



hardly enough. Even the we had to squeeze out some letters this was due to a type error but next issue please flood us with letters. If MSH to thank all who have been kind enough to send us stories and articles, please keep 'em rolling in.

Next Issue we are going to have Stories By Richard Logen, Con Jeoobs, Sandy Charnoff and many others ((That is if you send em end)).

any body who has written us about ODD and your letter hasn't been answered please write us again Due to our moving our stuff around a few letters have been lost if your letter is one of these please let us know at once, so stage money will be refunded.

Is there any one who would like to gather a little fan news for us. We will give a free sub for as long as you keep sending in news, Also are there any fan artists in the croad we need new art work badly. Ith school and all one person can't handle all of the work and we need new material very badly.

Please vote on whose letter you thing is the best; the winner will recive some-

-thing an Illo or someting.

Most of the letters are pretty good but not much action Thy not tell us what you really think of ODD? If you like it say so and if you don't say so we don't mind the truth even iff it does hurt. So load on McDuff.

Below is a little Ballot bout what will be put in future Issues of ODD if you

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Duggie Fisher, 1302 Loster Street-Poplar Bluff, Missouri

For all for with less thin 250 books and mags, and 35 & per year for duese- which includes a sub to Odd which is the officel organ of the NooFen club.

.im, to adjust NeoFen with the world of fendom--to, erhaps save them from making mis--takes that old fon fell for.

To, eventually have a Neofen libery, where all members on borno books and mags, having only to pay postage. Any member can denote to the libray, of course, and each book or mag zine denoted by members will be stamped with that members name so that thees who borrow it can correspond with to owner, discuss the book and start a regular correspondence.

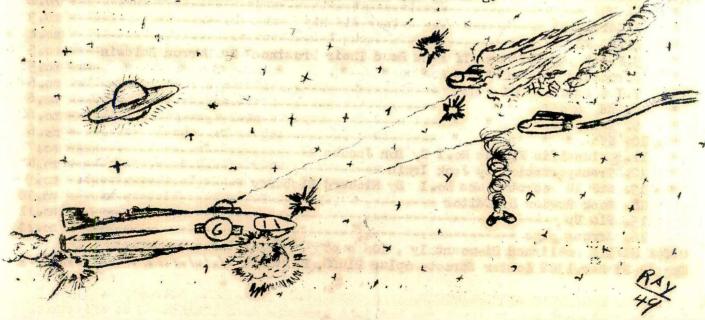
Thru O D D, the CO of the NeoFen, the Neofen himslef will contact members (The NeoFen being either president, Thelby Vick or Vice-President Duggie Fisher) and in each issue (starting next issue) there will be bits of infromation that may not be much to old fon, but will be a kind of dictionary to the new ones (NeoFen) Exemple:

For (which is the plural for fan) are definitely grogarious. They attend conventions at the drop of a hat(if there is a ride attached to the hat, or if the convention is close enough to got there under their own steam) and even go so far as to visit one another. At these visits, if the one visited has a sizable collection, most of the time is spent with the host darting around after his guests, cloth in hand, so that the droot will not spoil his mags. They also write each other, and get egoboo (Boost for the erg.) out of having their names in print underneath letters they send to magazines, after --- if they are intelligent, or if they care--- they have read a few letters in the letter collumns to get the Idea of what kind of letters the mag crints, and what has the best chance of getting past the little blue pencial.

Sometimes it helps to subscribe to the magazine...

Fen also love to put out fanzines (more Egobos) and their favorite pastime if filling the mails with their efforts. At times (too-too often they are not appreciated, and suffer the horrible curse of slurd: (SLanzine, UnReaD) Nothing worse can lay upon the head of the humble fan editor. A SLanzine of course, is only enother name for fanzine, coming from the classic, SLAN, by A. E. van Vogt. SLAN being an example of homo superior, a super intelligence, What can more aptly describe a fan than that ? Whats that you said?

