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Well, 'tis me again, hoping I haven't been a'missed while I was too darned lazy to get out one of these here now 'zines. (Naturally, I am hoping that I WAS missed, but I know I am much more likely to get my wish if I say I hope I wasn't.)

I have been doing a lot of work outside of my regular job, and just haven't felt the urge to do as much fan publishing as I have done at times before. Not that my heart isn't still in it -- merely that my old carcass gets somewhat tired from time to time. Or maybe I am just getting lazy in my old age.

Howsomever, here I am once more, and hoping that this ish of The Tale will contain a few items which will evoke a more or less pleasant amount of interest for the readers. And -- to put all your minds at rest -- there will NOT be another of the tales about that obnoxious character, Prof. Archimedes Loophole. Not that I have run out of those stories -- there are still a number of them all written that haven't been printed YET for you to read -- you lucky people!

Hey, I'm a Grandpop again since I last published. My son Carl and his wife Helen had another fine little girl, Valerie Ann, who arrived early this Spring. That makes three for me, altogether, and another one due in September. Gosh, I must be getting aged. But darned if I feel like it. I'm still as spry as a kitten (ouch, my lumbago!) Well, anyway, I can still get around. In fact, I am planning a trip East this Fall to Philly. And I have hopes of sticking around 40 or 50 years or more. I am intensely interested in seeing what is going to happen next. I especially want to stay around five or ten years more to have the laugh on those pessimists who are so positive that we are going to have an atomic war within the next few years, and that all of earth's civilization is going to be wiped out. Could be, of course, but I, for one, don't believe it. And I'll be tee-totally gosh-darned if I'm going to worry myself sick about it while I'm waiting to see if it does happen. So there!

## CAN PEACE REALLY COME?

'Tis Always Darkest . . . Before The Dawn.

Every day one hears and reads so much of the terrible methods of warfare that the scientists of the various countries of the world are making ready.

The much-vaunted Atomic Bomb now is NOT the worst thing any possible future war may (or will) bring to light. Not that the Atomic bombs will not be used, and used in tremendous quantities or in much greater strength of destructiveness than the first one that were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Just a few weeks ago some general of our U S Army, in a newspaper interview, stated that within a few years it would be possible for a bomb more than one thousand times as powerful as those first ones, to be made and used.

There have been predictions that it would be possible to make Atomic Bombs that could entirely obliterate a city covering even as great an area as Chicago, Philadelphia or even sprawling Los Angeles and its environs. This would, indeed, be destructiveness incarnate.

But destructive as these things might be, they can not entirely achieve the purpose of an enemy, bent upon the complete obliteration of all of the cities, factories, encampments, air fields, naval installations, etc., of the country they were fighting.

For what has been merely destroyed can be rebuilt as long as there remains enough people to do so. For even the might of the Atomic Bomb is not sufficient to destroy all of the people in the less-congested areas, in the country districts, in caverns beneath the mightiest mountains, and in small, isolated and well-hidden or perfectly camouflaged houses, set in deep woods or other spots of which spies have not found previous mention.

Realizing the possibility of some attack on them, no country would be foolish enough not to make arrangements to have such hidden places out of range of Atomic bombs, where many of their greatest and key scientists and technicians of all types would be safely ensconced. And these men would be prepared with all the necessary plans for taking complete charge of such people as remained after the atomic bombing, to start life anew for their country.

No, any aggressor who was bent on the complete annihilation of an enemy country would know that they must not leave any such residue of future harm and revenge against them. For just as long as there did remain any such nucleus of opposition to them, they know that their aggrandizement would be a complete and total failure. For the statesmen of today know that for any future war to succeed, they cannot, they dare not leave ANY of

their foe left alive -- it must be total, complete destruction.

Man no longer makes war for such a simple and direct reason as their need for more room in which they may grow and expand and take care of the increasingly teeming millions of inhabitants of their country. We say this in spite of the late Hitlerian specious mouthings about "lebensraum" for the German people, or the Japanese propaganda of a Greater Asia for Asiatics only. In fact, few such wars ever were fought, although that was usually the reason given.

