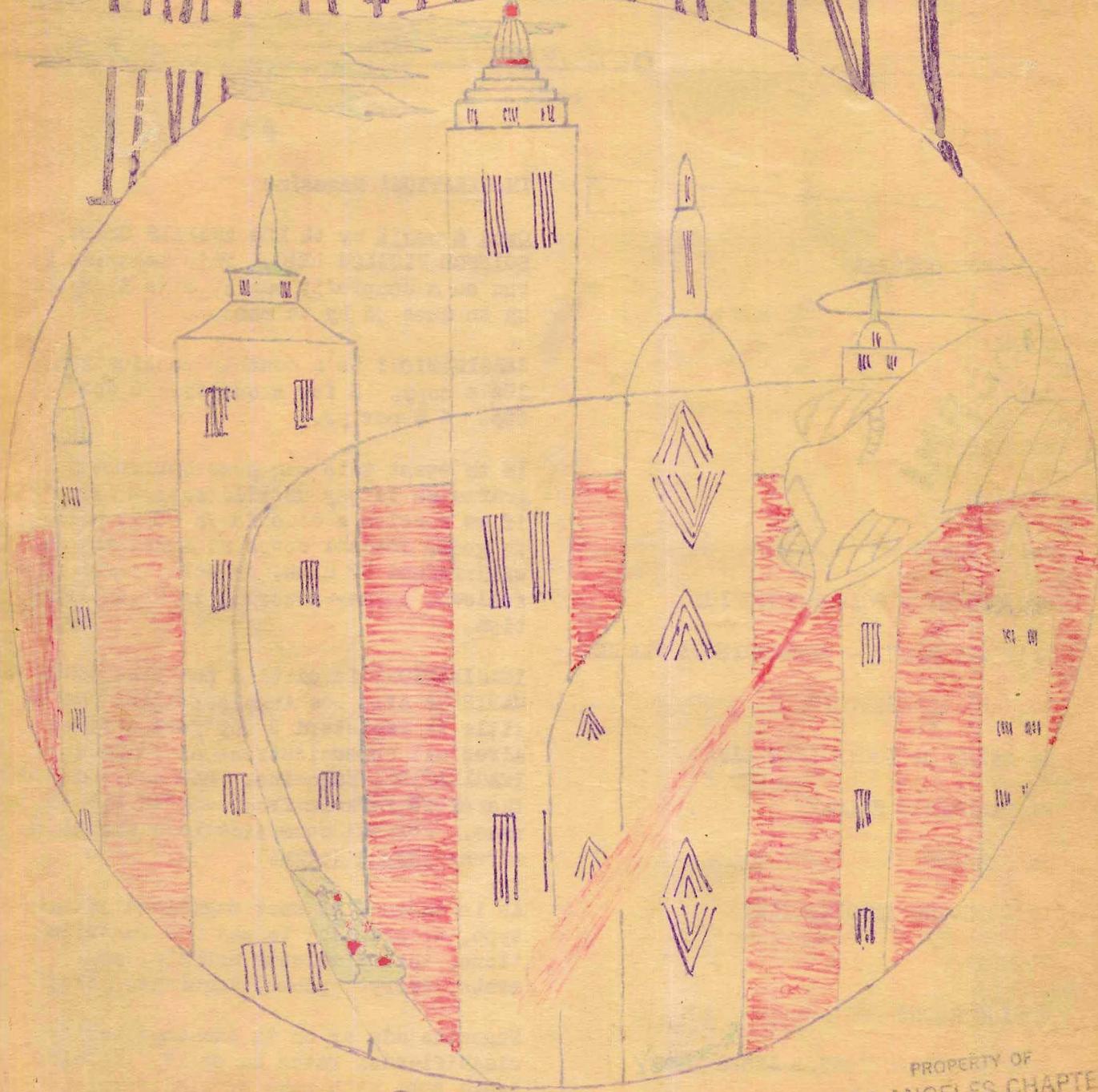


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"JOIRY'S JIREL" joins "NW SMITH" to wish IMAGINATION Success Phantastique

JOLLY DAYS:

*John Russell Team*

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GOOD LUCK. Gardiner Blackman

4th Dimensionl Felicitations:

*Bob Olsen*

Succeson: RiAnglin

Basta Grilase mein bruder! Aiden L (Danka Schön? Farry J)

Don Green groans: "This is costing me 15¢ just to say 'Hello'! Eeey! The letter column would be cheaper!"

Bon Sanson: "Rejsik"

"Posi & Nega" send Salutations:

*Joe W Shidney*

Bon Voyage! Karl McNeill

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*Bob Olsen*

Lots of Luck from Bob LCummock.

