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Dear Stan, Roy, and Werner,
I was just browsing through X-MEN #35 and the story was excellent. Bringing Spidey in was good and all that, but I noticed something very interesting. On page 5, panel 3, the man sitting in the chair wore a glove exactly like Magneto's. I hope it was, as I haven't seen him in a long time. Making the Banshee a hero was excellent and I enjoyed the poem in the letters page very much.
Richard Blanco, 421 Mimosa Dr.
Norman, Okla. 73069

Glad to hear you dug so many things about X-MEN #35, Rich. But, as you well know by now (at least, we hope you do!), the head of Factor Three is a brand new super-villain — and we think that his startling secret, to be unveiled next ish, will knock you outta your tree! Meanwhile, if it's Magneto you're dying to see, take a look at the liltin' letters page in the current ish of THE AVENGERS! (And, while you're getting ready to look, let us give you a clue — it isn't exactly *Millie the Model* we're planning to guest-star in that much-lauded mag!)

Dear Stan, Roy, and Werner,
I just had to say that some of your readers must have no common sense. In issue #34, one of the readers complained because Cyke used his opti-blast without moving his visor by hand. Now this critic obviously must not have had much personal experience with an opti-blast of his own, or he would have known that all Cyke had to do was train his blast on the visor at just the right angle and blast the visor up and out of the way. Regarding page 7 where Bobby calls Warren Scotty, it must be that under the extreme tension of the situation, Bobby blew his cool and goofed because he's so used to having Scott leading the way instead of the old soaring star, Warren. So all is forgiven for making the X-Men a little more human and a little less like mutants. As for a future ish, how about having Jean transfer from Metro College to down here at old Princeton U.? We could use a good-looking lass or two. On second thought, maybe I should transfer from here to Metro.

Steve Detweiler, 133 Cuyler, Princeton Univ.
Princeton, N. J.

Hold up a second, Steverino! Before you do anything rash, stick around for a few more issues — 'cause we've got some plans in store for the uncanny X-Men that might just upset your cogent calculations, and far be

it from your benevolent Bullpen to give you frantic ones any traumatic hang-ups! (And, if you can glean any hints of our future plans from that sentence, give yourself one no-prize!) Meanwhile, Stan and Roy thank you for your lucid explanation of Cyke's visor — and a guy named Scott Summers asked us to tell you that he kinda appreciated it, too!

Dear Stan, Roy, and Werner,
Since I've passed my 31st birthday, I hardly ever read a comic anymore, except to relieve the strain of the highly technical books I read to prepare material for my own writing. However, Marvel Comics were among the top few I read during the last years of my comic book stage which lasted till I was 25. Since, I'm sure, you're not interested in my personal reading habits, I will get to the meat of this letter. I've read in your letters pages letters written by readers who point out boo-boo's you have made, and I said to myself, "Boy, what fanatics to be so meticulous over a misspelled word." That is to say, some small error had somehow gotten past your proofreaders. Now I find myself joining the club, so to speak. In issue #34 (wow!) on page 7 you have one of the most glaring errors I have ever seen. Marvel Girl calls Warren Scotty! Iceman calls him Scotty on the same page, and Warren does not object one bit. Also you have the Angel, Marvel Girl and Iceman passing through the vapors of the river Lethe, thus losing their memories. Yet, we can assume that Iceman's ice coating is brought about by a mental process, and it would be thought that if he really lost his memory, his ice coating would melt because of the loss of concentration. I've thought of a reason for you, too — the super-consciousness of a mutant will not allow him to forget to sustain his super-powers. I hope you won't fire your proofreaders because of this letter. We all make mistakes from time to time and can overlook any error when we are tired or time is pressing. Keep up your usual excellent standards of comic magazine writing and publishing, and I will be seeing your works in my home from time to time.
James Middleton, 2142 Sedgewick
Chicago, Ill. 60614

Only from time to time, Jimmie? How about something a bit more definite — like, every month? As a matter of fact, we're gonna exercise our espicrious prerogative and send you one of our far-famed free subscriptions to the ever-lovin' X-Men — not because

Now hear this! Please keep all letters no longer than ONE PAGE! Have mercy, mellow ones!