The realistic leaders of any land who might wish to wage a future war know that they do so for only one reason -- that some other country or coalition of countries is becoming a menace and a challenge to their own economic supremacy and to the socio-political ideology which they, the aggressors, desire to foist upon their own peoples and the peoples of all the rest of the world as well.

For that reason, if they cannot completely obliterate all traces of the nation and peoples whom they see as challengers to their own continuance of prestige and very existence, they will not start war against them, at least until they think they are ready and able to so annihilate them.

For that reason, the scientists -- many of them against their secret or honest will, but urged thereto as a "Patriotic duty" -- have and are now devising methods of extermination so devilish as to make the mind shudder to contemplate them.

In the olden days it was found by those directing a war, that it was not efficient merely to kill an enemy soldier. For this only removed that one man. No, it was much better to severely wound him, preferably in the legs, so that he could not take himself away from the scene of battle, but would require the aid of at least two men to carry him off, and thus keep all three men, besides the doctors, nurses, orderlies and other personnel necessary for the staffing of the hospitals to take care of the men thus wounded, out of the active combat.

Then, in the last war, the German leaders evolved the blitzkrieg, with the idea of killing not only soldier and sailor and air-force enemies and those who had to keep them supplied, but also their women and children and oldsters, and to enslave the ones they did not kill; to breed the captive women to their own men in order to make these future children members of their own citizenship, thus increasing their population and decreasing that of the enemy. In other words -- TOTAL WAR.

But any possible future war, to bring a really complete victory, will have to go further even than that.

They will have to entirely denude the opposition's country of ALL HUMAN LIFE, yet leave the resources of that country intact as possible to be used at will by the conquerors whenever they so desire. Thus the Atomic bomb will defeat this main

purpose, since a destroyed land would require a great expense of time, labor and money to rebuild.

No, it must be so managed that no people will be left inhabiting those cities and lands, but that the homes and the factories and the business buildings will be left intact, ready for use; that the forests and miles of railways, the mines and airfields remaining in perfect condition.

How to do this? Perfectly simple if you have no regards for the lives and rights of others. Poison gas, to be dropped and sprayed from swiftly passing planes, that will do its appointed work and then quickly evaporate so that the conquering armies can be landed safely, and occupy the land.

Oh, but you say, the use of poison gas has been outlawed. Hah! War, itself, as an instrument of aggression, was outlawed before the sudden, unreasonable outbreak of World War II.

Or take one of the side-lines of Atomic Energy conversion the Pile itself. This is extremely deadly. A possibility not to be overlooked is a super-fast robot, or guided plane, able since it would have no human in it, to exceed the speed of sound, but carrying an actively-working atomic pile, unshielded in any manner. Such a machine would be absolutely deadly to all human life with one-quarter to one half mile of it.

Fly this robot, guided missile across an army training encampment, and you obliterate all the personnel there. Simple, eh? Fly it close above a fleet of transports carrying troops to the enemy shores, and every soldier and sailor aboard is just about instantly removed. Fly it over a city, and the inhabitants of that city die.

Nor would it do any good to shoot the plane down with anti-aircraft, as everyone within the radius of its deadly influence would be killed the same as when it was flying above.

Did we mention bacteriological or germ warfare? No? Well, how about dropping small containers from a low flying robot plane, into the water reserve of a city, whether it is a lake, a river, a reservoir, or whatever. A small, innocent appearing capsule made of a plastic quickly soluble in water could be so easily dropped in one of these by a spy. In the capsule some highly virulent and fast-growing bacteria or germs which spread with tremendous rapidity through the water, and in a matter of hours or days, brings a terrible death to everyone who drinks of that water.

Indeed, that is not even enough, or all that is possible to be done, for it would be just as easy to make that bacteriological organism one that would make the corpses into carriers of a terrible plague which would only hasten the death of those who were not quickly killed by using the infected water.

Of course, there is one slightly disagreeable end-product to either the death by use of the atomic pile or that of germs. It leaves the decomposing bodies of the slain for the conquering

heroes to bury -- a nasty and disagreeable job. But then, the men who would have to do this thing are merely the common soldiers -- and who cares about them? Certainly not the Master-Minds who plan wars.