Happy Landings:

*Leonard*

Sincere Wishes,

*Karl Opp*

May th best of Luck go with U--

May all Ur troubls be lite;

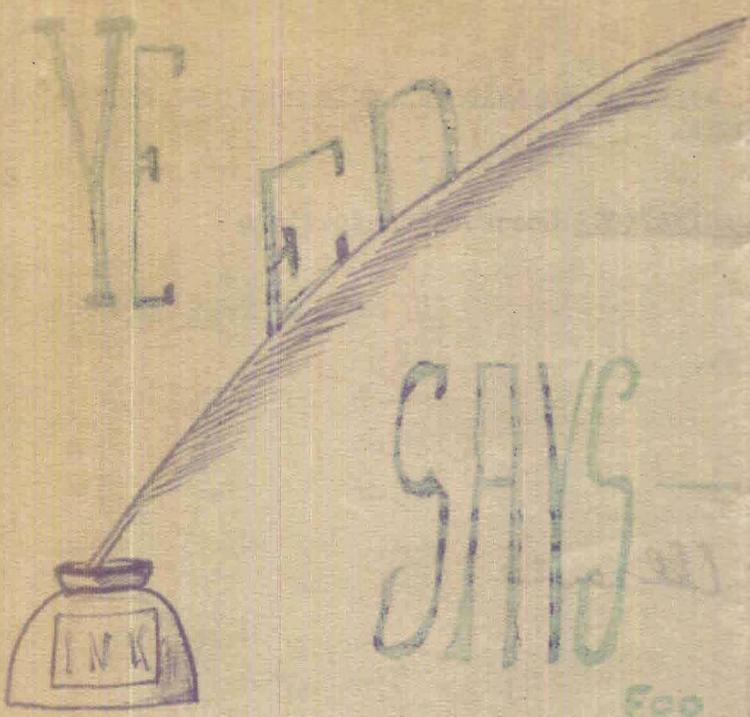
That's th wish of old

"John Hanson"

Conveyd by

*H. Wright*

Slaths of Well Wishes. Russ Hodgkins



As far as I know the above editorial title is not used by another fan magazine. If it is just write in. And now to get down to the grub of running off one of those nightmares of journalism, and "Editorial". There isn't much I can say after what Monsieur Ackerman (long, long) wrote the literary mistake on page 12, paid in his introduction.

I imagine that you all know that IMAGINATION is the re-incarnation, so to speak, of Roy Peary's magazine. That couldn't put it out because of 100 difficulties, so the chapter of the SFA took over the title, and this poorly hacked-to-shreds fan mag is the result. It so happens that Los Angeles doesn't have as good reading groups as they have in Philadelphia. (You will believe me after comparing the first twenty pages of this mag with the first twenty of the one published in said city) Obviously, we are trying our best to do a good job, so if you got one of the last 49 copies (we made 50) & can't read it just use your IMAGINATION! Though I don't think it's quite as bad as I just made out.

We know our art work doesn't even begin to compare with some mags, but what we offer you is real good, we think. For instance..... a scoop interview with Ray Hollingshead with Mr. Hollingshead. Scientific-fantasy stories. And some long program on page fifteen. If you can make head or tails of the book reviews you could also count them in as contents.

Anyhow, this is our first issue. We know that there is lots and lots of room for improvement, and the only way we can know where the improvement is needed is by a few thousand letters from our readers. If we get enough we will copy 500 other magazines and add a Readers Handbook. (It will also help to fill up a page or so.)

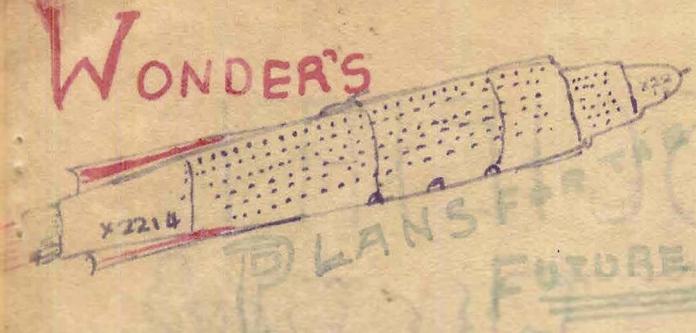
If you haven't already, you soon will no so, about our SCIENTIFIC QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS DEPARTMENT. In that we'll put any sensible questions of general interest to fans in, with the answer. This may seem like quite a big order, but with Flusserman, Etest, Marajo, Tillary, Ed Hodgkins, and T. D. Burke (?) on our staff we feel able to do it. So come--we shall urge you.

If you don't like our Improbable Column remember this mag is published in Los Angeles, and so most of its circulation is in Los Angeles. And since most of the readers are interested in Esperanto we include Baron Ikelnitch's column.

(Don't mind our staff sheet, it's only this issue)

The back three pages are filled with odds and ends assure you that all the ads are paid, no "cater ones" like one I received in another magazine. Also, WE ASSURE YOU that if YOU WANT SOMETHING or if you HAVE SOMETHING FOR SALE, the readers of this magazine are just the ones you want to contact. FJA has what you want, and the rest probably what what you have, so you are almost positive of getting easier if you advertise. Magazine odds are on the exchange basis....or else trade subscriptions.

As usual, we are waiting with open arms for material. Stories can wait as we are considering one by Francis Flagg and Dr. Miller for the next few issues. Mayne Hartnell will consent to help us out. We'll gladly accept Scientifictions, so we intend to make a column of them. Also, short histories etc. are desired. This time we are running our own, next time we hope to run most of THE DENVER SCIENCE-FICTION CONF., after that we have a blank spot. Come one science, we are always ready.



THE FACTS ABOUT WONDER'S FUTURE--"WHAT TWS INTENDS TO DO"--As Gathered from Group Interview of Mort Weisinger In Person. Reported by Bruce Yerke.

