

## THE REPORTERS GALLERY

come bade." Amos jumped out of his rags and handed them to the sailor who trotted off toward the wheelhouse. Minutes later he was back with a bright costume: the sleeves were green silk with blue and purple trimming, the cape was crimson with orange design, the shirt was gold with rainbow checks, and sitting on top of it all was one white boot and one black one..I was sitting there, wondering how in hell I would find him, when the phone rang again. Miss Tremaine stopped typing and lifted the receiver without breaking rhythm. "Mr. Mallory's office," she said crisply, really letting the caller know he'd hooked onto an efficient organization. She put her hand over the mouthpiece and looked at me. "It's for you?an obscene phone call." She didn't bat an eyelash or twitch a muscle..Amanda was looking wild, her eyes darting around like those of a trapped animal..But, at the boat, all had not gone according to Amos' plan during the night The grey man, still puzzling over Amos' wet clothes?and at last he began to inquire whom Amos had solicited from the sailors to go with him?had gone to the brig himself..But not quite. He still had to get one more endorsement But now it seemed possible, likely, even."I mean quit everything: running, swimming, practicing. . .?.As die man started to go, Amos said, "It seems a shame to take someone's clothes away, especially since I might not come back anyway. Give my rags to whoever owns this suit to keep for me until I.apart, until a prince can gather the pieces of the mirror together again, which will release me.". (see Freud if you think this is my arbitrary fiat) just as parody is a form of criticism (see Dwight."Good-by," Barry shouted after him, but Ed was already either comatose or out of earshot. "And.Critics seem to find it necessary, at least once in a career, to write a statement defending criticism per se. Shaw, Pauline Kael, Eric Bent-ley, and James Blish have all done it. That I'm doing it too, doesn't prove I'm in the same league, but it does indicate the persistence of the issues involved and that they occur outside, as well as inside, science fiction..source?and you can quote me on this if you like?that somebody up there doesn't want the Project.228.Harry Spinner wasn't much use to anyone, not even himself, but I liked him. He'd helped me in a couple.From Competition 18: Transposed SF titles.aperture on the interior of the Sun. Others included the system of satellite slave units in stationary orbits.already run up a sizable food bill at the Mom & Pop store around the corner, what's left of our savings.got off picket duty and dropped by. I told him about the package and he agreed it was a nice one. By."I remember that one is two leagues short of over there, the second is up this one, and the third is somewhere nearer than you thought.".about little windmills?".Thomas M. Disch.38.think you should consider that when you're deciding what we should do." He shut up, afraid to sound like.From Competition 15; Retranslated sf titles 89.146.What does that include?".or had had to be amputated, then those long-frozen cells would be defrosted and put into action..".Cause if they didn't visit us, they must have prepared other spores. Spores that would analyze new.softly. "Mama Dolores?".she grinned. "We split when we were six. I told Mandy about it when we were seven, after we'd learned.figures got out. They started for the dome, hesitantly, in fits and starts. One grabbed the other's arm and.The payoff. The precision-engineered and carefully timed upslope leading to climax. The Big.terrific. To be Miss Georgia and have such a lot of talent?isn't that enough? I would have thought you'd.Once there was a poor man named Amos. He had nothing but his bright red hair, fast fingers, quick.Darlene hesitated. "Are you sure she knows what to do?".in all subjects he wanted to avoid. "What's it like in the Blue Ridge? Coon huntin? and moonshine?".heavy and threatening. He came through it as if through a swift current and stepped to the cottage door..Selene went on exercising. "She won't ask. People have been taking care of Mandy all her life. She."We're in special circumstances, Lucy," Crawford explained. "Sure, I'd be all for it if we were better.same body..The eggs of reptiles and birds, however, are enclosed in shells, which adds to the technical difficulty. The eggs of mammals are very small, very delicate, very easily damaged. Furthermore, even if a mammalian egg has had its nucleus replaced, it would then have to be implanted into the womb of a female and allowed to come to term there..I notice that the blowers have cut off. It's earlier than usual, but obviously there's enough body heat to keep the dome buoyed aloft I imagine the Central Arena drifting away like that floating city they want to make out of Venice, California. There is something appealing about the thought of this dome floating away like dandelion fluff. But now the massive air-conditioning units hum on and the fantasy dies..196.refused to end, she did come home, and for several days it was just as good as anything on the cassettes..A bloody death occurred in Detweiler's general vicinity every thud day..Like a startled creature, Hinda moved away from nun, but remembering her brother inside the cottage, she found voice to say "Tomorrow." She reached behind her and steadied herself on the door handle. She seemed to hear the heavy breathing of Brother Hart coming at her through the walls. "Come tomorrow..".Ever see a claustrophobe deliberately walk into a closet and shut the door? If I don't fight it this.reception area, but I had arranged both desks so we could see each other and talk in normal voices.From Competition 1\$:The North Wind was silent a whole minute. Then he asked, "Why should I? The wizard built my cave.one of our most valuable heritages. Use your license wisely. Do not abuse the privilege of free speech..puppy. I was beginning to feel like a son of a bitch..".You should sleep," she said at last. "Sleep and I will rub your head and sing to you..".She stirred in my arms. I felt a ripple of tension in her body. She lifted her head and kissed me hard. I.Though he minded, he hadn't the gumption to say so. "I don't remember. Not a lot. They're really nothing special..".I know, I know. But I don't know where else to go..".Amos ran to get his wheelbarrow, pot the prism on top, and wheeled it to the mirror. Then, just in case, he went back and locked the trunk tightly..I could not have been out more than moments. When my sight cleared I was staring into polycarpet turned murky green. There was a soft whisper of crushing pile, then a tide of scarlet and purple eddied against the edge of my green..These may never be as important as you think. The prospect of importance rests chiefly on certain misapprehensions on the part of the public. Some people, for instance, pant for clones because they think them the gateway to personal immortality. That is quite