Oh, yes, and we forgot to mention another by-product of Atomic fission -- the radio-active dust. This very deadly stuff could be sprayed from passing planes as a farmer "dusts" his fields to prevent plant-insects from devouring his crops.

However, this has one very serious defect, and I am much afraid we will have to dismiss the thought of using this beautifully deadly weapon. As long as any of that radio-active dust retains any of its deadly half-life -- a matter of a hundred or so years, usually -- the territory over which it has been dusted is unapproachable. True, it would kill off all of the inconvenient inhabitants, and would leave their buildings intact, but it would not be immediately available and usable. So, rather reluctantly, and only as the last resort, would this probably be used. So sorry!

Nor have we bothered to mention, in this pleasant little treatise, so many of the ways in which fifth-columnists can infiltrate into a nation's business life, taking over control of many important key businesses, labor unions, and even the legislative assemblies, etc.

Nor the uses of propaganda to change the people's way of thinking about important matters; to change their basic beliefs their religions and even their sense of freedom of thought processes and rights.

Yes, there is a very dark picture confronting us all these days, if we look only on the one side of the out-spread canvas.

But is it really as terrible as it appears? Remember that there is more than the first half of that saying I quoted -- 'Tis always darkest . . ."

For there is also the second half, which brings a connotation of Hope " . . . before the Dawn!"

For black as is the prospect when one sees only the bad news, there comes before us brighter and brighter hope of the permanent solution to our many present heavy problems, when one forgets the slow day-by-day squabbles and quarrels which are played up so heavily and so importantly in the daily news, and look back on the complete story of the past couple of years, and what has been done towards the correct settlement of those many terrifically difficult problems which confront the world leaders today -- leaders who generally have the good of ALL of the peoples of the world in mind.

For instance, before one condemns with too hasty judgment the things which the Soviet delegates and leaders have done and said, it is well to take a long view of these Russian people, and their historic background.

Once we do that we can see much more clearly what is back of all the seeming mistrust that clouds so much of their vision of the possibilities for future peace amongst the nations of the world.

Remember their hundreds of years when all the people, with the exception of less than one-tenth of one per cent, were denied all formal education and all chance to advance themselves above their status of virtual slaves to the nobility, since they were under one of the most despotic governments this old world has ever seen.

Remember it is only within the past thirty or so years that any of the common people have had any amount of freedom at all, and then not as much as what we of America think of as a part of our inalienable rights. The Russian people still do not have the right to think, act and speak as our peoples of the United States and Canada do, freely in every respect. It has not yet come to a point where all of the children in the Soviet Republics are not only allowed but compelled to go to school for a long enough period to get at least a primary education, and as much more and higher education as they desire.

Let us also remember that they do not have unlimited political freedom as do we of the American Republics -- I do not overlook the fact that some of our American negroes are not given their complete political freedom, but neither should you overlook the fact of the present trend to give them those freedoms which they now lack. Neither do the generality of the Russian people have the chance to read and listen to all sides of the important questions of the day, as do we through our newspapers, magazines and radio.

There is still another important factor that must not be overlooked. This concerns more directly those of the Soviet who are at the head of the government. Let us not forget that the other governments of the world, because of their selfish interests, looked very much askance at the Soviet form of government until these self-centered governments, including our own, were very nearly beaten in the war by the Nazis, and found that the Russian people could, with our arms and other materials, help us greatly in defeating the German power. THEN, we called the Soviets our "friends and allies" and nothing was too good for them -- until the war was won. Then back to the old distrust and unfounded accusations.

Is it any wonder that the rulers of the Soviets do not completely and instantly trust us, and believe that we are completely altruistic?

The more one studies the historical backgrounds of the Russian people, the more this startling fact is forcibly brought to our attention:

THE WONDER IS NOT THAT THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT IS SO SLOW TO REACH COMPLETE AGREEMENT WITH US -- THE WONDER IS THAT WE HAVE COME AS CLOSE TO AN AGREEMENT AS WE HAVE!

