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(Ed.Note) Last issue we thought we had some good news for all of us Shaver Mystery fans, as we announced. We, too, were disappointed when Ray Palmer's latest issue of "Other Worlds" came out with only a rather flippant reference to Dick Shaver and his stories. Consequently we waited until we had an answer from Dick, himself, to show you. So here it is. Read it and you'll know as much as we do!

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We quote, "The 5,000 words is a misprint. The story is fifty thousand and I think pretty good. It is a sample of tamper in the printing plant which will get worse when and if the stories take on any particular emphasis of the mystery.

It could be that Palmer is skittish of the whole thing after nearly dying of a broken back for which I don't blame him. He is always full of plans, some of which materialize, some of which do not. So far as I know the ad in Amazing is still to come, but he may forget about it entirely. His editorial was disappointing to me, too, as I had no idea he had any particular difficulty as to what to do with me, as he puts it. He printed my stories right along under other names and they were accepted as top stuff by all the fans One thing that is bothering you is the usual lag in the time between writing a story and seeing it in print. R.A.P.'s mags are printed up six to eight issues ahead. The issues we work on today won't see the stands for six or eight months, and some stories will be deleted and others put in. The plans he outlined are much the same, you just expected them before they are really due. I know the first issue containing "Sun Smiths" has gone to the printers, but it may not be on the stands for two months yet. Maybe the next one is "Sun Smiths" as in his editorial you quote. So far as I know that is the story he is talking about, and most of it is a d--n lie yet it contains angles interesting to Shaver fans.

I think the Project Hermes for telsing is very likely to be successful for in truth the telsing is a very simple device like radio. It is to me a wonder it has never been developed before. I am not radioman enough to judge the diagrams but I have seen the telsing in action, and some very simple types. There is no reason why it shouldn't work. I suspect all such experiments are watched and the successful designs are ruined in operation, just as radio can be jammed so that the experimenter never knows when he has the right wave tuned or the right set-up.

R.A.P.'s book contains some photos of saucers you haven't seen, but I can't say about the material as I haven't read it.

I think the world is building up to a climax of catastrophes, too, directly due to the shocks of the successive detonations of A- and H- bombs. The floods, screwy weather and earthquakes in Oklahoma and other areas where they never occur are all directly traceable to the atom bomb tests, this is especially noticed if you put a time table of actual detonations down alongside a time-table of catastrophes, floods, heavy rainfall, precipitate drops in temperature, earthquakes (especially) and volcanic eruptions. This train of catastrophes immediately following A-bomb concussions is due to reverberation patterns within the core-ball. The core is very dense. If you pick up a physics book and look up wave patterns in solid matter you'd find some illumination on this. Such waves bounce back and forth in the core and at certain focal points they meet each other coming back, sometimes three or four sets of waves from the same bomb meet each other at one point and you have an earthquake or an eruption.

In the weather they produce a similar effect though the pattern is different. The bomb blows a chimney hole in the stratosphere, the hot air rushes up into the cold wind area, and the cold air from the north rushes down to replace the hot air that goes up the new chimney. A drop of forty degrees follows every blast (unless it is a small bomb such as they are developing for the troops in the field to use on each other). This upsets the pattern of the winds over the whole earth, places used to lots of rain find the winds have taken their rain clouds elsewhere and they have dry spells and vice versa. Lately they have weeks of ninety degree weather in Canada which is unprecedented for this time of year. This will also cause the tornado belt to appear elsewhere, and may even bring some of the fast, 200 mph strato-winds down to the surface and really raise hob.

The A-bomb is due to give us a lot of grief aside from its radioactivity dust which drops willy nilly where the high winds take it. After every bomb, from the news can be traced a series of outbreaks of strange maladies, 3 day measles, virus-x, etc. are samples. The radioactive dust it scatters gives us radioactive rain in quantities and in places very unusual. Witness the series of desert floods recently. They have a lot to learn about the bombs effect in more subtle ways, such as its effect on the all-over integrative rate of earth-life, the real life-force or elan vital. Every bomb reduces the pulse of vitality in every one of us, and gives the life-charge of the earth itself a blow which we can actually feel individually in depression and laziness. I suspect the recent feverish work on atomic fire is the worst possible path science could take, and is a perfect sample of 'science's' inherent lack of coordinated intelligence toward a sane goal. Every new atom pile is a new strain upon the vital forces which keep life pulsing over the earth's surface. A sudden increase in this disintegrative activity all over earth's surface such as an atom war will in truth decrease the intensity of life everywhere to such a degree that one will hear on every side the words - "Life is a misery, life is not worth living" etc. They are right. I fear the increase in atom piles for industrial heating and other uses will mean that man will become in very truth the fool of all fools among the species. He will make of his future a thing not worth having."