And that really is about that, as far as Neofen is concerned. Also of course, will be added to the Neofens' dictionary will be a lot of new terms and a list of advised reading. (Ifter the libary is a reality) whether or not said story or book is in the library. Also his review of current prozines ( considering only of what stories in current prozines are considered Neo Fen Reading.



## HOW STRIENDS READ THEIR

By Warren Baldwin

All right kiddles, out the horse play and lend an ear, cause class is now in session Having all passed the elementary course in the three R's-- reading, rendin', ritin' the Ed.-- you are now acquired of the fundamental prerequisites which entitle you to hear ye of professor rant and rave on the lesson for to days How the Stfiends Read Their Promags.

After much extensive research into ... the lives of "Wild Stf Fen I Have Known", and after proportionate hard work by yours truly( do I hear guffaws from the peanut gallery) it has finnally been catalogued that the following brief ( you'll be glad they are brief, before you're through) de-scriptions constitute the main matural

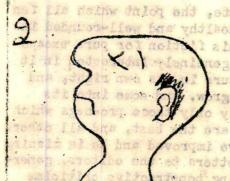
states of that indescribable genus, the Esteef Reader:
1. the GRAVE-DIGGER type or GHOUL\*



This lowable character, after shelling out his hard carned dough for an ish of his favorite prozine, usually operates like this: First, he takes the hallowed pages to his place of dwelling and gives the stories an initial skim-type perusal to ascertain which of the current offerings he finds most desireable to tear apart. Then he settles down with a case of beer for an all night session of Trivia hunting. Paragraph by paragraph, sentence by sentence, word by word, he rips his selection up both sides and down the middle and pain-atakengly lists every error of Theory, Grammer, Sentence construction, Plot. Characterization, Et cetera, that he can possibly find, To be sure, he next goes trough the whole rigamarole twice more to see if he's missed

any thing. Finally satisfied that he hasn't, he then sits down at his typer and commits the unforgivable sacrilege: he gleefully writes a scorehing letter to the editor of the mag and gives him red and liue hell for permitting such an atrocity of sloppy and slipshod work to appear. Pity the poor author of the piece. Needless to say his letter never see's print, and all he derives from his evil deed is a sence of negative satisfaction and thus can hardly wait for the next ish to do the same thing all over again. So much for him. Next we have the

( 2. ) LAKATIVE, OR EASY-GOING TYPE? This is the exact entitlesis of the forgoing



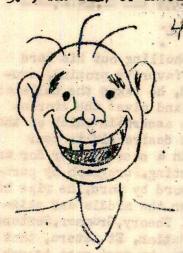
example. He reads all the stories in the mag in a devilmay caremanner, and if he finds one he dislikes, he
dismisses it with a shrug and a sympathetic "So what?"
The author did his best. Who am I to say it isn't a good
piece of crud? Somebody else might like it." And so he
goes merrily on his way. Very rarely he looks forward to
the next Issue, but when he does it is with an almost
atrophied expectancy. If you belong to the first categ-cry, you are hereby cautioned to avoid contact with a
reader of this type as such contact inevitably ends in
mutal disgust, much better you should meet, if any,

(3.) the Bank-Teller type, or I'll-Be-Honest-With-Myself. This person-able reature combines some characteristics of each of the first two kinds to this extent: he distinguishes between the stories he likes and those as doesn't pull them to pieces as doesn't be given out with praising and panning alike in 'vague and weak manner, to the benefit or detriment of nobody. You find many letters of this kind in the columns. Much more cherry and stimulating is

( 4. )The MEOPHYTIC NOODLE-NOGGIN. or EAGER-BEAVER type. This cutogary includes for the most part the beginner who has just recently been introduced to STFiction.



