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Doctor Russel's Last Experiment by Max "To defie nature is to defie fate".

Everyone's attention, in the bus termenal was focused on the slim, darkheaded woman as she entered through the revolving door.

"That's the girl, poor thing, just imagine she was June Martin's roomate. I heard she was leaving the city to try to forget, wisphered a lady to her friend as the girl walked by, I wonder if she will ever forget the horrible experience."

At the time Ava Russell thought she could never could for get it. Like a person in a trance she purchased her ticket and mounted her bus. She being the center of attention lidn't bother her. All she could think of was poor June. It had been offul. Ava had always read about this happening to someone yelse, and now to her. Once she had spent a week or two with Uncle Harris she could return to the city and live in peace. Ava wondered how her uncle would take this, getting the unexpected telegram. He lived so alone in that big mansion with his strange experiments. Uncle Harris was a queer person, but was nice.

Doctor Harris Russell home was neatly tucked away in the valley of a small mountain range. It was a big, brick, fourteen room mansion

built around the turn of the ninetenth century.

The doctor was having a light breakfast and waiting for his only patient Wendell Sratton. He was late this morning.Doctor Russell slowly siped a cup coffee when Wendell appeared. The doctor looked up and asked "Hard night or it, Strattion?" Wendell answered "It was worse than ever. It's Lucky I was locked up" Dr.Russell looked down into his cup and said"I---I-forget to lock your cell last night, Wendell"

The boy grabed the table and ex-claimed "Heaven no. What happen did I

"Yes I'm afraid so".
"Who?"

she was the only one"

Strattion stared at the doctor and



gasped"She was the only one! Wasn't one life enough, to brake

every bone in her body. To sause terms in every home?

see edietos SPACE FOR RENT

The physician rose and said, Don't got mad again now Strat--tion, it was all my fault"

Admiting it sure helps a lot, it brings back that dead girl

doesn't it".
"Shut up and sit down. Est your breakfast".
"Shut up and sit down. Est your breakfast". "I've lost my appetite", said Wendell as he slide into a chair

and contiuned, What are we going to do today?"

"Since your in one of your moods, said Doctor Russel ! I guess I'll work with those new snakes I got in. There quite un-

-usual, very large things!

Wendell said; What's the differents in working with snakes or me.We're both reptiles, except a snake warns before it strikes." The doctor shot from his seat and demanded "For heaven sakes, drop the melodrama will you, I forget my handkerchief. I'm doing my best to help you. All your able to do is fell sorry for your self!

Strattion muttered" Don't fly off the handel doc, somebody around here haves to be a little normal or we'll all go nuts!

Harris sat down, he could tell by the tone in Wendell's toice that he was going to gave a long speech on the hard hand of fate. "Beg pardon, Sir?"

Russel looked up thinking" Thank heaven a interruption "He asked "What is it, Clyde?" The servant answered "A telegram Sir. The messenger boy had just brought it! Clyde laid it down on the table and questioned" Shall I wait, Sir? "The doctor waved his hand and muttered" No, you needn't." The servant made a quick exit.

Wendell watched him open the telegram. The loctor made a face

as he exuitted Good lord No!

Strattion induried "Bad news?"

"Horrible news:"

Well tell me, what is it"

"You have heard me speak of my niece, Ava, will she is going

spend a week or more here. She is arriving this moring."

"Oh no, oh no "sighed Wendell. Doctor Russel assured him"Oh bUT yes. Her roomate, a girl named June Miller had been unaturely and cold bloodly murdered. It has the hold city in a uproar!

Strattion ventured "Do you think it was the same girl

that I ..?"

"Of cource it must be!

"But doctor what about the expermients?"

Harris said "That shouldn't stop us, we will have to be a bit more carefull. The boy asked "What about me? Suppose that noisy dame finds out about me"

"My niece is not Anoisy dame', she is a very beautiful, well cultured girl, as for as you, if we are smart she will never know! The doctor pushed back his chair and contienued "Here bus Will be due at the village in a hour or so. I'll have to hurry to meet her. It will be good to have a girl around here again He sarted to walk from the room, but stoped and turned saying "Don't try to be self sacrificing and try suicide again while I'm gone. All you realy kill is a usefull day of research."

This was one of the smallest, probably the dullest towns she had ever seen. It was made up of a few stores and houses. Ava sat down on her suitcase, uncle Harris should soon arrive. She couldn't of missed him in this town, it didn't even have a bus

station. If this didn't note unrevel her nerves, the boardom would drive her crazy. Ine has was now complity out of right and a large convertible was coming her way. It was a four door jet black affair and almost brand new. When the driver spotted her, he slowed up the automobile and stoped.

