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PREVIEW OF THE PROFESSIONALS

Recently accepted by AMAZING are,

"WHEN GIANTS FALL" by Harl Vincent; and "WINGS OVER WASHINGTON" by Ralph Milne Farley ... FANTASTIC AD-VENTURES will feature an illustrated Detective Strip adapted from a short story, "ATOMS DON'T LIE" by J. Harvey Haggard ... "PINK ELEPHANS and "THE SEAL OF THE SATYR", both by Robert Bloch, have been accepted by STRANGE STORIES Details can't be revealed as yet, but the novel to appear in the 4th issue of STAR-TLING STORIES is the most "strutiing" to appear in science-fiction since "THE RETARN OF GEORGE WASHING TON " ! !!! ------PREVIEW OF NUMBER TWO "SCIENCE FICTION" ---- The cover of the June, 1939 issue of SCIENCE FICTION will portray the World's Fair being destroyed by an alien space-ship. This will not illustrate any story, but will be explained in a one-page stoff written orticle. Background of cover will be white -- the space-ship will be red. Cover by PAUL. -----The stories in this issue will be: "WHERE ETERNITY ENDS" by Enndo Binder(Novel); "SHORT-WAVE MADNESS" by Robert Castle; "MOON HEAVEN" by Don Fassante (Novelette); "BROTHERS OF FATE" by Manley Wade Wellman; "THE TRAITOR" by THOS.S. GARDNER (Short-Short); "TELEPATHY IS NEWS" by Paul Edmonds; & "THE BLACK COMET" by John Coleridge .---- A reader's Department will be innugerated in this issue, entitled, "THE TELEPA-TH". There will also be a 1,000 word article, "ESPERANTO---TONGUE OF TOMORROW" by the editor. Writes

Hornig, it's editor, "I am planning to provide space for the WORLD STF CONVENTION in a conspicuous place at the end of some story....SCIENCE FICTION (June issue) I expect to be on sale about the middle of March... From England we hear that the 2nd issue of FANTASY, which was to have been issed at the end of January 39 has been delayed till the middle of March 39------

AUSTRALIAN TOPICS by MARSHALL L. McLENNAN

Saw a science-fiction story in CHUM'S ANNUAL, 1939, an English publication. It was the first story in the book and is called "THE MASTER OF THE WORLD" by Geoffery Meridith. The state of the story mentions Jules Verne and his ideas, and the story itself concerns a war of the future (which seems to be a favorite topic with British and Australian writers) ... American opinion is sincerely wanted on the idea of publishing a professional Australian science fiction magazine. It is wondered if such a magazine would also receive some patronage from U.S. The idea of an Australian stf magazine is being broached soon to a regular Australian publisher who seems to have tendencies toward fantasy. If he can be convinced, the magazine probably will put out a trail number, selling for about 6d (12 cents).... The news that "Double-Action" plans a companion publication to SCIENCE FICTION, tentively titled FUTURE FICTION brings to the fore an item which I belive will interest all stf fans. Some time ago a stf reader who runs a book shop in Australia

told me of a magazine called FUTURE FICTION printed in Canada, The size about the same as ASTOUNDINGS, It was issed quarterly, and contained practically all reprints, and about 5 issues of this magazine were published up to last September. I never saw a copy, to my dissappointment, all efforts to find more about it have met with failure, as only this particular shop had 3 or 4 odd copies as back numbers amoung the hundreds of American's large list of mags import. ANYONE HAVING HEARD OF A CANADIAN MAGAZINE TITLED "FUTURE FICTION" GET IN TOUCH WITH "FANTASY NEWS"----(MM)

NEWS ITEMS BY JOHN GIUNTA The cover of the 4th MARVEL SCIENCE STORIES is by Saunders; and there is an editorial by Eando Binder discussing the cover, which in turn all ustrates TAINE'S TOMBEROW .---- CARL H. CLAUDY author of "THE ADVENTURES IN THE UNKNOWN" series, his first book, THE MYSTERY MEN OF MARS has been condensed into cartoon form & is now featured in the new comic mag, ALL AMERICAN COMICS, this new company which puts out this new mag has also put out something new in the form of a comic magazine, MOVIE COMICS. It features scenes from dif ferent movies in cartoon form. The only movie of scientific interest to the readers is THE SON OF FRANKEN. STEIN----(JG)

