

Unfortunately, this is

FANTASTA 5

Official Organ of the
RING TAILED DOOZY!



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25¢ for 6 things.

Larry Balint, head foreman.

Hyar we arc! (Please not that we're back on the FANTASTA title. ESCAPE has been given up as a poor risk.) There are several reasons for our change back to fantasta. Probably the most outstanding being that E was making a bad name for itself. And then, in here we have more room to move around. We're not pinned down with printing crud. (Another note: The columns we dropped are not the crud aforehand mentioned.)



I'm putting thish out in a hurry and that means I won't have time to fill it to the brim with material. This is to be considered as a free issue of FANTASTA to all subbers. I wouldn't be so cruel as to charge you for this thing. Now isn't that simply grand? Actually, I am unsure as to where I go from here in the way of pubbing. Don't watch too closely for F6 because it may turn out to be something else. By this, I mean that I am dropping my present format and taking off into the wild jungles of formats in search of a better one. (Another note: We shall continue with fanzine reviews so don't stop them coming in.)

(Another note: this is the last note here.)

LB.

FISHBOWL of the FUTURE

by Bob Stewart (of SanFran)



I predict: (like the great Salami that I am):
The 7th Fandom comic fad will be THE LONE RANGER..
...It will be discovered that Lech has gone to
night school so she can learn to read in the dark.
.....the traditional rupture easer ads on the back
of all the pulps will be replaced by a new one:
"Rupture-Teaser -- makes your gut tingle.".....
MICRO-'s fifth issue will be printed on microfilm.
.....In 1959, it will be discovered that Lee Hoff-
man is WAW's 14 year old daughter.....FTLancy will
publish a fanzine printed on toilet paper, to come
out in July 1956.....It will be discovered in
1954 that Warren Freiberg is a collaboration of
pennames for Richard Shaver and Ray Palmer.....
the center fanzine for 7th Fandom will be the
Xenon Indexes.....It will be discovered in 1954
that Shelby Vick's puffins are really ads leading
up to the announcement of a new product by the
National Bisquit Company.



This fanzine is
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by Parent's Magazine

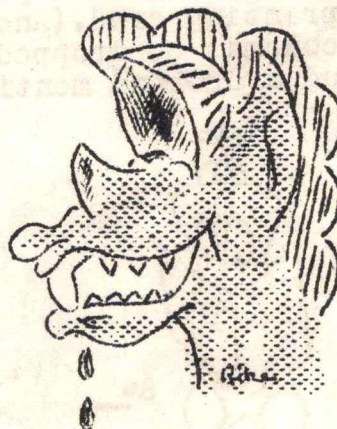


BS

This thing here is a
boob. You can find a
whole slew of them in
Bob Stewart's fanzine,
BOO!

The first issue of a
new fanzine has been
issued - ALLERGY. It's
the answer to Dean
Grennel's ENIGMA. Rich
Geis edits this one.
(Didn't think I was on
the ball, did you, boys?)

Danger!
FANTASTA 6 under
construction.



ATLANTIS

the lost fanzine column

A LA SPACE, Kent Corey, PO Box 64,
Enid, Oklahoma.

3-D AND SF by Vic Waldrop, WHAT
DOES PROJECT FAN-CLUB DO? by Orv
Moshier, A L'INTERROGATIF by Gregg
Calkins. (15¢) (***)

BOO!, Bob Stewart, 274 Arlington,
San Francisco, Calif.

SLAG by Ray Thompson, FANZINES by
Terry Carr, COSMIC DUST by Wm. D
Knapheide, ART SECTION by four
fans (5¢) (****)

CHICGER PATCH OF FANDOM, Nan
Gerding, Box 484, Roseville, Ill.
THE NEWSSTAND by Bert Hirschhorn,
HEART OF GOLD by Jim Harmon, OUR
TELEPHONE by Bob Farnham, artwork
by DEA, Bergeron. (15¢) (****)

COSMIC FRONTIER, Stuart K. Nock,
RFD #3, Castleton, NY.