"Hello Ava, dear. I hore I'm not to late"

"No I just got off the bus!

Uncle Harris climbed out of the car and ricked up Ava's luggage saying" I hope you will enjoy your stay, been quite lonesome up here, alone and all.

He helped her into the car and slide behind the wheel. While Uncle Harris talked of different little things Ava looked criticaly at him. She thought he had aged immensely. His eyes were slightly

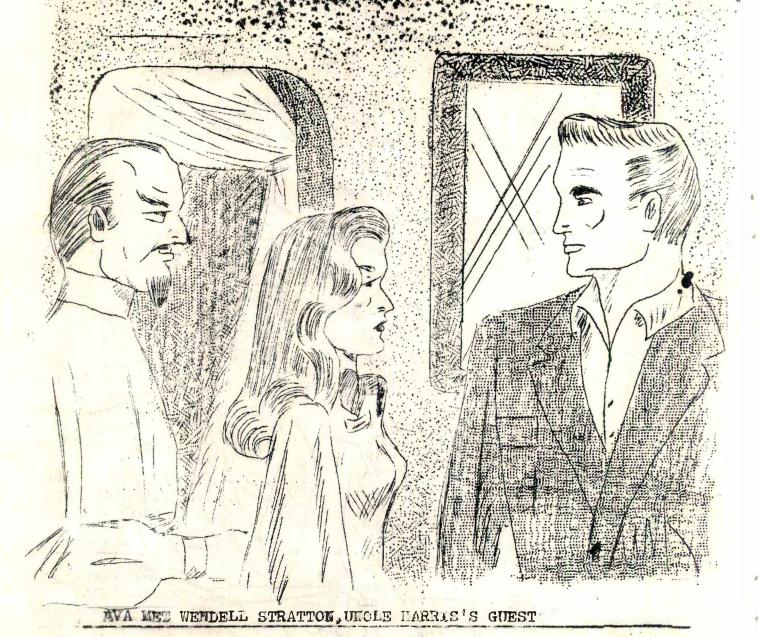


clocdshot, a good sign of lack of sleep. His disappearing hairline and mustache gave him a dignified air. Uncle Harris attitude seemed quite nervous and now he was saying to her "Ava you look very nice your quite grown up I must say!"

Ava thanked himand asked how he was felling.

When they turned into the long driveway, the first thing Ava noticed was how shabby and run down his home was, this was not at all like Uncle Harris. He must be working on something important. For him to ever let it go, like this, was indeed strange.

L have a literate of mine, Wondoll Stratton, victing mecho in furt about your age and quite hendsome too. You two should hit it



Ava smiled at him"I hope so, already it seems dismal here! But she realy didn't care about becoming fond of any man right now. That was a nother reason she had came here. Jeff had proposed to her he said she had to answer yes or no. There couldn't be any in between. deff was to demanding, it was a trate that all men she knew acquire.

The builter opened the door and Uncle Harris commanded" Clyde

take my niece's luggage to her room ?
The maine hall was like the outside, horribly run down. She looked up in time to see a man come down the stairs. He was tall. nice looking and when he spoke had a pleasant voice.

"Hello Dr. Russel, glad to see you back"He was at the landing when Uncle Harric explaimed "My dear this is Wendell Stratton, Wendell my miece Ava Ransela

She demurally grinned at him and said Unate Harris has talked quite a lot about you. Wendel."

"I hope it wasn't anything bad about ne"

Dr. Russel could feel the atmosphere about people when the first meet so he broke in" Stration my boy please show Ava to her Roome"

Wendell picked up the suitcase and muttered " Sure come on and i'll

lead you to your room, Miss Russel".

She folled Wendell up the stairs. He was a strange guy, she thought, not to friendly and sort of quite. Maybe he'd change when they were better acquainted. They walked down the long dark corridor until Strattion kicked open a door and walked in then she folled him. He layed down her luggage and said i hope you enjoy your stay. I'm afraid I'll have to excause myself very important busness.

He turned and walked out. Ava also turned and eyed her quarters. The room looked a bit fresher than the rest of this tomb, she thought. Dead

tired shelayed out on the bed and soon fell asleep.

That girl was nise looking thought Wendalas he walked into the lab. Dr. Russel was busy over some Retorts and flasks, mixking some sort of junk.

