



"Kindly take us to your President"

From "The New Yorker"

DETAIL

"The Science Fiction Book Club" is a registered business name (proprietors: Sidgwick and Jackson, Ltd.).

Selection Committee: Arthur C. Clarke; Dr. J. G. Porter; Angus Wilson; E. J. Carnell.

Science Fiction News is edited by Herbert Jones and published by the Science Fiction Book Club for distribution to its members.

Accounts and Distribution: Dunhams Lane, Letchworth, Herts.

Membership of The Science Fiction Book Club can be arranged at any bookshop. Enrolment Forms obtainable from: 44 Museum Street, London, W.C.1.

SCIENCE FICTION NEWS

No. 3. Vol. 1. July/Aug., 1953

THE FIRST SIX MONTHS

WITH *Last and First Men*, the Club's third book, we celebrate half-a-year's existence.

On the centre pages of *Science Fiction News* are given details of the next three Club publications, completing a year's programme. It is the aim of the Club eventually to provide members with a library of the best of science fiction reading and we believe that the six books now planned form a sound foundation.

George Stewart's masterpiece, a Ray Bradbury and Stapledon's classic were essentials for any science fiction collection. And what variety those three books give. The same claim can be made for the next books and we are confident they will meet with the approval of members in every way.

It is often assumed that in the realm of science fiction "all the best stuff comes from America", and we do willingly admit that the American writers have done much that deserves the highest praise. Heinlein, Van Vogt and Asimov are grand story tellers and their books will almost certainly be included in the Club's future publications. But British writers have made their own outstanding contribution too.