

LE ZOMBIE # 6

Tucker's Candid Comment

A COSMIC Publication

SOMEBODY'S SUPPLEMENT DEPT: Well, here we are tucked under the spreading wing of NOVA. Now we bet Taurasi will miss us and wish he had given us front page prominence when we were a supplement to Fantasy News!

WE ARE APPRECIATED DEPT: Quoting from a letter from W. Lawrence Hamling who edits a Chicago school paper and has a finger in the AD ASTRA pie: Quote: "I received the latest issue of FN today, and along with it the two supplement issues of "LE ZOMBIE" and I really want to congratulate you on them. They really were the 'nuts' as the saying goes. Especially did I like the 'Foreign Soil Dept' and the 'It Could Happen Here Dept'. My only objection is, that LE ZOMBIE comes out much too seldom, so lets have a whole colony of 'Zombies' wake up in the near future, then I really will be thrilled!" Unquote. Well, W. Lawrence, LE ZOMBIE will be issued monthly now, along with NOVA. And you will no longer get it free. One must buy a copy of NOVA to get our little gem.

OUR FAN MAIL DEPT: Quote: "I got a copy of INVISIBLE STORIES today. It was perfect. A fine group of authors and very good illustrations. Pall's cover was very good. I particularly liked the detail in the back ground. Among the inside drawings, I think the one for "Invisible Men of Mars" was by far the best! The Martians were so life like.Now for the stories. I rate "Invisible Goose" as best. Is Manly Wade Pong any relation to Hoy? "Who Goes There Invisible?" was next best. Let's have more by this author. The other two weren't quite as good, but could have been much worse. You should have a dept. predicting coming stories. I liked the letters from the readers very much, but I take issue with Mr. Ima Nutt from Kalamazoo. The science in "Invisible Robot" was quite accurate, and not in error, as he says. If you want to argue about it, I'm willing. Hoping you keep the mag up to the present level, I remain, (I hope) James D. Tillman, Jr. Madison College, Tenn." Unqu.

EXPLANATION FOR THE FIREWORKS DEPT: The above letter was received from Tillman after he had read a copy of our Anniversary magazine, "Invisible Stories", which is published by us, free of charge, to any fan who will send a stamp to pay it's postage. If you haven't yet got a copy, rush along a stamp. There will be no more issues of "INVISIBLE STORIES" until our fifteenth anniversary. (In science fiction, you dope, not our age.)

ANNY-MOUSE DEPT: We also got another fan letter commenting on "INVISIBLE STORIES" from a little tank town called Portland Oregon. This letter was unsigned and un-addressed. Among some two dozen or so blank sheets of paper we found the following note: "After you have read the rest of this letter that took me so long to write U will know what was in my mind after having perused your latest literary activities." We suspect the mysterious gentlemen is pulling our leg. We sent no copies of "IS" to Portland. But meanwhile, you fans who do not have copies of "INVISIBLE STORIES", do you see what you are missing? Better rush a stamp.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS DEPT: Having received a query if outside material (stuff written by others) was welcome in LE ZOMBIE, we hasten to answer yes, providing you will let us edit it, arrange it in the proper depts. and eliminate any matter we do not see fit to besmirch fair ZOMBIE with.

THINGS TO DO NOW DEPT: When you have come this close to the bottom of the page there is only one thing to do: turn over. (the page, not you.)

PAUSE FOR STATION IDENTIFICATION DEPT: This is page two of LE ZOMBIE #6. Published by Bob Tucker, Box 260, Bloomington, Ill. for NOVA's sake. We want to call your attention to LE ZOMBIE number 5, just ahead of #6. It was reprinted here to keep the records straight, and to aid those of you who did not get a copy of it previously. (Not to mention of course, the obvious advertising. But then YEARBOOK is something!)

TEN BEST BLANK THOUGHTS DEPT: In number 4 we started a poll to find out the ten best blank thoughts of our readers. Having started something, it is only fair to finish it, so below we give you the ten best blank thoughts of Doc Lowndes, the Futurian man. Let us state that we are in no way responsible for Doc's thoughts, and his thoughts are not necessarily our thoughts; altho we do admire some of his blankest ones.

DOC'S THOUGHTS DEPT: 1: Aktfthagn Cthulhu fthagn aktethulhu fthagn gn. 2: Djougashvielli synonym for djougashvielli. 3: When I say a thing thrice it is so. 4: Three cheers for the weapon so hidious no one would use it! 5: Damn Franco damn franco damn franco damn franco damn franco. 6: Down with! 7: Salud the glorious! 8: A match, anybody got a match, gotta match, gotta match. 9: fifteenmenonadeadsmanchestandpassthebottle damnyoudon'tsawllowitpigofapigofapigofapig! 10: in nomine sathanus et asmodei et shub niggerath ingi. "

RUEFUL BEWILDERMENT DEPT: Well, we asked for it. So let us make haste right now to consider our contest for the "ten best blank thoughts you have had" at a close! No prizes nor bottle tops will be returned. All blank thoughts submitted are now the property of LE ZOMBIE. We wonder, however, if Sir Doc slyly slipped in some propaganda on us, hidden in a foreign tongue, somewhere among those ten. It might be number 10.

CORRECTION OF MISIMPRESSIONS DEPT: incidentally, Doc think's LE ZOMBIE is allwet on some points, and proceeds to point out those points, with the request we give them to you, or he will, in his "LE VOMBITEUR". Rather than suffer horribly at the hands of Doc's hecktograph, we give them to you here:

DOC SAYS DEPT: "Levy has never wasted space attacking either competitor (Fantasy News and News-"etter), nor have we seen scurrilous remarks about ourselves in either Fn or N-L. Which makes the remarks LZ made somewhat nebulous to say the least. Very strange, M'sieu that while other fan-groups have consistantly filled space in their pubs. about the wondrous workings of their members, it is only when the Futurians start doing it that somebody discovers that the practice makes on "exclusive". It couldn't be....could it? ~~-----~~ At least one Futurian Publisher's magazines are open to anyone. We refer to Ghu Publications. And please do not blame us because non-Futurians do not send material our way. At least, don't conclude that we are excluding them. We like the writings and art work of the "gods" and "goddesses" and we publish all of these which we can obtain. Which, I think you'll admit, is perfectly within our rights and no wanton slam at everuone else.

QUITE RIGHT, DOC, DEPT: Yep, quite right. And lest any others of you make the same mistake Doc did and construe the wrong meaning to any remark made in LE ZOMBIE, please remember what you are reading. Or do so have to come right out and explain to everyone that LE ZOMBIE and D JOURNAL are humorous publications (or meant to be) and that we do not make anything but humorous remarks in LE ZOMBIE (or so we think) intended to befuddle or insult no one, but intended to tickle all.

PER GOSH SAKES DEPT: Here it is the end of the page again. Well, not much else to do excepr to wish you a "bon-zombie" till number seven.