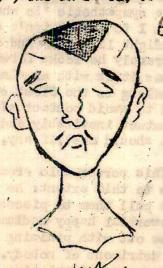
Most Fon fall under this heading at first. As soon as he has discovered this new and fascinating branch of literature, he inmediatly begans to purchase any and all examples of it, which it is in his power to aquiro. He drags them home hur--riedly and augorly begins to read as fast as he can and still understant the words, Usually he finds that every story is wonderful. He roads the letter columns and can't comprehend why anyone could possibly dislike any of it, Its all so now and wonderful to him, Life is so sweet to him in his blissful innocence. All is so nice, Ah, the beauty of it all. Let us hope he nover becomes such a cynic as



) The BEI, or IROOL (as distinguished from the GHOOL) type. This is the one per--haps most to be pitied. In his warped and retarded mind, all he cares about is the sex In the stories. Most generally this type does not restrict his reading to STF, but takes in as much of the pulping as his income allows. Probably he can not be regarded as a fan, in the true sence of the word, He takes all the mags to some secluded spot where he can be alone with his thoughts and then proceeds to thumb through the pages, glancing rapidly over each one looking for the lurid sexy. This he reads over and again and ignores the . the rest of the tale, or if he does read the rest of it, he judges him like or dislike of it on the amount of fox it contains. The cover, if it features a partly unclad figure on it, as most of them do, also comes under his scrutiny -indeed, this type may also be found in any obscure magizine store thumbing over all the mags, but buying none. In sharp contrast 1s--

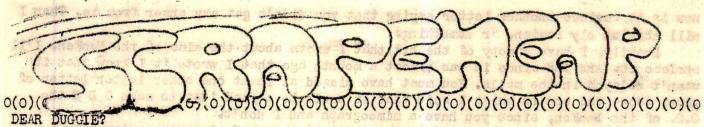
6.) The Home PREEZER, or REASTLY BORED Type. Occapionally a fan will over indulge in the MEOPHYTIC NOODLE NOON stage, and then he becomes of the BORED type. This class soon becomes tired of his prose but, be cause he cannot break the hold it has en him, con--tinues to read it thus aggravating the condition. The only sure oure for this stage is spectacular suicide. He ceases to evaluate the stories, never writes to the Ed. for any--thing, and in genral gets himself in a rut. Lastly, we have-

7. ) The GRADUATE, or ACTI-Fan type. This is the ultimate, the point which all fen



strive to attain. This fan is healthy and well-rounded in his interest. He doesn't read his fiction for pure escape nor for sex, but because he is genuinely interested in it as a distinct branch of literature in its own right, and wants to see it grow, improve, grow, and come into its rightful place. He reads usually only those pro-mags which he has come to the conclusion are the best, and all others at intervals to ... if they have improved and he is missing something. He writes sincere letters to the editors, gener--ally for about every ish, giving constructive criticism and comments, and idea's for improveing the mag, the stories or for something to further the cause of fandom. He subscra -ibes to all the fanzines, good(like this one) and bad a like, writes for them, or, if he wishes, publishes one him--self. He is occasionally picking a sTf book or two. He attends the farventions if he can, to meet the guy's with whom he corresponds, and the authors too, and makes his bids

IN for the precious orginals. All in all he's a darn good guy. I hope you're a No. ? fan THE



Ted williams just got a home run! Makes it 7-6! And Stephens gets a double right afterwards! I'ma rabid( are you sure it isn't a rabbied) Boston fan, man!

Got the typer right down here next to the raido so I can listen and write at the same time.

Well I guess you could put adds in fanzines, but the best bet to get subs for ODD is to get the zine its self fixed in a better way like taking more care typing the stencils. And for ghod's sakes watch the spelling! Youre "MAX" aren't you? (( NO )) Whoever, please watch the spelling and grammer. That doesn't help attract subscribers as it is now. A little more care with the mimo-graphing will help too. No one can say how ever that you aren't trying!

As for the art, it is fair in some places and better than fair in others. Half and half. The last 3 full-pages were the best. You should have finished the serial in this issue.... but at least there ought to be a fourth ODD with the last part of this serial in it. The short was, I fear insignificant. Book reviews fair. Letter section rather messy (in format). An idea for ODD, Why not have a round robbin serial such as they have in Space Warp ? Might draw in contributors. Guesa this must be all GOOD LUCK

(( Sorry I out out so much of your letter but i am oramped for space; and the rest of didn't partain to ODD but in the future T won't out it so drasticly.