THE VULCANS by Peter Christoff,
ANDROMEDA by Nick Castelli, WHAT
A VOCABULARY by Stuart K. Nock,
plus departments. (10¢) (**)

FAN-NEWS, Gilbert E. Menicucci,
675 Delano Ave., San Francisco, C.
NEWS OF FANDOM on 1/2 sheet of
hektoed paper. Price is 2/5¢ and
reasonable for the news you get.
No pro news. (**)

GEM TONES, G. M. Carr, 8325-31st
NW, Seattle, Wash.

A SAPSzine of fmz reviews of both
SAPS and subzines. Of special
value to fanzine editors. Avail-
able by trade only (****)

PEON, Charles Lee Riddle, 108
Dunham St., Norwich, Conn.
FANTASTUFF by Terry Carr, HARMONY
by Jim Harmon, FIGMOS by Hal
Shapiro, OUR INCREASING WORLD by
Ian Macauley. (****)

PSYCHOTIC, Richard Geis, 2631 N.
Mississippi, Portland, Ore.
FANZINE ART REVIEW by Terry Carr,
TRIAL BY LETTER by Raleigh Multog,
PROZINE POTSHOTS by Francis Bordna,
art by Geis. (10¢) (***)

REASON, Tom Piper, 464-19th St.,
Santa Monica, Calif.

THE DEMOLISHED STENCIL by Terry
Carr, DEATH OF A FAN CRITTUR by
Bob Stewart, BY GEORGE by George
Viksmins. (10¢) (***)

REVIEW, Vernon L. McCain, RFD #3,
Nampa, Idaho.

This zine of reviews of both fan
and prozines is available by
trade only. VLM spouts sme very
interesting stuff. (***)

SCIENCE FICTION NEWSLETTER, Bob
Tucker, PO Box 702, Bloomington, I
The latest news from books to the
movies. THE BEATIFUL DOLL CAPER
by William Nolan. Photographs from
Indian Lake. (20¢) (****)

SCINTILLA, Larry Anderson, 2761
Smoky Lane, Billings, Mont.

THE INDEFINSIBLE POSITION by VL
McCain, CARRS CRYPT by Terry Carr,
MY TEN YEARS IN A ROCK QUANDRY by
Don Cantin. (10¢) (***)

STAR ROCKETS, Raleigh Multog,
7 Greenwood Rd., Pikesville, Md.
FANZINES by Richard Geis, ARIZONA
FANDOM by Jeff Taylor, PROZINE
REVIEWS by V. Paul Nowell, HERE WE
GO AGAIN by Peg Robinette (10¢) (**)

VEGA, Joel Nydahl, 119 S. Front St.,
Marquette, Mich.

OPERATION ROLLBACK by Dean Grennell,
BIRDBATH TO BULBOFAGG by Harlan
Ellison, FANZINE FILE #2 by Shelby
Vick. (10¢) (****)

WHISPERING SPACE, Val Walker, 6438
4th Pl., Tulsa, Okla.

FLYING SAUCERS by FBChristoff, THE
MAN FROM CRUD by Robert Lawrence,
THE LDST ONES by Val Walker, plus
departments. (free) (**)

XENERN, Wm. Knapheide, 992-Oak St.,
#C, San Francisco, Calif.

XENERN II is the Convention issue.
It contains reference indexes to
material of any and all stf cons.
Handy. (15¢) (****)

Stars represent: (*) - poor; (**) - below average; (***) - average;
(****) - good; (*****) - excellent.

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by the editor....

The farther I go typing and drawing on this here stencil, the more I get to like this format. Might use it, who knows.

At any rate, the next issue of FANTASTA (or whatever it may be) will find it's way into yore mailbox's in about a month. No longer. Maybe less.

DETOUR to next column



BS

Tomorrow morning our entire family is climbing into the car and we shall proceed on a journey that will eventually place us in the fan infested city of San Francisco. This is the main reason why this is done hurriedly and without much care. Maybe in the next issue I will be able to present an article called SAN FRANCISCO CONFIDENTIAL in an expose sort of way.

Aweel! Looks like I'm drawing near the end of Mr. Stencil. 'Twas a nice little jaunt through this anyway. I'll be looking for your eager faces in a month or less as I said once b4.

Until that time.....

Hang by yore thumbs,

Larry

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