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Corrections:

Corrections to Back Numbers, Issue 10:

Well, pretty much the whole Robert E. Howard Collector's Checklist. See the update this time.



Robert E. Howard One More Time

I've got a new version of the Robert E. Howard checklist I ran last time. When I called Brian to ask him to put a note in the Argassing about problems with it, I was more concerned about the listings that were wrong than the listings that were missing. I'm very concerned about this as I know how bad information perpetuates itself once it gets into print. Take the case of the authors of the lead stories in The Octopus and The Scorpion. We've known for years who wrote the lead novels in these two one-shot titles, yet I still see them errone-ously attributed because some new researcher is basing his work on an old error.

One of the major mistakes I made was with the Howard Reader Special Edition. I based my entry for that on the entry at www.howardworks.iwarp.com which is considered my many to be the best online Howard bibliography. They even have a scan of the cover and complete details. So I assumed, when I couldn't get in touch with Howard Reader editor Joe Marek, that the zine existed. I was wrong, but now there are versions of my zine out there that have that listed. So now somebody else will come along and read my pages and think that zine exists and repeat the error in their work. Even posting a new, corrected, PDF of my pages doesn't help. When I checked in February on Google, a search turned up a link to the current version of issue 10, but Google has made a permanent html version available — of the wrong file. While the impermanence of digital media has been discussed in various forums, I haven't seen much about the problems with the permanence of digital media. Just how do you correct an error when it's

archived for all time by a third party?

Ah, I see the Google webcrawler has, here in late March, updated the html to match the current version of issue 10. Perhaps my errors are not carved in stone for all time, a digital scarlet letter damning my abilities as a Howard scholar 'til the sun burns out.

This also got me thinking about copyright issues. While I give away the pdf version, I don't recall giving Google permission to create a derivative version in a different format.

Anyway, this version is much better than the one that appeared in the mailing and a bit better than the one that is in the revised January issue on the web.

I apologize to all of the Howard experts here, I hope nobody spent a lot of time correcting the many mistakes I made.

About our back cover

On one of my newsgroups, Space_OperaSF, Edward Lipsett posted a link to some spectacular covers done by Japanese SF artist Orai Noriyoshi for a new Japanese translation of the Lensman books by E.E. "Doc" Smith. These were so nice, I put together a page of them from scans from the Amazon Japan website for the back cover this time. Somebody over here should hire this guy to do some paperback covers. They really make me want to read these novels, even though I know I fall asleep every time I try to read a Doc Smith book. Orai Noriyoshi is a well-established commercial SF artist in Japan. He has done movie posters, including for at least seven

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Godzilla movies, in addition to book covers. His name is also translated as Olai Noriyoshi. I haven't been able to turn up much biographical data on him.

Convention Notes

I really wanted to attend Corflu Blackjack this year. I thought I was going to be able to go. Since it was held in Las Vegas this year, I could have stayed with my family to save money. But I just didn't have enough money to attend. I was planning on putting out either a "best of Back Numbers" issue or a new SF fanzine to distribute at the convention, but putting out another fanzine turned out to be too much work.

The fanzine was going to be more of a general SF zine than Back Numbers. I was hoping to finally use an article I thought I had permission to run, but after checking into it, I find that the person who gave me permission may not have had the right to do so. As you can imagine this put a crimp in my plans. I was also going to do an article, with photos, of my trip to Burning Man. This project is now shelved, probably for good.

I see that Corflu is going to be in San Francisco in 2005, with Potlatch being held either the prior week or the following week. Perhaps I'll go to both next year.

It looks like Rich Berman and I are going to be attending both Baycon and Fanimecon in San Jose over the Memorial Day weekend. I plan to have convention reports for the July issue if we survive two conventions in the same weekend.

Even though I'm broke, I'll probably end up attending Wondercon the week after the deadline. It's mostly a media con, but I've bought pulps there as well.

For the second year in a row, I've been asked to contribute a copy of Back Numbers to the fanzine lending library at Norwescon. I meant to do it last year, but I forgot until after the convention. I'm hoping to send off a copy of the last issue, but I see that the convention is looming on the horizon. I'm really terrible at this sort of thing. It took me months to drop a book in the mail to James Reasoner. ...so I mailed off hardcopy of two issues and a disk with pdf files off all my issues the weekend before the convention. I hope it gets there in time.

Futurama Correction

A few issues back I talked about Futurama and how on the audio commentary one of the writers said a joke about a two-headed character playing ping pong with themselves (itself?) came from a pulp detective story. I thought that it was a Keeler story, the writer on the show didn't say who the writer was, but it turns out it was probably a George Allan England story possibly called "Ping Pong". Anybody know where this is from? The detective was T. Ashley. The murderer in the story claims the victim couldn't have been killed when he was with him because he was heard playing ping pong with him at the supposed time of death. Of course he was playing ping pong with himself. Just an odd little pulp reference.

Pulp Sources:

The latest issue of Howard Hopkin's fanzine Golden Perils is now available for download at http://howardhopkins.com/page4.htm in PDF format. Issue 31 has two articles by Jeffrey T. Zverloff, one tracing the character development of the cast of the Avenger pulp series and the second a thorough look at Vol. 1 #6 of the Shadow comic book. As usual, Golden Perils prints Bill Thom's Coming Attractions.

Mike Chomko is my source for many of the pulp-related books that are reviewed here. He offers free shipping on orders over \$25. (And it's not hard to spend more than that with him, let me tell you.) He will hold books until your order reaches \$25 if you want. He has been able to get me pretty much any pulp-related books I asked for. He also publishes an excellent pulp fanzine, Purple Prose. Drop him a line at chomko@enter.net. For those of you not on the web, he can be reached at 2217 West Fairview Street, Allentown, PA 18104-6542. He has a catalog available as a Microsoft Word document. He has recently added Blood 'n' Thunder to the zines he carries.

Larry Estep now has more than 350 pulp stories available in PDF format at pulpgen.com/pulp/downloads. He's posting five stories each week in a wide range of pulp genres. If you don't know what pulp is, his site is a good place to stop and find some great, and not so great, authentic pulp. Larry's Blue Mushroom Books can be obtained through Mike Chomko or at the Adventure House website.

Bill Thom's Coming Attractions pulp-related news site is the place to find the latest pulp-related information. The address is: http://members.cox.net/comingattractions/index.html.

The official website of Black Mask Magazine can be found at www.blackmaskmagazine.com. In addition to articles and reviews, the site has several stories available for download.

Pulpdom, a fanzine that covers early pulp fiction, can be ordered from the publisher at: P.O. Box 2340, Pagosa Springs, Colorado 81147-2340. A subscription for six issues runs \$24.00.

Some Notes on Items of Interest in Robert E. Howard Bibliographical Research

While fixing my Robert E. Howard Checklist, which follows, I found a number of interesting items related to R.E.H. scholarship.

The most interesting discovery I made while working on the list was the existence of a series of reprints of the Lancer Conans by Prestige Books. Phil Stephensen-Payne was the first to send me on the trail of these, and with Paul Herman and Scotty Henderson's help, I was able to figure out what was going on with these books.

Lancer Books produced the first set of these common Conan books, consisting of 11 volumes that mix edited Howard Conan texts with pastiches, completions by other hands of unfinished works, and some non-Conan stories by Howard altered into Conan stories. These were first published in the 1960s and are reasonably well-doc-

umented.

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CONAN OF AQUILONIA #II

TITLE

L. Sprague de Camp and Lin Carter

AUTHOR

Mey 2, 1977

PUB. DATE

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PRICE

192

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After Lancer went out business, a company called Playmore bought up Lancer's assets and under their Prestige Books imprint, reprinted all of the Lancer Conan titles. They also published the 12th Conan title in the series, Conan of Aquilonia, that Lancer did not.

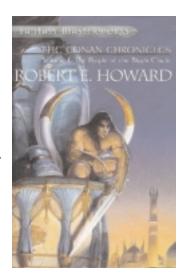
But all of the Prestige titles were

distributed by Ace Books and at first glance are easily confused with these later editions. Playmore may have contracted the printing to Ace as well. They have the same cover art and overall design and look as the Aces. However, there are differences. The Prestige editions have a note on the spine and on the cover identifying it as a Prestige Book, and saying that it is distributed by Ace Books. On the copyright page, the credit reads:

Prestige Books, Inc. Publishers Distributed by Ace Books

After I heard about the Prestige editions, I checked my collection and found that I already owned a copy of the Prestige *Conan the Usurper*. I had thought it was the Ace. I was then able to quickly find several more Prestige editions at local bookstores, so these may be quite common.