"The League is Dead... WONDER has no interest in Random... TWS to go Monthly... etc... etc." These & many more misinformations repeatedly are appearing by rumors reporters. Everybody has had erroneous idea or 2 about what TWS intends to do... but who really knew? Don't rely on the "fan in the st" advised Mort Weisinger; "Ask the Authority." So:

At a special informal meeting at the Beverly Hills abode of Henry "When the Earth Lived" Kuttner, member of our local chapt. Mr Weisinger was interviewed extensively by our Fantasciencircle.

Item A: Fan Mag Reviews are out. Or, rather, never were to be "in". There is so little space left over, Weisinger explained ...& the mag is edited on such a close margin...that the chance of a "Fan Mag Review" feature is quite impossible.

However, that brings us to the main point: WHAT IS WONDER'S ATTITUDE TOWARD RANDOM? Mr W (or "Mort" as he congenially urged us to call him) reminded that the Standard Publications put out 24 other magazines beside WONDER, & the greater portion of these appear monthly--which patently puts TWS in the background. However, Mort told us WONDER is given the extreme limit of time that can be spared. Mort at the presentime is extremely busy preparing to MAIL THE LONG OVERDUE MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES! Also, there is the possibility of more Leaguevelopes & stickers in the future. Just now G-Man mag is running the seals press to pieces. There are 70,000 members of the "G-Man" Club, while we may imagine the AFL hasn't got anywhere near that number.

Also--it's different with the "G-Man" org., in which most the mems are under 16, & of

course will quit the mag unless they get their badges promptly. WE are of sterner stuff--peep, peep!

The main item of interest is "When do We Dunk 'Zarnak?"! Mort says the circulation of WONDER runs into 1000s, while only about 300 fans have written in to complain about "Z". Also, while we don't know what the non-kickers think we do know 1/2 the League applications (which now are submitted by youngsters under 12!) declare on the back "I LIKE 'ZARNAK'". At the presentime you'd be astenight--or would you? --at the no. of coupons sent in by juveniles. TWS can stand a few 100 heckles simpler than lose several 1000 shekels by zapping 'Bure Back' 'Zarnak'...

SERIALS aren't used, not only because they're the bane in a bimonthly, but because of a strict SF policy.

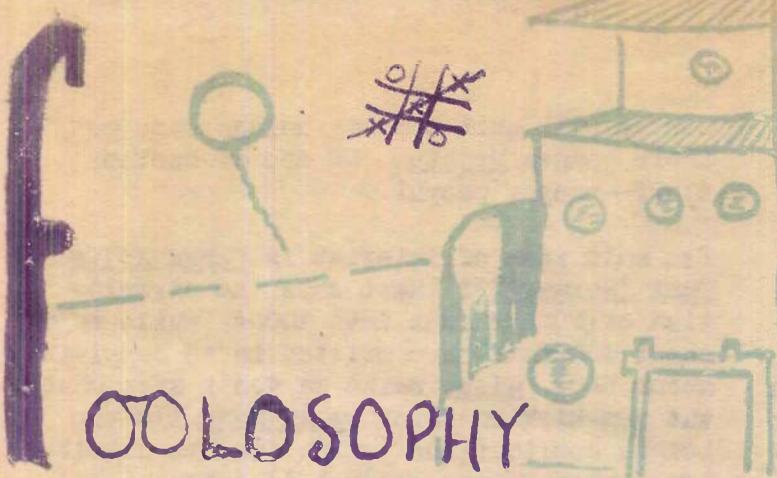
PIX of prominent sevants are to appear in conjunction with their science articles.

CONTEST? Maia ou! (But definitely!) That was brot up by our bunch. Mac Dir Ackerman's proposal was popular, probably will be acted upon: "WHAT I WOULD DO IF I WERE ED. OF THRILLING WONDER--". Prizes for most reasonable recommendations.

As far as WONDER to go monthly is concerned --the circulation question isn't the drawback but, strangely, the lack of enuf prolific writers to guarantee sufficient good stories to keep up the quote of pgs! If enuf acceptable material could be counted on to come in, we'd have a monthly in no time.

Oh, incidently, LA has suggested substitute for "Zarnak": ARTISTICLASSICS--i.e., celebrated sf stories of the past reproduced in picture form. If such an innovation strikes you, make your "strike" known to TWS & Mort assures it'll be a lucky one --& that's not so much cigaret smoke!

ATT'NL EX-CHAPT BIRDS: After almost fizzling to an inglorious finish, the League torch is being relighted. You soon should receive a letter from Mort, with enthusiastic announcements encouraging all to overcome that "Inertia" & that's enveloped many. Mort does have an interest in the SFL & will make concerted effort to regenerate Leag.



## FOLOSOPHY

EXTRACTED FROM THE ANCIENT BK OF  
KLOK ANK SMASH By That Venerable  
Filosofer Kno Knuth Ing.

On Tablets of Pura Neutronium It  
Wisely Is Written: U May Rise To GREAT  
HEIGHTS With TNT!

Stamping Science: Trying To Raise As-  
paragus On TOAST?

Build Ur House Piece By Piece & U Can  
See If There Be Any TERMITES In It.

