



**FUTURIAN ACTION:** Recently there has appeared in Sydney bookstalls a new publication, "Wild West". This, in itself, was of little or no importance to fantasy followers but owing to the circumstances surrounding its release a thrill of expectation has run through local fan circles. This magazine was issued because of the prohibition of importation of U.S. Western fiction. This is a direct result of the ban. Therefore, is it not possible that an Australian professional stf magazine may also be issued? It is a recognised fact that science fiction is the best selling type of magazine.

With the object of acquainting the publishers of "Wild West" with the possibility of an Australian stf magazine, members of the Futurian Society of Sydney have launched a campaign advocating this. Letters to the publishers are commencing to be sent regularly suggesting an all-story magazine, featuring at least one fantasy story each issue. Then, of course, readers will clamour for more fantasy stories – stf readers that is.

Come on fans! Rally round! Send a letter into the publishers of "Wild West" and help! It can be done – but only by united fan action!!!

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**FUTURIAN ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA:** The Executive Committee of the FAA announced this week the main aim of the new organisation. This is stated as "to compile a complete register of all active Australian fans". The idea was off-sprung from Frederik Pohl's now extinct Futurian Federation of the World. However, work has commenced and many interstate and local fans have been contacted regarding the matter.

It has been specifically stated that the FAA does not intend to charter chapters, being, as already stated, mainly a register of Australian fandom. The FAA may also issue an official bulletin of activities etc, but for the present time its main voice will be this magazine.

The Honourary Members list has been finally settled and is as follows:-

- Bert F. Castellari
- Charles La Coste
- Marshall L. MacLennan
- Charles S. Mustchin
- H. Pinnock

The committee is throwing its full support in for Futurian action and is urging interstate fans to place more pressure on the publishers of new Australian magazines.

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WE HATE TO SAY THIS but it looks as though the ban is definitely in for a time! No magazines have been released for some time though there are still some in stock. The second issue of PLANET STORIES is expected to be released as a remainder within the next two weeks.



