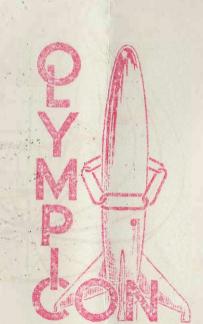


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for his articles which have been appearing in ASE from prewar days, with a few in other magazines. As these are of interest, they are all listed below.

All his fiction, although not prolific, is notable and is written under the pseudonym of 'Philip Latham'.

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A book that should be worth a

look at is the upcoming satire from Sidgwick & Jackson, THE INVES-TIGATOR by Reuben Ship, illustrated by Ronald Searle. The story is the political satire on Senator McCarthy, and is set in heaven. It will be issued in May at 8/6 stg. Also on the S&J list is THE EX-PLORATION OF MARS by Willy Ley & Werner von Braun, illustrated, by Chesley Bonestell, priced at 30/- stg.

A political satire set in TK in

the future is the theme of UP JENKINS ! by Ronald Hingley, to be published by Longmans Green in April at 12/6 stg. From the blurb, it should be quite funny.

Allied Artists have released a film, WORLD WITHOUT END, in CinemaScope and color.

Ray Bradbury's THE SILVER LOC - USTS will appear from Corgi in May at 2/-. stg.

Faber and Faber will publish a sequel to their recent BEST sf. Titled BEST sf 2, it will again be edited by Edmund Crispin. Due out Autumn 1956 (Oct.) it will be priced at 15/- stg.

From American publishers come the following: SECRETS OF SPACE FLIGHT by Lloyd Mallan, ill., from Arco Publishers in March at 32.50; FLYING SAUCERS AND CO-MONSENSE by W. Girvan from Citadel Press in February at 33.50; U.F.O. ANN-UAL edited by M. K. Jessup, from Citadel Press in March at 34.95;

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ATLANTIS: THE MYSTERY UNRAVELLED by Jurgen Spanuth, from Citadel Press in March at \$4.00; THE TRUTH ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS by Aime Michel from Criterion Books at \$3.50 and SF: Years Greatest short SF and Fantasy edited by Judith Merr 1 from Dell Books at 35cents in May.

We can only hope that some S.F. appears from our American friends, instead of the guff so far on the list.

Since the above, some decent news has arrived. Out or due shortly are :ALTERNATING CURRENTS by Frederik Pohl, Ballantine at 35c; CAVIAR by Theodore Sturgen from Ballantine at \$ 2,00 and 35c; WORLD OUT OF MIND by J. T. McIntosh from Permabooks at 25c; THE DRAGON IN THE SEA by Frank Herbert from Doubleday at \$ 2.95; THE BEST FROM F&SF 5th series edited by Anthony Boucher from Doubleday at \$ 3.50; STAR SHINE by Fredric Brown, from ANGELS & SPACESHIPS, from Bantam at 25c; ALL HONORABLE MEN by David Karp from Knopf at \$ 3.95; THE CITY AND THE STARS by Arthur C. Clarke from Harcourt Brace at \$ 3.75. THE COMPLETE BOOK OF SPACE TRAVEL by Albro Gaul from World Publishing at \$ 4.95; DEEP IN THE SKY by Helga Nielsen from Exposition Press at \$ 3.00 THE FLIGHT TO THE MISTY PLANET by M. E. Patchett, a juvenile from Bobbs Merril at \$ 2.75; FORGOTTEN MYS-TERIES by R. De Witt Miller from Citadel Press at \$ 3.00; THE GOLDEN KAZOO by John Schneider from Rinehart at \$ 3.50; THE KEY TO INTERPLANETARY SPACE TRAVEL by Bradford Chambers from Stravon at \$ 1.50; MISSION TO THE STARS by A. E. Van Vogt from Berkeley, at 25c; THE ROBOT ROCKET by Carey Rockwell, a juvenile from Grosset at \$ 1.00: SEVEN FOOTPRINTS TO SATAN by A. Merritt from Avon at 35c; SPACE POLICE by Andre Norton, a juvenile from World at \$ 2.75; TOMORROW by Philip Wylie from Popular at 35c; AND HELL'S MY DESTINATION by Alfred Bester from Popular at 35c; THE ANSWER by Philip Wylie from Rinehart at \$ 2.50; BETWEFN THE PLANETS by Fletcher Watson from Harvard at \$ 5.00: COUNT LUNA by Alexander Lernert-Holenia from Criterion at \$ 3.00; CROOKED MIND by Jerry Sohl from Rinehart; DOUBLE STAR by Robert Heinlein from Doubleday at \$ 2.95; THE EXPLORATION OF MARS by Ley & Von Braun from