The April number of Marconette's SCIENTI-SNAPS will feature a shortstory by S.F. Balbon and articles by Harry Warner, Richard Wilson and J. Chapman Miske. Moskowitz will continue his "CAN YOU REMEMBER?" series in the future "Did you notice that the Chicago Sunday Trib une's Feature Section cover was drawn by Herman R. Bollin, Art Di-

rector of AMAZING STORIES?" informs

OVERFLOW by SAM MOSKOWITZ

Ted likty 'INCANNY TALES, available on all news stands is the Marvel publisher's answer to the weird side of fiction. It is to be lamented however, that the new magazine, shows, to a degree, the more or less sadistic tendencies of the run-ofthe mill horror magazines. Ferhaps time will remedy that .----Ralph Milne Farley has a rather unique way of estimating the wordage of his stories: "I subtract half of the number of Chapters from the number of rages, and then multiply by my telephone number. Actually!"
Farley also states: "My hobby is raising black iris, which my Harvard Classmate, the President of the American Iris Society, says there min't any such. I also raise several other non-existent kinds of iris"-

NEWS FLASHES BY HARRY WARNER JR F.A.Kummer had a non-stf short story published in the Washington Times-Herald on Feb. 14; it was probably syndicated. ----AD ASTRA, the new Chicago fan magazine, will appear shortly, possibly within a month.
Material is scheduled for the first issue by Ray Palmer, Hugo Gersback, E.E.Smith, J.W.Compbell, Jr. and many others, The mag will contain about 20 pages mimeoed and sell for a dime. Mark Reinsberg and Richard Meyer are the editors. Burrough's CARSON OF VENUS has been published in book form by Schribners. W. Lawrence Hamling, in collaboration with Mark Reinsberg, has just had his 1st story accepted by the pro magezines. It is a 5,400 word short, to appear in AMAZING very soon, entifled "WAR WITH JUPITER. -----HW) ITEMS: ERIC FRANK RUSSEIL, anglash author of "Sinister Barrier" is to vist the UNITED STATES late in APRIL, Paul Rowberger, who did that swell heading in Discussions recently, is to illustrate for SPACEWAYS exclusively --- Avery's Magazine, FUNTASY, should be out any day nows-----

by HARRY WARNER, JR. (NOTE: Thanks to the help of John W.Campbell, Jr., I have changed about the values of several of the departments. They are now as follows:TITLE: T: 5%; CHARACTERIZATION: 0:20%; PLCT: F: 35%; NARRATION: N:40%) UNKNOWN -- (March, 1939 - VOL.1-No.1) SINISTER BARRIER. N:38% TCTAL:97% F:35% 88 32 32 WHO WANTS PCWER? 79 35 24 17 TARK VISION 95 38 34 18 TROUBLE WITH WATER..... 93 39 3.5 16 "WHERE ANGES FEAR"..... 88 38 29 17 CLOSED DOORS 83 30 16 DEATH SENTENCE..... DEATH HAS FIVE GUESSES. T:4% C:18% F:32% N:38% T C:18% F:32% N:38% TOTAL:92% 75 LCGODA'S HEADS..... 85 15 CURSED BE THE CITY..... 97 37 34 18 LORD OF EVIL..... 78 30 26 17 THE BOX FROM THE STARS..... 97 39 35 20 THE DEAD WOMAN 79 34 28 15 THE VENGEANCE OF AL..... 94 38 35 18 THE CREEPER IN DARKNESS...... 76 30 27 14 MIRACLE IN THREE DIMENSIONS 5 96 32 39 20 A QUESTION OF IDENTITY 85 34 33 16 THE BOTTOMLESS FOCI. 2 71 34 20 14 3 FJLFILLMENT. 81 32 30 16 3 BELLS OF HORRCE........