" Hows it comming Doct" acked wendell asked .

"Not so well, answered Dr. Russel, I've just had another failure another weeks work down the drain."

Wendall picked up the note book and glanced trough it "It seems hopeless to me doc".

"I knew you were in one of your moods Wendell"
Stratton sat down and said " But just think that girl in the city maks:five. Five lives that invernifed out whim . If it possessing orom us Doctor Russel looked up angerely "For heavens sake Strattion it's not your fault. You have no control over your self when your like that. Wendell cursed " I hope that Dr. Rine is burning plenty. He headed him self straight to H ... ".

Dr. Russel spoke docter Rhine was a great sciencetist but he used his talent in the wrong way. Why he could have set up his own".

Wendell added"And destroy the world. Am I to stay Locked up tonight

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"No" answered Dr. Russel " The hole won't be visible tonight. I would prefer that you would take Ava to the movies tenight er what have you I have an important experment to make tonight and i don't want her snooping around.

Ava sat down in front of her dresser an began brusshing her long dark hair . She looked carefully in the mirrow as she applied her makeup. Wendell and she had spent most of the day swimming in a near by stram. It was hard to believe that she had been here for two weeks. The thought of June seemed far away. Wendall had kept her intertained all day and most of the night.

All of the spying and all of the questioning she had done was useless she couldn't find out where Wendell spent his nights. It was at least five times a week that he couldn't be found from Sunset to Sun Rise. She knew that he didn't leave the house and when she asked Uncle Harris about it he just shruggs his shoulders and goes back to work with those horrid snakes.

Ava closed the door to her room and walked down the stairs. Wendell was waiting on the porch.

He asked "Where to Ava"he said. "There's a new movie in the village

She sat down next to him and answered " No lets just set here on the porch tonight".

"Ava pushed back her hair as she said "Where were you last night londell".

Her eyes searched his face as he Jooked down at the floor.

"Sorry Ave no can gay",

Ava rose grabing his hand murmering" I'm to nony, lets go for a walk of the garden. They walked down the path wordlessly. Figualy Ava said "whats be matter Wendell, please tell me. I want to help you. I've felt it ever single met you, your hiding something. I've tryed not but I like you very much id i want to help.

Ava's frankness swaprised hor more than it did Wendall. He Wendell looked staight at Ava as he said. Your a very sweet kid and am quite fond of you. And now that I know that I will tell you the whole

ly but twus story.

Trough the new 200 inch tolescope on Fount Falomar Astronomers had iscovered a "Hole in Space" the door way to a nother Island Universe which is thought to be ever 5,999,600 million light years away the light from it had been traveling for chemicity and was just now entering our Solar Syestem.

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I was working for a Dr. Rhine whon he first discovered it. Of cource did not discover it with a toldescope but with a Hugh machine a cross stween a gaint Cycletren and a hugh Ray meter. When i first started to work or Dr. Rhine I idealised hum. His labretery was years a head any other scient and was about ten miles futher into the Woods.

Rhine hadnot only discovered this hale in space but he had discovered strange ray that issued from it. It's powers were great and unable to

iscribe, there was no telling what sould be done with them.

Whon Rhine made this great discoverery it snapped his mind, he went inclaime talked ov ruleing the world. I told him that I washed my hands of the

hole thing and bluntly told him he was crazy,

He beguan cutting away at the snakes and after a while he turned and aid "Well Strattion it looks as if your next he put a mask over my face.

As everything went black I coul still hear his Insano laughter ringing in

Whon I came to I was neatly strapped down in one of the wards. After thilp Dr. Rhine came down the hall "Well, Well Stratten my boy how are we today. You know that you've been unconushus for two weeks.

Next he turned off the lights and draged out a large movie projector and

Whiched it on . The heading was "Case history of Wendell Strattion".

After he had turned on the machine I saw the gastly operation flash e fore my eyes. It made me sick to my very soul.

After it was over he but the film into a Huddon nich in the floor. Then

the doctor told me what I was.

On a clear night when the Window in space was open and the Rays came rough I would change into A--- a --- snake. Not an ordanary snake but a enster with the deadly gifts of ell snakes that he had crossed me with ater I saw a file showing it happoning.

But at last Dr. Rhino was carologs and I managed to excape destroying

im in the process.