Yours, ED. COX 4 Spring Street, Lubec, Maine

1734 Newark street

DEAR Duggio.

On the theory that cake rise from acorns, ((Calling us nuts already Eh)) I'M enclosing 25¢ for a sub. to ODD. And now that I'M a subscriber I can tell you what I think of your magizine (well you asked didn't you?) Seriously. I Don't think it'll put ASF out of business, but it certainly has possibilities -- enough so that I hope you stick to your guns end keep getting it out. Artwork in the current ish is very nice although I might suggest a more scientific slant to it. Why not stick the gals on top of a martain beastie--or at least include a mad scientist? If things get too bad I'LL always send you one of my own masterpieces (?)

So, to the orition, in the words of Jefferson, "Damn the torpedoes, full speed ahead! GOOD LUCK,

Ed Ludwig
3304 Bonnie lane
Stockton Califorinia

I'M about ready to give upl I spent nearly a whole day on a story, on a page bout the NeoFan's committation and sims, and on several pages of letter. All I need

now is to recieve another letter saying that you didn't get any anser from me. Then I

will absolut ely resign, 'r something!

Luckily, I have a copy of the bit that I wrote about the aims of the NeoFen. I'll enclose it. And ind since it was Amost a mounth ago that I wrote it I know that it wasn't delayed in the mails. You must have missed at loast one other letter of mine, too-- the one in which I said that it would be a good idea to make O D D the O.O. of the NeoFen, since you have a mimeograph and I don't.

Something must have happened to the mails on your end: too .- no stencils.

Had alittle excitment down here the other day turned my modle A over in the midd

After something you said in your last letter maybe this will encourage you: Your spelling as bad as Sneary's? Little chum, beside you Sneary is down right Litterette!

No kidding bad spelling can be a distinction in letter writing and editorials, but in the contents of a zine the spelling and mimeo job makes a bigger impression than what it contains. The stories are good enuff. Just need an improvement in the mimeo-graphing and typing. Courage stout lad!

YER UMBLE OBEEDIANT SERVANT,

Shelby Vick.

411 Jenks, Panama city, Fla.

Best thing about the mag so far is the artwork. Really eye-catching, some of thes demes! You must run future issues on water proof paper for the benefit of droolers.

Like all fan fiction, the fan fiction is typical fan fiction. Challenge that statement if you dare! ((Challenge it? I can't evan make it out)) Oh well, any once who goes to the work of putting out a zine is entitled to devote some of it to his own fiction, as I keep telling people who don't like My stories.

The book review column is good. Hope to see it in future issues. Would like more of your opinions of the books though, rather than just an outline of there plots. The review of "When Worlds Colide" illustrates what I mean.

Your main room for improvement is in the typing. If you have enough spare time, space the lines out so that the right margin comes out evan (( Sorry but I am only 15 years old, starting school and a lot of other things and until next year at least things will have to countinue to be the same )) Makes a 1000/o beter page.

And watch the type errors, although you haven't many of them compared to some

zines I might mention.

What you need(I have decided) are articles on fandom. So I am sending you one (((Bless you my son, bless you. And if you have any more Please (sob! Sob!) Please send them right along ))) If I wasn't so Hazy, I would sit down and write you one myself. But I am. Lazy, that is.

Write to Wri Ballard, Blanchard, North Dakota, for material. He's in charge of the NFFF manuscript Bureau, and has stacks, piles and bales of stories, articles, art—work, poems, and any thing else that you might need. All you gotta do is tell him what you want.