BERNARD MASKWICZ, SENSATION "FANTASY DIGEST" ARTIST TO VIST NEW YORK CITY

BERNART MASKWICZ, who has done such a remarkable job of illustrating "FANTASY DIGEST" will be inNY Feb. 28th, 1939. Maskwicz will visit Thurnsi, the evening of Feb. 28th, and probably will be greeted by a number of other fans as well. And speaking of Maskwicz reminds us of Ted Dikty's coming issue of FANTA-SY LIGEST. The 3rd issue, out some wheres about March 1st, will easily be the finest of the lot. There are articles by Sam Moskowitz, Harry Warner, 4SJ Ackerman, Dale Hart, Lane Stannard and Kenneth Macklin. Departments include the work Robert Bahr, Bernard Maskwicz (Tour

Thru Fandom), Sam Moskowitz, Readers Corner and Editorial. There will also be poetry by Helem Cloukey & Jack Johnson. There will be at least 3 pages of drawings by Maskwicz, in which he goes in for back-ground & scientific apparatus, to silence those who claim he cannot draw any thing by's Humans, The issue will be 52 pages. No more fiction will be included in FANTASY DIGEST. The mag may go large size with its fourth number to facilitate speed in production----(SM) CONVENTION FACTS: Jack Speer IPO man of Washington D.C. reports that he will have a special booklet out in size. He states: "Have been recently

time for the convention, also of good working on a rough draft for my memories, a history of Fandom (Cont.F.4)

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CONVENTION FACTS (Cont'd from P.3) which besides being circulated thru the FAPA. will be my Convention Publication, "------

) ADIC NOTES by WALTER SULLIVAN

(EDITORIAL NOTE: WALTER SULLIVAN has just been appointed "RADIO ED-ITOR" of FANTASY NEWS, and his Column, RADIO NOTES will appear, whenever there is material to fill one)

"THE CIRCLE" Broadcast from Hollywood over WEAF in New York has presented some interesting weird and fantasy plays in the last few weeks. On Feb. 12, it presented a play in which the main character is killed in an auto accident and goes to what he thinks is Heaven. While he is there, he gets everything he wants. After a few years of this he becomes tired of it. On demanding to be sent to Hell, he finds he has been there all the time. On the same program Basil Rathbone, "The Son Of Franken stein", read: a poem by Stephen Vin cent Benet in which he relates how during the third World War something happens causing no more children from being born. This was also presented over Rudy Villee's programe a. few months ago. On the Feb. 19 pro gram Rathbone read another of Benet's pieces which discribes how the machine revolt and begin to wipe out the Human race. --- "LIGHTS OUT" came thru with another good play on the 22nd. Called "TRUMPETS" in which the villian steals a machine that destroys matter by sound waves .----"MYSTERIES OF THE MIND" ended its run over WOR Monday night. Feb 20. "LIGHTS OUT" presented "THE SURVIVOR on Wednesday, February 22nd. It was n weird play dealing with a man who was among the members of a ship to

get into a life boat when it sank. He did not want to die in the sea. and so threw many of the other members overboard to lighten the boat. However, when he got to land he was haunted by the voices of those he had killed and finally died by falling face-down in a three inch pool of water and drowning. . (WS)

CIENTIFILMS

) by Mario Racic Jr. Ernest Schoedsack, producer of stfilms such as KING KONG, SON OF KONG is now making another fantastic film, called DR. CYCLOPS. This film is being done in great secrecy, and only seven people on the Paramont lot have read the script. But, according to mythology, Cyclops were giant one-eye monsters, yerhaps this is the idea of the film. ---- MGM is starting work on the fantasy film ON BORROWED TIME, starring Lionel Barrymore. The film deals with the Supernatural, Death etc..... REVIVALS: THE GHOUL return-from-the-dead story with Karloff, at Wallack, 42nd St. N.Y. Feb. 27 to Mar. 1st. MOVIE COMICS, besides what Johnny states on rage 2, contains; several pages devoted to "movee makeup"

SCIENTIFILM CONTEST!!!

showing how Karloff & Lugosi were

In the next Tarzan opus, Maurine

O'Sullivan will be killed, that as

the character she portrays will be

kill-----(MR)

made up for the SON OF FRANKENSTEIN

FANS TEST YOUR MEMORY Send in the names of as many pictures that KARLODF appeared in STF or otherwise. And the one mailing in the higest correct number of said films will receive "TWO EX-CELLENT STILLS from LOST HORIZON. 2nd prize:10 issues of FANTASY NEWS 3rd prize: 5 - 11 11 CONTEST CLOSES: MARCH 18th, 1939