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Good-will, --- not
bombs, to men .

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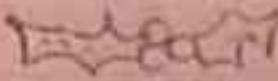
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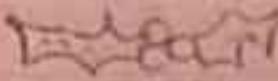
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Park and Pennington will still be West Virginia hills.
Mr. Pealey claims however, contends that he was not trying
anything so hot the condition the Park Guard was as informed
about distribution, developed to receive messages from here. By
May 30th backed up before the judge to conclude his
Pealey continues. Judge takes day off to visit Pealey's
home, Pealey's home.

Perot and Justice reach first agreement from Dept. / World - Post

Philip Dean Esq. will. Address him "Dear Friend, send me a copy
of it and by the way of course, that's beautiful thing,
what you say. I am very much your dutiful pal, F. Dean Dean,
Please be kind, you will be fine. 27 May 1841

Barra reticulata Bonn. Harry Smith made drawings of a
specimen, May 814. Harry thought it was the plateau
form from Liem Sio.

12 3 Four weeks ago thinking of putting out this album in 12's complete from January to late November) as soon as it seems the ore covered. Should make a nice 15 or 20 page book.

12 3 Cricket invades Japan. Japan army, claims it isn't cricket.

13 3 Science Fiction Authors Assn. protests to League of Nations. Claim the space invasion wasn't cricket. If anybody is going to do any invading, it'll gotta be Martians or Morourians!

14 3 China politely invites the S-F Authors Assn to go to offy.

15 3 Harry Turner getting worried because Fong hasn't reported back since the 9th. Organizes Expedition to make Dark Side trip.

16 3 Expedition lands safely on Dark Side after small trouble at the border Customs house. 'Spacemunks' not permitted on Dark S.

17 3 Foster's faith in human nature broken; finds trusted assistant busy turning out bootleg zepazines, and perfecting underground railway to transport same to Light Side.

18 3 Foster orders underground railway blown up and ties confiscated for the Royal furnace. Rail's sold to nearby junk dealer.

19 3 Fong makes getaway down underground tunnel.

20 3 Revolution spreads Sunday on Dark Side with dusky hours.

21 3 In the Expedition today Upon taking their hours' back to Light Side, they find they spent Sunday with so many columns of smoke!

22 3 Chinese report Fong at Moon's core checking up on reports that spacemen have their base there.

23 3 Fong emerges on surface, declares rumors untrue. Claims were absolutely interested by anything.

24 3 Fong caught tramping pretty moon-mission.

25 3 Fantasy Zone audience daily stimulation has in other millions.

26 3 Dick Wilson announces new news-sheet "Fantasy Views". Instructed "All there are a million readers, I would say half."

27 3 Superficial hit's the industry. 15-17 mag go up.

28 3 Can't wait for joy. Pray furiously for reading 36 to fatten.

29 3 Reminding 36 pro mag go under in stock market crash;

for the first time since 1929, not a single professional fiction magazine remains in the country! This certainly isn't.

30 3 Thus before the length and breadth of the nation wall to wall, carry the total volume of 70 pages, formal London Fox "the good old days" what they had 55 monthly, and weekly now.

31 3 Books as usual, several thousand closed out especially great stuff ready to file for their country if necessary. Have reliable sources that Americans are planning invasion, will now be heard from. Don't mind me in my laboratory. Apply at once! Dr. Robert W.

IN OUR MAIL BOX (260) - *Look*

"Say, will somebody enlighten me as to the truth of this Convention blockade? ... or about it ...?"

J. J. Portier

"Add my voice to those who would be interested in seeing serious account of the (Philly) Conference from your angle"

Don Wollheim

"I've been looking forward to the Nov. 19 "LZ", particularly wanting to read your views on the convention (Philly)"

Sam Moskowitz

"If you feel equal to it, a sober report and analysis from your own unique point of view should be valuable."

Cyril Kornblith

"Say chums, we bend before the wind--with reservations. Letters soon to Merconette, Moyer, Neinsberg and Korshak will ask for their complete review of the Philly conference. This will be combined with my own, and either be presented in a future LZ, or be made up into a booklet for some undefined (as yet) manner of distribution. Okay? -b.t.

"'LZ' a mite tardy again. The novellette which Dick and I were cautiously rumored to be work-in-on (See LZ #8) was written and sold two weeks ago." CyK.

"There is a moderate possibility that Fictionscra, Inc. will issue not one, but two, new magazines of fantasy. One might be a cross between Unknown and weird, the other would be something never before used in a pulp magazine."

-AOOR.

(We think we have already saw it....it isn't called Sinister Stories, by any chance? -bt)

And of this company, we have heard that the "Governing Board" of the U.S.A. will call a meeting of writers on the second day of November in New York City.

have been chosen, and among them are: two young authors, three of the "teard-and-bomb boys", a couple neutrals, and (heh heh) ---- me. At least three are also members of How Random. His org is to be introduced to a palpitating public with the first issue of astonishing.

"The bug has bit me at last. My mag, SHINE, will appear before Xmas, I hope. Small-sized, backto, about 40 pages, ten cents." Lancer Knight

"I will be looking forward to a ill note from you in next issue of LZ - brle Korshak. (Hi!, erlc.)-bt

"L. Taylor Hansen would be quite surprised to hear that "he" is a man. "I" stands for "Ouisc." - Jim Hodskins. (R we rebar need! -bt)

"Stardust is stuck for the moment. A. looking for another printer. Original one raised price so high et moi!" - Bill Hamling.

"Adolph De Castro, famous author of many books on religion, philosophy, and writer for Weird, is giving into the care of LASER a series of letters written him by H.P. Lovecraft."