FLASH! Kno Knuth Ing Just Shattered  
That Old One About A Needle In The Hay-  
stack. For A NITH Can Be Brot Out By  
An ELECTRO-MAGNET!

On Slices Of Eggplant It Exquisitely Is  
Embroiderd "People Who Live In GLASS  
HOUSES Shouldn't Throw WILD PARTYS."

The Man To Whom "The World Owes A Liv-  
ing" Soon Will Be In DEBT.

Go Slow & Fair Well, Go Fast & FAR-  
WELL!

On Tablets Of Shredded HOLYBDIUM It  
Superciliously Is Inscribed: He Who  
Dreameth In The Day Must Be A NITE  
WATCHMAN. (Owitch!)

A Man Who Is Bull-Headed Gets Mad When  
He Sees RED.

Use "Television" In A Sentance. "Can U  
Television When U See One?" (More !?!)

## SCIENTI- FRICION?

Fantastic But True! Facts  
By Prof Gwerke.

SAL SODA has no sodium in it.

COAL does not burn.

BLUE VITRIOL is not blue.

OIL OF VITRIOL is not an oil.

SODA WATER has no soda in it.

OXYGEN is poisonous.

GLASE is not a solid.

SOUND is not heard.

BLACK is not a color.

RADIUM is not the rarest element.

LEAD is not the heaviest element.

WATER is not a liquid.

EARTH is not round.

EARTH does not go round the SUN.

IN ONE CASE 2 gts are not 4 gts if 2  
more gts be added.

A CIRCLE can be made of straight lines.

THE SUN is not where U see it.

GUN POWDER does not explode.

# "WAY OUT WEST."

By RUSS HODGKINS, Chapter Director

Other Chapters are invited to send in their histories for publication.

IN ORDER to obtain a little much-needed publicity, & to acquaint fellow scientific & weird fans with what transpires in & around Los Angeles...this brief synopsis of our history is presented--

FOLLOWING A re-organization in Feb 36 the Los Angeles Chapter officially was under way, with W.Horford as Director. The original membership of some 18 fans dwindled during the summer to only 8 or 10 regular attendees. However, since then this more than has doubled. At the 19 Aug 37 get-together we had 29 attendees.

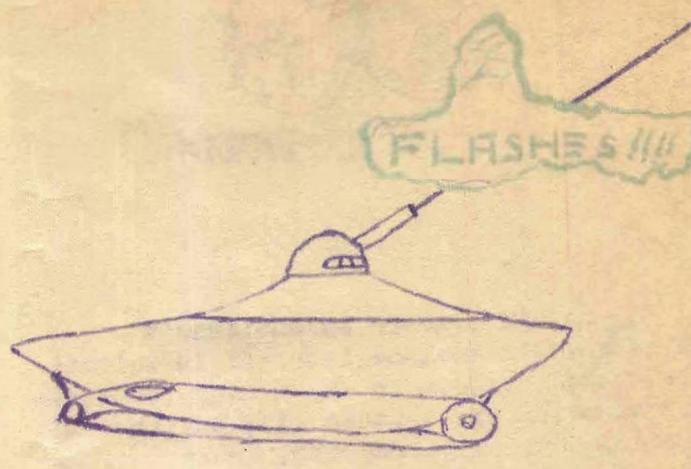
WHILE ORIGINALLY founded by & for stf fans, the Weird Influence was not to be denied. Now we're about as much one as 't'other, mainly due, no doubt, to the Weird author & artist mems, "Hankuttner" & "JIMooney".

OUR MEETINGS are held with a little ceremony as possible. After the business has been conducted the meeting is open to informal discussions of mags, storys, authors, artists, & the various angles of the many sciences.

AMONG OUR many Guest Speakers we have had Chas EHornig, Arthur JBurks, Robt Bloch, Dr Keller, Jos Wm Skidmore, Arthur KBarnes, & Bob Olsen; the latter 2 being frequent attendees. We also have had, on several occasions, Dr Pheeley of a local college.

LAST DEC Dir Hofford resigned his office & I took over the vacancy. (Ofcourse there was the formality of an election) The other officers at present are Sucker-tang (?) Forrest J Ackerman, Librarian, Roy Test Jr; & Treasurer, that Hodgkins guy again.

OUR LIBRARY has grown by donation only, & has almost every issue of every stf mag ever published. In addition to which we've Argosys, Argoey, & more Argosys...



By E.V. Beware.

DR KELLER'11 write The Great Sloth, phantasy inspired by his visit to Th H'wood Bowl during his recent sojourn in LA.

MORT WEISINGER'11 push thru th publication of th Weinbaum masterpiece, The New Adam.

TH BK-rites to Skidmore's "Posi & Neg" series hav been purchast by DOUBLEDAY DORAN.

CATHERINE LMoore has submitd Worlds Without End to TREMAINE.

HUGO G is back, we see, with a new science pub, "Gadgets". Costs quartr.

"THE SIGN of Th Burning Hart", his greatest work, 'll be pub't by DR KELLER in memoriam to his wife. Exclusiv ltd edit. Printd in France (in Eng).

BLU BK intends to run series of scientific-novelets by ANTHONY HUD in th nr future. 1st was in Sep no, entitled Visitors from Venus.