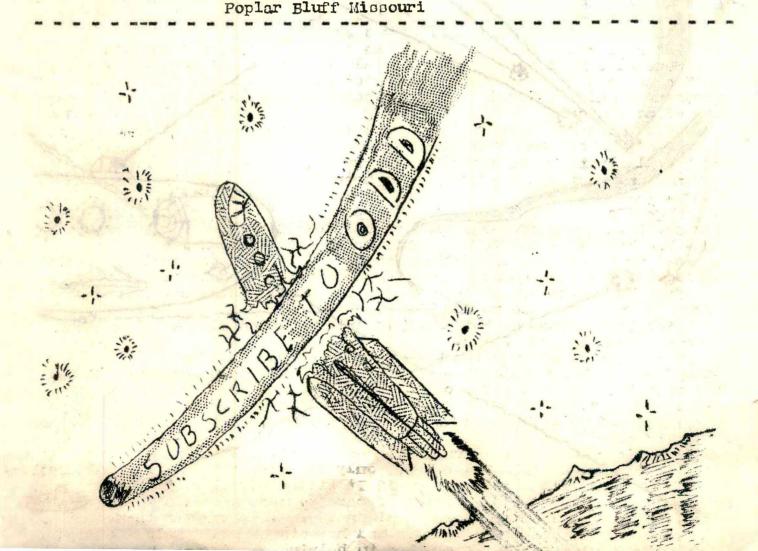
I wasn't cured and I learned to dread night. I lived in the woods to be way from people, but I still killed, only one at a time but five altogether.

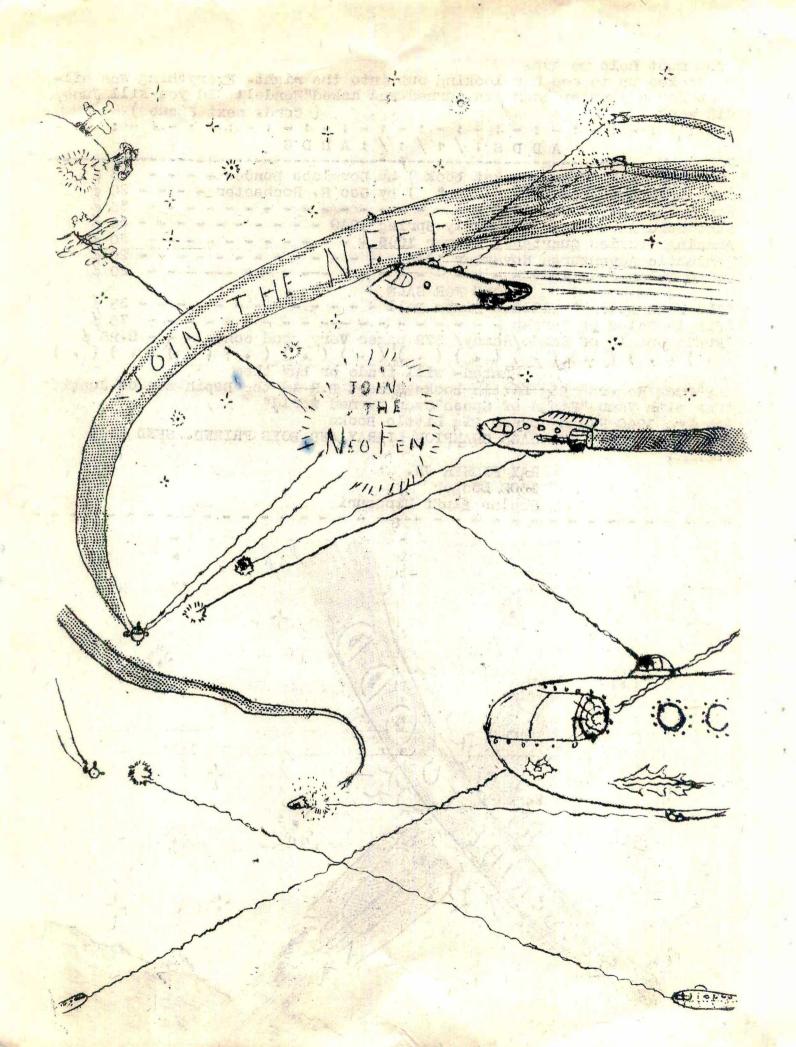
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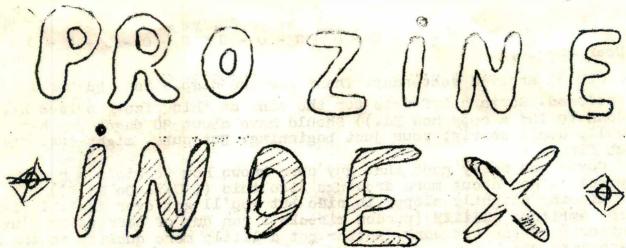
I decied to kill myself and I did It killed me all right but the next time the "Hole in Space" was visible I came to life again. I've tryed a knife rope, drowning, Gas, and at last Poison. . . . None of them worked.