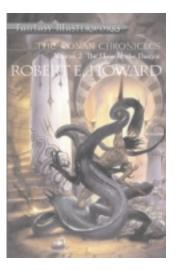
One of the Prestige titles I found was an advance review copy of *Conan of Aquilonia* that still had the review information slip in the front, but it is a standard Ace Books review slip. This slip reads: "A new book from Ace" and, in typewritten text



filling in the blanks, "Publication Date May 2, 1977". Even though the review slip is from Ace, the book has all of the typical Prestige Book identifiers.

Since Prestige and Ace did not do a good job of listing printing data, this is probably the best indication of the exact publication date of the first edition, first printing of *Conan of Aquilonia*.

After at least one, and possibly more than one, printing of the set by Prestige Books, Ace Books bought the Conan license from Prestige and subsequently reprinted the entire set many times. But that's another story.



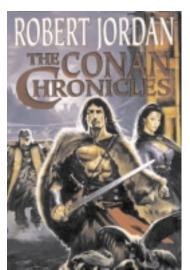
Many Howard bibliographers choose to regard the Prestige editions as early Ace editions. However, it seems to me that these are distinct enough to warrant a separate entry in my list. Ace Books felt there was enough of a difference to change the information on the cover, spine and copyright page when they took over the license. If a company other than Ace had acquired the license after Prestige, I don't think there would be any question that

these were as distinct as the Lancer is from the Ace.

There is also a set of Sphere editions of these books, as well as editions in other languages, including German.

Speaking of the Sphere Conan set, at least some of these apparently had more than one cover. Earlier editions had covers by Frazetta, but several, probably all, of them, were reissued between 1984 and 1988 with new covers by Blas Gallego or Kirk Reinert.

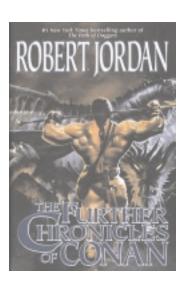
One difficult item is the three different sets of books titled "The Conan Chronicles" from several different



companies. In addition there is a set of books called "The Chronicles of Conan".

The first set of books using the title is the British The Conan Chronicles and The Conan Chronicles 2. The first book was published under the Sphere imprint in 1989. It is an omnibus reprinting the Lancer/Sphere/Prestige/Ace Conan, Conan of Cimmeria, and Conan the

Freebooter. It has a cover by Blas Gallego. Sphere was purchased by another company and in 1990, that company's SF imprint, Orbit, reprinted *The Conan Chronicles* and added *The Conan Chronicles* 2, reprinting *Conan the Adventurer, Conan the Wanderer* and *Conan the Buccaneer.* This also had a cover by Gallego. The Orbit editions went through several printings. I have not found any indication that further omnibuses in the series were issued. Because of difficulty in proving that the

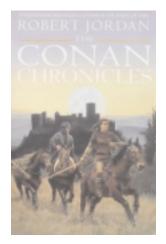


Sphere edition was actually issued and not just an error, I excluded it from the checklist in issue 10, but I now believe that it does exist and have added it back into the checklist. In addition to edited Howard material, like the books they are drawn from, these have pastiches by Lin Carter and L. Sprague de Camp. The format of these is mass market paperback. After sending an inquiry to Orbit, I was told that

the company's records did not go back far enough to answer questions about printings.

Phil Stephensen-Payne tells me that in 1994 Tor

Books in the U.S. published *The Conan Chronicles*. Further research shows this is an omnibus of three previously published novels, *Conan the Invincible*, *Conan the Defender*



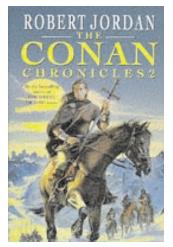
and Conan the Unconquored by Robert Jordan. There is no Howard content. The book was reprinted in 1995 in the U.K. by Legend. Legend then printed a second book, The Conan Chronicles 2, that collected a further three Jordan Conan novels: Conan the Magnificient, Conan the Destroyer and Conan the Triumpant. Legend was subsequently bought out by the company that owns Orbit and later printings of the two books were issued under the Orbit

imprint. This means that there are two sets of books with the same title by Orbit with completely different

contents by completely different authors. There are at least two different covers to the British *Conan Chronicles* 1 and 2 by Jordan.

Tor makes things even more difficult by releasing The Further Chronicles of Conan, with Conan the Magnificent, Conan the Triumphant and Conan the Victorious. Still without any Howard content. Note that this has two of the three novels in the Legend/2st Orbit Conan Chronicles 2, substituting Victorious for Destroyer.





There were various editions of the Tor set in hardback and paperback, along with Science Fiction Book Club editions. For the Conan Chronicles completist, there's an audiobooks version of *The Further Chronicles of Conan*.

In 2000, Millennium, issued *The Conan Chronicles* Vol. 1 The People of the Black Circle. Millennium was bought by Victor Gollancz, who followed in 2001 with

The Conan Chronicles Vol. 2: The Hour of the Dragon. Cover

art on both was by John Howe. These were collections of all of the Robert E. Howard Conan stories, includ-

ing fragments. These were thick trade paperbacks. While some effort was made to reprint from good sources, this set is inferior to the Wandering Star/Del Rey books. Vol. 1 in particular suffers from an unacceptable number of typographical errors.

Starting in 2003, Titan Books in the U.K. and Dark Horse in the U.S. began releasing a set called The Chronicles of Conan that reprint comic



book adventures of Conan written by Roy Thomas and illustrated by Barry Windsor-Smith and Gil Kane. While much of the material is adapted from Howard's work,



these volumes do not contain actual Howard reprints. So far three volumes of these books have been published. Unfortunately, Amazon UK and other sites lists these on their website as "The Conan Chronicles," further complicating things.

So to sum up, many, many people in the publishing industry need to be idenified, tracked down and beaten as an example of why publishers shouldn't be unkind to bibliog-

raphers.

For the record, the above information does not come from a personal examination of the books involved, but relies on the information I could gather from the internet and other sources.

Another item that may or may not be a concern is the existence of a Peter Haddock edition of *Solomon Kane*. Starting in 1969, Centaur Press published three authorized and licensed collections of Solomon Kane stories. Haddock, a London publisher, issued unauthorized editions that were taken from the Centaur Press editions. These were printed in Hungary. Glenn Lord, in The Last Celt, lists Haddock editions of



all three, but in researching my list, I found there was

some question as to whether the third book existed. To solve the question, and to add the book to my collection, I purchased a Solomon Kane from a Canadian dealer. The cover, like the cover of the previous two unauthorized editions, is reproduced from the Centaur Press edition with the following changes: all mention of Centaur books is removed, The Centaur Press logo is removed, all price information



removed, and the Jeffery Jones portrait of Kane is cropped, eliminating his signature. The colors are shifted from that of the second edition Centaur Press printing. The title page retains the 1968 copyright attribution to Glenn Lord, but reports that "This edition was printed in Hungary for Peter Haddock, London" Again, there



is no mention of Centaur Press, although the text on the first page, identical to the Centaur Press first page, does advertise that the first two books in the series are currently available from Centaur Press. There is no price listed anywhere in the book. While I only have an illustrated edition of the Centaur Press book, the text looks like it is shot directly from a copy of the Centaur Press book, reduced somewhat. I am going to provide a cover scan of this item to the bibliography at

www.howardworks,iwarp.com. The bibliography had previously lacked a cover of this edition.

One of the major errors in the first run of my check-list was that I had a listing for The Howard Reader Special Edition, but I did not have a listing for the Howard Reader #8. While the www.howardworks.iwarp.com site does have a cover scan of the Howard Reader Special Edition, I have been reliably informed that plans for publishing this have been cancelled and the contents have been/will be split between The Howard Reader issue 8 and issue 9. With issue #8, the name of the publication changed from The New Howard Reader to The Howard Reader.