DICK SHAVER

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(Ed.Note. First part of Dick Shaver's letter is in answer to our questions about an editorial printed by Palmer in the latest issue of 'Other Worlds'. Also represents an inquiry of ours answered on why the ad on Shaver Mystery had not appeared in Amazing Stories. As we are writing this the new Amazing Stories is out and the ad on the Shaver Mystery is in it ... see for yourself.)

IMPORTANT! LAST ZINE HAD MISTAKE IN NUMBERING. Marked Vol.III No.2, should have been Vol. III No.1, Zine #11. Change your own copy or records to avoid confusion.

MEMBERS WORKING ON PROJECT HERMES

We've heard from several who are working on the telaug diagram published in the last Zine, including Cross, Harth, Saunders, Ward and Derrick. It really works. Let us know what you are doing ... maybe we can help you. We have a more detailed diagram now. Also let us hear from any who worked on the Circular Prism, Ben and Stin rays and telaug. We just have to have more material from you'se guys!

RE: MISTAKES IN EDITING, ETC. ... we want to extend apologies to Curtis L. Gibson, and to others who have seen mistakes made in editing. We're short of help .. only two of us on it, also many are hand-written, hard to read. 'Scuse.

ANSWER TO INQUIRIES ON FRAN-KEM

The name of the bacteria-inhibiting chemical for preserving fish, meats, vegetables, etc. is FRAN-KEM. Address your inquiries to FRAN-KEM, Inc., 10 South La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois. Attention the president, Mr. William Warren.

RE: INQUIRIES ON THE 'ROUND ROBIN' .. it is a mimeo magazine put out for the ESRA (Borderland Sciences Research Associates) published by Meade Layne, Director, 3524 Adams Avenue, San Diego 16, Calif.

SUBSCRIPTIONS, LETTERS, etc. If we make a mistake in marking your subscription expired .. let us know. It can happen. Also if answers are slow, remember 'short on help'.

EDITORIAL MESSAGE

In answer to many of you good readers who have written us offering to help in various ways ... we deeply appreciate your offers and it makes us feel we have many good friends. Truthfully what we need most is more paying readers. We've never expected to make a profit and we aren't. All we want is enough support from all of you, monetarily, to enable us to keep going. We are not getting it! Every time we mark a Zine subscription expired, in red, and it is not renewed it just means that much less to work on. The Correspondence Center has to work both ways -- you hear from us, we hear from you. As to help we need, we need it right here in Chicago in the solid shape of 4, 5 or 6 Shaver fans who can meet with us, help us get out the Zine, answer some of this correspondence, and help with the detail work which is monumental. It would be nice if we could send out a lot of 'free' copies but if we did you'd only get one or two and that would be the end. We know two bits is a lot of money to pay per copy ... you can buy a magazine for that. But what mag has nerve enough to 'play' with the Shaver Mystery, or the time to encourage research, exchange information, answer letters personally, and etc. So, come on, if you are a paid-up subscriber yourself then find us a couple more fans who want to take it. If each of you just sent in one other, it would do it. Let's go!

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PROJECT HERMES ... (We quote the following from the March-April, 1952 issue of the 'Round Robin, Memoranda ... B.S.R.A. Activities regarding the 'Project Hermes' featured in our last Zine) "Originating in communications received by Associate Rolf Telano -- a device or apparatus supposed to make mental communication possible on this plane, and also to affect a mental rapport with the astral or etheric worlds. Active on this are Dr. Frank J. Longwell and an associate, 642 Pennsylvania Ave., Elmira, N.Y. -- Edward John of 475 Fell St., San Francisco, Cal., -- Dr. Milton Nothdurft, 310 W. Maple, Maquoketa, Iowa and 2 associates --- a group of five headed by Mr. and Mrs. Keith, 2901 NW 30th St., Miami 37, Fla. -- O. Reynolds, Meade Layne and others at BSRA Hqrs. in San Diego --- Associate Rolf Telano can be reached c/o BSRA Hqrs. -- Regional Director Don Green of Anaheim, Calif., Regional Director E. S. Schultz of Buffalo, N. Y., Reg. Director John A. Hilliard of St. Paul, Minn., Reg. Director W. M. Liddon of Nashville, Tenn., Reg. Director J. F. Liddon of Yazoo City, Miss. (all the foregoing are interested in the Project but may not have set up apparatus; they can be reached c/o BSRA Hqrs., San Diego) Others please register with Hqrs. A measure of success has been reported by Edw. John of San Francisco but his set-up lacks selectivity ... (from the same source) ... "Memo from Rolf Telano, Feb. 24, 1952, "My first experiments with Project Hermes have produced no results to date. I have learned from them, however, that the circuit cannot be connected up as shown. There is a heavy short circuit across the B battery, which causes the coil (2) and the crystal diode (6) to heat up badly if connected as shown. If Mr. John tried this circuit he must have made some variation at this point. March 10, '52 -- "I am trying to work up a leaflet on the subject incorporating all changes and suggestions to date. Shall print Commentators said they intended the Diode symbol as conventional symbol only, and assumed that any radio man would know which end was up." (We have a few copies of this leaflet on Project Hermes and will be glad to send it to you if you notify us.)