Those who, for some personal reasons of their own, take pleasure in howling loudly and constantly, that we are in great danger of an immediate war with Soviet Russia, are much afraid that you will reason thus. It would spoil all their lovely plans, if the majority of people throughout all the world were to wake up to these facts, and see clearly that the PEOPLE of all countries of the world DO NOT WANT -- THEY WANT PEACE! The peoples of the world do not want another war. The Russians, for instance, are realists enough to know that such a war would mean their extinction just as much as it would that of the rest of civilization.

The Russians know they could in no wise win any war that might be started by them against us. They know that in case they started such a war they would be ruined for hundreds of years, if not forever. They know they haven't the technical know-how that we have. They have some fine scientists, true. But it takes more than scientists to make the gadgets that are the playthings of the war-mongers of today. It takes years of day-to-day playing and working with precision tools by almost all of the youngsters of any country, to get that peculiar mechanical "savvy" that is the wonderful accomplishment of our American youth. No other nation in all the world has that -- and they all know it.

No, the Russians do not want war, just as we don't want it. They are much too realistic to start anything they do not see a good chance of finishing IN THEIR FAVOR.

Nor is that the only reason the Soviets do not want to wage war on us or any other of the great nations of the world. We must not lose sight of the fact that their leaders and most of their people believe just as strongly in the correctness, the rightness, of Soviet principles of government, as we do in our more democratic way of life.

They make plans ahead (usually we hear them referred to as their "Five Year Plans"), all looking forward to the consolidation and enlargement of their peoples. It is noteworthy how large a part education of the masses of their peoples plays in the forward-looking plans of theirs.

If they were to start a world-wide war, it would mean the end of all of this planning, and they know and realize that as well as we do. For while it is true that the mass of the Russian peoples have not yet had the advantage of good educations, yet those in power have, and they are, above all else, very, very realistic in their thinking and outlook.

(And if any reader think I am pro-Russian from reading the above, he is nuts. I am merely trying honestly to evaluate a condition, and to give credit where credit is due. I do NOT believe in their form of government; I do NOT like many of the things they do. But I DO believe that they have the right to think, feel and believe as THEY want to do, and that the real problem is to work out a way of living together with them, and

still allow them to live their lives as they wish, just as we want to live our lives the way we wish. Nor do I think either that this problem is insoluble, nor that the Russian people would not be far more co-operative once they could be given assurances that this was what we were after, rather than their dissolution. We must remember, that to their way of thinking, they are fighting for their political and economic lives.)

No, the great fear of the Soviets is not justified by the facts, as far as I can see. That their form of government, if left to propagate throughout the world without opposition, would result in the overthrow of our own and other forms of more or less democratic government, is undoubted. For that reason we must be cautious at all times to be sure we can preserve our own particular form of government. But we must also allow other peoples to choose what local government they desire to live under, just as we want the privilege of choosing ours.

Nor need the various local forms necessarily conflict with the formation and successful working of the United Nations Organization, as it is being formed at the present time. The different States of our American Republic have different and often conflicting laws, but we get along well together in our Union, without there even being thought of any further necessity for sectional war. The Civil War showed us how to do that, and do not for a moment believe that the leaders of other governments do not study history -- including our own as well as theirs.

We have spoken mostly of the Soviets, since they are the second strongest nation in the world of today, and are so prominent in the daily news. But it should be borne in mind that every other country in the world presents the same problem as do the Russians, although in differing degrees of intensity.

England is experimenting with a Labor-Socialistic control that is presenting us with a whole raft of serious problems. And yet we do not fear that war with England is likely to break out any day in the next few years. France is a Republic, but is operated on a much different set of working conditions than ours. Spain, Argentine, and other countries present difficult problems, but is anyone howling that they are going to war with us? No, even though they have just as much reason as does Russia.

You may cite the case of China, to which I will agree that they do not seem to be working towards a peaceful settlement of their internal difficulties. And India. And the Jew-Arab mess in Palestine. But have you studied carefully the backgrounds of those controversies? Do you take into consideration, for instance, the peculiar set-up that does and has for a long time, existed in China, where the actual governors of the various provinces are really brigand chieftains, and it is THEIR fight for individual power that is now wracking China. For an effort is being made to give the people a real form of government, and the bandit chiefs are naturally making an effort not to have their



powers thus taken away from them?

