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## THREE S-F MAGS CHANGE NAMES

### "INFINITY SCIENCE FICTION" BECOMES "INFINITY"

### "GALAXY SCIENCE FICTION" BECOMES "GALAXY MAGAZINE"

NEW YORK, 21 July, (CNS) - The latest issues of "Infinity" and "Galaxy" contain new names. Infinity and Galaxy have both dropped the "Science Fiction" portion of their logos. Infinity has become plain Infinity, while Galaxy has become Galaxy Magazine.

We called up Larry Shaw and Bob Guinn and asked their reasons for the name change. In both cases we obtained the same answer. Both informed us that they thought that many persons who actually enjoyed science fiction were not buying because the wording science fiction on the cover scared them away. So, they are experimenting by not placing the name science fiction on their covers. Mr. Guinn informed us that for many years he has been sending out sample copies to persons who don't as a rule read science-fiction and that a good number of them have become steady readers of Galaxy. Both hope to obtain a good number of steady readers with the change, and both insist that no changes at all (outside of normal steady improvements) will take place with the contents of the magazines.

## "Venture" Skips Again

NEW YORK, 13 August, (CNS) - Editor Bob Mills announced today that Venture Science Fiction will skip the November 1958 issue making the second issue in a row this bi-monthly magazine has skipped.

Mr. Mills hopes that Venture can return to regular schedule with the January 1959 issue. There still aren't any plans to fold the publication.

COMPLETE WORLD SCIENCE FICTION CONVENTION REPORT IN THE NEXT ISSUE!

### "IF" (WORLDS OF SCIENCE FICTION) BECOMES "IF SCIENCE FICTION"

MILFORD, Pa, 21 July, (CNS) - Damon Knight announced today that with the December 1958 issue, If, Worlds Of Science Fiction, will change it's name to If Science Fiction. Mr. Knight stated that this is but one of the changes - to come to make IF one of the best s-f mags on the market.

### INTERNATIONAL SECTION

#### BRITISH

## "PHANTOM" FOLDS

The excellent weird-supernatural British magazine, Phantom, has folded with its 16th, July 1958, issue.

This monthly magazine was a digest, 104 pager that sold for 2/- a copy (\$4 a year in the USA), contained excellent covers and some interior illustrations, and departments. It also reprinted from the U.S. Weird Tales from time to time. The covers were among the finest we've seen on weird magazines.

Among the authors in the last issue were Bob Olsen, Andre Norton, Tigrina, and Gene Hunter.

### "SCIENCE FICTION STORIES" GOES BI-MONTHLY

The British edition of Science Fiction Stories has gone bi-monthly from irregular with its No. 3 issue.

The British edition of Future Science Fiction still continues on an irregular basis.

Besides SF Stories and Future the publisher, Strato Publications Ltd., also publishes the monthly British edition of Galaxy.

#### MEXICO

by I. L. Jacobs

### "CIENCIA y FANTASIA" NOS. 12 & 13 ARE OUT

SAN DIEGO, 13 July, (CNS) - Nos

## MONSTERS INVADE "Super-Science Fiction"

NEW YORK, 25 July, (CNS) - The Monster craze (see page 3) has invaded the science-fiction magazines. Mr. W. W. Scott, editor of Super-Science Fiction has informed his writers that the following change in policy of his magazine is to take immediate effect: "I am changing the policy of Super-Science Fiction somewhat. I now want stories featuring "monsters". These can be huge and horrible animals or monsters of the Boris Karloff type. The scene preferably should be another planet or another galaxy to provide scope for the story, but an occasional story may be laid on Earth at the present time. All stories should be science fiction in tone. Length, 2,000 to 7,000 words. Payment 2¢ a word on acceptance."

Mr. Scott informed Science-Fiction Times: "All covers, too, by Emsh and Kelly Freas will feature the "monsters". First issue in which full effect of this new policy will be seen will be the April issue. Covers, however, will change at once. The idea for this change came from a conversation with the editor of Science-Fiction Times over the phone."

**EDITORIAL NOTE:** Our conversation with Mr. Scott was a discussion of the new Monster magazines now coming out and the sale of 300,000 copies of Ackerman's first edition of Famous Monsters of Filmland.

