

33 Rippon Ave.,
Hillsdale, Mich.,
Aug. 29, 1933.

Mr. Richard Dodson,
507 South Davis,
Kirksville, Mo.

Dear Dick;-

Thanks for your letter of the 21st. How come you can come up here as late as "somewhere between Sept. 1st and 11th"? Aren't you going to school this fall---or does your school open later than ours?

Any time is all x with us; except that for your own comfort it might be better not to arrive earlier than Sept. 2nd---the reason being that we will have a spare room from that date on, that will probably still be occupied on the night of Sept. 1st. However, that is a minor matter---if your schedule calls for arrival here at any time before the 2nd, come along, by all means. We will put you somewhere---if you have to sleep on a cot in Rod's room or in a pup tent out in the back yard---or maybe Rod will sleep in the pup tent---he has done so a lot this summer for fun.

I don't know Julius Schwartz at all, except from a few letters in correspondence. Glad you liked the biography---I tried to hit a happy medium between prosaic dullness and sheer triviality, and perhaps I succeeded, from the comments.

Yes, AMAZING STORIES is to publish "Triplanetary", in four parts, beginning with the December number---unless it folds up before then. I thought it was worth considerably more than the half a cent a word they pay; but they wanted it pretty badly, I already have quite a following in that magazine, and the financial end of my writing endeavor never has been much of an item in the Smith family budget; so I let them have it. Maybe I could have got a lot more for it by hanging onto it until some magazine comes out to take the place of Astounding; but I didn't want to keep it kicking around any longer.

In case you come up here by bus; the Detroit-Chicago (also the Chicago-Detroit) buses all stop at Jonesville, Michigan; which is five miles from Hillsdale. Sometimes there is a Hillsdale bus waiting, sometimes not. If not, call me up when you get in (charges reversed) and I'll hop over and get you. My business phone is #52 or 53 (in business hours of 8-12 and 1-5); home phone 330, the rest of the time.

Cordially,



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can come to see you late as you were between Sept. 1st
Thanks for your letter to the Dept. How come you
Dear Dick:

Kirkville,
507 South
Mr. Richard

Family. Mother
love to you and
grandmother.

That you have this letter.
Latest address, also mention
address. Please send me
it on to Jimmy's old
important. Am mailing
thinking it might be
Dick I opened this letter

Bob

Cordially,