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FLYING SAUCERS ... To bring you up to date here's the latest gatherings. March 22, '52 Collier's mag ... interesting article on 'Men Will Conquer Space Soon.' Read it, you'll recognize many things. Also "Life" magazine, April 7, 1952 article on 'Have We Visitors From Space?' ... very good, and first time a public admission of possible space visitors ... A flying saucer was seen over Rio De Janeiro, carefully photographed and the prints sent to the Pentagon in Washington. Heavy sightings of saucers all over the country again, but not as numerous as 2 yrs. ago.

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SEATTLE'S "Meteor" ... Just about every AP wire paper in the country carried the story on about May 12th of the terrific meteor 'explosion' over Seattle on May 11th. We quote from Herald-American, Chicago, May 12th, Air Force investigators and astronomers, after checking hundreds of eyewitness reports, said today a fiery object which exploded with violent force over Seattle and the surrounding Puget Sound country early yesterday probably was a meteor (Continued)

Seattle's 'Meteor' (Continued)

They continued questioning witnesses from Olympia, 50 miles south of here, to Bellingham, 80 miles north, however, and started a search for "strange" materials they said might have come from a meteor. Airline pilots and ground observers said it exploded with a blinding flare and burst into flaming streamers. The rumbling concussion that followed rattled windows and shook doors. Col. T. Allan Bennett, commanding officer at McChord Air Force Base near Tacoma, and Dr. J. Hugh Pruett, U. of Oregon astronomer, agreed it was a meteor. Bennett said none of the radar installations in the Pacific Northwest picked up the object on their screens and he doubted the object could have been an aircraft or guided missile."

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Glen R. Ward, 610 Fillmore St., Taft, Calif. writes on 'Project Hermes' ... (can't print all of it but have on file for reference) "Don't give up giving out with the technical info, fellas. I'm trying like everything, hampered as I am financially, to play an active part in this business ... I have gone to some lengths to obtain knowledge of photo-tubes and circuits using them for speech reproduction. The telug in Zine #11 I could assemble in a few minutes - if I had the parts. I did not list the "A" or "C" batteries .. an ordinary flashlight cell will do for "A" and "C" if necessary, must be found by trial. Personally I don't think much, if any, "C" bias is required ... so would try it first without a "C" battery. I added a double pole single throw switch to the order I enclosed. (He notes wrong connection on crystal diode, too, see previous note)... if excessive current flows through (6) and (2) try reversing the leads to (6) or add a condenser to block d.c. (Condensers pass a.c.) Would imagine that a .01 mfd or less condenser would be sufficient ... if we only knew what goes on in the circuit."

BRAIN VIRUS ... Charles B. Williams, Salyersville, Ky. writes us of an article in The Cincinnati Post, Oct. 11, '51, we quote, "Doctors Find Virus In Brains of Mentally Ill.. The discovery that a virus-type disease may cause mental illness opens up an entirely new field for the future treatment of psychotic patients, Dr. James W. Papez said here. He spoke at a meeting of the Governor's Commission on Mental Hygiene. Dr. Papez is head of the new laboratory for biological research at Columbus State Hospital. He began his research project 9 years ago, while a professor of Anatomy at Cornell University.

Said Dr. Papez, We have found virus-type bodies in the brains of persons suffering severe mental ailments. These viruses were embedded in the brain (next page)

FLAME-FILLED BABY TORNADO ... Mrs. E. M. Savage of Lindsborg, Kansas, sends a clipping from the Hutchinson(Kans.) News-Herald, we quote .. "A baby tornado, its center filled with a long slender column of fire, raced thru' sandhills 25 miles north of Hutchinson, and 10 miles south, five west of Sterling at noon Wednesday ... The swooping wind spread fire over 5 to 7 acres of pasture within a matter of seconds. Then the whirlwind died down in a 3 acre pond ... The whirlwind originated, Jones said, on the side of the hill about 100 yards from where the men had been working. The fire and wind came within 25 yards."

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(This order selected from their catalog no. 521).

