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"BEYOND" CUTS PAGES TO 128

New York, NY, 23 April, (CNS) - It was announced today that starting with the September 1954 issue, Beyond will cut its page total from 160 to 128. Tho the sales of the magazine are good, this move has been taken to insure the magazine's healthy condition. Starting with this issue a bulkier paper will be used, giving the magazine about the same thickness as it now enjoys.

At about the same time the paper of Galaxy will also be changed to the heavier type. Galaxy will continue at 160 pages.

Tho the number of pages of Beyond have been cut there will be no other changes made. The magazine will continue on a bi-monthly schedule and the rate of pay for stories etc will remain the same.

S-F NEWSCOPE

by James V. Taurasi

There are numerous rumors making the rounds these days that are untrue. We have checked on them with the editors or publishers involved and the results are quite the opposite,

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"SPACE" TO BE REVIVED

"SCIENCE FICTION ADVENTURES" SKIPS AN ISSUE

New York, NY, 25 April, (CNS) - Harry Harrison, editor of Science Fiction Adventures, made a dramatic announcement at the 4th ANNUAL FANVET CONVENTION today, when

THE FANVET CONVENTION REPORT

NEXT FANVET CONVENTION
SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY
APRIL 17, 1954

New York, NY, 25 April, (CNS) - About 100 persons attended the 4th Annual Fanvet Convention Today, somewhat less than usually attend these annual New York Conventions, but the convention was termed highly successful by all there.

The high spot of the afternoon was an impressive talk by Willy Ley, who spoke on a book coming out shortly telling about the development of the V-2 under the Nazi Government. A story tagged by Mr. Ley as unsalable as "fiction"-as it violates every rule for a successful story. Mr. Ley told the story in his usual high humorous style that has made him so successful.

he announced that Space Science Fiction, which folded last Fall, will be revived. The sales returns of the last issue published were so good that the publisher has decided to again issue the magazine on a bi-monthly basis. It will be the same as before 160 pages, digest-size and 35¢.

With the reviving of Space, its sister magazine, Science Fiction Adventures HAS HAD TO SKIP AN ISSUE, but, Harry assures us, will continue, also on a bi-monthly schedule, and will remain at 160 pages.

Harry is working on both magazines now. Line-ups and release dates on both will be announced as soon as they are set.

Since the serial Space was publishing at the time it folded it is now out in book form and will shortly be out in pocket-book form it will not be continued in the revived Space.

Thomas S. Gardner gave a short talk on the humorous side of comments he has received in doing review works including the

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ANNUAL reviews he does for
Fantasy-Times.

Numerous announcements
were made at this conven-
tion including that of
Harry Harrison (see page 1
of this issue), Robert Fra-
zier who told about his
school for s-f writers,
George Raybin who told of
a convention being planned
jointly by the s-f
clubs of New York-New Jer-
sey, to be held in New York
this coming October (more
on this in future issues
of F-T), and Cal Beck, who
announced his latest s-f
club.

A birthday cake with
25 candles was presented
by Fantasy-Times in honor
of the 25th Anniversary of
Thrilling Wonder Stories.
This was cut and distribu-
ted to those present.

Among the guests pres-
ent were: Mrs. H. L. Gold
of Galaxy; Miss Mary Gnaed-
inger of Famous Fantastic
Mysteries; Mrs. Leo Margu-
lies of Fantastic Universe
Barry Greenberg of Gnome
Press; Sam Moskowitz of
Science-Fiction Plus, au-
thors John Victor Peterson
and Edward S. Staub, ar-
tist Ed Emshwiller, David
A. Kyle and others.

Mort Weisinger, making
a business trip to the
West Coast, was unable to
attend, but sent a message

to the convention.

The auction brought in
about \$100.00 in profits
which was turned over to
Secretary Frank R. Prieto
of the Fantasy Veterans
Association; most of which
will be used to mail maga-
zines and books to readers
of s-f in the US Armed
Forces overseas.

A Paul cover from the
old Wonder Stories brought
in \$7 at the auction; while
one of the last Bergey
covers from Space Stories
brought in \$10.50. About
the highest price for an
original interior was \$5;
while the lowest was 25¢.

Group illustrations
along with the original
manuscripts from Galaxy
averaged about \$4.00 for
each set. Of the magazines
auctioned off, Vol. 2-No. 1
of Carnell's New Worlds
went for \$1.75.

The next, 5th ANNUAL
FANVET CONVENTION, will be
held at the same place,
Werdermann's Hall, 3rd Ave
at E. 16th St., New York
City, on Sunday, April 17,
1955. Plans underway call
for a beauty Contest to
pick "Miss Fanvet" of 1955.

S-F NEWSSCOPE

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tion will not go bi-monthly
in the foreseeable future,
in fact returns from
about the first of this
year indicate that sales
have gone up. They also
have not given up serials
after the current one is
finished. They are just
going to wait until the
right one comes along. What
they want in serials is a
good "name" author and a
damn good story.

Orbit and Cosmos have

not folded. Orbit has gone
bi-monthly from "one-shot"
(see issue #197) while Cos-
mos has just published is-
sue #4.

FANTASY FORECASTS

Coming Up In The Pros

The July issue of Fantasy
& Science Fiction, out a-
bout June 1st, will pre-
sent: "Shadow Of Wings" by
Elisabeth Sanxay Holding,
"The Doom Of London" by
Robert Barr, "The Account-
ant" by Robert Sheckley,
"Careless Love" by Albert
Compton Fribing, "My Boy
Friend's Name Is Jello" by
Avram Davidson, conclusion
of the serial "Star Lummox"
by Robert A. Heinlein, "In-
finite Resources" by Ran-
dall Garrett, "The Lysenko
Maze" by David Grinnell,
plus three poems by Shar-
wood Springer, Randall
Garrett and Leah Bodine
Drake. Also book reviews
by the editors. The cover
is by Kirberger illustrat-
ing "Star Lummox".

The August issue of Future
Science Fiction has a real
good cover by Freas; two
novelets: "Cure Guaranteed"
by T. L. Sherred, "Rosie
Lived In A Bubble" by More
Schere; 4 short stories:
"Mirror, Mirror" by Jerome
Bixby, "The Marvelous Nov-
ie" by Robert Abernathy,
"Guide Wire" by Joe L. Hon-
sley and "Asylum" by Alice
Bullock. Also included are
all the departments in-
cluding the marvelous "In-
side Science Fiction" by
Robert A. Madle. Interior
artists are Freas, Emsh,
Orban and Luton.

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Jack Cosgrove

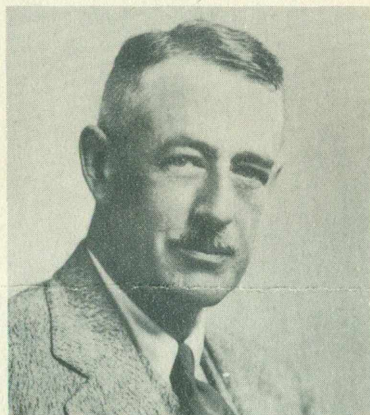
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