Collector's Checklist of Robert E. Howard

Howard Books by Publisher

Ace		Bantam	
☐ Conan the Conqueror (Ace Double)	1953	☐ Kull: The Fabulous Warrior King	1978
☐ Almuric	1964	☐ Solomon Kane: Skulls in the Stars	1978
☐ Almuric	1970	☐ Wolfshead	1979
☐ Conan		☐ Solomon Kane: Hills of the Dead	1979
☐ Conan the Adventurer		☐ The Road of Azrael	1979
☐ Conan of Cimmeria			
☐ Conan the Conqueror		Baronet	
☐ Conan the Warrior		☐ Black Vulmea's Vengeance	1977
☐ Conan the Freebooter			
☐ Conan the Wanderer		Berkley Putnam	
☐ Conan the Usurper		☐ The Hour of the Dragon	1977
☐ The Gods of Bal-Sagoth	1979	☐ The People of the Black Circle	1977
☐ The Howard Collector	1979	☐ Red Nails	1977
☐ Tigers of the Sea	1979		
☐ Worms of the Earth	1979	Berkley Medallion	
☐ Pigeons from Hell	1979	☐ The Hour of the Dragon	1977
☐ The Sowers of the Thunder	1979	☐ The People of the Black Circle	1977
☐ Three-bladed Doom	1979	☐ Red Nails	1977
☐ Conan: The Treasure of Tranicos	1980	☐ Almuric	1977
☐ Conan: The Flame Knife	1981	☐ Marchers of Valhalla	1978
☐ The Iron Man/The Incredible		☐ Skull-Face	1978
Adventures of Dennis Dorgan	1983	☐ Swords of Shahrazar	1978
☐ Heroes of Bear Creek	1983	☐ Black Canaan	1978
☐ The She Devil	1983	☐ Son of the White Wolf	1978
☐ Cormac Mac Art: Tigers of the Sea	1984	☐ The Last Ride	1978
☐ Sword Woman	1986	☐ The Lost Valley of Iskander	1979
☐ The Lost Valley of Iskander	1986	☐ Black Vulmea's Vengeance	1979
☐ Son of the White Wolf	1987	☐ Sword Woman	1979
☐ Black Vulmea's Vengeance	1987	☐ The Vultures of Whapeton	1980
☐ Swords of Shahrazar	1987	☐ The Book of Robert E. Howard	1980
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Arkham House		☐ The Last Celt	1977
☐ Skull-face and Others	1946	The East Oct	17//
☐ Always Comes Evening	1957	Centaur Press	
☐ The Dark Man and Others	1963	☐ The Moon of Skulls	1969
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Baen		☐ Solomon Kane	1971
☐ Cthulhu: The Mythos and Kindred Ho	rrors1987	☐ The Moon of Skulls (Illustrated Edition)	1976
☐ Cormac Mac Art	1995	☐ The Hand of Kane (Illustrated Edition)	1976
☐ Kull	1995	☐ Solomon Kane (Illustrated Edition)	1976
☐ Solomon Kane	1995	- 5000mon Rane (mustrated Edition)	1770
☐ Bran Mak Morn	1996	Chaosium	
☐ Eons of the Night	1996	☐ Nameless Cults	2001
☐ Trails in Darkness	1996	- Ivameless Cuits	2001
☐ Beyond the Borders	1996		
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Charles Hoffman		Donald M. Grant	
☐ Desire and Other Poems	1989	☐ A Gent from Bear Creek	1965
		☐ The Pride of Bear Creek	1966
Charles Miller		☐ Red Shadows 1st Edition	1968
☐ The Grey God Passes	1975	☐ Singers in the Shadows	1970
☐ Valley of the Lost	1975	☐ Red Blades of Black Cathay	1971
		☐ Echoes From an Iron Harp	1972
Cryptic Publications		☐ Marchers of Valhalla 1st Edition	1972
☐ Bran Mak Morn: A Play and Others		☐ The Sowers of the Thunder	1973
(Unnumbered)	1983	☐ People of the Black Circle	1974
Bran Mak Morn: A Play and Others		☐ Tigers of the Sea	1974
(Numbered)	1983	☐ Worms of the Earth	1974
☐ Two-Fisted Detective Stories		☐ Almuric	1975
(Unnumbered)	1984	☐ A Witch Shall Be Born	1975
☐ Two-Fisted Detective Stories (Numbered)	1984	☐ A Gent from Bear Creek 2nd Edition	1975
☐ Two-Fisted Detective Stories (Lettered)	1984	☐ Red Nails	1975
☐ Two-Fisted Detective Stories (Presentation	n) 1984	☐ The Tower of the Elephant	1975
☐ The Adventures of Lal Singh	1985	☐ Black Vulmea's Vengeance	1976
☐ Pay Day	1986	☐ The Devil In Iron	1976
☐ Lurid Confession No. 1	1986	☐ Iron Man	1976
☐ The Coming of El Borak	1987	☐ Rogues in the House	1976
☐ Lewd Tales	1987	☐ The Last Celt	1976
☐ North of Khyber	1987	☐ Marchers of Valhalla 2nd Edition	1977
☐ The Sonora Kid	1987	☐ Pride of Bear Creek 2nd Edition	1977
		Queen of the Black Coast	1978
Dark Carneval		Red Shadows 2nd Edition	1978
☐ Spears of Clontarf	1986	☐ Black Colossus	1979
☐ Writer of the Dark (Rat Cover)	1986	☐ Black Colossus (Signed and Numbered)	1979
☐ Writer of the Dark (Plain Cover)	1986	Hawks of Outremer	1979
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☐ Bran Mak Morn	1969	☐ Road of Azrael	1979
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Del Rey	2002	☐ Lord of the Dead	1981
☐ The Coming of Conan the Cimmerian	2003	□ Kull	1985
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Dennis McHaney	1075	☐ The Pool of the Black One	1986
☐ Two Against Tyre (Unnumbered)	1975	☐ Hour of the Dragon	1989
☐ Two Against Tyre(Numbered Deluxe)	1975	☐ Shadows of Dreams	1989 1989
☐ Rhymes of Death (Numbered) ☐ Rhymes of Death (Unnumbered)	1975 1975	☐ Post Oaks and Sand Roughs	1969
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Dodd, Mead		☐ The Lost Valley of Iskander	1974
☐ The Last Cat Book	1984	☐ The Lost valley of Iskander ☐ The Incredible Adventures of	17/7
- The Dast Oat Dook	1707	Dennis Dorgan	1974
		☐ The Swords of Shahrazar	1976
		☐ Son of the White Wolf	1977
		☐ The Return of Skull-Face	1977
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		Fictioneer Books	
		☐ The Vultures	1973

George Hamilton		Lancer	
☐ Blades for France	1975	☐ Conan the Adventurer	1966
☐ Isle of Pirate's Doom	1975	☐ King Kull	1967
☐ The Shadow of the Hun	1975	☐ Conan the Warrior	1967
☐ Verses in Ebony	1975	☐ Conan the Conqueror	1967
☐ Verses in Ebony (Preview Edition)	1975	☐ Conan the Usurper	1967
☐ The King's Service	1976	☐ Wolfshead	1968
☐ A Bicentennial Salute to Robert E. Howar		☐ Conan	1968
☐ The Shadow of the Beast	1977	☐ Conan the Freebooter	1968
	1977	☐ Conan the Wanderer	1968
☐ Spears of Clontarf	19//	☐ Conan the wanderer ☐ Conan of Cimmeria	1969
Cildreline Courte Done		☐ The Dark Man & Others	
Gibbelins Gazette Press	1002	☐ The Dark Man & Others	1972
☐ The Ghost Ocean (Hardcover)	1982	TANK C D. 11'	
☐ The Ghost Ocean (Trade Paperback)	1982	LANY Cooperative Publications	1020
☐ The Ballad of King Geraint	1989	☐ The Hyborian Age	1938
Glenn Lord		Millennium	
☐ Etchings in Ivory	1968	☐ The Conan Chronicles Vol. 1	2000
Gnome Press		Millennium Publications	
☐ Conan the Conqueror	1950	☐ The Black Reaper	1995
☐ The Sword of Conan	1952	•	
☐ King Conan	1953	The Morning Star Press	
☐ The Coming of Conan	1953	☐ Night Images (Trade)	1976
☐ Conan the Barbarian	1954	☐ Night Images (Deluxe)	1976
☐ Tales of Conan	1955		
		Mythos Books	
Grossett & Dunlap		☐ Robert E. Howard–The Power of the	
☐ The Devil in Iron	1978	Writing Mind	2003
☐ The Tower of the Elephant	1978		
		Necronomicon Press	
Hall Publications		☐ Voices of the Night and Other Poems	1977
☐ Etchings in Ivory	1975	☐ The Illustrated Gods of the North	1977
,		☐ The Illustrated Challenge From Beyond	1978
Herbert Jenkins		☐ Robert E. Howard Selected Letters	
☐ A Gent From Bear Creek	1937	1923-1930	1989
☐ A Gent From Bear Creek (Cheap Edition)	1938	☐ Robert E. Howard's Fight Magazine #1	1990
,		☐ Robert E. Howard's Fight Magazine #2	1990
Kensington		☐ The Challenge From Beyond	1990
☐ Worms of the Earth	1975	☐ Robert E. Howard's Fight Magazine #3	1991
		☐ Robert E. Howard Selected Letters	
Joe & Mona Marek		1931-1936	1991
☐ New Howard Reader #1	1998	☐ Robert E. Howard's Fight Magazine #4	1996
☐ New Howard Reader #2	1998	☐ Ghor, Kin-slayer	1997
☐ New Howard Reader #3	1998	, ,	
☐ New Howard Reader #4	1999	Neville Spearman	
☐ New Howard Reader #5	1999	☐ Skull-Face and Others	1975
☐ New Howard Reader #6	1999		
☐ New Howard Reader #7	2000	New English Library	
☐ Howard Reader #8	2003	☐ Almuric	1971