BRAIN VIRUS (continued) ... growing in a chain-like form and extremely active. This is really a new concept in mental hygiene. It opens the door to a multitude of research projects which may completely change treatment of mental illness. Our research applies chiefly to chronic mental diseases. 9 yrs. ago we discovered that the brains of extremely psychotic persons showed damage similar to that caused by encephalitis. Continued research has led us to believe we had found something which will change all our ideas about the causes of mental illness." Charles Williams says, "Any one who has followed the Shaver Mystery closely will recognize one of the facts brought out in some of Shaver's writings. One in particular I have in mind but would have to hunt for a while to name. But would do so if anyone desires. Some checking on this might help us all. Yours for more and better Mystery News."

GEORGE HARTH writes, "Keep those messages coming from Dick, really delighted to hear he will be in Other Worlds from now on, THAT was a real lift. I noted you had the telaug mech that was in 'Round Robin'. Good deal, don't know if is any good but would like to try, will later. One thing I never understood with your telaug with the prism was the ear phones. How would thoughts be turned into sounds to be heard? I would think thoughts would be just thoughts. How about this? (Ed.Note..We are no authority, George, but we've been given to understand that the phones serve several purposes. (1) To pick up broadcasts from the nether world coming over color wavelengths, i.e. by voice. (2) To create an electrical field around the head which helps the mind to pick up broadcast thought and nerve impressions. As you perhaps know most modern thinking is done by voice. That is you talk to yourself but no one hears you. Your mind thinks in terms of words ... words you know in your own language. Thus the more words you know the meaning of, the better you can form your own thoughts, and the better you can convey your meaning to others. From our own observation, plus some advanced college study, very few people are able to think in terms of mental pictures of any sharpness. Better than 90% of 'thinking' is done by words. Less than 10% by pictures. To illustrate a point if a man could not write, talk, or hear any one else talk or read, then his thinking processes would be extremely elemental and he could only learn by manual instruction. And etc. Thus a telaug, in order to work at all on the average person, would have to impress your brain with words in your own language to convey any meaning.)

Ed. Note. Before we run out of space, a few things we must get across to you. We fully appreciate the stamped addressed envelopes you send. However if we enclose any information or data sheets it is always on 8 1/2 by 11 paper which just will not fold satisfactorily in the small envelopes. If you can't send along a large envelope, just shoot us the stamps. It helps a lot.

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RADIOACTIVE FISH.. Earth sent us a clipping of an editorial printed by The Dalles Chronicle, The Dalles, Oregon which we quote (June 1, 1951) "Yesterday's report from Richland, Washington on the effect of radioactivity on Columbia River fish confirms what had become more or less common knowledge. The Columbia is slightly radioactive as the result of Hanford atomic operations but fish caught in the river can be eaten without harm. An atomic scientist said, '100 lbs. of salmon would have to be eaten at one meal to give a person an appreciable dose of radioactivity'. We have heard of some prodigious feats at the table but none so great as to involve that sort of risk. The subject can be dismissed as having no particular bearing on the health of Columbia basin citizens under present safeguards used at the atomic installation upriver. *** The scientist's report is especially interesting because it takes up the subject of degree of radioactivity. Special tests have been made with salmon raised in water contaminated to much greater extent than the river below. Tests have also been conducted on nearby farm crops and the effect of their consumption of livestock. Radioactivity can be dissipated but not destroyed. Some of it is picked up from the water by small organisms, and men who should know what they are talking about claim a Geiger counter reading can be obtained at numerous places along the Columbia's shoreline. All of this was discussed only in hushed tones a few months ago. Then a national magazine published a story saying Columbia river fish could 'take their own pictures' that is their radioactivity would expose a photographic film and leave an image. The subject was considered so delicate that little information was released for fear of misinterpretation and resultant alarm on the part of the public. It was brought out openly during the radiological monitoring course in The Dalles last winter, but nothing officially was said about it to the press. Information was sketchy at that time; now it is fairly complete and there is nothing in it that could possibly cause trouble, least of all a boycott of the salmon market." (Ed.Note. This is of interest to Shaver fans. Radioactivity is an old story to all of us. This article gives us just about the truth as to how information is first held from the public, then alibis and so-called scientific 'proof' dug up. The real truth is that very little is known about the effect of radioactivity on any kind of life, including human. Aside from actual tissue damage, who knows what effect it has on mental processes, nerves, life itself, life expectancy, resistance to disease, and etc. You will note that it is clearly stated that 'radioactivity cannot be destroyed'. What happens when an area gets so loaded it has to be vacated? How much is 'enough'? How much is 'too much'?

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 THAT'S ALL POLKS ... Wish we had more space ... wish we had more help ... wish we had more material to sort out ... wish we had more readers ... wish you'd send in more paid subscriptions ... wish we could hear more from all of you. How about it?