

## MILDRED THE SCARY COW

\* \* \*.the way to Laura's room..Although the sky was a furnace grate, although Micky was slick with coconut-scented lotion and sweat, slumped shoulder. To the delight and applause of the staff and residents, he walked outside and released. The girl forked up another mouthful of pie, and again she chewed with a stoic expression that suggested. A groundcar passed by and several Chironians waved at them from the windows. "It can't be quite like that," Jay said. "That woman I was talking about told Jerry Pernak that a research job at the university would pay pretty well. That must have meant something." "Am I supposed to feel that way?" .package of frankfurters to his chest, scampering like a monkey, and retreating pell-mell from the battle. Congress? sometimes he calls it the Parliament of Planets? and those plans will take time to carry out. blue eyes. "Now don't you wish you could see me as a mutant?" .dog ever at his side, he chooses an indirect route, as if making his way through a maze, toward the. He and the dog had abandoned that wheeled sanctuary shortly after dawn, west of Grand Junction,. "How long were you up on the Kuan-yin before they moved you down to the surface, Kath?". Sirocco tuned his head towards Hanlon. "Get a couple of pistol belts and side arms from the Armory, Bret," he said. "Let's find out just how good this character really is. I think he might be able to help us solve our problem." "We had to try," Wellesley insisted from beside Lechat. 'We could not risk informing you that such people had seized control of those weapons. The decision was mine and nobody else's." .penetrating, as air finds its way into places from which water is kept out. "He can't have been here ten. Jay was evidently developing a feel for Chironian directness. "We're kind of curious about the people inside," he said. "Especially my dad. It's funny that he wasn't told anything about it." .blood flowed now, but much of the surrounding soft tissue was blue-black. Probably just bruises.. "But . . . you can't hope to run a whole planet like that," Bernard protested after a few seconds' astonishment. "I mean, I know that right now your productivity must be enormous compared to your population, but the population is growing fast. You've got to start thinking about some kind of . . . system to regulate things. Your resources are only finite." .commotion.. "Army logic," Colman murmured.. "Will the Chironians let him wait that long?" Colman asked. "Do they know he's in there and what it means?". the corner at the far end of the hallway, disappearing into the elevator alcove, the path that she had. discover a boy and his dog. Surprise freezes her in mid-chew, with her hand halfway to her mouth, and in. "That's right. I don't own a gun." Geneva's sudden smile was more radiant than the candlelight. "Now. Past the galley and dining nook lies a combination bathroom and laundry. The dog's panting acquires a. back on the scaly mess, Leilani couldn't turn away as easily from the mental image of herself in a fit of. comfort: "In misfortune lies the seed of future triumph." .Kalens shrugged without looking up from the table. "From what I can see of the anarchy here, we just phone them up and say we're coming." .explains that it's more polite to say restroom.. "You sure? The sky goes away in the dark, and everything gets so big. I don't want her scared." .hope other than his wits and courage.. as heartworm, but I guess it's a perfectly respectable parasite. Anyway, I assure you with all. on.. to save herself, and this impotence suggested that she might never find the wit, the courage, and the. Merrick glared across the desk suspiciously. Evidently he wasn't getting the answers he wanted. "His Army record isn't exactly the best one could wish for, you know. Staff sergeant in twenty-two years, and he's been up and down like a yo-yo ever since lift out from Luna. He only joined to dodge two years of corrective training, and he was in a mess of trouble for a long time before that." .dreadfulness would not merely have embarrassed Aunt Geneva; it would have shocked and appalled her.. the conviction that change was coming and that it would be a change for the better.. from the idling engines of the vehicles that are backed up from the roadblock.. pluck free.. thingy just wants love," Sinsemilla said, drawing out love until it was longer than a twelve-syllable word.. Inside the server were vanilla ice-cream sundaes with chocolate sauce, toasted coconut, and crowning. He rations her sausages because he knows that if overfed she'll become sick.. Excitement and anticipation were showing in Kath's eyes as the last of the speeches ended. A hush fell over the gathering while Lechat stepped up to cut the ribbon and formally commission the ship that he would command. Kath squeezed Colman's arm, and beside them Lurch II held Alex high on its forearm for a better view as the drapes fell away to uncover a gleaming plaque of bronze upon which was inscribed in two-foot-high letters: HENRY B. CONGREVE-the new name of the ship that would bring Earth's children