-James V. Taurasi, Sr.

12 and 13 of the Mexican publication Ciencia y Fantasia have arrived. Here are the contents:

No. 12: ICARUS MONTGOLFIER WRIGHT by Ray Bradbury, THE NIGHT OF LIGHT by Jose Philip Farmer, THE LITTLE PLACE by Mark Van Doren, RESCUE by G. C. Edmondson, LOVE, INC. by Robert Sheckley, THE CAGE by Bertam Chandler, THE LAST PRESENT by Will Stanton.

**No. 13: HEIRS APPARENT** by Robert Abernathy, **NEGRA SUM** by Avram Davidson, **THE FACTS ABOUT LIFE ON MARS** (article) by Robert S. Richardson, **FIDO** by Gordon R. Dickson, **AMBASSADOR'S RETURN** by Allen Kim Lang, **INCOMUNICADO** by Ray Russell, **REPORT ON THE SEXUAL BEHAVIOR ON ARCTURUS X** by Robert F. Young, **LOVE** by Richard Wilson, **NOW AND THEN** by Jonathan Rosenbaum, and **THE BIG TREK** by Fritz Leiber.

A subscription to *Ciencia y Fantasia* costs \$2.50 for 12 issues, available from: DIPUSA, Departamento de Suscripciones, Mexico Postal 1022s, Mexico City, Mexico.

### ARGENTINA

by I. L. Jacobs

### NEW SCIENCE-FICTION MAG OUT IN ARGENTINA

**SAN DIEGO, 31 July, (CNS)** - A new science-fiction publication is now being published in Argentina. The publication is called "Spaceways" (Pistas del Espacio), and ten issues have appeared as follows. I am translating from the Spanish, so titles may not be identical with the English originals:

1. **THE HIDDEN CITY** (La Ciudad Oculta) by C. S. Geier.
2. **INTERPLANETARY SABOTAGE** (Sabotaje Interplanetario) by
3. **THE NIGHT OF THE WORLD** (La Noche del Mundo) by Jonathan Burke.
4. **CITY OF THE FROZEN ONES** (?) (La Ciudad de los Hielos) by R. S. Shaver and C. S. Geier.
5. **THE ATOMIC FORTRESS** (?) (La Muralla Atomica) by N. B. Williams.
6. **FORGOTTEN WORLDS** (Mundos Olvidados) by L. Chandler.
7. **STRANGE INVASION** (Extraña Invasión) by Murray Leinster.
8. **THE HUMANOIDS** (Los Humanoides) by Jack Williamson.
9. **COSMIC VAMPIRES** (Vampiros Cosmicos) by Murray Leinster.
10. **PATROL OF THE INFINITE** (La Patrulla del Infinito) by P. Latham.

To be published are:

11. **RADIOACTIVE DEATH** by Will Stewart.
12. **JOURNEY TO THE STARS** (Rumbo a las Estrellas) by E. C. Tubb.

The publishers are Acme Agency, Casilla de Correo 1136, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

The Bank of America advises me that current exchange rate is 24¢ equals \$1.00 in Argentine - Pesos. Interested fans will find this exchange rate quite favorable. Publisher will ship entire set of ten volumes for 52 Pesos, which is only \$1.30 in our money. Starting with #11, they are raising the price per volume to \$6.00 Pesos, which is exactly 15¢! The publisher also offer a subscription of 12 issues (starting with #11) for \$6.00 Pesos, including registered surface mail. This is \$2.40 in our money or 20¢ an issue. (The mag is 15¢, and apparently they charge 5¢ additional for the postage.) They undoubtedly plan to publish bi-

weekly, since they tell me that a subscription of 12 issues is for a period of six months!

### SCIENCE FICTION FORECASTS

Coming Up Next In The Pros

### UNITED STATES

### FANTASY AND SCIENCE FICTION

The October 1958 issue contains: **EASTWARD HO!** by William Tenn, **OF MIND AND MATTER** (article) by Arthur C. Clarke, **THE BLACK RETRIEVER** by Charles C. Finney, **THE TERRIBLY WILD FLOWERS** by Gerald Kersh, **UNFORTUNATELY** by Fredric Brown, **RECOMMENDED READING** (books) by Anthony Boucher, **BALLADE OF AN ARTIFICIAL SATELLITE** by Paul Anderson, **HAVE SPACE SUIT--WILL TRAVEL** (conclusion) by Robert A. Heinlein, **THE BOGEY MAN** by Wilbur Daniel Steele, **THE NIGHT OF LIES** by Damon Knight and **THE MAN WHO MURDERED MOHAMED** by Alfred Bester. This is an "All Star Anniversary Issue" (The 9th) and all stories are new. Cover is by Emsh.

