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A WANDERERS RAMBLINGS

by David A. Bates

This time I intend to cover steferic material outside the regular scope of fans.

First on the list is THE FOUR SIDED TRIANGLE which was filmed in BK. It stars Barbara Payton. This from PEOPLE TODAY (10/22/52)

PREVUE makes mention of two films of interest. THE SON OF ALI BABA, a semi-fantasy, and IT GROWS ON TREES, a humorous fantasy film.

MR. AMERICA has a new policy and format. Items of interest are YOU ARE BEING WATCHED, a saucerian article, THE D.V. WORLD WAR III ALMOST BEGAN and THE ATOMIC FUTURE.

It has been a very long time since the name CAVALIER has graced the newsstands, but now from Fawcett it appears again. First issue (Nov) had Ray Bradbury's, THE TORRID WOMAN. January issue contains a MICKEY SPILLANE story and an article by Arthur j Burks.

THE ELECTRICAL WORKERS JOURNAL for November 1952 contains a rather interesting poem intitled THE FLYING SAUCERS by D. A. Hoover.

I notice RED SEAL 35¢ editions of AMERICAN BALLADS contain AMBROSE BIERCE'S the hero, THE CREMATION OF SAM MCGEE by Robert Service, O.W. Holmes' ONE HORSE SHLY, Edgar A. Poe's ANNABEL LEE and an unusual pure fantasy ballad, EVOLUTION by Langdon Smith. ---dab

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TALES OF TOMORROW is now also on a thing called "radio". ABC is the network broadcasting the program. No sponsor as of the first program and it is farsuperior to the tv series. Stories are adapted from GALAXY SF magazine....Also HALL OF FANTASY returns over the Mutual Broadcasting System. This is a real weirdie.

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it will be our policy (what's that?) to inflict upon you the letters of our readers. And at this point I must remind you that YOU are the reader. now send that letter will you? if you enclose a 2¢ stamp with your letter, you will recieve a free (?) copy of F in return. at least you'll be saving some 1¢ per copy. lb

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passing thots....

WILLY LEY'S signature: a graph decibel recording of a jazz-singers voice.

--- ron ellik

THE FLYING SAUCER (a one act play)
by bler

scene: a Martian waterhole.

Vbnmd; Hot, ain't it?

Qzxc: It's not the heat, it's the lack of cold.

Vbnmd: What's wrong, the Martian sun got you again?

Qzxc: Yeh, lets go down the local canal for a drink.

Vbnmd: Drunken lout! Shhh, here comes Zqgx, our stooge.

Zqgx: Who's a slob?

Vbnmd; Pay no attention to him, Qzxc, he's just come from Room 1628

Qzxc: What ever happened to vaudville?

Zqgx: Who's a slob?

Vbnmd: So true, so true!

Qzxc: Phobos is eclipsing Deimos.

Zqgx: Who's a slob?

Vbnmd: Curiosity killed the hrne.

Qzxc: Deimos is eclipsing Phobos.

Zqgx: Who's a slob?

sequel to appear next ish

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(a letter column)

CON #1

I recieved your FANTASTA today. Thanks alot. The only thing I didn't appreciate was one little article about the eventual move-ments of fans away from their pri-mary source; SCIENCE FICTION.

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the fiction section.....

onions to; THE BIG JUMP
by Leigh Brackett
SPACE STORIES #3

orchids to: MAD HOUSE
by Richard Matheson
FANTASTIC (janfeb)

'coming of the silent ones'

on our mailing page thish you will find a preview of coning attractions. it's our new little guests, the silent ones.

ON CRUDZIES

by ray bridges

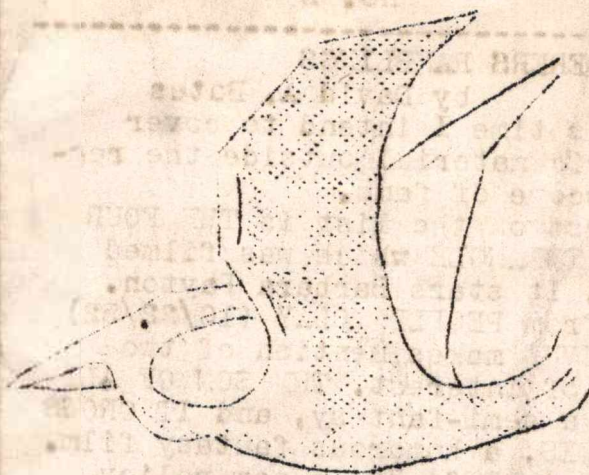
There have been appearing of late a vast amount of crudines on the newsstands. Something should be done about keeping the neofen aware of the fact that they ARE crudzines. A very recent example was put forth bearing the original title, FANTASTIC STF. I suggest that the pros (excuse the expres-sion)form a league of some sort and issue the leagues seal of approval to the better promags. It may not help a great deal, but it surely will accomplish something to offset the invasion of the market by crudzines.

-----rb.

and.....

slowly but surely we are increas-ing in size. I hope, by issue #4 to be giving you two sheets of this thing called FANTASTA. Letters will help a great deal so how about some?

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