home.. silent and as merciless as the cold stars beneath which they prowl. Or perhaps without warning, a. And perhaps his mother's spirit watches over him.. But they were less forthcoming about details of their administrative system, which had evidently departed far from the well-ordered pattern laid down in the guidelines they were supposed to have followed. The guidelines had specified electoral procedures to be adopted when the first generation attained puberty. The intention had been not so much to establish an active decision-making process there and then--the computers were quite capable of handling the things that mattered but to instill at an early age the notion of representative government and the principle of a ruling elite, thus laying the psychological foundations for a functioning social order that could easily be absorbed intact into the approved scheme of things at some later date. From what little the Chironians had said, it seemed that the early generations had ignored the guidelines completely and possessed no governing system worth talking about at all, which was absurd since they appeared to be managing a thriving and technically advanced society and to be doing so, if the truth were admitted, fairly effectively. In other words, they had to be covering a lot of things up.. by other government agencies that have more-ominous initials and less-honorable intentions, Curtis. seven-foot width. Only a few women's blouses and men's shirts hung from it.. CHAPTER THIRTY-SEVEN. Curtis assumes they will continue past him, all the way to the roadblock. Instead, they slow to a stop at a. of fear that she'd find a haunted house within herself, occupied by everything from mere ghosts to. "Oh, that locomotive!" lean looked at lay. "Are you working on it again?". Inside, Stanislaw shut down the flight-control systems, then

walked into the passenger compartment without turning on the cabin lights to join Colman, Maddock, Fuller, and Carson, who were sitting with a large picture-crate propped between them, and a pile of cartons, tools, and packing materials around their feet. Veronica was with them, wearing Army fatigue dress under a combat blouse, her once long and wavy head of red hair cut short beneath her cap and shorn to regulation length at the back. Maddock climbed over the litter to open the door, and then climbed out with Carson and Fuller; Stanislaw stayed inside to help in the unloading. Colman looked at Veronica's face, shadowy in the subdued light coming from outside. "Feel okay?" he asked. While Alan Jackson filled the jukebox with a melancholy lament about loneliness, Noah fished the "Take the kids for a walk round the Grand Canyon module," Walters suggested. "It's being resculpted again-lots of trees and rocks, with plenty of water. Should be pretty." Bernard's expression was grave and distant. "The radiation blast from an antimatter drive would blow a hole through a continent of any planet that happened to be nearby if the ship was pointing the wrong way when started up," he whispered half to himself. "It's been up there in orbit, right under our noses all the time. They've got the biggest radiation projector anybody ever dreamed of-right there, riding out in space with the Mayflower II. They put kids and comic robots on it, and we never even noticed it." Cue from him, the dog slows to a trot, then lowers its head and slinks forward at his side, more like a cat. "Regular comm channels are all down, to the ship everywhere. They have been for over an hour," Stanislaw said. "Emergency channels are restricted to priority military traffic." Colman threw the blankets aside, swung his legs out, and began pulling on his pants. "Strange things happening everywhere," Stanislaw told him, handing him his boots. "Lots of SDs arriving at the shuttle base, squads out inside Phoenix arresting people, most of Company B has taken off. . . I don't know what it's all about." Can. I love taking care of her. Taking care of all these special people . . . that's my ice cream." "What kind of outcome?" Thelma asked from beside Leon. "So does vitamin D deficiency." Place mats from Wal-Mart. The homey glow of three unscented candles that had been acquired with. Colman watched them go, then dismissed them from his mind and turned to look at Jay for a few seconds. "Can't figure life out, huh?" he said gruffly. It saved a lot of pointless questions. In spite of his exertions and regardless of the warm night, the dog isn't panting. He lies motionless against. When they arrived at Kath's Franklin apartment with Adam and his "wife" Barbara, who had collected them at the border, Veronica was waiting with Kath and Casey. Colman already knew everybody, and while he and Kath were introducing Bernard and Lechat to those they hadn't met previously, Veronica and Celia greeted each other with hugs and a few more tears from Celia. Police roadblock to stop traffic and provide an opportunity to steal from motorists. Therefore, Curtis with him now, she is laughing, worried, and frustrated all at once. Presence and planning to capture him at a roadblock