SUPER SUMMER ISSUE
NEVER SEEN BEFORE
EXORCIST PICTURES!

THE INCREDIBLE
MELTING MAN
IN
THE DEVIL'S RAIN

FAMOUS MONSTERS CON COSTUME PARADE
MOVING MECHANICAL DINOSAUR HOBBY KITS $3.50

The monstrous reptile lumbers forward. He roars. With one swipe of his giant foreclaw, he topples a towering edifice. He smashes forward, crumbling buildings midsections. Roaring, Destroying. Whole structures are rubble around his feet. Yet on he lumber, swaying from side to side. His waving tail sweeps aside piles of debris. As the buildings crash around him, he continues to roar his challenge. "I'm mighty. I'm mean. I'm king of all I survey!"

Is this the climax scene from a Japanese monster-giant extravaganza? The lost reel from a Harryhausen spectacular?

Guess again! It's one of the build-it-yourself Moving Mechanical Prehistoric Animal models.

The toppling city is a balanced deck of cards. (And it is much more frustrating to balance the cards than to build the dinosaur!)

Since the models not only look great, but really work, the whole series of mechanical reptiles are some of the "funnest" toys around. Not just because they move with a hilariously lifelike, lumbering gait, but because you build them yourselves.

Yes, fumblefingers! You too can create a lumbering mechanical giant. You glue the molded olive green plastic. Attach the wind-up motor, which moves the arms and legs of the behemoth. Paint the creature. Twist the key. Hear it emit lifelike roars as its motor turns and its bulk lumber forward. Play with him. Show him to your friends.

You can build a reptilian army with the seven other kits in this series. Have dinosaur fights. Film them as they sway from side to side, crashing into each other. Or topple a huge metropolis built of cards.

CORNELIUS "APES" MASK $44.95

Forty-four dollars and ninety-five cents? For an Ape mask? You've got to be kidding me!

That's what I thought the first time I saw the ad for the three Planet of the Apes masks in FM 10/17. No mask? Nothing? Not even a super-deluxe, made-in-Hollywood, beautiful, high-quality, full-over-the-head vinyl Ape mask of Cornelius, General Aldo, or Dr. Zaius could be worth the enormous sum of $44.95!

Then I saw the Cornelius mask. Held it. Studied it. It had everything the ad had said. Realistic molding. (It even had teeth and holes in the ears so you can hear with the mask on.) Flexibility. Soft, shiny hair. It was recognizable as Cornelius. But $44.95? For a mask? Naaaaw! Then I tried it on. And I was sold! $44.95 for a mask... that's worth enduring!

Put one on and you'll agree!

The fantastic thing that keeps the FM mag 'n' being "just another (yawn) mask" is the way it fits! The brow-riderg and eye-sockets have been molded to actually fit flush with the skin that surrounds your eyes, to eliminate any mask-like gap. The color is perfect. A flesh brown that will blend with any skin tone. The fit on the chin and jaw is so good that the mouth and face actually move when you talk. If your head is too small (like mine) to completely fill the mask, a wad of paper or cotton balled in the mask's chin has the same effect as your own jaw. The face twitches... the mouth moves... as you talk!


For $44.95 you get more than an ape mask. You get a whole new head!

FM COVER PAINTINGS GLOW IN THE DARK JIGSAW PUZZLES $3.00

Do you know the trick of assembling a puzzle on a sheet of cardboard, then slipping it, completed, off the other surface? If you do (and you do, now) with the help of one of these frightening glow-in-the-dark puzzles, you can play a great trick on your brother or sister. (Better leave Mom and Dad out of it)

Simply assemble the puzzle on a piece of cardboard. Leave it under an electric light for a half hour, so that the luminous material on the puzzle's surface can absorb light.

Go upstairs about five minutes before bedtime. Turn down the top sheet of your brother's bed. Carefully slide the puzzle off the cardboard and onto his pillow. Pull the covers around the "monster's" neck and turn out the lights. See your masterpiece snuggling in your brother's bed. Fun. Huh?

Just wait till you hear his yells. What till he舢lobber you (he'll know it was you) with the pillow. You'll probably have to pick up the scattered puzzle pieces, but it will have been worth it.

Three fearsome glow-in-the-dark puzzle masterpieces were created for FAMOUS MONSTERS cover paintings: Frankenstein, from the 1965 Yearbook; The Phantom of the Opera, from the 1969 Yearbook; and The Creature from the Black Lagoon from FM 103. Each 300 piece full color 11"x17" puzzle is a quality production.

And FM Collectors: Attention! These puzzles are a must for a complete FM collection!

MOVIE TREASURY HORROR MOVIES $4.98

A phenomenal deluxe 160 page book on horror films! It focuses on all the major monsters and horror movies and many of the minor ones.

Read over these chapter titles: The Baron... The Count... Back from the Dead... Metamorphosis and Masquerades... Meet the Ladies... Madmen, Depraved Doctors and Psychopathic Scientists... All Creatures Great and Small.

What pictures do they conjure up? What films do they call to mind?

Check out this book! Alan G. Frank may even have come up with some you've missed.

If you are curious about horror films, this is the book to buy. There isn't room for Frank to go into a full critical analysis of each film, but he finds plenty of room for plots, histories, biographies, the actors and actresses, interesting and gossipy comments and plenty of pictures.

And not only is it fairly complete, it is interestingly.


Frank traces the development of each category of monster and his movies from the beginning to the most recent films. Great and famous creations like Frankenstein, Dracula.

More obscure creations. The beautiful French monster-fairy tale "Belle et La Bete" a classic Beauty and the Beast. The really horrifying "Freaks." Harryhausen's monstorous creations.

Get this book. It's a pleasure to own. It's fun to look at. It's great to read. And as an added bonus, you might learn something.

Frankenstein

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John Fagano, a 13-year-old artist from Port Washington, N.Y., has been drawing science fiction material since he first picked up a pencil at age 3. "This is my concept of a general from Planet of the Apes," he writes. "I've been meaning to contribute to G.E. for a long time." We're glad he finally got around to it!

Below is a PLANET OF THE APES Jumble, created by KEVIN MORRISSEY and RICK MORRIS of Fords, New Jersey. The names of twenty-five APES characters can be found in the jumble of letters. Some run horizontally, some vertically, some diagonally. Some are backwards. Some are forward. It's a mess! See if you can discover all twenty-five. Then send your answers to: APES JUMBLE, Graveyard Examiner, 145 East 32nd St., N.Y., N.Y. 10016. Winners will be announced in a future issue of F.M.