Good luck, and I hope you break even -- although it's not very likely, at least not for a long time. Belive me I Knowl Truly Yours,

ART RAPP

2120 Bay street

Soginaw, Michigan

Thank for the copy of ODD. Since you asked for a letter here is onc. You have a good mag there in ODD -- all but the spelling! The vest amount of Typegraphical errows in the mag are astronomical they are almost greater than the correctly spelled words -- But don't let that worry you. Clean up your spelling and you will be ok, Your art--work is swell. Superb. Keep it up. Sincerely.

Truly yours, John York, Hotel Aberdeen, 17-21 west, 32nd street, New York Dear Duggie.

A couple of weeks ago, I recived a fanzine margod Sample copy. To I opened it. And what do I find ? Naught but Volume I. Number III of ODD. So I read it. Of course, I looked a little. My first thought was: My is this zine ever ODD! " It was then that I realized that your zine had accomplished its purpose: you've put out a zine that really but really is ODD.

I must say, that WMK is a good artist. But those pictures! Aren't they rather. ...er.... suggestive? What I mean is, that Kind Of Art is just what TwS & SS have been criticized for.

That is wrong, ODD should appeal to that type of person, not drive them off. So lets keep the art on a higher level, Huh?

((( Well fellows how about it should we or should we not print the picture section your votes in the next issue we will abide by, so its just up to you. EDITOR & CO.)

A questionhas come to mind : where did younget my name? After much deliberatiom I thought of EDCO. Since your Editorial notes in answer to questions are not the policy I guess I'll just have to ask him, not you.

((( Nope we enswer nearly any and all questions. In answer to yours It was cather

Bob Johnson or Rich Elsberry, Can't rember Which. )))

of of the party of the

"The Bargain looked like a good fantasy story. But I have a complaint: it was not finished in my copy. I wanna know what hapened to those poor unfortunate people. But who will tell me?

The mimeo job on the letters stunk, and 1811 never excuse you, for leaving out the ending of "The Bergain". But your pitteous plea for Subs has touched me. However I am a man (((?))) of caution. One thin dime is all you'll get this time. Maybee more later. After all, I want to know if I am making a sound investment. Well, good luck, Ray. Lets see a better ODD. Yours for the concuest of the UNKNOWN,

RICHARD ABBOTT?
Route I Box 57,
Cuyahoga Falls
OHIO

Dear Raymound,

Rich Elsberry has informed me that you are willing to send sample copies of you-re fanzine "ODD" to fen I should be delighted if you would find the time to send
one to me.

Sandy Charnox

2234 Joseph Ave Brooklyn New York

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Good Luck, Ed Ludwig,

Enclosed is ten cents in stamps for the next issue of ODD,

There is no sure way to get subscribeors. About the only way that I know is to send review copies to SS. Amezing Stories& Fanzines that review fanzines. Also to send out sample copies. But I guess you've done that.

Thanks for the story compliments I'll send you any that I have Time to Write.

Jack Irwin Box Three Tyro, Kansa Pear Strupheep (No not you Juggle)

I received V.1 # s 263. Comments:

Covers pretty good. I've seen better, but then I've seen worse, much worse, I think your major needs at the moment are a better means of reproduction, and a typ-

-ist. Especially the latter.

To be quite and utterly frank and truthful, you aren't going to succeed. UNLESyou try to improve that printing. It isn't funny- its sad! No self-respecting type--writer would over act that way. ((( Sorry the printing was so poor but this Issue was put out on a 1910 OLIVER, a 1920 FOX, and A 1935 Woodstock It is turned out com--pleatly by hand with just 2 people making up the publishing (0.)))

Watch your spelling. One Sneary is all right but fter one, you know the others

are copying. Try to be original for Gosh s kes(( NO COMMENT ))

The Scrap heap is good. You've got some fairly well known and eloquent readers Keep building, and some day Thoping you'll continue You will have the finest letter--zine in existence ( Next to Dawn- and my semi-letter Zine, ORB).

The sorial is good. Plot: Kelodramatic, But rather intriguing you need somebody

to help with diction tho.