### GALAXY MAGAZINE

The November 1958 issue contains: Two Novels: **THE CIVILIZATION GAME** by Clifford D. Simak, and **BIRDS OF A FEATHER** by Robert Silverberg. Two Short Stories: **PEOPLE SOUP** by Alan Arkin, and **NO SUBSTITUTIONS** by Jim Harmon. A Book-Length Novel - 2nd of 4 parts: **TIME KILLER** by Robert Sheckley. The Science Department: **FOR YOUR INFORMATION**, "The First Spaceship" by Willy Ley, and the Features: **EDITOR'S PAGE** by H. L. Gold, and **GALAXY'S FIVE STAR SHELF** by Floyd C. Gale. Cover by WENZEL showing a takeoff from Aldebaran IV.

### BRITISH

### NEW WORLDS SCIENCE FICTION

The August issue (No.74) contains: **THE IDEAL CAPTAIN** by James White, **STABILITY** by Lester del Rey, **SPACE COMMAND** by Kenneth Bulmer, **SLICE OF LIFE** by Calvin M. Ann, **THE MULES** by Sydney J. Bounds and **DEATH ON THE WHEEL** by Clive Jackson, plus the regular features. The cover is by Brian Lewis.

### SCIENCE FANTASY

Issue No. 31 (out September 12th) contains: **THE BONES OF SHOSHUN** by Kenneth Bulmer as the lead short novel, Ted Sturgeon's new short story **THE BRAVEYARD DIGGER** (from the pocket book of the same title edited by Groff Conklin and published by Ballantine) which will be illustrated by a special Brian Lewis cover painting.

### SCIENCE FICTION ADVENTURES

The 4th British edition will contain: **THE WORLD OTALMI MADE** by Harry Harrison, **MISSION TO OBLIVION** by John Victor Peterson and short

stories by Joseph Farrell, Ralph Burke and Basil Wells. Cover by Lewis.

### THE TIME STREAM

by J. Harry Vincent

**Star Science Fiction #4**, the pocket book, not the magazine, by Ballantine, will be on the stands in October. Fred Pohl is editor.

Paul Fairman can't make up his mind with **Fantastic**. It was supposed to have been changed to **Fantastic Facts and Fiction**, but then again he wanted to make it **Fantastic Science Fiction** again, so for the time being it'll remain just **Fantastic**.

**Tarzan Comics**, long a monthly, has just gone bi-monthly with the current, Sept-Oct 1958, #108, issue.

**Tarzan Jungle Annual**, the annual edition of **Tarzan Comics**, has just appeared loaded with new stories, articles and features, still 25¢.

Roger Dard, **Science-Fiction Times'** Australian agent and reporter was all set to come to the United States during July 1958, but at the last moment trouble with the Near East put a ban on traveling, and Dard couldn't make it. He states that maybe next year he'll be able to make it.

William S. Sykora reports: Robert A. Heinlein has a three-part serial, "Tenderfoot In Space" in the May-June-July 1958 issues of **Boys' Life** magazine.

### THE COSMIC REPORTER

by Arthur Jean Cox

Robert S. Richardson has been appointed an associate director at the Griffith Observatory in Los Angeles. Newspaper items about the appointment have all mentioned his science-fiction writing under the pseudonym of Phillip Latham.

Once Murphy Anderson, the new illustrator for Buck Rogers, finished the story Rick Yager was working on when he parted company with John F. Dille Co., he blossomed out into a more luxurious, Flash Gordon style. That is, in the daily strip: the Sunday strip hasn't mutated yet. But, still it doesn't look as if it'll be much good -- not that it has been for years. Ahh, for the days of Phil Nowlan and Dick Calkins!