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Panther			
☐ Skull-Face Omnibus Vol. 1:		Science Fiction Graphics	
Skull-Face & Others	1976	☐ Singers in the Shadows	1977
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The Valley of the Worm	1976	Sphere	
☐ Skull-Face Omnibus Vol. 3:		☐ Conan	1974
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☐ The Dark Man Omnibus Vol. 1:		☐ Conan of Cimmeria	1974
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		☐ Conan the Wanderer	1974
Paul Herman		☐ Conan the Usurper	1974
☐ The Complete Yellow Jacket	1999	☐ King Kull	1976
☐ The Complete Action Stories	2001	☐ Almuric	1977
		☐ Marchers of Valhalla	1977
The Pennsylvania Dutch Cheese Press		☐ The Sowers of Thunder	1977
☐ The Challenge From Beyond	1954	☐ Tigers of the Sea	1977
		☐ Conan The Warrior (Blas Gallego Cover)	1985
Peter Haddock		☐ Conan of Cimmeria (Kirk Reinert Cover)	1987
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☐ Conan the Adventurer		☐ The Conan Chronicles	1989
☐ Conan the Warrior			
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☐ Conan the Usurper		☐ No Refuge	1989
☐ Conan			
☐ Conan the Freebooter		Stygian Isle Press	
☐ Conan the Wanderer		☐ The Grim Land and Others	1976
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The Robert E. Howard House			
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☐ Always Comes Evening	1977	☐ A Gent From Bear Creek	1975
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Wandering Star		☐ Pigeons from Hell	1976
		☐ Black Vulmea's Vengeance	1977
☐ Savage Tales of Solomon Kane		☐ The Sword Woman	1977
Limited Edition	1998	☐ Three-bladed Doom	1977
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☐ Savage Tales of Solomon Kane		•	
Leather Bound Edition	1998	The Adventures of Lal Singh	
☐ The Ultimate Triumph Classic Edition	2000	☐ Cryptic Publications	
☐ The Ultimate Triumph Collector's Edition	n 2000	Almuric	
☐ The Ultimate Triumph	2000	☐ Ace (1964)	
Ultra Deluxe Edition	2000	☐ Ace (1970)	
☐ Bran Mak Morn: The Last King Trade Edition	2001	☐ Berkley	
☐ Bran Mak Morn: The Last King	2001	☐ Donald M. Grant	
Limited Edition	2001	☐ New English Library	
☐ Bran Mak Morn: The Last King	2001	Sphere	
Ultra Limited Edition	2001	Altars and Jesters	
☐ The Black Stranger	2002	Roy A. Squires Always Comes Evening	
☐ Conan of Cimmeria: Vol. 1 (1932–1933)		☐ Arkham House	
Limited Edition	2003	☐ Underwood-Miller (Keiko Nelson Jacket)	
☐ Conan of Cimmeria: Vol. 1 (1932-1933)		☐ Underwood-Miller (Limited)	
Artists Edition	2003	☐ Underwood-Miller (Mara Murray Jacket)	
☐ Conan of Cimmeria: Vol. 1 (1932-1933)		The Ballad of King Geraint	
Ultra Limited Deluxe Edition	2003	☐ Gibbelins Gazette Publications	
		A Bicentennial Salute to Robert E. Howard	
Wayne Stolte		☐ George Hamilton	
☐ Flight	1992	Beyond the Borders	
		☐ Baen	
Wildside Press	2002	Black Canaan	
☐ The Complete Action Stories	2003	☐ Berkley	
☐ Waterfront Fists and Others	2003	Black Colossus	
Graveyard Rats and Others	2003 2004	☐ Donald M. Grant	
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		Roy A. Squires	
		The Black Reaper	
		☐ Millennium Publications	
		The Black Stranger	
		☐ Wandering Star	

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☐ Ace	☐ Orbit
☐ Baronet	The Conan Chronicles Vol. 1:The People of the
☐ Berkley	Black Circle
☐ Donald M. Grant	☐ Millennium
☐ Zebra	☐ Victor Gollancz
Blades for France	The Conan Chronicles Vol. 2: The Hour of the
☐ George Hamilton	Dragon
The Book of Robert E. Howard	☐ Victor Gollancz
☐ Berkley	Conan of Cimmeria
☐ Zebra	☐ Ace
Bran Mak Morn	☐ Lancer
☐ Baen	☐ Prestige
□ Dell	☐ Sphere (Frazetta Cover)
Bran Mak Morn: A Play and Others	☐ Sphere (Kirk Reinert Cover)
☐ Cryptic Publications (Unnumbered)	Conan of Cimmeria: Volume One (1932-1933)
☐ Cryptic Publications (Numbered)	☐ Wandering Star (Limited)
Bran Mak Morn: The Last King	☐ Wandering Star (Artists)
☐ Wandering Star (Trade)	☐ Wandering Star (Ultra Limited Deluxe)
☐ Wandering Star (Trade)	Conan the Conqueror
	Ace (Ace Double)
☐ Wandering Star (Ultra Limited) The Challenge Fram Payand	Ace (Ace Double)
The Challenge From Beyond	
☐ The Pennsylvania Dutch Cheese Press	Gnome Press
□ Necronomicon Press (1990)	☐ Lancer
The Coming of Conan	☐ Prestige
Gnome Press	☐ Sphere (Frazetta Cover)
The Coming of Conan the Cimmerian	T. V. Boardman & Co.
☐ Del Rey	Conan the Freebooter
☐ Science Fiction Book Club	☐ Ace
The Coming of El Borak	Lancer
☐ Cryptic Publications	☐ Prestige
The Complete Action Stories	□ Sphere
☐ Paul Herman	☐ Sphere (Kirk Reinert Cover)
☐ Wildside Press	Conan the Usurper
The Complete Yellow Jacket	☐ Ace
☐ Paul Herman	Lancer
Conan	☐ Prestige
Ace	☐ Sphere (Frazetta Cover)
☐ Lancer	☐ Sphere (Artist unknown)
☐ Prestige	Conan the Wanderer
☐ Sphere (Frazetta Cover)	☐ Ace
☐ Sphere (Blas Gallego Cover)	☐ Lancer
Conan the Adventurer	Prestige
Ace	☐ Sphere (Frazetta Cover)
☐ Lancer	☐ Sphere (Artist unknown)
☐ Prestige	Conan the Warrior
☐ Sphere (Frazetta cover)	☐ Ace
☐ Sphere (Blas Gallego Cover)	☐ Lancer
Conan the Barbarian	☐ Prestige
☐ Gnome Press	☐ Sphere (Frazetta Cover)
The Conan Chronicles	☐ Sphere (Blas Gallego Cover)
☐ Orbit	Cormac Mac Art
☐ Sphere	☐ Ace
	☐ Baen