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Viking at \$ 4.95; THE FABULOUS FUTURE from Dutton at \$ 3.50: THE HISTORY OF WITCHCRAFT AND DEMONOLOGY by Montague Summers from University Books at \$ 6.00; I. ROBOT by Isaac Asimov from Signet at 25 cents: VENTURE IN UTOPIA by Melford Spiro from Harvard at \$ 4.50 : LUCKY STARE AND THE BIG SUN OF MERCURY by Paul French from Double day at \$ 2.50: MISSION TO THE MOON by Lester del Rey from Winston at \$ 2.00; 1999 by Vicor Cohn from Bobbs Merrill at \$ 3.75: OUT OF THE SILENT PLANET by C. S. Lewis from Avon at 35c; THE POWFR bv Frank Robinson from Lippincott at \$ 3.00; RANGER BOYS IN SPACE by Hal Clement from Page (juv.) at S 2.50; REACH FOR TOMORROW by Arth ur C. Clarke from Ballantine at 35c; THE SECOND SATELLITE by R.S. Richardson, juv from Whittlesey at \$ 2.50; STARBOY by Carl Biemiller, a juv from Holt at \$ 2.50; THE SUN by Abetti from Macmillan. \$ 12.00; and the following Ace Books - CONTRABAND ROCKET by Correy and THE WORGOTTEN PLANET by Leinster, THE WORLD JONES MADE by Dick and AGENT OF THE UNKNOWN by St. Clair; and A JOURNEY TO THE CENTRE OF THE EARTH by Verne, all at 35c.

Ziv Television, producers of SCIENCE FICT-ION THEATRE, has sold the Australian rights of this series to the A.B.C. for presentation over the Melbourne and Sydney networks.

Robert Taylor is starring in the under-the wraps THE 32nd DAY at Metro, and British author John Mantley is scripting his THE TWENTY SEVENTH DAY at Columbia.

The Warner Bros release TOWARDS THE UNKN -OWN stars William Holden, Lloyd Nolan and Virginia Leith, produced and directed by Mervyn LeRoy.

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On the first Thursday in May, the usual crowd converged on the Tafe residence, with the usual result. A good roll-up of fourteen fans, all the old hands plus Bb Smith. a visitor from Melbourne. We were interested to hear that while in Japan recently he met Harry Brook, foundation member of the Brisbane Group.

We hear that Tom Sandeman, an ex- member who has now settled in England, is a locum at York. He still has hopes of getting into space medicine, and has a letter in the Journal of the British Interplanetary Society on Cosmic Rays.

Frank Bryning has a story in the latest issue of AUSTRALIAN JOURNAL - titled A HANK OF HATR. We liked it.

George and Betty Tafe have just returned from the Kempsey show - Betty with a very smart hairdo.On the way back they liberated a large chunk of Charlie Mustchin's library. Howls of anguish from members when they refused topart with it on the purely insufficient reasons of not having readit.

John Gurney and Mike Barry played some rather intense chess, with varying fortune. Jack Adams was back after his vacation. He had hoped to get among the big ones at Yamba, but the weather was not co-operative. Having such long arms. Jack tells a wonderful fish story ...