"CYNTHIA, I am Tar'zan" aré th only 4 words th speman is to say in Principal Pix next proinc featuring ERB's Lord of th Jungl.

"HER JUNGL Lover" 'll be produced by Para as sequel to th successful "Queen of th Jungl" of last season.

"QUATRALE'S 4 line rime  
never out of place.  
May be used any time  
to fill empty space."  
---TTT



## ONWARD ESPERANTO!

*Erlatelyay*

Here'n 5 score scientifans'v  
express their awakend interest in scienti-  
fic speech ESPERANTO by sending (some via  
airvelope!) for textots (1); enlited Eds  
FANTASY Mag., Sklyn Reportr, Tesseract, No-  
vae Terrae, Marvel Tales, Science Fiction  
Fan, Planeteer—all'v put in articles about  
this type talk to come. Major imaginativ  
magz WONDR, ASTOUNDNG, AMAZG, SPIDER...v  
printd Esperanticomments in their bandr  
cols or their authrs'v made use Univers-  
alangage in some storys. Why 'way back  
in '08 in Munsey mag All-Story JGeo Fred-  
rick ("Th Einstein Express", 1st 2-pt  
tale) in TH PLANET JUGLR predictd (quo-  
tation courtesy Littaria Fazani, simpli-  
fyd speling & abbrevs by "Akru" & Esperant-  
fest): "Then to th operator's astonish-  
ment & confusion words came to him from th  
headpiece as distinct as tho spoken by a  
bass voice into his ear in low tone—the  
he was 5' from th tiny receivr: 'Hello  
Earth! Hello Earth! Do U understand? He-  
lo Earth! Hello Earth!'—& ran on indefinitly in ESPERANTO, th Universlanguage  
which was by this time used by all th  
intelligent classes of th Earth." (For ben-  
efit interestd uninitiated message would  
'v reacht radiooperator's ears as follows:  
"Hola Terol! Hola Terol! Cu vi kromorma?  
=Atg (etc.)".) Well World Estimate for  
Today is: 1,000,000 Teranzj (Terrestrial)  
talic—or read or write; any rate man in 1  
way or another—this isasy & scientific  
peaceful & economic & hygienic & appropriate  
is necessary & estd Q ptonistic logicalan-  
guage. Disregarding diehard handful heckling  
'Imperantists' "Esperanto Marbas Ar-  
tamen!"—In words tells' great charctr  
'John Cabal' in scientificmasterpiece  
THINGS TO COME: "We Go On!". IMAGINA-  
TION! now establishes permanent Esperantio-  
column for purpose to furthr popularizs &  
propagte Universlanguage among progresiv  
pioneers; to entertain while educating in  
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munication. No space'll be wasted in  
pointless argument with islandous sofemo-  
ricritix who, for instance, hav anticity!  
(asinego!) to condemn it as artificial,  
SACRED SKYLARZ; as if Science's almost ev-  
ry invention isn't synthetoreation super-  
ior to original, serving Civilization, eman-  
cipatng Mankind! Mechanized transporta-  
tion, technicolor talkies, electric illuminatn,  
airconditionng—as 4 offshri out  
of endless example. Impresses me as in-  
credible & completely paradoxial attitude  
on pt any science fiction fan; who asserts  
self above throng because b r e a d, intelli-  
gent, visionary; to oppose bap as artificiallanguage! Ofcourse!: Strong is  
stress it's synthesized, with scientific  
simplifications, from rootwords of world;  
in efficacious endeavor to create, out of  
chaos of baroque babel 3,400 tonguss on la  
Tun today Universal Understanding. Utopian  
aim: Crank detractors' declamations'll  
not be dignifyd by recognition.....

Here's sampl such it-  
ems as U may expect in this col in ishsa  
to appear. If unfamiliar with Univers-  
language test Ur ability to translate befur  
U refer to traduzia below: "Desendo: 'Mi  
audis herinan ralon en "Hur imaru" k' kie  
natis nukam noma de noma?'—Gas Munis."  
Responso: Merina O'Sullivan: 'L.M.-18'. —  
Esperantai sciencifikaj entuziasmoj k  
libroknoktanta internacijsa iarm' no fa-  
hala de la famo Rosia filmo ELLITO ("Mars  
Varmortanta") estas skribita kiel libro en  
Esn's alioma. — Iuka de "Kradu mi Es":  
En Esn'n es nukne frachita oni skribas 'BLU-  
AN okulan' anatacau nigran! (Larika, int?)

1. "Question: 'Who playd heroine-role in "Just Imagine" & what was numeral name same?'—Jimoney." Ans: Maureen O'Sullivan; 'L.M.-18'.
2. Esperantic science fiction enthusiasts & bk collectors'll be interestd to learn  
story th famous Rosia film ELLITO ("Mars  
Declining") is obtainabl as bk in Eng edit.
3. "Believe It or Not" Dept: In Eng if  
cockt 1 gets 'BLUE eye' stead black?

---In English...I know  
some smartalex who should be wearng box on  
their u s a s s ...

(1) Esperant Gram &  
Vocab can be secured for 10¢ from Heroldo:  
Ex 6476, Met Stn; Los Angeles/Calif.—Int.



concerning this satellite-flite silver-screeneratir. Sensational in subject... "SIE" surely should be scientifilm superor, among yr's major imports. Further devlopments, details, to be relayd rite as revd--thru IMAGINATION! Solaly!