Cthulhu: The Mythos and Kindred Horrors	Heroes of Bear Creek
☐ Baen	☐ Ace
The Dark Man and Others	Hills of the Dead
☐ Arkham House	Bantam
☐ Lancer	The Hour of the Dragon
The Dark Man and Others Vol. 1	☐ Berkley/Putnam
Panther	☐ Berkley
The Dark Man and Others Vol. 2	☐ Donald M. Grant
Panther	☐ SF Book Club
Desire and Other Poems	The Howard Collector
☐ Charles Hoffman	□ Ace
	☐ Fax
The Devil in Iron	
☐ Donald M. Grant	The Howard Reader #8
Grosset & Dunlap	☐ Joe & Mona Marek
Echoes From An Iron Harp	The Hyborian Age
☐ Donald M. Grant	☐ LANY Cooperative Publications
Eons of the Night	The Illustrated Challenge From Beyond
☐ Baen	□ Necronomicon Press
Etchings in Ivory	The Illustrated Gods of the North
Glenn Lord	□ Necronomicon Press
☐ Pirate Edition (Publisher Unknown)	The Incredible Adventures of Dennis Dorgan
☐ Hall Publications	☐ FAX Collector's Edition
The Essential Conan	Zebra
☐ SF Book Club	The Iron Man
Flight	□ Zebra
☐ Wayne Stolte	The Iron Man and Other Tales of the Ring
Gates of Empire and Other Tales of the Crusades	☐ Donald M. Grant
☐ Wildside Press	The Iron Man with The Incredible Adventures of
A Gent from Bear Creek	Dennis Dorgan
☐ Donald M. Grant (1965)	☐ Ace
☐ Donald M. Grant (1975)	The Isle of Pirate's Doom
☐ Herbert Jenkins	☐ George Hamilton
☐ Herbert Jenkins (Cheap Edition)	Jewels of Gwahlur
☐ Zebra	☐ Donald M. Grant
Ghor Kin-Slayer	King Conan
☐ Necronomicon Press	☐ Gnome Press
The Ghost Ocean	King Kull
☐ Gibbelins Gazette Press (Unnumbered)	Lancer
☐ Gibbelins Gazette Press (Numbered)	☐ Sphere
The Gods of Bal-Sagoth	The King's Service
☐ Ace	☐ George Hamilton
The Gold and the Grey	Kull
☐ Roy A. Squires	☐ Baen
Graveyard Rats and Others	☐ Bantam
☐ Wildside Press	☐ Donald M. Grant
The Grey God Passes	☐ Donald M. Grant (Limited)
☐ Charles Miller	The Last Cat Book
The Grim Land and Others	☐ Dodd, Mead
☐ Stygian Isle Press	The Last Celt
The Hand of Kane	☐ Berkley
Centaur	Grant
☐ Centaur (Illustrated)	The Last Ride
☐ Peter Haddock	☐ Berkley
Hawks of Outremer	Lewd Tales
Donald M. Grant	☐ Cryptic Publications
Donaid W. Glant	- Cryptic rubilications

Lord of the Dead	Poems of War and Death
☐ Donald M. Grant	☐ Nouvelles Editions Oswald (Trade)
The Lost Valley of Iskander	☐ Nouvelles Editions Oswald (Deluxe Limited)
☐ Ace	The Pool of the Black One
☐ Berkley	☐ Donald M. Grant
☐ Orbit	Post Oaks & Sand Roughs
☐ FAX Collector's Edition	☐ Donald M. Grant
☐ Zebra	The Pride of Bear Creek
Lurid Confession No. 1	☐ Donald M. Grant (First Edition)
☐ Cryptic Publications	☐ Donald M. Grant (Second Edition)
A Man-Eating Jeopard	Queen of the Black Coast
☐ The Robert E. Howard House	☐ Donald M. Grant
Marchers of Valhalla	Red Blades of Black Cathay
☐ Berkley	☐ Donald M. Grant
☐ Donald M. Grant	Red Nails
☐ Donald M. Grant (Limited)	☐ Berkley/Putnam
☐ Sphere	☐ Berkley
Mayhem on Bear Creek	Donald M. Grant
☐ Donald M. Grant	☐ SF Book Club
The Moon of Skulls	Red Shadows
☐ Centaur	☐ Donald M. Grant (First Edition)
☐ Centaur (Illustrated)	☐ Donald M. Grant (Second Edition)
☐ Peter Haddock	The Return of the Seafarer
Nameless Cults	☐ Thomas Kovacs
☐ Chaosium	The Return of Skullface
Neolithic Love Song	☐ FAX Collector's Edition
☐ Thomas Kovacs	The Rhyme of the Three Slayers
The New Howard Reader	Thomas Kovacs
☐ #1 Joe & Mona Marek	Rhymes of Death
☐ #2 Joe & Mona Marek	Dennis McHaney (Unnumbered)
☐ #3 Joe & Mona Marek	☐ Dennis McHaney (Numbered)
	The Road of Azrael
☐ #4 Joe & Mona Marek	☐ Donald M. Grant
☐ #5 Joe & Mona Marek	
☐ #6 Joe & Mona Marek	☐ Donald M. Grant (Limited)☐ Bantam
☐ #7 Joe & Mona Marek	The Road to Rome
Night Images: A Book of Fantasy Verse	
☐ The Morning Star Press (Trade)	Roy A. Squires
☐ The Morning Star Press (Deluxe)	The Robert E. Howard Omnibus Orbit
No Refuge	
Steve Trout	Robert E. Howard's Fight Magazine #1 Necronomicon Press
North of Khyber	
Cryptic Publications	☐ #2 Necronomicon Press
Omniumgathum	☐ #3 Necronomicon Press
☐ Stygian Isle Press	☐ #4 Necronomicon Press
Pay Day	Robert E. Howard Selected Letters (1923-1930)
☐ Cryptic Publications	□ Necronomicon Press
The People of the Black Circle	Robert E. Howard Selected Letters (1931-1936)
☐ Berkley/Putnam	□ Necronomicon Press
☐ Berkley/Medallion	Robert E. Howard – The Power of the
☐ Donald M. Grant	Writing Mind
☐ SF Book Club	☐ Mythos Books
Pigeons from Hell	Robert E. Howard's World of Heroes
☐ Ace	Robinson
☐ Zebra	Rogues in the House
	☐ Donald M. Grant

Runes of Airh-Eih-Eche	Spears of Clontarf
☐ Stygian Isle Press	☐ Dark Carneval
The Savage Tales of Solomon Kane	☐ Hamilton
☐ Wandering Star (Limited)	The Sword of Conan
☐ Wandering Star (Ultra Limited)	☐ Gnome Press
☐ Wandering Star (Leather Bound)	Sword Woman
The Second Book of Robert E. Howard	☐ Ace
☐ Berkley	The Sword Woman
☐ Zebra	☐ Berkley
The Shadow of the Beast	Zebra
☐ George Hamilton	The Swords of Shahrazar
The Shadow of the Hun	☐ Ace
☐ George Hamilton	☐ Berkley
Shadows of Dreams	☐ Orbit
☐ Donald M. Grant	☐ FAX Collector Edition
The She Devil	Tales of Conan
☐ Ace	☐ Gnome Press
Singers in the Shadows	Three-Bladed Doom
☐ Donald M. Grant	☐ Ace
☐ Science Fiction Graphics	Orbit
Skull-Face	☐ Zebra
☐ Berkley	Tigers of the Sea
Skull-Face and Others	☐ Ace
☐ Arkham House	☐ Donald M. Grant
Skull-Face Omnibus	☐ Sphere
□ Neville-Spearman	☐ Zebra
Skull-Face Omnibus Vol. 1: Skull Face & Others	The Tower of the Elephant
☐ Panther	☐ Donald M. Grant
Skull-Face Omnibus Vol. 2: The Valley of the	Grosset & Dunlap
Worm ☐ Panther	Trails in Darkness ☐ Baen
Skull-Face Omnibus Vol. 3: The Shadow	
	Treasure of Tartary ☐ Wildside Press
Kingdom ☐ Panther	Two Against Tyre
Skulls in the Stars	☐ McHaney (Unnumbered)
☐ Bantam	☐ McHaney (Numbered)
Solomon Kane	Two-Fisted Detective Stories
☐ Baen	☐ Cryptic Publications (Unnumbered)
☐ Centaur	☐ Cryptic Publications (Numbered)
☐ Centaur (Illustrated)	☐ Cryptic Publications (Lettered)
☐ Peter Haddock	☐ Cryptic Publications (Presentation)
Son of the White Wolf	Up, John Kane! and Other Poems
□ Ace	☐ Roy A. Squires
☐ Berkley	The Ultimate Triumph
☐ FAX Collector's Edition	☐ Wandering Star (Classic)
☐ Orbit	☐ Wandering Star (Collector's)
A Song of the Naked Lands	☐ Wandering Star (Ultra Deluxe)
☐ Roy A. Squires	Valley of the Lost
The Sonora Kid	☐ Charles Miller
☐ Cryptic Publications	Verses in Ebony
The Sowers of the Thunder	☐ George Hamilton
☐ Ace	☐ George Hamilton (Prototype Edition)
☐ Donald M. Grant	Voices of the Night and Other Poems
☐ Sphere	☐ Necronomicon Press
☐ Zebra	

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Waterfront Fists
☐ Wildside Press
A Witch Shall Be Born
☐ Donald M. Grant
Writer of the Dark
☐ Dark Carneval
Wolfshead
☐ Bantam
☐ Lancer
Worms of the Earth
☐ Ace
☐ Donald M. Grant
☐ Kensington
☐ Orbit
☐ Zebra

Notes:

It is probably impossible to put together a checklist of this sort in a way that will make all, or even most REH fans happy. Since I've put my head in the lion's mouth anyway, these are the criteria I used:

I am sure there are those who will question the number of variant editions I list. I included any book that I thought was substantially changed from a prior edition or printing. Criteria included: different publisher, different format, different cover art or interior illustration, and different contents.