wrong.. "Senator Moran told me I could live here in privacy. Is that true?" Amanda asked.. The Isaac Asimov clones, once they grow up, simply won't live in the same social environment I did, won't be subjected to the same pressures, won't have the same opportunities. What's more, when I wrote, I just wrote? no one expected anything particular from me. When my clones write, their products will always be compared to the Grand Original and that would discourage and wipe out anyone.. An organ replacement would be grown and since it would have precisely the same genetic equipment. They looked at the floor. Then Jack got down on his hands and knees and looked under the cot. "There's a trap door there," he whispered to Amos, "and somebody's knocking.".. Driving down the mountain, I pointed out the villas and estates of some of our celebrity citizens: "Tin no swimmer but I prefer hot water to ice," Amanda said.. entire HAFAS (Hierarchical Accounting File Access System). And in his spare time over the past year, I cleared a space on the couch and sat. "How did Detweiler and Maurice get along?".. from another, and for assembly and shipping from still another company. Through a second commission. "But we're middlemen, you see. We have only limited flexibility in the terms we can offer. Say, fifteen hundred.".. that the confusion should be cleared up.. clone of the person who donated the somatic cell.. "Why do you look at me like that, senator? Is it not natural for a woman to bulge when she carries a baby in her belly?".. "They died out I know that much. People, we're not intrepid space explorers anymore. We're not the career men and women we set out to be. Like it or not, and I suggest we start liking it, we're pioneers trying to live in a hostile environment. The odds are very much against us, and we're not going to be here forever, but like Matt said, we'd better plan as if we were. Comment?".. him.".. weapons at your disposal including quantum rays, antimatter missiles and, for desperate situations.. by JOHN VARLEY. "Who are you?" asked Hinda. "What are you? And why do you seek the deer?" Her voice was.. against the nausea the effort of moving brought and lurched onto my hands and knees.. chatter about it among themselves in autumn and rise and doff their caps to me before a winter storm.".. said, "Never mind Come to lunch.".. We're in the Central Arena, the architectural pride of Denver District. This is the largest gathering place in all of Rocky Mountain, that heterogeneous, anachronistic strip-city dinging to the front ranges of the continental divide all the way from Billings down to the southern suburb of El Paso.. The editor hereby makes grateful acknowledgment to the following authors and authors/representatives for giving permission to reprint the material in this volume:.. In the first place, as an organism becomes more complex and specialized, its organs, tissues, and.. They have to leave in six months, as I understand it, because of the orbital elements, but in that time...".. at a grey spider web that spread from the limb of a tree above them to a vine creeping on the ground..,109.7. A poem for a Get Well card to someone who has sciatica.. Writhing in the heat, she stands where there is no support The fire licks her body..".. Still, it got you picked for this mission out of hundreds of applicants. The thinking was that you'd be.. with yourself, Barry? Few people are completely willing to talk about something. We've all got.. I don't think the fault's in Jain. I detect no significant difference from other conceits. Her skin still tantalizes the audience as nakedly, only occasionally obscured by the cloudy metal mesh that transforms her entire body into a single antenna. I've been there when she's performed a hell of a lot better, maybe, but I've also seen her perform worse and still come off the stage happy.. though a temblor shakes the Front Range.. only in highly specialized ways, cannot divide into a whole organism if left to themselves. Many body.. its arm and kept crawling about mindlessly, growing weaker.. half set of chromosomes, does not require union with a sperm cell to supply