#### LIKE "LOST WORLD"

Columbia Studios preparing prehistoricarn for picturization.

#### "RACE OF TIME"

Scientific rtood--belived to be "Krazy Kat"--caught by Leag local Librarian Test. Roy telefoncs me th oddity shows future citys & interplanetary exploration!

#### "TH MAN IN TH MIRROR"

Most amusing Ing import releast by Grand Natl of a lookingglass which--praps tired of havng reflections cast upon it--ejects th image of th man w who most abuses it, making life just a fish of doubl-troubl for Bill Everett Horton...

#### CAMERAHAN IN MOON

Lunar labs to reproduce synthetic monstra from Pluto! Luna as "location" for kinema compnys to "shoot" great imaginaryarns in th futurs! Imitation space batle film from our satellite's surface! Such is th exciting stuff of which Henry Kuttner's new series for TWS'11 consist. Calld: "HOLLYWOOD ON THE MOON".

#### MR GORDON GOES TO MARS

New Universal announces Alex Raymond's intrepid Terrestri-an'll take trip to Planet 4 in th successor to th 1st pseudo-science serial featuring "Flash".

#### "TH MAN WHO MADE DIAMONDS"

Anothr Ing emeavr but doubtful of distribution in America. 1st Natl Prod taken at Teddington, Stfie synthesis--in spectacuir electrica-lab--of th "stones of scintillation". "Diamond-Maker" murdrd by unscrupulous ast for selfish utilization of th experimtr's invention...

"TARZAN'S REVENGE": 20th Century release.

It sagely is inscribed--as I spose our Foolesofer'd fraze it--on tablets of pure aspirin that "an ounce of explana-tion is worth a lb of conjecture". In th extraordinary event that anyone really reads this col...MP ("My Public"--not Milit'ry P'lice!) might be bit puzzld 'bout columnne. That is, "Filmart"--whethr it's intendid as "Film Art"? or is there hint of haplogeographic contraction about it? Rite! th lastime--"Filmart" is a syllabic synecope or telescopiccoalescence of "Film Art". FANTASCIENCE FILMART combines in-1 Monthly Imaginativ Movie HS th advance news & singulr old discoverys of my Scientifilm Snapshots & Fantascience Film-snaps of my former film features in th famous FANTASY Mag & th review-preview résumés of Scientificinematologically Snack-ies...

#### SCIENTIFILM SCOOP!

Exclusiv Flash! to IMAGINATION!! 1st annoucement--direct from Deutschland--home Imaginativ Movieiss Inimitabl: Metropolis, Siegfried, Galile-ari's Cabinet, Orlac's Hands, Our Heavenly Bodys (Destiny), Girl in Moon (By Rocket to Moon), Gregore Alramno, E.P. Twil. Gold, World's Ruler, usw--from my German Esperanto Agent Herr Herbert Häuscler speeds scientifilm-marvelous info that BFA (Bavaria Film Assn) is preparing pyro-technicl production. "SPACESHIP 1 STARTS!!!" Rocketrip ffrom Terra to Luna! Cinemethod to escape Earthgravity grip believed'll be that fictionly employd in Otto Willi Gail's great SWQuarterlyarn "Shot Into Infinity". Author Gail broad-cast recently over Radio München/Bavaria

# LITHS & Local Leag Life!

HAVE U EVER HEARD OF THE "LOST ANGELS"? PERHAPS, BUT AS FAR AS SCIENTIFIC FICTION'S ONE WOULD THINK THAT THE ANGELENOS HARDLY HAD A CHAPTER. ALRITE, AMIGOS. LISTEN TO L.A. A MINUTE.

By Ted Berk

A super treat for Southern Cali-fans was the visit paid to us recently by that famous author & humanitarian DAVID H KELLER MD.

Dr "David" proved a most interesting speaker; the Chapter enjoyed one the most memorable meetings recorded in our pga... with Record Attendance of 22!

One among many unusual storys related was of comrade Keller's childhood. Following, brief acct of this unique affair, which U may have read in fiction form as "The Lost Language", unsuspecting it was based on an astonishing TRUE Story!: When DHK was an infant there existed a condition in which he didn't have a chance to learn English. & it came to pass that the child, David, started to speak in a strange language of his individual intuition, unlike unto any--so far as anybody knew--of the 3000 or so (for exact figure ask Ackerman or Miss Morojo or Esperantest) known tongues talkt on Terra!!!!

When he was 4 1/2 yrs old his sister, yr 1/2 his elder, died; & since she had been the only one in the world who could converse with Keller, our friend was plunged into one the most peculiarly tragic plites any man or boy probably ever has experienced!

## Ex-communicado from his kind:

The Good Dr actually didn't learn "our" language til he was 9. He was expeld from school because they thot him an idiot! Had to study Eng like a "foamer"; & when he learnt it, it surplanted his "native" tongue...which to this day he cannot recall in waking hrs--only while asleep does he dream that he talks once more in the "Lost Language"...