I do not include anthologies that reprint Howard stories. *The Garden of Fear* has been excluded as it is more an anthology than a Howard collection.

If a book has material that was at least substantially written by Howard it is included. Thus, *Tales of Conan* is included, with Howard stories rewritten as Conan stories, but *The Return of Conan* is not.

Editions in languages other than English have been excluded. The exception is *Poems of War and Death* as it is in English as well as French.

Small press publications containing primarily Howard's work are included, fanzines that contain mainly articles with some Howard reprints are not. I tried to err on the side of inclusion.

Comic books are not included. However, *The Black Reaper* is included because while it is formatted like a comic book, it is really a text publication.

Wulfsdung by Dark Carneval was not included as it has a reported two copies, insufficient to my mind to call it "published". If an item was published, even if few or no copies are known to exist, it was included.

The three editions of Candle were not included as the

poem has not been positively identified as by Howard.

I included *The Last Celt* because it does have material by Howard, and I felt the Donald M. Grant and Berkley lists would be incomplete without it.

I included *Robert E. Howard – The Power of the Writing Mind* because it has a substantial amount of material by Howard in addition to the material about Howard.

I only listed the Lancer/Prestige/Ace/Sphere Conan books that have substantial Howard content.

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Any errors or omissions are, of course, my own.

The Men Who Make The Argosy

Here's a roundup of literary notes, interior illustra- PENTECOST, HUGH tors and war news:

CAHAN, SAMUEL

"Who has been illustrating the stories since the June issues."

Argonotes, November 7, 1931

At the moment, we are running the first published work of a gifted new mystery writer: "Cancelled in Red" by Hugh Pentecost...

-Argonotes, May 13, 1939

CARSE, ROBERT



The flying nightmare hit earth with a rending crash

Art by Samuel Cahan for "Hopital Hopper," July 25, 1931

WARREN, CHARLES M.

Hollywood was so impressed with Charles M. Warren's story, "Midnight Haul" that they have whisked him out there to do the original story on the next Edward G. Robinson film. Since the yarn the moguls liked concerned trucking, need we whisper that Mr. Warren's film chores have to do with horse-racing? Ah, Hollywood...

—Argonotes, July 30, 1938

C.M. Warren... (is) with the American Army on Active Duty.

—Argonotes, January 1943

Bob Carse, for instance, is on active service with the Merchant Marinethough we're hoping he'll be able during his brief periods of shore leave, to spin us a yarn or two of his latest adventures.

—Argonotes, January 1943

MacCREAGH, **GORDON**

Gordon MacCreagh is on special government duty somewhere Africa.

—Argonotes, January 1943

RICH-WORMSER, ARD

Richard Wormser is at present doing special govern-

ment work connected with the Forest Rangers.

—Argonotes, January 1943

CHIDSEY, DONALD BARR

Donald Barr Chidsey is with the American Field Service on foreign duty.

—Argonotes, January 1943

WHIPPLE, CHANDLER

Chandler Whipple is, at present, in the South Pacific, serving as a yeoman in the American Navy.

—Argonotes, January 1943

GOLDSMITH, LOUIS C.

Louis C. Goldsmith is in the Air Transport Command. —Argonotes, January 1943

BOSWORTH, ALLAN R.

Allan R. Bosworth has a commission in the United States Navy.

—Argonotes, January 1943

MONTGOMERY, M.R.

M.R. Montgomery is serving with the Canadian Army.

—Argonotes, January 1943

MYERS MYERS, JOHN

John Myers (is) with the American Army on active duty. —Argonotes, January 1943

BLASSINGAME, WYATT

Wyatt Blassingame and William Benton Johnston, who have **Art by Roger B. Mo** recently finished stories for future issues of ARGOSY, have received commissions respectively in the Navy and in the Army.

-Argonotes, January 1943

JOHNSTON, WILLIAM BENTON

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MORRISON, ROGER B. "MORI"

Argosy Illustrator

HAVING been born in Paris (Kentucky), it naturally followed that I would take up some branch of art. I would be glad to tell the readers of the ARGOSY all about the beauties of this little Kentucky town nestling in the heart of the Bluegrass,

But regret to say my memory does not go back quite far enough. The family, with me in tow, was then at the ripe age of seven months-migrated to the city of Louis-ville, no doubt to give my budding talents more scope. Grammar school days passed in the conventional sort of a way and I managed to go through the first two years in high fairly well, but the third found me fretting under the yoke, so it was wisely decided the time for work bad arrived.



Art by Roger B. Morrison for "The Death Spell of Non Chik."

My parents, while proud to exhibit my scrawls and scratches to admiring neighbors, were firmly of the opinion that art wasn't an occupation; it was an affliction. A. business career was the only thing worth while carrying through life. So I was placed with the Standard Oil Company. Good heavens! High school was restraint enough, but words would fail me if I attempted to describe my

incarceration in the Standard Oil jail. It didn't last long. On a certain Saturday afternoon my boss, with whom was on very friendly terms, called me into his office and said, "Kid, you're good ballplayer and in my opinion you



Roger B. "Mori" Morrison



I can boast of little travel. New York found in me a responsive soul. East Side, West Side, all around the town. I loved it, especially those glorious days prior to the "Big Strife" when the Constitution was still considered a sacred document and the reformer and the crook were not pals. But times have changed and now I fain would wander a bit. What's to hinder an old bachelor with none of the ties that bind? Nothing, so I expect soon to start on my first trip abroad. If any of the readers of Argosy are interested enough to notice that I am missing for a few months, they will know that I am somewhere over there.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, July 26, 1930

McNARY, HERBERT L.

Author of "The Winning Arm,"
"The Kansas Killer," "Changed
Goals," etc.

From the May 10, 1930 Argosy Allstory Weekly.

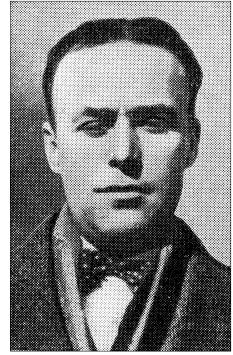
could be developed into a first-class artist, but Mr. Rock-efeller can't use either. Here's your pay envelope. Don't come back." The following Monday found me a perfectly happy member of a semi-pro team off on a barn-storming trip through Kentucky, Tennessee and points farther south.

Life with a roving ball team was great stuff, but the urge to draw was too strong, and eventually landed me in New York and on the art staff of the World, thereby robbing the big leagues of a brilliant shortstop, With the exception of one term at the Academy of Design my training has been acquired at the expense of newspapers and various other publications of this city. The nom de plume (Mori) was the result of circumstances. Early drawings which fell to my lot, when reproduced, were so small my signature was entirely lost. Obviously the need was for fewer letters and make 'em big. Elimination finally achieved the desired result. I was quite elated. The name sounded like a high class operatic star of exotic origin. Born of the moment, the intent was not to make it permanent, but somehow or other it has stuck and goes to show how easy a Kentuckian of Scot descent can, be transformed, apparently, into a child of sunny Italy.

I became interested in athletics too early in life. The

last couple of years of the previous century which were the initial stages of my existencefound me on my stretcher due to an infantile yen to take a high dive off a table. grew instructed as to things couldn't do, which I suppose made me more anxious than the average to participate in sports.

I managed to drag down a few



Herbert L. McNary



Art this page and next by Stanley Maxwell for the July 26, 1941 issue of Argosy.

running prizes, and to participate in baseball games continuously except when taking time out to eat, but a recurrence of my injury made me view things from my parent's angle. I've always been more or less of a bug on sports. Lately I've been dealing with two Cuban boxers who seem as good prospects as Chocolate was.

I even had to pass an athletic test to get into the war. After twelve rejects I cornered the head medical officer on the thirteenth try, and after I pulled off a few sprints and high jumps he okayed me.