Finaly I mot your Uncklo Harris and he said he would help mo. But he

You must holp mo Ava. He looked up to see her looking out into the right. Everything was sil--ent for a minute, then Ava turned and asked "Wendell did you kill June, did you? (Cond. next Issue) : - : - : -ADDS: /: /: / ADDS "Cave Boy Erch " (Br. pocket book) by Douglass Dundee - - - - The Lost Squadron (Br. ") by Geo E. Rochester - - -Fantastic Novels May 1947 - -Fantastic Adventures Quarterly Spring 1949 - - -Amazing Stories Quarterly Summer 1948 - - - - -Fantastic Adventures November 1948 - - - - -20 Weifd Tales July 1949 - - - - -BOOKS FOR SALE "The Moon Colony" William Dixon Bell - -"Jungle Tales of Tarzan - -75 d Wanted- will trade or buy them Any"Buck Rogers" Big Little books Except B.R in the Depth men ov Juptier "War with Venus"Fiond of Space"Over turned World" Any Pro 1940 Flash Gordon Big Little Books And ANY ENGLISH STF MAGS CHAMPION LIBRAY AND BOYS FRIEND. SEND LIST PLEASE. RAY FISHER JR. 1502 Locter







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letter descriment) Dear Duggie,

ODD #1 arrived yesterday. Thank for the sample ish, Quater is enclosed. Sorta atiff rate for the zine at this size (prices have down to 10d a copy now Ed.)) Should have about 20 pages any how. Oh well, don't worriy, your just beginning. But subs. might come hard at first.

Cover was realy good that guy sure knows how to wield a heate pencial. How about more drawings like this ((Will Do Ed.

Mimoing slightly sloppy in side but you'll get over that I like the ambitous assixxx (pardon mistake i ran out of correction fluid) efforts of the art work. Better get a little more quality to the gra-

-anitity Tho.

Also thank for the N. F. F. F. Plugs. Nise to see them. The story Atlantis Wasn't bad. That is, it could have been worde!

Don't take this to heart the much the. Salyer is your Pen Name isn't it ? ((No it's roaly his Name)) If not, at loast use captial letters for I as first personl pro noun in other peoples work evan if it is your practise to use the small " i " in your own Writtings. I started useing small case &'s a while ago but gave it up. Poople are always thinking one is making typographical errors.

Uh, who did y ou expect would belive that gag about an Italian

prison wardon sonding you that Mss? ((no body)) Chuckel.

HMM. how come " Crash on a world" was reprinted from Dawn? You also Rodney Gould?. ((Nopo I got it from a friend of Charles and at at the time i didn't know it had been printed in Down it won't happen again)) ((not much any way)) It was the best storie in the issuo tho.

A lot Quite a lot of Fanzines were missing from your list there. How ab out Alien Culture, Fantasy Commentator, Mutant, Fansciont, Scientifantasy, Pan Demos, Shadowland, & S.F. and others. ((Woll to start with i only review thes which I have read and like Myself))

Naturally any booklist is nover compleate unless it is an speci-

Koop the Book rievews but make them larger and get reviews of new books and older one's . Get at your Pals to do them for you. ((What Pals)).

Don't Know just what good the Raine page is but keep it the. Ought to turn up something interesting. ((speaking of the Raide page i'm sorry but Carl was Sick and could not produce on page that time but it will be back next Issue. If there is a next issue that is))

Madcap Mirago " warn't bad; not too good oither the. But for a frag mont, it did as well as could be expected unless the the writter had gone into the atmosphere and mood, which, if done wells could ve made something out of this.

Guess this is it. Hope you can land some more established litting until newer ones can get get on firmer ground, any how, good and and keep at it. ODD #1 will land in the B-list probably, but you can allways hope for the A . Good luck.

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Doar Ray,

ODD: Hoy, thats a good idea for a cover hectographed i mean. Makes:it stand out. Like the bold print for the title. That fellow who did the art work realy new his business, too mostly heavy lines with a few light ones for shading. And as for the art its self good. Good enough so that it took me another look to seehe had spelled Atlantis with no"T". Liked the Whon and if part reminds me of one that said "Pub-: -lished-- Occasionaly."

