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NYCON TO WITHDRAW THE NAME "PONG" FROM FAN ACHIEVEMENT AWARD: The NYCon Committee has decided, because of adverse reaction in fandom, to withdraw the name "Pong" from the fan achievement awards, in the categories of best fanzine, best fan writer, and best fan artist. The three categories, as fan achievement awards, will still be on the final ballots. The committee feels that the naming of the awards the "Pongs" created much of the opposition to the awards that would otherwise not have arisen from the creation of a separate group of fan awards. The NYCon Committee points out that the name "Pong" is purely a label, just as "Hugo" is a label like the "Tony," "Oscar," and "Emmy" awards in the entertainment fields. The name "Pong" should not in any way have obscured the idea behind the Fan Achievement Awards: that they are, in the eyes of the members of the world Science Fiction Convention, awards for the best fan editor, best fan artist, and best fan writer, given by the members of the convention.

To be eligible to vote for the pro and fan achievement awards, you must be a member of the convention. To Join, send \$3 to NYCon 3, P.O. Box 367, NY, NY, 10028.

((Thanks, Ted White!))

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SFWA TO HOLD BANQUET AT NYCON: "The SFWA will hold a banquet during the NYCon for members only plus guests of members. Formal announcement will be mailed to the membership in early July, but tickets are already on sale, and any earlybirds who send in their checks now will be avoiding the possibility of being squeezed out by a sellout.

The place is the Emerald Room of Cavanagh's Restaurant, 260 West 23rd St.; this is one of New York's most famous old restaurants, and is 9 blocks from the convention hotel. The date is Saturday, September 2, from 5:30 P.M. Onward. Main dish will be roast capon. The price is \$8.50 per person, which includes two drinks apiece. Wine may be ordered on an individual basis at an extra charge.

Because of space limitations, only 100 tickets will be sold. Each SFWA member may bring one guest, and tickets will go on a first-come first-served basis, so delay in ordering is not advisable. Checks should be made out to Robert Silverberg and sent to him at 5020 Goodridge Ave., New York, NY, 10471."

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WALTER BREEN INVADED BY PROFESSIONAL COIN DEALERS: Walter Breen, once one of the most highly controversial figures in fandom, was raided by a group of professional coin dealers last month in Berkeley, California. Breen and his Institute of Numismatic Authenticators had stockpiled coins sent him for authentication, until those who had sent him the coins complained to a professional coin dealers association, which took steps to have the coins returned. As Breen had not solicited the coins in the first place, no charges of mail fraud could be brought to bear. Breen spent several days dictating letters stating that he had been ill for the past several years. As Breen had not solicited for the coins, no charges were pressed.

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Steve Stiles For TAFF!!!  
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REDD BOGGS TELSALL: Jim Harmon's book, The Great Radio Heroes, will be published on September 22nd by Doubleday.

A sex novel co-authored by Harmon and Redd Boggs in 1963 has been reprinted by All Star Books of Canoga Park, California. It was originally titled Passion Strip, and is now titled Strip Of Passion. The book is all about the comics industry. Mr. Boggs notes that the co-authors have never been paid for their efforts.

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CHANGES OF ADDRESS:

Bill Blackbeard, 2077 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, Calif., 94118  
Paul Stevens, Flat 3, 6 Maleelah Grove, Rosanna N.23, Victoria, Australia  
Steve Stiles, 1809 Second Avenue, New York, NY, 10028  
W.D. Wallis, 69 Waiora Road, Rosanna N.23, Victoria, Australia  
Norma Williams, 2/8 Brae Street, Inverell, New South Wales, Australia

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N3F Story Contest Open: The National Fantasy Fan Federation Story Contest is now open. Anyone who has sold less than three stories to the pro sf magazines is eligible to enter. Non members of the N3F and members of the British SF Association must pay an entry fee of 50¢. The prizes are \$20, \$15, and \$10, and Frederik Pohl is the final judge. Entry blanks may be obtained from Michael Viggiano, 1834 Albany Ave., Brooklyn, NY, 11210.

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JULY RELEASES FROM ACE BOOKS: The Man From Uncle #11: The Invisibility Affair, by Thomas Stratton; 50¢; Double: The Last Castle by Jack Vance, b/w World Of The Sleeper by Tony Russell Wayman: 60¢; Agent of T.E.R.R.A. #3: The Emerald Elephant Gambit by Larry Maddock: no price on this one; Bright New Universe by Jack Williamson: 50¢; The Weirwoods by Thomas Burnett Swann: 50¢; Worlds Of The Imperium by Keith Laumer: 45¢ (reissue); Catseye by Andre Norton: 50¢ (reissue); Witch World by Andre Norton: 50¢ (reissue); Star Gate by Andre Norton: 45¢ (reissue); nine sf releases in July for Ace!

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Star Trek Nominated For Emmy: Star Trek, nominated for an Emmy, lost out to Mission: Impossible. The other loser of a stfnal nature was The Avengers. However, Time Tunnel won an Emmy for Best Special Effects, and Voyage To The Bottom Of The Sea won for Best Sound Effects. Once again television shows that, in some cases, the lowest common denominator will win in the end.

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MISCELLANEOUS NEWS: Bjo Trimble is doing a book on fan etiquette; any comments, suggestions, or questions can write her at 243 Santa Rosa Ave., Oakland, Calif., 94610. A new Other Fandom-type fanzine is out, titled Tournaments Illuminated, available for a \$1.50 subscription from David Thewlis, 2953 Linden, Berkeley, California. The zine is the official organ of the Society For Creative Anachronisms.

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Sixth Japanese SF Convention To Be Held: The 6th Japanese SF Convention (Tokon III) will be held on August 19th and 20th, 1967. Lodging for the night of the 19th can be obtained at the Nippon-Gakusei-Yaikan, a sort of low cost hotel for students (other lodging can be obtained with the help of the Japan National Tourist Organization: 2-13 Yurakucho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan, or 45 Rockefeller Plaza, NY, NY, 10020. Inexpensive hotels include the Diamond Hotel, Imperial Hotel, Hotel New Otani, Shiba Park Hotel, and others). The program items include discussions, auctions, and an awards banquet. ((Thanks, Roy Tackett!))

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THESE SUBSCRIBERS MUST RENEW IMMEDIATELY: Charlie Brown, Tom Byro, Mike Deckinger, Frank Dietz, Michael Fogaris, Joel Frieman, Ed Meskys, Len Moffatt, Henry Morrison, Inc., Sam Moskowitz, Alva Rogers, Art Saha, Jim Sanders, George Scithers. Gentlemen, renew please!!!