The July 1958, issue of the British magazine, **Films and Filming**, has a long article by Peter John Dyer on Horror films. It is, in fact, the "second of two articles investigating the causes and effect of the fantasy and horror films". The second article is certainly the most complete, concise coverage of the horror film I've seen in print. There is much (continued on page 3, column 1)

# MOSKOWITZ MARRIED

by Belle Dietz

BROOKLYN, 6 July, (CNS) - Sam Moskowitz, one of fandom's most eligible bachelors, succumbed to the wiles of Dr. Christine Elizabeth Hycock today. The ceremony was performed by the Ethical Culture Society at the new apartment of the happy pair at 12:00 noon. The ceremony was attended by about 40 of the couple's relatives and a very few close friends. There was a reception-cocktail party from 2:30 to 5:00 in the afternoon for other guests, at which pick champagne was served. The bride wore a street-length dress, with a face veil and crown and carried a white orchid bouquet and the groom wore a dark suit.

The couple then left for a honeymoon trip through the New England states for a week, driving in their car. Sam will have quite a time transferring the bulk of his s-f collection to their apartment which although roomy is really not large enough to hold his collection plus the bride's 2,000 elephants. (She collects little elephants.) The bride is a medical doctor and a surgeon and is now senior resident surgeon at St. John's Hospital in Brooklyn.

When last heard from, Sam Moskowitz stated that he was perfectly resigned to his fate and quite happy about it all and indeed from the grin which was constantly on his face throughout the wedding and the reception, one agrees that Sam at last has truly met his match.

The couple will live at 1345 East 4th Street, in the East Flatbush section of Brooklyn.

S-F notables present at the ceremony included: Dick and Pat Ellington, Art Saha, Hans Stefan Santesson, Kay Brackman, Frank and Belle Dietz, Dick Witter and his wife, Langley Searies and his wife, the Robert Silverbergs, Ray Van Houten, Frank R. Paul, the Steve Takacs, Allan Howard, and Alex Osheroff.

## THE COSMIC REPORTER

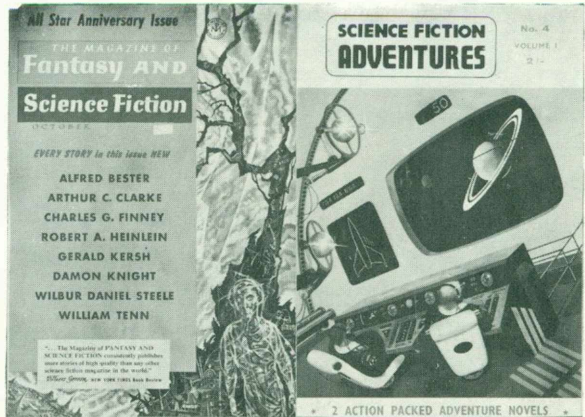
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to disagree with in the way of opinion - he thinks Claude Rains' "Mystery of Edwin Drood" is "credible" and Spencer Tracy's "Jekyll & Hyde" "platitudinous" - but manages to mention just about every horror film that anyone would remember.

Catherine Moore Kuttner is now teaching twice a week at the University of Southern California, working on television plays at the Warner Brothers studio, finishing a novel and preparing for a two month's trip through Europe. Her husband, Henry Kuttner, died earlier this year of a heart attack.

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## COVERS IN THE NEWS



October 1958 cover (Left) of *Fantasy & Science Fiction*, and British edition, No. 4 (Right) of *Science Fiction Adventure*.

# THE MONSTERS COME

NEW YORK, 14 August, (CNS)- It all started when Forrest J Ackerman wrote and edited a complete issue of a "one-shot" *Famous Monsters of Filmland*. This excellent review and information magazine of the many horror movies of filmland, seasoned with the well-known Ackerman wit and hundreds of photos from his famous collection of movie stills swept the country with unexpected delight. 300,000 copies were sold at 35¢ each, and a second printing is still making the rounds of the stands. This was a Class-A job, a rare collector's item.

Forry has since announced that a second issue, also all-written by him, will be on the stands in September.

The 300,000 sold report hit the publishers like a ton-of-bricks, and so "now comes the Monster mag rush". The stands will look like the mad left-overs of a nightmare.