After the war I was well on my way to being a contractor, being an alumnus of Boston Tech. I had traveled with some construction companies and was start-

ing out with some partners—Irish, Italians, and Polish—when we ran into financial trouble. Having nothing to do, I joined a dramatic club that staged a Seventeenth of March play in an Irish community. When I learned that I was to make my appearance in an English play, in self-defense I asked permission to write an Irish play. It's still being played.

On the strength of that I decided a nice soft living would be that of a writer. I knew a number of sport characters, and I suppose it was only natural that I should draw on them for subjects.

After single-spacing a few yarns, and sending confession stories to *Atlantic Monthly* and detective tales to *Harp-*

ers, I met a kind friend who told me to double-space, and call my shots before playing them. I've been pretty restless always, and as soon as I get one type of yarn clicking I get an urge to try something else. The result is, I've sold about every classification of story and to almost every sort of publication; but my first love is the sport story.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, July 25, 1931

MAXWELL, STANLEY

Meet the Artist—Stanley Maxwell

If you turn the page after reading this, and then turn back to pages 55 and 58, you will see two arresting pieces of work by one of Argosy's happiest discoveries—an artist with unusual imagination, an individual technique, and a fine feeling for his business.

Stanley Maxwell wandered quietly into our art department one day a few months ago and asked to show some pictures. In practically no time after that he had illustrated a story in Sea Novels magazine; and it was such a success that the Argosy staff went right in and nailed him for our public. A good idea? Take a look at the pictures in this issue and see for yourself.

Maxwell is quite possibly the only man in the world who ever illustrated a plastic surgery operation before it was done. A woman approached him one night and asked him to whip out a preview of her new face after a forthcoming operation. He took it in stride.

And yet this youngster (born 1919) once wanted to be a fireman! By various stages he also aimed at being a mechanic, a cop, an architect. After finishing high school in Long Beach, Long Island, he wavered between college, and art school, where his art teacher saw his talents trending.

To the art teacher, Miss Evelyn Steiner, go our orchids. She insisted, and Stanley went to work with a soft pencil. After three months in an advertising art class he decided he preferred illustration, and proceeded to work his way through Pratt Institute. This he did in various ways: painting portraits at fifty cents each, jerking sodas, delivering this and that, and washing dishes at Sloppy Joe's in Long Beach.

It is pleasant to be able to round out the story on a genuinely idyllic note. A short time ago we had a telegram from Mr. Maxwell, arriving on the very day on which we expected him to show up with a picture for us. It said:

JUST MARRIED. HAVING A FINE TIME

Since then, silence. After the honeymoon, however, we expect to see him back in the office—with a devastat-



Art by Stanley Maxwell

ing life-size portrait of the lady. Meanwhile, our blessing on them both.

(P.S. Mr. Maxwell came into the office as this was being written. Beamingly he told us that we were more or less responsible for the culmination of a four-year romance. So ARGOSY is beaming too.)

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, July 26, 1941

By request, here's a listing of entries in my The Men Who Make The Argosy Project. I'll accept requests for specific entries to be published in future issues.

Can anyone tell me if the Argonotes from August 1943 have any biographical data? My copy is missing the first few pages.

I also need the information from the contents page of the November 1, 1919 issue that runs a death announcement for Seward W. Hopkins, and any other biographical data in that issue.

Each entry has a note about where the information appeared. These are not necessarily full Men Who Make The Argosy entries unless noted. They may be shorter items from the Argonotes or elsewhere in the issue.

ADAMS, EUSTACE L.

-Argonotes, September 16, 1933

AKERS, TOM

—Argonotes, September 22, 1928

ALLEN, STOOKIE

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, June 23, 1934

ANDERTON, SEVEN

—Argonotes, March, 30, 1929

APPLETON, C.D.

—Argonotes, June 20, 1940

ARTHUR, ROBERT

—Meet the Author, April 26, 1941

BEDFORD-JONES, H.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Nov. 16, 1929

BLASSINGAME, WYATT

—Argonotes, Jan. 1943

BLOCHMAN, L.G.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, May 14, 1932

BOSWORTH, ALLAN R.

—Argonotes, Jan. 1943

BRAND, MAX (FREDERICK FAUST)

- —The Men Who Make The Argosy, Dec. 10, 1932
- —Argonotes, June 14, 1941

BRUCE, GEORGE

—The Men Who Make the Argosy, June 22, 1935

CAHAN, SAMUEL

— Argonotes, November 7, 1931

CARHART, ARTHUR HAWTHONE

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Dec. 2, 1933

CARSE, ROBERT

- —The Men Who Make The Argosy, March 1, 1930
- —Argonotes, Jan. 1943
- —Looking Ahead, November 1943

CHASE, BORDEN

-Argonotes, December 22, 1934

CHIDSEY, DONALD BARR

- —The Men Who Make The Argosy, Nov. 19, 1932
- —Argonotes, April 20, 1940
- —Argonotes, Jan. 1943

COBURN, WALT

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Oct.21, 1933

COOK, BERTON E.

—Argonotes, Feb. 1, 1930

COOPER, COURTNEY RYLEY

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Mar. 15, 1930

CUMMINGS, RAY

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Feb. 8, 1930

CUNNINGHAM, EUGENE

—Argonotes, October 6, 1928

DE POLO, HAROLD

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Sept. 13, 1930

DETZER, KARL

-Argonotes, August 12, 1933

DINGLE, CAPTAIN A. E.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Nov. 12, 1932.

DOHERTY, EDWARD

—Argonotes, October 6, 1934

DONNEL, JR., C. P.

— Argosy Authors, November, 1942

DUNN, J. ALLAN

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Mar. 8, 1930.

EGAN, JAMES W.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Dec. 6, 1930

ELSTON, ALLAN VAUGHAN

- —The Men Who Make The Argosy, May 6, 1933
- —Argonotes, March 25, 1933

FISHER, STEVE

— Argosy Authors, November, 1942

FRASER, FERRIN

Argonotes, August 6, 1932

GARDNER, ERLE STANLEY

The Men Who Make The Argosy, Dec., 7, 1929

GERY, R. V.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, June 11, 1932

GLUCK, SINCLAIR

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, April 30, 1932

GOLDSMITH, LOUIS C.

- —The Men Who Make The Argosy, Jan. 24, 1942
- —Argonotes, Jan. 1943

GRINSTEAD, J. E.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, April, 9, 1930

GULICK, BILL

— Argosy Authors, November, 1942

HOPPER, LIEUT. JOHN

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Oct. 11, 1930

HORN, ROY DE S.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, April 12, 1930

JOHNSTON, WILLIAM BENTON

—Argonotes, Jan. 1943

KENT, JOHN

—Argonotes, January 13, 1940

KUTTNER, HENRY

—Argonotes, June 1943

LEINSTER, MURRAY

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Jan 16, 1932 **LESLIE, A.**

— The Men Who Make The Argosy, May 30, 1931 **LIEBE, HAPSBURG**

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, July 22, 1933

LYNDE, FRANCIS

-Argonotes, June 14, 1930

MacCREAGH, GORION

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Feb. 18, 1933

—Argonotes, Jan. 1943

MacISAAC, FRED

—Argonotes, March 16, 1929

MARQUISS, WALTER

—Argonotes, Date Needed

MARSH, HOWARD R.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, June 8, 1935

MARTINSEN, RICHARD A.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, May 2, 1931

MAXWELL, STANLEY

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, July 26, 1941

McCULLEY, JOHNSTON

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Oct. 3, 1931

McMORROW, WILL

—Intro to "Thundering Dawns" Feb. 12, 1927

—Intro to "King's Khaki," September 24, 1927

McNARY

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, July 25, 1931

MERCER, FRANK MORGAN

- —The Men Who Make The Argosy, Oct. 8, 1932
- Notice in Argosy, November 26, 1932, page 57
- Argonotes, November 26, 1932

MERRITT, A. (ABRAHAM)

- -Argonotes, October, 20, 1928
- -Argonotes, October 8, 1932

MONTANYE, HAROLD

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, April 18, 1931

MONTGOMERY, M.R.

—Argonotes, Jan. 1943

MOORE, C.L.

—Argonotes, June 1943

MORRISON, ROGER B. "MORI"

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, July 26, 1930

MOWERY, WILLIAM BYRON

— Argosy Authors, November, 1942

MUNSEY, FRANK A.