the other half set. Instead.. sound and color. All I've got to do is go in before I die and cut the tape.".. Its main attraction, aside from being one of the two cafes open this month, was that while we waited.. Now I must get back to Zorphwar. Twenty more successful missions, and I move up to Sector.. Crawford looked away from the madly whirling rotors of the windmill farm. He was with the rest of.. dismiss Hazeldorf. Please contact me at once to apprise me of the status of corrective action. I assume.. Amanda was still very quiet when I took the lease in to her. I offered her myself and my runabout to move her luggage from the cabletrain station. She accepted, and while we collected the luggage, including a huge trunk that almost filled the car, I did my best to be kind and amusing. Finally, she started glowing again. I left her with the key, my telephone number, and a warning that, since the cabins on either side of her for some distance were empty, she should keep her doors locked. I also promised to call her the next day to see if she needed anything..".. Lucy, listen to yourself.".. Nolan's tongue froze to the roof of his mouth. Time itself was frozen as he stared down at the crushed and pulpy thing sprawled shapelessly beside the rocker, its sightless eyes bulging from the swollen purple face.. She did look different She held her chin high, making her seem even taller than she had yesterday. Her eye contact was direct rather than through her lashes, and the color of her eyes themselves was less goldstone than the feral warmth of topaz. Too, despite her slow walk beside me, she radiated energy so electric it fairly raised the hair on my arm nearest her. Even her voice was changed? higher, firm, rapid.. It gets light on the top of a mountain well before it does at the foot, and this mountain was so high that when they reached the bottom the sun was nowhere in sight, and they had a good half hour until breakfast time.. There was a tiny new star, brighter than all the rest, brighter than Phobos. It hurt to look at it but.. He nodded. "First time tonight. In fact, this is my first time ever in any speakeasy. I just got my license yesterday.".. furtively don his pressure suit.. 194. "Damn it," says the tech in my ear. "Level's too low. Bring it up in back." I must have been dreaming. I am performing stupidly, like an amateur. Gently I bring up two stim balance slides.. it through all its stages, is coextensive with the critic's entire education. So critics tend to suppress it in.. Robbie!".. "Bullshit," said Barry. It was the first time he'd used an obscenity conversationally, and he brought it off with great conviction. "You knew when my license would expire, and you've just been stringing me along, hoping I'd get panicky.".. DICK'S We Can Wholesale It For You, Remember? SILVERBERG'S Dead With The Born.. When you can get it.. when they reached the bottom the sun was nowhere in sight, and they had a good half hour until.. "Damn!".. when we left. But it doesn't matter. You won't get any takers, though we appreciate the fact that you.. versions of a fair number of movies.. In another hah\* hour I said I had to call it a

night. I had to get up early the next morning. I always spent Sunday with my mother in Inglewood. My mother was touring Yucatan at the time, but that was neither here nor there. I looked at Johnny. He nodded. He was to make sure Detweiler stayed at least another twenty minutes and then follow him when he did leave. If he went anywhere but his apartment, he was to come and let me know, quick..?David Labor."I will try and perhaps die trying," said Jack, "but I can do no more and no less." Then Jack filled his.screech, he ploughs through them, swatting them aside with the backs of his hands, kicking them out of.I stood up. "I'll do that. Thank you very much." I looked at the plate-glass doors. I guess it would be.Weird Woman is given a childhood background of Caribbean voodoo. Much closer is the well-known."Oh, yes." She sighed. "It's so unfair for such a beautiful young man to have a physical impairment."I wait for the concert.

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