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CONVENTION NEWS: Dates for the Boskone IV are April 1st and 2nd, 1967. The second E. E. Smith Memorial Award will be presented during the conference, and there will be other, unspecified activities. There will definitely be a fan panel, a pro panel, and a party Saturday night. Naturally, the details aren't known at this early a date. The conference will take place at the Statler-Hilton in Boston. Edmund Calvin wishes to stress that point, for some obscure reason.

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New York Area MEETING NEWS: The November Eastern Science Fiction Association will have as speaker Samuel Delany, author of Empire Star, City Of A Thousand Suns, The Towers Of Toron, and Babel-17. The subject will be "Sketches For Two-Part Invention." To attend from New York City, take the 161 Express bus from the 41st street Bus Terminal to Newark; get off at the Public Service Terminal on Military Park in Newark, and walk two blocks to the Newark YMCA at 600 Broad Street. The meeting room will be announced on the bulletin board.

The 19 November meeting of the City College club (known to attendees as ESSFSCNY or "City" for short) will be the Fifth Anniversary meeting. It will be celebrated with the showing of 2 Chandu features. The meeting starts at 6:30 pm in room 217 of Finlay Hall, 133rd Street and Convent Avenue. Refreshments will be served, and the club treasurer will not turn you down if you wish to make a small contribution to the Refreshment and Like That Fund. The tentative program for the rest of the year will include 3 speakers and a serial. Watch this space for further details.

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Suzy Vick "would like sample copies of whatever's out these days, and...I will fully intend to acknowledge and might even do so." Send fanzines, sercon Steve Flickering Literature, ribald fanish one-shots, and old SAPSazines to: Suzy Vick, 500 Florida Avenue, Lynn Haven, Florida, 32444.

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HILD HOLLOWEEN PARTY DEPT: Mike McInerney's (or McInerneys, as Alex Fanshin might say) Halloween party attracted considerable attention last night, with many people actually coming to top it off. Attendees included Don and Jo Meisner, myself, Dave MacDonald & wife, Dave Van Arnam, Cindy Heap, Ross Chamberlain, George Scithers, Lee Hoffman, Barbara Dodge, Frank Wilimczyk, Ken Beale, Ted and Robin White, Gary Deindorfer, Febronius, Alex Fanshin', Frank Dietz, Judy Sephton, Al Schuster, Fred Phillips, Elliot Shorter, Jake Waldman, Mike McInerney, and about 20 people from the City College Club. Attendees numbered well over 40, and costumes ranged from Ken Beale as The Shadow and Gary Deindorfer as Dorf to Andy Porter as Howard DeVore...

Robin White supplied a genuine pumpkin pie, and Ted White supplied Pepsi-Cola for the masses. There was also Fine, Beer, wine, Bheer and mixers. The party was a smashing success, and a group of people plan to hold another one like it next year, after Mike McInerney puts the walls back up.

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DONALD A WOLLHEIM PUBLISHING CORPORATION DEPT: Ace releases for December, sent to me in a plain manila envelope, include the following juicy books: Dating And Mating By Computer; K-260 50¢. The cover of this engrossing book shows a computer punch-card with a lipstick stain on it. The authors, Joan and Leslie Rich, have also written an interesting book called How To Be A New Yorker, evidently aimed at the tourists coming to the Big Apple.

Other releases include Invaders From The Infinite by John W. Campbell; M-154 45¢; Utopia Minus X by ~~Theodore Sturgeon~~ Rex Gordon; F-416 40¢ -- "Two centuries to perfection -- one day to disaster!" You take it from there, gentle reader... The Ace Double for the month teams The Man Without A Planet by Lin Carter - "Who holds this nebula can sway the galactic imperium"~ with Time to Live by John Rackham - "To conquer death, learn to live again" - G-606 50¢. They sound like a pair of winners to me, gang, except that I suspect Stephen Pickering wrote the blurbs for the Lin Carter side...

I've been saving the news of the new Ace series for the last. Read this, and have your seasick pills ready: Agent of T.E.R.R.A. #1 -- The Flying Saucer Gambit by Larry Faudock; G-605 50¢. The news release reads "A terrific new science fiction adventure series! Hannibal Fortune, sent to investigate the death of T.E.R.R.A.'s Resident Agent, discovers his colleague was killed by the sinister forces of Empire to keep him from reporting their new secret weapon: a device that turns men into babbling lunatics!" Somehow I suspect that Don Wollheim (or maybe AA Wynne) may be the first Dealer to successfully infiltrate the publishing business...

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H. L. Gold has moved to California; "rumor" has it (read Mike Deckinger for "rumor") that he plans to make novels out of 2 previous short stories. "The Old Die Rich" is possibly one of them.

Bob Bloch has sold a screenplay to Amicus Films in Great Britain. The title of the screenplay is "The Torture Garden," based on several of Bloch's short stories.

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NEWSGAB AND MISC. INFO: Grania Davidson will be returning from her European Grand Tour And Expedition on 16 November, and can be reached temporarily c/o Avram Davidson, 764 Ashbury, San Francisco, California. "While in London, she met a lot of English fans and particularly was struck by Ella Parker, whom she liked a lot," reports Bob Lichtman. Presumably Ella apologized for striking her so hard.

Cynthia Goldstone had a show this month at the Artist's Cooperative on Union Street in San Francisco. Of some 22 paintings in the show, all but 5 have sold so far.

Greg Shaw and some friends have published 9 issues of a rock & roll fanzine which is sold both over and under the counter on Haight Street, Telegraph Avenue, and other places in the Bay Area. They have become celebrities of a type in the Area, for what it's worth. And that's the news for this issue. Send money & news.

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