--While on the topic of Tongues...Dr K also told how he had fonograf disks made of Angelica's "baby talk". These records

of his youngest dawter's "da's", playd at a LinguistiCollege were identifyd as Hindu! Dr Keller's theory concerning this queer occurrence is that "in early extra-uterine life some of those goo's & gads in reality are subconscious memorys of ancestral voices...!" An incident that helps to back up this explanation is the fact that just recently--at least only yr ago--quite an article appeard in the papers about a boy & girl who grew up with a private Parlez-Vous. Fortunately, they also could speak English...

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Did U know that the LA Chapt of the INTERNATIONAL SFL has 7 Honorary Members? Chas DHornig, "Skylark" Smith, Bob Olsen, Arthur JBurks, Robert Bloch, Dr David H Keller, & "Mort" Weisinger. 9 of our mens--including friendly Nurse Fairchild & Morojo the Modern--form the nucleus of Over Sea Chant #1, SCIENCE-FICTION ASSN, which society, as U know (or should know) is the BIG stf org of Great Britain...Publishers, Novae Terrae, TOMORROW, & The Science Fiction Gazette. Any interested fans within radius of 50 miles may join thru us, under Chairmanship our Dir, R.Hodgkins. \$1.25 makes U full-fledged mem, with card: includes sub to NT, TOMORC, & the Gazet.

A companion club in LA for those inclined toward soberly speculativ science is the new NEOTRIC SCIENCE LEAG, internationl in nature. At the last local meetng author Olsen gave quite a comprehensive lectret on "The Probabilitys of LIFE on Other Planets". For further info re the NSL, write Pres Vernon DHarry, 3806 S Grand Ave, Los Angeles.

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OTHER SFL CHAPTS OR INDEPENDENT CLUBS CORDIALLY ARE INVITED TO SUPPLY ACTIVITY ITEMS FOR PUBLICATION..

## RARITY REVIEW

## EUROPEAN NOVELTY\*

By Mirta Forstö

"Last Amerikan" by J.Mitchell, translated into Tomoro's Tongue--Espéranto--by Lehman Wendell. \$20 Esp Internat'l Lib; Publishers Esp-Verlag Allersiek & Boerl GmbH, Berlin & Dresden.

This imaginativ littl bk in the scientificialanguage narrates unusual noct explorntion in 2951 AD--at which dim date Americontinent for centurys has lain "silent wilderness where sun & moon look down in turn upon 100s crumbling citys" whose inhabitants had cease to exist as nations in 1990. "Allah ordains" Kan-li, Iranian (Persian) Prince of Dimf-Yu-Chur, in effect de Kolumbus Reincarnate! Refind this Forgottn World.

Arriving in Nu-Yek Kan-li & crew make divers discoveries, many startling. Prinstance they'r disconcertd to exmin Liberty Statue torch & be unable to trace down any evidence it ever was lit! Amusingly distorti deductions about Astor House etc. Well-preserved woodn effigy wearing feather headress seen outside what appeard te've been small shop--& traditional Cigar Store Indian's concluded to've been Yankee Idol!

In demised Metropolis Nu-Yok wildbear's killd. Another time a colleg attempts to capture funny littl cat-like creature but stalker's Apr Fool'd & after obnoxious experience his companions insist he eat away from em!

Map found. Ex-pelition made to Washington, decaying Capital ancient US Govt. Amazing moment! seen living USer--last representativ his entire race except 3-1 encountered!

Humorous "historyarn", this science satire of millennium hence might been subtitled "Am- nape things to come?" for Uncle Sam's America...!

By Herbert Müssler

"The York of Elmo" by Kreisse, Synopses in Eng as originally writtn by Herr Müssler.

"By the library I succeeded to get another bk. The author is a new German in Science, Kreisse. The York of Elmo ("York" equals Martians name for "ruler" & "Elmo" the Martians name for their planet--by the Terrestrians called Mars.) The 3 brave space-shipers, reaching Mars, found there a primitive apelike people & an another highlycultured people who has no war-guns. Therefore the hords of the ape-people can always make a great dying inter the cultured people. In the mts of Mars lives still great birds. The Terrestrians can help the Martian to destroy a great mass of their enemies. Before the leave the nice planed to the return trip, a little trip is made to 1 of the Martians moon & there they found in a cave, a parchment (parchment?) & a wumis too. Reading this, the know, that the moon is a piece of distant planed situated far from our sun-sistem, & whipt out into our Universe by a gigantic EXPLODE. Now the return trip is made but the women stays on Mars, she married a Martian. The other friend during the space-raketing is getting victim of a meteor. Only 1 from the 3 arrives safe on Earth again..."

"In the other bk: 'World Catastropha' the author Dominique (not identic-al with the German stf author Hans Domin-ik) writes about the disturbance of the Earth by an approaching comet. This bk tells chiefly the terrors & the panik, who this comet brot over the Mankind..."

Next No.: For scientific comparison with foregoing 2 more "Bk Reviews from Abroad" by Herr Müssler: "Star Call A Flame Out of the Universe"--resume' in Universallanguage as Intermediary!

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"The Fanmag  
of the Future  
with a Future!"

It was one day when the mailman failed to bring us an announcement of a new fanmag for that day that we suddenly realized how f a m i s h t the

Field was: One day in the mo. a new amateur imaginativ periodical hadn't been born! Terrifying truth! "The Skystork of Space" couldn't keep up the pace, we were ~~a-~~ Paul-d, paralyzed; what did it portend? ---the ~~end~~?