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MYERS, JOHN MYERS

- —Argonotes, June 14, 1941
- —Argonotes, Jan. 1943

OGDEN, GEORGE WASHINGTON

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Feb. 1, 1930

LT. GEORGE O. NOVILLE

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Jan. 18, 1936

PACKARD, FRANK L.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Sept. 26, 1931 **PARKE, GEORGE**

—Argonotes, November 16, 1929

PEARSALL, ROBERT J.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Feb. 15, 1930

PENDEXTER, HUGH

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, April 5, 1930

PENTECOST, HUGH

-Argonotes, May 13, 1939

PERKINS, KENNETH

The Men Who Make The Argosy, May 10, 1930

PERRY, RALPH R.

—Argonotes, December 1, 1928

PRICE, E. HOFF MANN

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, May 10, 1941

PURCELL, ART

—Argonotes, September 13, 1930

RAINE, WILLIAM MacLEOD

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Jan. 20, 1934

ROBERTS, THEODO RE GOODRIDGE

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, May 31, 1930

ROSAIRE, FORREST (J.-J. DES ORMEAUX)

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Sept. 16, 1933

ROUSE, WILLIAM MERRIAM

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, June 21, 1930

ROUSSEAU, VICTOR

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Mar. 21, 1931

RUD, ANTHONY M.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Sept. 30, 1930

SCOTT, KINGSBURY

-Argonotes, December 8, 1928

SMALL, SIDNEY HERSCHEL

—The Men Who Make the Argsoy, June 20, 1931

SMITH, JUNIUS B.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Feb. 21, 1931

SNOW, IRVING CUSHMAN

—Argonotes, Oct. 13, 1928

SPEARS, RAYMOND S.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, May 16, 1931

STAHR, PAUL

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, April 26, 1930

STARZL, R. F.

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Oct. 17, 1931

STEELE, HARWOOD

—Argonotes, April 26, 1930

STEVENS, JAMES

—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Nov. 3, 1934

STILES, GORDON

—Argonotes, June 14, 1930

STRIBLING, T. S.

—Argonotes, June 10, 1933

SURDEZ, GEORGES

-The Men Who Make The Argosy, June 10, 1933

TEMPLETON, WILLIAM	Jack Allman	1/31/31
—Argonotes, June 14, 1941	William E. Barrett	8/22/31
TENCH, C.V.	Richard Barry	12/28/29
—Argonotes, October 5, 1929	Tip Bliss	
TERHUNE, ALBERT PAYSON	Armand Brigaud	
—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Oct. 7, 1933	Edgar Rice Burroughs	
THOMAS, LOWELL	Thomson Burtis	
Photo only.	Ellis Parker Butler	
THOMPSON, JOHN H.	Samuel Cahan	
—Argonotes, March 25, 1933	Warren E. Carleton	
—Argonotes, June 10, 1933	Robert Carse	
TOWER, WALTER KELLOGG	Robert Ormond Case	
—Argonotes, September 8, 1928	Borden Chase	
TOPHAM, TOPHAM	Charles L. Clifford	
—Argonotes, March 25, 1933	William Corcoran	
TUTTLE, W.C.	Eugene Cunningham	
—The Men Who Make The Argosy, June 14, 1930	Tom Curry	
VINCENT, HARL	Norbert Davis	
—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Sept. 12, 1931	Karl Detzer	
WARREN, CHARLES M.	Allan K. Echols	
—Argonotes, July 30, 1938	George Allan England	
—Argonotes, Jan. 1943	Ralph Milne Farley	
WATERS, DON	Cliff Farrell	
—Argonotes, April 18, 1931	Hulbert Footner	
WATKINS, RICHARD HOWELLS	Oscar J. Friend	
—The Men Who Make The Argosy, May 13, 1933	R. V. Gery	
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WHIPPLE, CHANDLER	Dr. J. U. Giesy	
—Argonotes, June 8, 1940	Robert A. Graef	
—Argonotes, Jan. 1943	Austin Hall	
WHITE, JR., NORMAN H.	Arthur Preston Hankins	
—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Mar. 14, 1931	FosterHarris	
WHITFIELD, RAOUL	Ernest Haycox	
—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Mar. 7, 1931	William Edward Hayes	
WILSTACH, JOHN	James L. Hill	
—Argonotes, March 16, 1929	Jay J. Kalez	
WIRT, W.	Jim Kjelgaard	
—Argonotes, September 8, 1828	Otis Adelbert Kline	
—The Men Who Make The Argosy, Mar. 29, 1930	Francis Lynde	
WORMSER, RICHARD	Fred MacIsaac	
—Argonotes, Jan. 1943	F. V. W. Mason	
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77 1 1: C1	Johnston McCulley	
Here's a list of known Men Who Make The Argosy	Don McGrew	
that I still need for the project. So far I have 63 out of	Will McMorrow	
the 141 MWMTA features that I know of. I also need	A. Merritt	
any other biographical data that ran in the Argonotes,	Murray R. Montgomery	
before stories, on the table of contents, or elsewhere that	Talbot Mundy	
I don't have listed above.	John R. Neill	
	J. D. Newsom	
	Malcolm Wheeler Nicholson	
Cleve F. Adams	Judson P. Philips	
Eustace L. Adams	Frank Richardson Pierce	
Eustace L. Adams	Robert E. Pinkerton	
Arthur K. Akers4/25/31	Theodore Roscoe	1/18/30

Theodore Roscoe	6/29/35
Theodore Roscoe	5/31/41
Harold Bradley Say	12/20/30
Kingsbury Scott	8/30/30
Charles Alden Seltzer	3/22/30
Bertrand L. Shurtleff	8/16/30
Garret Smith	1/3/31
T. S. Stribling	1/4/30
Crawford Sullivan	11/1/41
H. M. Sutherland	3/18/33

Lowell Thomas	5/7/32
John A. Thompson	7/19/30
John H. Thompson	7/12/30
Thomas Barclay Thomson	11/30/29
Thomas Thursday	10/4/30
Charles Marquis Warren	7/19/41
Don Waters	1/10/31
John Wilstach	7/6/35
George F. Worts	1/25/29
Clem Yore	1/11/30

Here's a bonus Men Who Make the Argosy and a few short notes to fill up the empty space.

SMALL, SIDNEY HERSCHEL

Author of "Head-Hunters," etc.

My people came across the plains just behind the ill-fated Donner party, which makes me a Native

Son, although I've never practiced the profession. Born in San Francisco, in 1893. As a youngster the family business was in the Orient; two years there, a year in the States. The Philippines in the days when garters were worn without stockings, and shoes carried in the hand by the natives; when the pariahs in Japan did not show their faces along respectable streets; when the Chinese believed foreigners originated from the hairs of curly white dogs.



University of Wisconsin, ex-1914, ex-salesman, exadvertising manager, ex-reporter. For the first, saw no reason for waiting a few months merely to get a degree; the second, promised everything the sales-manager told me was true about his wares; the third, didn't and don't play golf; the fourth, quit after seeing 42 executions and refused to cover any more.

In fact, I seem to be ex-everything except husband; have the same wife I started out with thirteen years ago, plus two potential Badger halfbacks.

Started writing in 1923; and consequently have to my credit many short stories and five novels. Once won a tennis cup. Voted for LaFollette for President. Have seen Clara Bow at close range and wasn't even singed. Like trout fishing immensely, especially in the high Sierras.

For the rest, we live on top of a hill in a small sleepy California town just north of San Francisco; there are iris and columbine and poppies and mission-bells not a hundred feet from the house. And the birds come within a yard of the house to get bread in the rainy season (I'm Native Son enough not to say Winter) and right now we're trying to get a gray squirrel to eat almonds out of our hands; he'll come a foot away, but that's his limit.

That's about all, except that I insist it was the fire and not the earthquake that did the damage; maybe I'm a worse and more rabid Native Son than I thought I was.

—The Men Who Make the Argsoy, June 20, 1931

BRAND, MAX

Max Brand is under contract with M.G.M. —Argonotes, June 14, 1941

TEMPLETON, WILLIAM

William Templeton is in England and therefore difficult to reach.

-Argonotes, June 14, 1941

MYERS, JOHN MYERS

John Myers Myers has enlisted in the U.S. Army
—Argonotes, June 14, 1941

Ok, Ok, before anybody wastes their time and asks, here's the entry for Kuttner and Moore:

KUTTNER, HENRY MOORE, C.L.

...C.L. Moore and Henry Kuttner are Mr. and Mrs. Kuttner in private life.

—Argonotes, June 1943

That's all folks.