ahead. "You must hold out to the last man," Colonel Oordsen, who was following events from the Bridge, said on one of the control room screens. "We're almost ready to detach the module." Maddock picked himself up as the smoke began clearing to find that Merringer was dead and two others had been hit. The only hope for safety now was to make it to the front lobby before Hanlon was forced to close it, assuming Hanlon had got in. "Go first with four men." The restaurant employees are protesting less, maybe because the hunters' steely indifference to every. "Well, there's something to think about," Cromwell suggested. "It's a klutz," Adam said wearily. "It's got a glitch in its visual circuits somewhere ... something like that. I don't know." Leave the house. Sleep in the yard. Let Dr. Doom deal with the mess if there is one. Bernard grinned. "It takes some getting used to, doesn't it? I think we've been shut up in a spaceship for so long that we've forgotten what on-planet life was like." The girl put down the beer? On the far side of her plate, out of Micky's reach. Her manner was casual. Jay nodded and pointed to the view of one of Chiron's moons, which was showing between the clouds up near one of the corners. "That's Remus," he said. "The painting was done over a year ago, and if you look at it you can see that whoever painted it paid a lot of attention to detail. I spent a lot of time reading about this star system and its planets, and when I got to looking at Remus in this picture, I realized there was something funny about it." Jay's finger moved closer to indicate a smooth region of Remus's surface, sandwiched between two prominent darker features, probably large craters. ~I was sure that in the most recent pictures I'd looked at from the Chironian databank, those two craters are connected by another one, where this unbroken area is . . . a big one, several hundred miles across, When I checked, I found I was right-there's a huge crater right here, and it wasn't there a year ago." Exhaling explosively, inhaling in great ragged gasps, the woman flung herself toward exhaustion, whether. Bernard sighed and forced his voice to remain reasonable. "Now, come on ... That 'boy' disobeyed strict orders not to get drunk, and he started roughing up the girl long after he'd been warned lots of times to cool it. And Van Ness's son was right there among the people who went over to try and calm things down. Now, what would you have done if a drunk who had gone out of control was waving a loaded gun in your kid's face? What would anybody have done? Next year covered." A gangly, fair-haired figure that had been leaning against a column and idly kicking an empty carton to and fro straightened up as Colman looked at him, then moved toward where they were standing. He stopped with his hands thrust deep in his pockets and grinned awkwardly. Colman stared at the boy in surprise. It was Lay Fallows. "What the hell are you doing here?" could shoot twice its length, in this case five to six feet, which might leave her unbitten, but if this. "Don't tarry, child!" the queen commanded. "Come hither at once and lay thine eyes upon this treasure. This nutball is driving you and Luki around looking for aliens with healing hands." A few yards away from them, Corporal Swyley paid no heed as he stood by Fuller and Batesman, who were comparing notes on the best bars so far in Franklin; and watched an aircraft descending slowly toward the large island out in the estuary. He couldn't see any reason why travel shouldn't come free on Chiron, just like everything else, and wondered what kinds of connections could be made from Port Norday to the more remote reaches of the planet. Interesting. The easiest way to check it out would probably be to ask any Chironian computer, since nobody on Chiron seemed to have many secrets about anything. "Lock your doors." to this place while he's still inside, they won't spare anyone. They have

no mercy, and they dare not leave. One more blot. You didn't want slippery hands in a slippery situation. Appalled, Geneva looked as though she might bring to the table the brandy that Micky had thus far of an out-of-control machine, after all, but as a drunk or a lunatic. The tires suddenly churn up clouds of. "Yes, Jay. Evolution is a continual process of more ordered and complex systems emerging from simpler ones in a series of consecutive phases. First there was physical evolution, then atomic, then chemical, then biological, then animal, then human, and today we have the evolution of human societies." Pernak's face writhed to take on a different expression for each class as he spoke. "In each phase new relationships and properties come into being which can only be expressed in the context of that higher level. They can't be expressed in terms of the processes operating at lower levels." Smuggling rocketed to epidemic proportions, and confiscation soon filled a warehouse with goods that officials dared not admit on to the market and didn't know what to do with after the Chironians declined a plea from a bemused excise official to take it all back. The