The short in Number three is good also. .ho is hax. .alker K. Keasler (( YU. )) also? oulnd doubt it.

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I know it sounds like I'M panning you--but I'm not. Altho compared to BNL and La Gorgan, yours purty low, then look at S.J. Clucks' Little slobzine, and some like that, and your pruty dark good. It just depends on the angle of vission.

Love ang Kisses. BOB Johnson. 811-9th Street Greeley, Colorado

Dear Diggie,

Sorry I have been so long in subbing. Time has been slipping along fast this fall. Enclosed is a dime for your fan mag

> Sincerely. Robert C. reterson 1308 South Vine Street Denver 1Q. Colorado

Dear Ray.

Enclosed is 10¢. .lease send copy of ODD.

W. S. Honston No. 166 Church Street, Greensboro, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Fisher

In responce, to your mestions or whatever, I approve of your fan zine Odd, I oun only say that it needs certain eleminations.

Why do you print pictures of beautiful girls clad briefly? These pictures are

pleasing to look at, but they don't belong in a fanzine.

I hate to say it, But the Stories lacked a new twist. Lets have a few more stories with an adult slant; Such as people of the future with a changed Especiogolly.

I Hope I haven't been too harsh but I am sure you went frank opinions.

Lots of luok. William Borger 912 East 140 ST. Cleveland 10. OHIO,

SORRY TO LE VE CUT THE REST BUT I'M CR.MFES FOR SP. CE, NO CUTTING REAT YE'R SO HELP ME

## CIENTIFIC FRAUDS

NO. - I

## BY DON JACOBS

We like science in our fiction, but we don't like fiction in our science. We have come to trust our scientists, perhaps too well, and when they fasten on pet theories we're apt to be fooled into thinking these hypotheses are preven facts. This is especially true when the so called scientists fake evidence for the theory.

Pitheoanthropus Eroctus, "The Java Man." He's the best "Missing link" yet dug up, the way the scintists have reconstructed him. But Pitheoantropus is as mythical as

the Wizard of Oz, and as deliberate a fraud as the Cardiff Giant.

Dr. Dubois, his discoverer, was not even a paleontologist, but a Dutch army Surgeon who got himself stationed in Java to indulge his hebby of bons-scrabbling. He had figured out that man originated there, and decided just what the man of Java must have looked like. It is therefore not, surprising that he found what he went to Java to look for.

What he actually dug up was 5 bone fragments, A femur, a skull cap, and three teeth one in a socket. They were scattered over a wide area in an ancient stream bed, but Du Bois assumed they were from one individual, and that the individual represented a reco. The orest Ape-Man he came to Jam socking.

He published a report, describing the man who originally owned the bones, and he issued easts of them. Then he looked the bones up for thirty yours in his safe.

The scientific world demanded to see the original bones. Du Bois refused to show them to anyone.

On the basis of the casts and report, busts were placed in museums, pictured in textbooks, they showed the absolute lack of chin and forehead Du Bios described the interlooking, Ape-Like teeth of the cast. They also showed a stupid expression and hairy face that no bones could indicate.

At last threats prevailed upon Du Bios, and he let Dr. Alexander Hrdlicka see the bones, 30 years after thier discovery. The shocked scientist immediately reported that the description was a misrepresentation and even the plaster casts had been carved up---faked in fact.

Instead of an 820 c.c. brain capacity, as reported, the skull-cap indicated a perfectly normal 930 c.c. The tooth socket indicated not an inter-locking, apc-like jaw but a human rotary type. The other two teeth were so obviously orang-utan that no-one but a part time Falentologist would have considered them.

The femur was from a young male Abreigine, the skull cap from and old woman, both were modern-type Australians.