Since *Famous Monsters of Filmland*, John B. Musacchia, s-f illustrator of pre-war days, now publisher, has brought out *World Famous Creatures*, and Magnum Publications, papa company of the publishers of *Infinity*, has *Monsters On Parade* on the stands with Larry Shaw as Managing editor. Both sell for 35¢ a copy and both are somewhat of a feeble imitation of Ackerman's mag.

In England, comes *Screen Chills and Macabre Stories*, which gives in fiction form, the movie horror films, plus "Them Ones" by Robert Bloch, and departments.

Others are in the works (see page 1 for the first s-f monster mag). We feel that none will come near Ackerman's masterpiece and

that as other fads and imitations, will not last long. But for a time the Monsters are with us.

-James V. Taurasi, Sr.

## GERRY DE LA REE AND DONALD E. FORD LEAVE "SCIENCE-FICTION TIMES"

*Science-Fiction Times* lost two hard working contributors this month, Donald E. Ford who has been doing "Slick Science Fiction" for the past seven years asked to be released of the task. We are now seeking a new position for him.

Gerry de La Ree also asked for his release with a good reason. He has written well over 40 book reviews for *S-F Times*, of which only a very small portion have appeared in print, due to limitation of space. He felt that he couldn't keep on taking books from the publishers when the reviews of those books had little chance of getting in print. *S-F Times* will continue to use the huge back-log of book reviews, mixed in with newer reviews as books come in.

Future s-f items not of the regular field will be reported by J. Harry Vincent in his "Time-Stream" column, and new books will be reviewed by the editors.

Book publishers are asked to send future books to be reviewed to: Science - Fiction Times, Inc., P. O. Box 184, Flushing 52, N. Y.

A NEW "BACK ISSUE" LIST OF "S-F TIMES" is now being compiled by Frank R. Prieto, Jr., and will appear shortly. Please do not order back issues until the new list appears. ALL BACK ISSUES are only available from Mr. Prieto and not from the main office.

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## THE COSMIC REPORTER

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The new postal rates, in effect August 1st, aren't all to the bad. It is possible to send manuscripts at book rates, provided there is no covering letter enclosed: 9¢ for the first pound, 5¢ for each additional pound.

(Maybe so, Jean, but our postal of each issue of S-F Times has jumped from \$20 an issue to \$30. -edd

## SCIENCE FICTION BOOKS

by Stephen J. Takacs

## NEW SCIENCE/FANTASY BOOKS RECEIVED

THE LINCOLN HUNTERS by Wilson Tucker, Rinehart & Co, NY, \$2.95, June 23, 1958.

UNDERSEA CITY by Jack Williamson and Fred Pohl, Gnome Press, \$2.75, June 23, 1958.

STAR BORN by Andre Norton, plus PLANET FOR TEXANS by H. Beam Piper and J. J. McGuire, Ace Books, NY, 35¢, June 24, 1958.

THE SPACE EGG by R. R. Winterbotham, Avalon Books, NY, \$2.75, June 30, 1958.

THE MIND CAGE by A. E. van Vogt Avon Books, NY, 35¢, July 2, 1958.

SF: THE YEAR'S GREATEST SCIENCE FICTION & FANTASY, 3rd series, edited by Judith Merrill, Dell Books NY, 35¢, July 2, 1958.

THE YEAR WHEN STARDUST FELL by Raymond F. Jones, Winston C. Co., Phila., Pa., \$2.50, July 7, 1958.

WAR OF THE WING-MEN by Poul Anderson, plus SNOWS OF GANTMEDE by Poul Anderson, Ace Books, NY, 35¢, July 25, 1958.

## THE COSMIC AGE

by Lloyd Jacquet

Sooner or later, Science-Fiction Times will have to report (as any good newspaper would!) about what is going on in the fact world of space...

And so, we announce the advent of the first general (newsstand) publication to cover the subject "SPACE AGE", The Fact Reporter For The Worlds Of Science and Space, Vol. 1, No. 1 is dated November, & is priced at 50¢. Publisher is James L. Quinn, Quinn Pub. Co., Inc Kingston, N.Y. (Publishers of If.)

First issue is interesting, lots of pics, much pointed stuff, and a goodtry... maybe your more serious readers would like to take a peek at this newest mag.

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