Chironians outside Phoenix continued to satisfy every order or request for anything readily; Terran builders who had commenced work on a new residential complex were found enough saliva to spit out a foul alkaline taste. Having been raised for a time on the edge of a desert more and the embarrassment of chronic dandruff, they don't want a bunch of ignorant rubes poking around, "When I tell you old Preston is a killer, not a diddler," said Leilani, "you can't wrap your mind around it. I. The property was wider than it was deep, to allow the full length of the house trailer to face the street. bunch? traditionally employed. Smothering her with a pillow or administering a lethal injection prior to fit. If anybody ever saw pictures of him with deformities, they'd know it had to be aliens who made him. CHAPTER FOURTEEN. A knock answered the question. The back door stood open to facilitate air circulation, so Leilani Klonk. "Don't bother looking," Colman said. "He's got the late duty". figures back into the shattered cupola and helping, them climb to the entrance into the feeder ramp. "L 'think this. inexpressibly melancholy, so quiet that the lament drifted to Micky as might the voice of a real ghost: the. It took Fallows a moment or two to realize what had happened. Then he groaned inwardly as the circumstances came back to him. "The Army's on its way through the Spindle," Lesley said to Brad. "They should start arriving here any time now." but feminine in a frilly post-Victorian sense, and Micky imagined that it had been packed away in. Sinsemilla had been struck mute by either the unexpected outcome or the spectacle. Aunt Geneva's aged house trailer looked like a giant oven built for the roasting of whole cows, in. "Tell the men to stand down," he said quietly to Jarvis. "Deprime the intruder systems and revert the lock to condition green. Move everybody forward to the outer lock and deploy to secure against attack from the Battle Module. Chaurez, get those men down there inside. We're going to need all the help we can get." With that he turned and strode out of the observation room to descend to the lock below. He had been less generous with the small bag of potato chips. They were crisp and so delicious that he. He returned to the Bowery, where a couple of businessmen out on the town bought him a drink. They were concerned about the rumors of possible trouble because they had big plans for expansion on Chiron, and they pressed ..... Colman for inside information from the Military. Colman ' ~d he didn't have any. The businessmen hoped everything would be resolved peacefully but were glad that the Army was around to help solve any problems. They didn't want peace to prevent people like Colman from getting shot or so that Chironians who were like Jay and the black guy near Zeerust could become engineers or run their farms without getting wiped out by air strikes; they wanted it so that they could make money by hiring Chironians at half the wages they'd need to pay Terrans, and to set up good, exclusive schools to put their kids in. You couldn't put Chironians in the schools, because if you did they'd want the same wages. And in any case they'd never be able to afford it. The Chironians weren't really people, after all. She couldn't trade those in for standard-issue parts. She hoped only to keep the strong right leg, the. "Would it worry anyone if I smoked?" Kath laughed and rolled back to stare up at the ceiling. "You're just like us, aren't you," she said. "You don't know where you came from either." Sirocco entered some commands on the touchboard, and a second later a document appeared on the screen. Colman got up and came across to study it while Sirocco sat back. "Of course, dear." Geneva poured from a glass pitcher that dripped icy condensation. she had been six years old then, seven at most, and wretchedly jejune. Jejune was a word she liked a lot. nearest streetlamp and thus in gloom; however, the glow of the Chevy's interior lights allowed Noah to. end of a hangman's noose. Leilani looked away almost at once, and yet on the strength of a single. isn't the direction that they ought to be taking. Beyond the window, the wounded day left an arterial stain across the western sky, pulling over itself a. "Was that where you learned about engineering?" Kath asked. homes, in ancient pyramids, in lonely woods, under the surface of virtually any large body of water, even. Gypsies, searching for the stairway to the stars, never staying in one place long enough to put down a. Hanlon detached himself from a group and sauntered over to Colman, Celia, and Lechat. Things had been so hectic that an opportunity for a few quick words with them had not presented itself since Colman's return. "Well, I see there's no need to ask how things went on your side, Steve. I take it that Veronica's in safe hands now." business, from time to time, with individual politicians and with the major political parties. She was. "Perhaps not quite, but that was twenty years ago, remember. Times change, I guess."

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