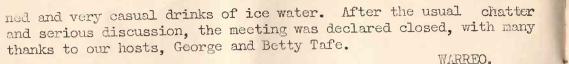
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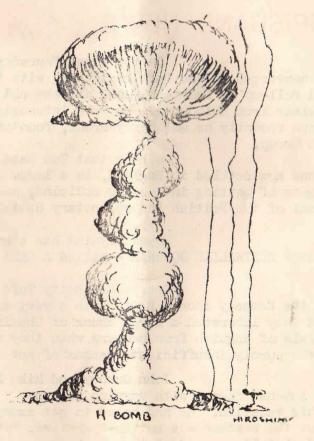
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action until finally the aliens decide that Earth is too hostile and depart.

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APOLOGIES

We apologise for the slimness of the issue, but circumstances beyond our control force it.

Next issue will see all the usual features in full force.

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ALICE (A La Space) Clevecon issue : From Kent Corey, Box 64, Enid, Oklahoma at 20 c per copy. Alice is NOT a new(d) publication, tho' the illos would suggest it. Ghu help us if the Aussie Post Office find this warm number in my nail ! Why is it that the more clothes a girl takes off, the warmer she is ?

There is a long editorial, copius reviews of 'anmags - an article on Don Ford - a long letter column.

By the way, Kent, ETHERLINE is intended to supply a widely scattered fandom with news of SF currently available in the few places where it is sold here - it is intended to SERVE fandom, rather than amuse it, or boost the egoboo. And oh. yes, we

do try and abolish typos. Finally, let me say ALICE is fun - and I like to read it (furtively, of course !).

Bob McCubbin

FRONTIER No. 5 Once again the Society for the Advancement of Space Travel has sent us their official bulletin, and a very nice job it is too, from Dale Smith, 3001 Kyle Ave., Minneapolis 22, Minn. USA. at 50 cents a copy.

I see that my linguistic friend, Peter Ingerman among the members of the board. Are you still in Carversville Peter ? Long time no hear from.

There is a selection of good material by Rinehart Potts, Norm Peterson, Jos. Lincoln and Ken Curtis, with fair to good artworks by McPherson and Labowitz. If you are serious about space travel, why not check with this outfit ?

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HELLO From Eva Firestone. This is a zine which is the forerunner of a publication for a very limited circle - those fans who are 50 and over. If any Australian fans in this category wish to know more about it, they should contact Bob McCubbin, 90 Lilydale Grove, Hawthorn East, Vic.

This issue is rather mixed in quality and execution - but I hope the idea catches on. By the way, a new fan is a NEOFAN, so what would you call a fan with an interest 30 years or more ? Suggestion (printable) will be welcomed.

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<u>PLOY</u> No. 4. from Ron Bennett, 7 Southway, Arthur's Ave., Harrogate Yorkshire, England at 1/- stg per copy. Pubbed irregularly. Some good artwork - cover lettering means what - ??

Archie Mercer is mercerless as a punster. I liked Eric Benteliffe's little gem UNDERESTIMATION . Joy Goodwin gets the Bulmers off to sea (alovely interlineation) Article on 'bloods' would only interest the older bracket of fandom, but the parody on BORN OF MAN AND WOMAN by Cliff Gould is worth the price of admission on its own.

Ken Potter has a gentle gibe at Brennschluss. The best part of Twerpdom report was the chopped chaff at the ond. Letters and reviews as usual - plus comments. A good issue, Ron.

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Cover from WHO SPEAKS OF CONQUEST is by Quinn, but is not one of his hetter jobs. Lead story is part one of a 4 part serial by Lan Wright. Tells of a first meeting, and is not bad so far.

THE CLINIC by Ted Sturgeon is really a classic about an amnesiac telepath. More please ! F. G. Rayer's CONSOLIDATION AREA gives a new twist on alien invasion. Good. Ken Bulmer's SUNK is how the biter gets bit on Mars. WINKLE by Dan Morgan is a clairvoyant, ET, meteor predictor etc. - quite a useful gadget to have on a space ship. Chad Oliver's ARTIFACT is probably familiar to a lot, but it is still good, so what the 'ell ? Article is up to standard, and the issue

on the whole is above the past few.

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