One of the things you must do if you want to get a true picture of the various happenings of the world, is to learn how to take a long-range or time-less view of things, rather than allowing yourself to be over-swayed by the day-to-day picture as shown by the "slanted" newspapers and magazines you read, or the "slanted" commentaries you hear over the radio -- especially the "news analyses or interpretations".

Let us review 1946, for instance. A day-to-day view of the news was very bad, for almost every day without exception the headlines and the columnists in their views of the news found something with which to find great fault, and "view with alarm". (This is a favorite method of attracting attention.) Every time you picked up a paper either Russia had "blocked some move", or "we have lost a decision" in some matter. One would think that a just and permanent peace settlement or a successful plan for a universal peace, was an impossibility.

Come to the end of 1946, and in the resume of the year's news, these very same "analysts and interpreters", who could never find anything satisfactory in the day's news, almost without exception now "point with pride" to the fine advancements made during the past year towards that enduring peace and prosperity we all "every one in the whole world", want so much."

It develops that the Soviets, who were blocking every effort towards a peaceful settlement, all during the year, after all sides of the questions had been thoroughly examined and debated, after more than not decided in the way that would best bring about the results desired by all of us. Sometimes WE gave in to them on some point; far more often THEY gave in to us -- and the other "democratic" nations -- as study of the situation showed which methods of operation would give the best results.

Almost without exception, in the resume of 1946's news, it was now conceded that the world had made a splendid advancement towards peace, and that there was a good chance of forming that world-wide organization that would give us all that permanent peace we desire.

Yet the very next day those same "experts" were right back at their old task of "viewing with alarm", and it would appear from their daily columns that war is inevitable and immediate, and, of course, that Russia is the deep-dyed villain who is to start it.

BUM! DON'T LET THEM FOOL YOU LIKE THAT! Just remember this little article, and look forward to next New Year's Day "reviews of 1947". It will be the same thing all over again.

There is much yet remaining to be done; tremendous problems of an immensity never before confronting the statesmen of the world yet to be faced and solved; must intrigue by ones who are still seeking some selfish ambition instead of the good of all;

countless methods to be studied and the finest ones put into practice.

Just stop for a couple of hours -- study this matter carefully -- and a slight realization of the magnitude of the problem confronting the great men of the world will begin to dawn upon you.

Get a good history of the formation of the American Union after the finish of the Revolutionary War, and consider that here were people who had the same desires, the same aims and ambitions -- and yet look at the wrangling, the fights, the subterfuges attempted and overcome before they finally wrote the Constitution, and it was ratified.

You begin to realize then how much greater is the problem of setting up a world organization under which all these various governments, with their varied economic and socio-political theories can operate co-operatively on those things which concern the whole world -- while still operating their own government the way they want to run it.

I think, after you have given a lot of serious thought to this tremendous problem along these lines, and before making your final decisions concerning the matter, that you will admit that if these statesmen can get the first working draft of such an organization (we have an organizational set-up now, but not the actual working blue-prints from which the machinery can be built) -- done in TEN YEARS, they will almost have worked a miracle. For you must be sure to keep always in mind -- that THIS IS THE BIGGEST JOB THAT MANKIND HAS EVER TACKLED.

Do not whine that they cannot overnight or every year find the solution to every point and every problem that arises.

Do not impute to the representatives of other countries the desire to keep that peace from coming true, while at the same time proclaiming loudly your belief that only our representatives are RIGHT AT ALL TIMES. (This is not to say that our men and women MAY NOT be right, and that they are from our national point of view -- it is only to ask that you allow judgment to hold sway, rather than your patriotism.)

Cultivate the over-all outlook on such subjects, rather than allowing yourself to be swayed unduly by the things you read day by day. Only by learning to do this can you get true pictures of what is going on in the world affairs all about.