Du Bois admitted that he knew all this, but folt that since his false evidence

proved a true theory, it was all might-

proved a true theory, it was all right.
WHAT KIND OF SCIENCE IS THAT ??????????????????????????????????
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Olf you have nt your missing something. STF is the only mounthly trade zine today. O
I It is about the same as the old K. Mar Trader except that it is all adds. They
Ohave a circlation of 200 and they are growing fast. The rates are the cheepest in 0
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A voice spoke " What is it, where are you from, who are you ? "

My name like yours, is Rahl Lowe. I am from a world that exists at this time as yours does, but my world doesn't exist an the same space as yours. Our worlds developed differently; in mine, which is under a dictator and I im that dictator. You, of course, are living in a demonstracy.

Floure wondering how I know all this. Well, it is quite simple. A subject of mine, a scientist, invented a gadget which he used to transport himself ever here to this world. He appeared in the room of his counter ego. This counter ego had a weak heart and the shock of his double appearing out of thin air was more than his Nervous system could stand. He, literally, droped dead. During his stay here my say learned much of this planes history by reading several books from the public hibrary

When he got back to our own world, he told me of his experiences here are of your history. I had him teach me how to use it and then had him killed. Nor t traveled here myself."

"How do you use the gadget, as you call it ?"

"I just flick this switch to backand I am back in my own World "Rahl number two said. I'll have to leave for work in a couple of minutes. Will you excuse me while I get my coat " Asked Rahl as he eyed the switch box on the dresser.

"Certainly."

Is Rahl came back with his coat on, he noticed that the box was still on the dresser. He reached into his coat pocket and pulled out a Thirty Two. Rahl Number two never knew what hit him.

This switch had better work or I'll be in one hell of a mess". Rahl muttere is he pulled the switch.

ir t ntly he was in a large bed room, there was a door to his left He open-

\* There he is! There's the dirty Kahl\* that enslaved us and used our wives as his playthings ! KILL HIM!!

The mass swarmed upon him Redul thought, Rahl two planed for me to core to this world and be killed. He didn't think I would Kill him fir t

\* . small animal simular to a Dog

Invasion from Mars (Interplanetary Stories), edited by Orson Welles, Dell Book #305, 191 pp., 1949, \$.25

From an introduction by Wolles this book goes into Howard Koch's 1938 script drematizing H.G. Wells' War of the Worlds which threw the United States into a turmeil. Folling this are nine other yarns, two by Brad bury. They are The Green Hills of Earth (Heinlein). Zero Hour and The Million Year Pienic (Bradbury), Expedition (Boucher). Farewell to Edan (Sturgeon), Victory Unintentinal (Asimov), The Castaway (Bond). Star Mouse (Brown), and last but not least Incident on Calypso (Leinster). A fine table of contents, you'll agree. The cover is a Rocket out in space by Malcolm Smith. The back cover is a laugh as it seems the artist didn't understand the story he was illustrating. Don't miss this One -- A real bargain.

Shot in the Dark (A Different Kind of Mystery Thrill!), Edited by Judith Merril, A Banton Book #751, 308 pp. 1950, \$.25

This anthology has too many stories to list separatly but I will review what I think is the best ones. Voices in the Dust ( Horsh.) This is the story of the Earth of the Future after two thirds of the Earth is Raidoactive and the rest has with a few exceptions gone down to savagery. The Horo goes to one of these place to try to find The lost city of Annan or London:

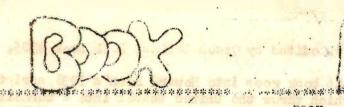
A High in Time (James MacCreigh)
This is one of the best time travels of a later date. It has to deal with San Requa who was a Bi-Alpha And his love was tri-alpha. The only way he could get to a higher rank was to cover the War of Annihilation in which Earth had destroyed Venus. He went back but made a mistake when he got there and put his planets Atom Rockets out of Order. Since they could not be fixed he destroyed the other planet himself. When he had done so, he lerned that the planet he was on was Venus and that he had destroyed Earth. Other Good ones out of this collection of '26 stories are 'The Sky Was full of Ships. The Star, Spokpsman for Terra, Strange Playfellow. Blunder and many others

Tho Fox Woman By A. Morritt, Avon Book #214, 156pp. 1949 . \$ . 25

An anthology of Merritt's short stories. The Fox Weman has recently printed in book form with Mannes Bok writing the ending. In this edition only the unfinshed novelette by Merritt is printed. Futher treats' are The People of the Pit. The Drone Three lines of Old French. . Through the Locking Glass. Two stories, The West of: the Wood and The Last Poet and the Rebots are slightly changed from the magizine version. When the Old Gods wake, the beginning of a novel which tas recently published in Avon Fantasy Reader, is also included here.