The End of All Things? For after all is done & read--- what is a fan's life without a minimum average of 30 fanmags introduced ea mo? So we Virgil-y (to report it weird for weird) sent a Wesso-S to the Imaginatives of Great Li to save the day; save the Imagi-nation's species Super Homo Solentia from de-Marey-lization; undertake to bring about an addition for Dold files so we could Saaty U "This's #128CKAJ"... Writing this Introduction is turning out to be the artist (hardest) pt of all!

Before we'd make U weep with repetitious rahash standrd rubrstamp stuff---"After long period exhaustiv preparation we proudly present...", "Importnt Plans--with Ur support;" etc also asf---believe us we'd leav ng entirely blank. Vitiated verbosity, blah! We aim to inject vigor, originality, into our endeavr; justify our jump onto imaginativ fanmag merrygoround; concretize cause for our continued existence.

**OUR POLICY:** Coverage, to our Best Ability, Fantascience Field--as concerns Fiction, Films, Stage, Radio, S-Ph Events & Personalitys--in manr moderne. Populr science items & articls also'll appear. Featured'll be Ackermanuscripts: Fantascience Filmatarial by "4SJ", Espérantoix by Erdstelulov & Ohrs, etc, in terse "telegrammaticonconstruction". If U've got Imagination--can appreciate sciencized Winchelllanguage--4SJ's Holly-words of wisdom'll appeal to U. In collab with Kuttner, from their filmland flats in Cinemetropolis, cinemaauthoritativ info'll emerge. Virtually IMAGINATION'll hav Fantascience Cinemomonopoly for: "Mr Mathematica"--Kearn--is "Forijay"'s English Agent, & our Cinemani-Ack also secured Deutsch depester, USSRreportr, re science & supernatural celluloid reels...

**OUR PLEDGE:** We positivly'll not annoy U with "Our Comparison" on ea story in ea ish ea major imaginativ mag. We state that just so evryone can refer back & enjoy Big Laf at our expense 5 yrs hence when we'r printng th Only Recognized story sumations--& we write foregoing for a bigr laf in 1942 to think we ever thot we'd last that long!

We could say "'Send us Ur deugh & watch us go!' but that'd be exposng ourselves for fast ones. Which reminds us we want scientifantasticrax, & that's no joke. Send in original material or amusing adaptations & we'll compile col giving credit to contrib'rs..."

Extreme advance styl'll appear in work of th "J"; othr contents'll be editd to certn speedd-up standrds of foneticism--"streamlined spelng"--& abbrev; in no case can IM! be calld o r th o d o x! Our only excuse to intrude on already "famisht" fanmag field of myriad magazeta is Originality...we request U don't subscribe!: we even plead with U not to mention IMAGINATION to Ur friends. We'r just putting this pub out for our own amazement; by Sloane! U'll spoil evrything if U go & get us obligated to supply U more IMAGINATION! ("J" is for "Jokester")

# Th Endless Thread

By Ethel C Pope, Adaptd  
from "The Recl"

"My Reign began with INTELLIGENCE' Dawn  
When 1st my silken sfere startd to unwind.  
Thru Endless Eons I hav advanced ceaselessly  
& always that Path I leav behind.  
I hav circl'd all th Handng Worlds & Suns  
Yet my sfere seems to remain unchanged in size.  
I rule All Th Minds of th Universe Entire!  
Puny Things hav believd emselvs to be  
Wise.

--They know not that they merely hav followd my lead,  
Stumbling along until Progress they found.  
Because of Me, Worlds'v been conquerd--& destroyd;  
Still I must go on--making my Endless  
Round.

Th End of my Toil nevr'll come til there be  
INTELLIGENCE in Immensity.

Til then--I shall unravel thru Infinity...Eternaly.  
I am, ent'rely without interpretation

--I, Bearr of th Sfere, am...

I \* M \* A \* G \* I \* N \* A \* T \* I \* O \* N !

## TO A METEOR

By Litterio Farsaci

Like swift litening on

           a wind'd path

U wake th sky into

flaming wrath!

O litl stone

U hav journeyd far

since U were shot

from a SHATTERED star

Into th Void of Space

on a Cosmic Race,

destind to die

as a burning bar.

## TO A STAR

By Farsaci

O Great Blazng Sun of a Mammoth Race, how modest U seem--belitld  
by Space!

What Hopes do U bring with Ur scintillant beam to numberless  
Worlds over which U gleam?

Speak with Loudr Voice! Lite Ray from th  
Past; tell us Ur Secrets of th GREAT & VAST!

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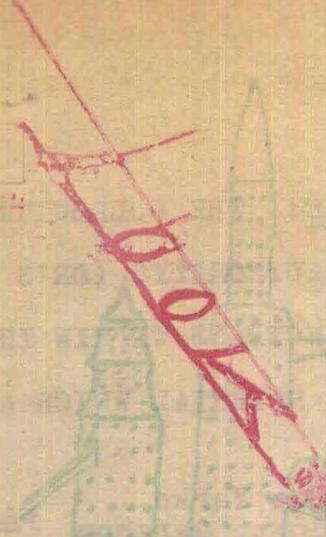
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