And it is extremely necessary for you to know exactly what is going on if you wish to remain sane and happy and confident in the turmoil and the rapidly-changing conditions that are just as important to YOU, the individual, as they are to those men who are in charge of these world affairs, no matter whether they have been peacefully elected by the people of their country, or have seized the power by one means or another.

By attaining this extended view -- this ability to look at the whole of the scene rather than only the minutiae of the daily news releases and comments, you will find that there IS real hope for a permanent and just peace that will bring happiness and progress to all people all over the whole world.

Yes! PEACE CAN REALLY COME!

Men of good will from every country are working to see that it does. They all realize far better than we, just what it would mean to them, their country, and to the whole world, if all of those devices of destruction which we spoke of at the beginning of this article, were allowed to be put to use.

They know that only by the formation and successful use of a world-wide organization for peaceful handling of the business that concerns the entire world and all its peoples, can they make their own country strong and secure, and you may be sure that that is the principle aim of every one of them, no matter what his national background.

Yes! PEACE CAN REALLY COME! True peace is almost here!

That is the conclusion reached and herewith presented, together with my reasons, by this writer, E Everett Evans.

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Isn't it all a matter of the point of view? Some of you speak of being Pessimists, and yet are working to keep those things you fear from coming true. I speak as an Optimist, and am working to make come true the bright future that I envision.

"You take the high road, and I'll take the low . . ." See you all in Utopia!

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#### ADD MASTERPIECES OF UNDERSTATEMENT.

Recently was reading an article about eating and dietary habits. The author spoke of the value of "masticating foods to a liquid in the mouth". Later he spoke of the value of raw egg yolks.

Still later he made this statement: "Masticating a raw egg yolk is hardly satisfactory".

I think the guy really has something there!

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BURLINGS - Clever, as all of Burbee's stuff is. The guy has a certain sly humor that is really funny, usually. It will be a real curiosity to see if Burbee ever disentangles that which is generally regarded as Ashley.

FANTASY AMATEUR - I see a \$ after my name, so I gives it to our Elmer. . . . Regarding the proposed Constitution, I cannot quite see the necessity for it, but am willing to have it put before the Association, as well as any amendments other members desire.

BLITHERINGS #7 - I like Chan's poetry, especially "Synthesis". . . The various quotes and comments were interesting reading, but nothing to impress this reader enough to join in a discussion of them. However, the one from James Stephens "The Demi-Gods" was quite startling at first reading, and required quite a bit of thinking about. Maybe the man has something there.

GLOM - I, too, read the book Jonne reviewed, and sincerely believe no true collector should be found with it in his collection. (Or do I mean "without"?)

MOON-SHINE #7 - Looks like Len is trying to outdo me with his Litrachure. . . I liked the cover very much.

HORIZONS - Always one of the most interesting mags in the mailings. Harry always has so much worth reading in it. . . As for the matter of a record-player, Harry, my own view has always been that if it has a good tone that makes a large orchestra have the depth of volume one associates with actually hearing an orchestra, and if the voices sound like actual voices, that is all that is necessary. . I've have both Philco and GE, and liked both. If one only listened to the music, perhaps he could only take a certain amount. But I like it as a background to my reading or writing. . . Tucker's humor continues to be Pongish. . . Rest of the mag interesting, as always.

PLENUM - Another favorite FAPazine, although I always get hopelessly lost in all this math the boys like to fill the pages up with. . . Regarding those younger fan publishers, Milty, don't you think it is partly up to us to give them a helping hand from time to time, and especially to be patient with their efforts, and not expect too much from them? I feel that while we have a number who do not show too much future-prospects, that there are others who could make a splendid success if given the right sort of encouragement. I'll admit that the old-time youngsters who started the first fanzines seemed to have more on the ball than many of those publishing today -- but then, we must remember that in the old days not every fan felt it incumbent on him to publish, as they seem to nowadays. But I still can't prove that your thesis is wrong, although I have the feeling that there is a true answer somewhere.

TATOR - Very interesting. I think Coswal is one of the few of whom I was speaking just above, that is definitely above the average these days. I think the boy has real possibilities -- and it is apparent he isn't lazy or sloppy in his work.

