

New Members.

Gooding, William, 145 Lutterworth Road, Leicester, (100) (yippee)
 XXX Lalenby, Norman, 16 Whinlatter Gardens, High Fell, Gateshead 9, (102);
 Tubb, Edward C., Randolph Avenue, Maida Vale, London W. 9. (101).

Three new members in a Bulletin is something of an event these times. Mr Gooding is a new fan won over to the cause by Roy Johnson, Mr Lalenby is an author, Mr Tubb an ex-S.F.A. member. *Adsez bon.*

Delightful Recurrence of Activity on the Part of the B. S.-F. W.R.S.

In addition to the July '44 weird mentioned in the last Bulletin the following magazines have been received for the Library from the noble Cunningham.

ASTOUNDING S-F. May '44; FAMOUS FANTASTIC MYSTERIES Aug. & Oct. '42, June '44; WEIRD May, July, & Nov. '42; SUPER-SCIENCE STORIES Nov. '42; PLANET STORIES Summer '44; STARTLING STORIES Summer '44; CAPTAIN FUTURE Spring & Summer '44; FANTASTIC ADVENTURES Jan '42; SCIENCE-FICTION QUARTERLY Summer '41.

Quite an assortment, for which we are truly grateful.

Advisory Board.

In the last Bulletin I stated that only Jack Gibson had volunteered for this, but a reproachful gentleman from Leicester, one Johnson by name, called to say, amongst other things, that he had volunteered as well. The addition of Arthur Hillman, already Director of the Weird Section and heir presumptive to the BSF beyond, brings the number of volunteers up to three. It is not a large number, but it is an improvement on the previous state of affairs, and something may be done now.

Library.

It may be remembered that a proposed amalgamation of the three main public fantasy libraries, the SFA, the Cosmos Club, and the BSF, was put forward in the previous Bull. Since then the reactions of the Cosmos Club have come to hand via John Aiken, and while thinking that the times are out of joint for putting any such scheme into immediate operation they make some interesting points, substantially as follows:-

- (1) The Library should be in London, locally available to the greatest number.
- (2) It should be housed in a permanent clubroom looked after by the trustee incorporating a lock and key, an efficient filing system and librarian, and should not be the domicile of any fan.
- (3) To pay the rent and to buy new items for the library the subscription would have to be fairly high, probably of the order of ten bob per year even if country members still ~~xxx~~ carried the postage of the items they borrowed.
- (4) Every effort should be made to add to the library, and particularly to add books rather than magazines alone.

The result would eventually be a really good science-fantasy library with attractions for a wide circle of the public, thereby offering further immense possibilities. So the Cosmites say, and I, personally, heartily agree. But - BUT - is it feasible? Can it be made feasible? Has anyone any opinions to express? (No-one apparently has any ideas about post-war plans, suggestions for which I asked for in the last Bull.)

Paging a Big Pal of Mine

Who, from a London address, sent me two '44 Astoundings recently with no indication of his identity. Thanks exceedingly, of fair unknown, but who are you and what do I owe you?

D. R. Smith (Sec.)



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