hair, vermillion red. If you stare at them somewhat askance, They'll slam you in the head

They live with others of their kind. They're a tribe of oafish louts, But if you eye their ugly mates—They'll slam you on the anouts.

They're sulky and they're smelly, They're stupid and they're slow. Their leader is a large green man, Called MMPFG(pronounced Joe).

And the young space-adventurer Who lives on planet Earth, Tells you wih superior smile That he's five times what they're worth.

With his classroom talk, Geology, Metaphysics,

Psychology, Metoreology, And even Cybernytics.

He learns the engine of his ship
How to drive her through the eternal
night

And, Bless his mother's left hind leg, He even learns to fight.

He learns his languages and telepathy,
Recites his Or'nance Book
He can e'en recall twenty out of twentyone things
With just a single look.

He learns to shoot his atom gun, A heat cannon to strip And how to strangulate a big strong man lithout a single yip. He's Learned in military tatics From Kiev back to Troy--So athe the ending of two years, He is a well-versed boy.

So he and others of his kind Take off for the stars. A hundred million superman, All going to the planet, Mars.

They land at last
And set out armies, big and strong,
And for Joe(Mmpfg) and his cronies to
notice them
Don't take especially long.

And all MMPFG9Joe)'s boys com gathering

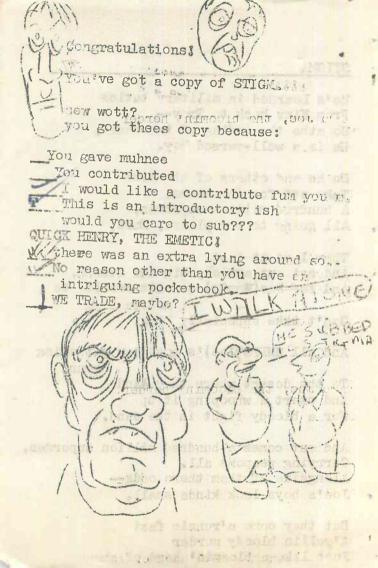
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To the desert where they aland And start a whooping it up For a bloody fight in the sand.

And out comes a hundred million supermen, Carrying weapons all.

Alongside of them there odds—
Joe's boys look kinda small.

But they come a'runnin fast A'yellin bloody murder Just like a bloomin' herd of sheep



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Now you're lookin' for the story.
You think you know the change
But Joe didn' win after all.
Now ain't that just too strange...

Yes, I'm afraid, me lad,
That you've been reading too much
Science-Fiction
Which gives alot of positive facts
Then makes a negative prediction,

True, that sells the story
Aned develops your style
But it ain't the end, not quite.
So stick around for awhile.

Joe caught his in the very first
charge
And most of his tribe did too.
I ain't seen no Martians since
How about you;??

He still wore the smile when the cold black vacum of emety space thre the air from his lungs —thend--



After looking at the cheap by-paay on words up above, you're just about fed up with STIGMA and are scriously contomplating wheter or not you should set it down.

Go ahead.

I'm just about through.

Just a little more blah to round out the mag and give the feeble impression of quantity.

---- item 1

for real funny similarity in plots that hits you in the eye, take a look at the story, "The Classes" by Charles Larson in the July-Angust EMMTASTIF and compare it with "The Cheaters" by Robert Eloch in the Nevencer '47 ish of 'WILAD' TALES. The stories parallel each other pretty closely. ... but as usual, M. Bloch's is the superior.

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There is a movement afoot by the certain members of fandom toc mumarous to list known specifically as Hariau bilison and Donald (doc) Cantin to here the word Quatt Wunkery a household name in fannish bernacular.

Long live the Quatt Wunkers 23883

-item 3

Advertising rates for a full page of STIGMA are 25¢/page or one ish of any pro mag printed before 1930.

Then kew, plis.

-item 4

I have noticed an intense dislike for Ray Bradbury in all fannish activities and sich. Anout 13uta7 mags has sumpin slurring to say about Bradbury.

Why?????

September (green)

--i-tem 5 LON G LIVE STIGMA. MAY IT FOREVER FLOURISH!!!

item 6---retraction of item 5

---item 7

Same as item 4 but in regard to any and all types of question sheets and pol-1s.

item 8 ev buh goo C' muh fuh;

inamevon a ai al Simod bas me terro break is lubertied, de Lune no ed avel and sich Anout lauta mags alverting to say about Braffour LON O LIVE STICKS. DISHELL medi to no Nontonfreput at tod A mest ar emac all types of questlon size S media

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