SNIX - Another fine Index which is worth a lot to the fan who is at all interested in collecting or preserving his mags.

WILLIE ETC. - Just how old is that thing, anyway? Must be at least two years, if not more.

HAROLD W. CHENEY, JR. - Nice BEM cover. . . Very interesting and informative article on collecting, although nothing in it especially new. . . A deserved tribute to the folding of a very fine mag, was your eulogy of VAMPIRE.

FAPARTITION - Wiedenbeck did the lettering on the cards. Glad to know you liked ANT-ICS so much. I MUST run some more of the series some day. Don't worry, folks, there are quite a few more of them all written, just palpitatingly awaiting the stencil. You lucky, lucky people, you. . . Especially liked the article showing how the various mags (pro) would use an idea. Seems like you did a very good job of evaluating their style-handling.

FAN-TODS - Tucker's humor continues to be Pongish. . . Bill Evans certainly did catch up with Palmer. Those answers to questions always did excite my risibilities. . . Tom Gardner's criticism of "The Star of Life" was almost as interesting as the story itself. The follow-up "By-Ways" was tremendously informative and thought-provoking. I liked them both. . . Ouch, there you go, getting above 2 plus 2 again. . . No, I didn't mean to infer that Counts didn't peg any points. It was done with four 7's and three Aces. He pegged 6 points. The play was this: He led a 7 and I played a 7 for 2; he played the third 7 for 6 and I played the fourth for 12. He played an Ace, and I played the second Ace for 2; he knocked and I played the third Ace for 6 and 2 for 31, giving me 24. How could you play for 30 points? Now you've got me stumped.

SUS-PRO - I always get a kick out of the way you try to win arguments by splitting hairs about the exact shade of meaning of some one or two words used. Is it your legal training, Chun, or is it "the nature of the beast"? (Joke!) . . . Liked best you article on "Pragmatic Basis for, etc.,". A very thoughtful resume of those points of greatest interest in the field. . . I always get a real bang out of your match-stick men cartoons. They are really clever.

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ADD CUTE THEATRE MARQUEE SIGNS.

On the Belasco theatre here in LA I just saw this (6/3/47):

MARY HAD A LITTLE  
COMING

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APOLOGIA:

After working with the finest equipment at the shop, where I cut stencils on an Electric Tyer, and run them off on an electric Mimeo, it is almost frustrating to come home and try to cut stencils on my little old worn-out Royal Portable, with a number of worn down keys, and rolls so old they allow the stencil to slip.

Another time index which is worth a look to the fact that it  
of all nature has in collecting or preserving his name.

Willis A. D. - This one is the thing, every body has to do it  
local the same, it was more.

James G. Baker, Jr. - Nice BW cover. Very interesting and  
informative article on collecting, although nothing in it seems  
really new. A discovery brings to the table of a very fine  
thing, see your copy of Volume 1.

P. A. Miller - Richardson has the fascination of the cards. One  
to know you liked it. I liked the same sort of thing  
before. Don't worry, I'll be back. I'll be back. I'll be back.  
of the all right. Just better. I'll be back. I'll be back.  
You know, they're good. You know, they're good. You know, they're good.  
etc. etc. etc. (I've seen the various things on them. Some  
like you did a very good job of collecting. I'll be back.)

Raymond - Tucker's name continues to be forgotten. I'll be back.  
can't find it. I'll be back. I'll be back. I'll be back.  
I'll be back. I'll be back. I'll be back. I'll be back.  
The Star of Life. I'll be back. I'll be back. I'll be back.  
The following "D. A. G." was originally published in the "D. A. G."  
proceedings. I'll be back. I'll be back. I'll be back.  
above 2 plus 2 equals 4. No, I didn't mean to take that course.  
didn't get any further. I'll be back. I'll be back. I'll be back.  
He passed 8 points. The first was this: I'll be back. I'll be back.  
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John - I'll be back. I'll be back. I'll be back. I'll be back.  
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On the balance, I'll be back. I'll be back. I'll be back. I'll be back.  
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