"Bout my main commont onthe cover is that it didn't. It didn't quite cover the magizine. ((hit went appen again governer)) That should be easy remediable. Eather by enlarging the cover or trimming

the reast.

Entorior: EEEEEEK/ Pardon but you asked for my comment. I think the trouble in this case is more the mimo-graphing than the typing. Not that the typing couldn't be better.

The correct way to spell NeoFen is just the way i spelled it.

Thank for all the plugs. With you working at it we might make somethin

out o this yet.

Shelby Vick
411 Jenks
Panama City Fla.

Dear Dug, Glad to see ODD out at last. I am Pleased to see that you are kepping the Raido page it might develop into something after all.

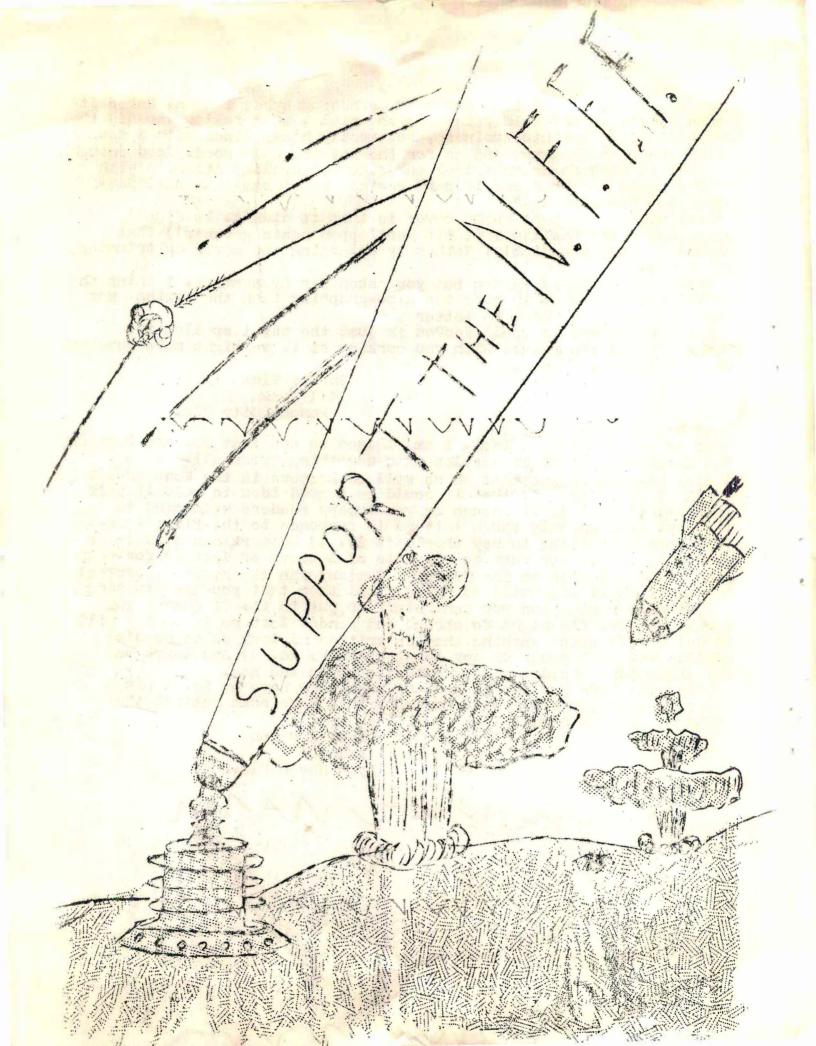
A Also pleased to see that there will be Letters in the Next one. I think ((no kidding)) that it would be a good idea to make it half letters: ((Will do if enough ov you luckey readers will send in letters. Come on, only three letters in responce to the first issue. It's down heartining to say the least Rd.)) Letterzines seem to go over better. If you want to get lots of letters of letters for your Zine send a letter to The Natiniel Fantasy Fan the N.F.F.F. offical Organ. ((Twill do, twill do Ed.)) Tell them that you are starting a semi-letter zine and you want stuff to put in it. Of course you should reserve the right to abrige and cencer letters ((that i will do. But i will print anthing that is written as long as it does nt include Vuglar langage or any thing obeine. Ed.)) And leave out any thing also bisides matters that concern the mag.

Write the NFFF Mss Bureau and ask what they have on Legal sized stencils that you could have for ODD. they have some matiral that

would go good in ODD.

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