-Ray Bradbury

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by
Julius Schwartz

-Reprint Of The Month-

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(Please! In reprinting this column
for four years past, the editors
ask to call your attention to its
over-value at this date.)

THIS MONTH: Due to illness and
temporary retirement of Elliott
Edgar, Astounding has secured
the services of Waldegrave Manso-
nado to substitute for Dold. His
first illustration will be for Nat
Schneider's "The Isotope Men", to
appear in the January 7 issue.
The Star, which already has
had its November number, will
appear in the January 1936 issue.
("To catch up on sales")....
Pat Dent and Lawrence Donovan
are collaborating in spinning
new science exploits.... C. L.
Wells has drawn a striking illus-
tration for his new Fantasyard,
"The Dark Land", scheduled for pub-
lication in January SCIENCE FICTION.
It is a series of sorry adventure
about King Ruv of Rome, a
king who is aging in an other-
world, where his dreams come true
and in his journeys into stran-
ger lands and countries but for his
wife.... The next in the series
by Lawrence Dent will be
"The Tree of Life".

It is long absence from the
page of a science fiction maga-
zine, something in part
due to our series at the moment
of course, but also to the
fact that he has been writing another
series of novels, the "Gordon
Raven".... H. G. Wells,
for his scientific and
odd work "Miracles", will
be finally in the American
market under the title, ...

Macmillan will publish it later as
a book..... The personal exper-
iences of a nobata are related in
Ross Rocklynne's Wonder novella,
"Into The Darkness".... S. Fowler
Wright's English newspaper serial,
"The War of 1936" (see May Science
Fiction age) has been published in
book form as "Prelude in Prague",
(put out by Hounds at 7/6, about
\$1.80).... Frank Belknap Long, Jr.
has clicked again at Astounding
with "The Cones".

A new science fiction magazine
will probably appear within the
next six months).... Wonder's
next serial, a two-part one by
H. S. Fidness, formerly announced as
"The Atomic Operation", will ap-
pear as "A World Unseen". The ac-
tion takes place within the blood-
stream of a girl.... Lawrence
Manning has written a 60,000 word
novel-sequel to his "World of the
Mist", which he titles "World of
Creation". It will complete
Moro's serial.... H. G. Wells
has taken H. L. Bowler's "Laboratory
Co-Operator 3", and F. J. Miller's
"The Shapos".... Farn-
worth right maintains that "The
Crystal Curse", Bondo Binder's
forthcoming yarn in SCIENCE FICTION, is a
"Veritable Rhapsody In Blue"....
H. P. Lovecraft has dedicated his
newest story, "The Counter of the
"odd" to Robert Bloch, an un-
fected by a reader in SCIENCE FICTION....
... Stanley G. Weismann continues
his successful selling streak in
Astounding with the sole of his
latest novella, "Redemption
Cabin".

It is not generally known that
Julian Huxley is the author of
"Omnibus".

John Russell Frazee's
novella "The Mystery of
the Sun" has been accepted
in the Popular Library....
Barber will continue his
series of his stories, the first of
which was "The Insect World".... Barber
has already accepted the second,

"The World of Singing Crystals" ... Six Mystery Adventures is going in heavily for science fiction. H.P. Starzl's "World Wide Murders" was in the November issue. Nat Schachner's "Master of the Space Ray", was in the December number. D.P. Sharp was in the January edition. ... Mystery adds another artist to its roster in the person of Virgil Finlay, of Rochester, N.Y., who illustrates several of the stories in the December issue. ... R.H. Winterbottom will reappear in Astounding with "The Psycho-Power Conquest".

Donald Sandrol recently submitted a novelette, "Passenger Axure" to Detective Fiction Weekly. A few weeks later he received an acceptance and check for this story from Argosy. The tale recently appeared in the latter magazine as "The Monster from Nowhere". ... A new English author, W.P. Temple, will make his bow to Wonder's readers with a yarn titled "...nother Chance", about a man who hits bumps in the time stream and bounces back into the past. Fort Wolsinger cops the February cover of Thrilling Mystery with "Torture Tower", a 1000-word story. ... Clifton B. Erwin is slated for an appearance in the January Astounding with "Stranger from Formalut", and again in February with "Don Kula of the J.B.P.". "The Mysterious Universe" adapted from Jeanne Jean's book of the same name, has been running at a London theatre as a play.

Since Paul Ernst (full name, Paul Frederick Ernst) has his instant Doctor Satan story, "The Conquering Flame" in the November issue under his own name, his other story in this issue, "The Key House", was published under the pseudonym, Paul Frederick Stein, the latter name being an invention of Ernst. No more will vacation it for 3 months in South America....

Raymond E. Gallun is due again in Astounding with "Period Moon" ... After almost a year, Lendo Binder returns to Wonder with a novelette "Fradax", in which the speed of light is once more exceeded. Story will appear under the changed title, "Beyond the Limit" Wallace West, who was formerly connected with the publicity dept.'s of Paramount and United Artists, is now on the press Radio Bureau of the Columbia Broadcasting System.

(Editor's note: This next paragraph was illegible in our copy, but the last sentences finished thus: to Astounding, Stanley G. Weinbaum and Frank Milne Parley are now working on "The Dictator's Sister", which they claim is "the most daring and original science fiction plot ever concocted" Bob Frazee, also known as Roy Ping Pong, prominent and active science fiction fan, died recently. We shall miss his friendship.)

(Editor's note: This last, concerning Frazee was crossed over with black crayon, the page having already been printed when the affair was straightened out.)

- The End -