The beginning of another movel, The White Road, which is previously unpublished and was to have been based on the theme of Through the Dragon Glass is also one of the fine stories by Merritt included here. Don't Miss this one if you are a Merritt col--lector or if you like good fantasy.

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BOOK REPORT

"Before Adm " by Fack Bondon , Mamillan Company, 1913, Part of a Series no fixed prind This story deals with men's dim misty past. You live and share adventures with Big--Tooth, the hero, Red Eye the livial for the Swift one, and Bigtooth's friend Lop Ear

This story is narrouted rather than told in third person as most tales like this usualy are. The author has strange dreams, always about the same subject, ancestor—ial memory. He discovers that he had an ancestor many years ago was a experences were so vivid that they persisted until the present. His tribe was of the Neanterthal race. He leads a fairly dull life thill near the end of the book them the Cro-Magnon men start moveing in. His tribe tries to fight them off but they are wiped out except for a few hardy people who excape into the marsh flats there they live out the rest of their life.

Another well known story by Jules Verne. It takes place durring 1866. There had been much talk about a long oblong shape that traveles trough the water at a high rate of speed. Some thought that it was a giant whale others a Sea Monster. A harpooner By the name of Ned Land had been hired to help capture the object if it turned out to be a whale. Consoil a . servent of M. Aronnax were on the steamer "Abraham Lincoln when it sighted the object. As they stuck, the shock threw these men overboard into the sea. After a while, despite there ealls for help the Steamer drifted on in the night. They swam over to the Whale and found that instead of a whale they had tries to harpoon a undersea beat made of metal.

The boat started to submerge when Nod land started to kick on the hull and the sinking movement ceased. A hach was opened ant the three men were taking into the boat and then it submerged. There they met the Master of the boat Captian Nemo.

They finely make friends with Nome and have many adventures in his Submarine "Nautilus". They start to go under . an ice berg but got eaught about 2/3 of the way there and barly escape being suffacated. They were sailing along when the "Nautilus" sighted a strange man e War. Instantly Captian Temo's face turned livid. Ned land true to signal them but he was struck down by an Iron hand. Captian Neme ordered the thin below, and Unfurled a black flag. The Nautilus led the ship away from the spot and the turned at full speed hurlled its self at the atacking ship. Its speed was so grait that it passed compleatly thru the ship whish sank rapidly. After that the sublay on surface for several days and the three planed escape they made a small boat ready. But the sub drifted into the Malestrom. They started back to the sub but the boat was torn from its mooring. They escaped and made it safely to land.

"Tive Thousand Miles Under Ground" by Roy Rook-wood, Whitman publishing Company 39¢ This is a rather poor book Science Fiction goes. It has as the main characters Professor Amos Henderson, Washington White, Mark Samson, and Jack Darrow. This is the story of a trip to the center of the Earth by the Flying Mermaid, a Air-Submar. -ins. The went for a sail ofer the seas and sighted a burning ship. They rescued the sailors and took them aboard. There was a muntiny and the crew of the ship overcame the flying mermaid. But by sutting off thr motors and fixing the ship so that it will fall slow tword the sea and making the pirates think that the ship is going to crash the munineers jumped whon the ship got low enough and the ship was free to sail or

They sail on till they go over a Island with a large crater and get caught in an down draft and are sucked down to the crater. They sink down about 500 to a thouseand miles and there they find a hugh cavern. After several adventure's they come safely back to the surface,

