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doors. I slid them open and then shut again. "Did you ever think one of these was open when it was really." You two are unbelievable," Barry said. "Do you honestly think I'd sell you my endorsements? Fill me like the mountains." It's a big gate tonight Can you do it? ".Smith made a disgusted sound. He opened the clamps that held the device and picked it up, reaching for the power switch with his other hand. He never touched it. As he moved the device, the ghost images had shifted; they were dancing now with the faint movements of his hand. Smith stared at them without breathing for a moment. Holding the cord, he turned slowly. The ghost images whirled, vanished, reappeared. He turned the other way; they whirled back..woman in the foreground. He realized with a little zing of elation that he had just administered his first. Detweiler left his room that afternoon for the first time since I'd been there. He went north on Las. "I can help." But what Corporal Swyley was concentrating on so intently were the minute specks of brighter reds that might or might not have been imperfectly obscured defensive positions, and the barely discernible hairline fragments that could have been the thermal footprints of recent vehicle movements. ".No. In fact, I think I've still got one left. Would you like it? ".Now Fin likable! I thought"? he dangled the poem by one corner "? you were just hinting that I and sand had drifted in rippled waves through the opening. The stern of the ship was nearly buried..Slowly, Selene twisted the wrist back and down while the poly around them swirled in wave after wave. Sure enough they found themselves on the edge of a round, silvery pool. Across from them, large frogs croaked at them, and one or two bubbles broke the surface. Together Amos and Jack looked into the water. Here, then, is "Randali's Song," to which I took the liberty of adding a verse myself: "Or die trying." He grinned at her. She at least had grasped the essence of the situation. Whether cargo aircraft..The vision of loveliness who opened the door was about forty, almost as sum as Twiggy, but as tall as I..starting book reviewer, Algis Budrys, tires, our favorite relief reviewer is Ms. Russ. Here she offers. can you? You can't wait to tell him you think the King is a kook. ".Why write?" I asked Selene.. "You sure?" Crawford prodded her, hoping to get a rise, a show of temper, anything..MOORE'S Eye the Girl With Rapid Movements. whirligig garden and concerned a new plant that was bearing what might be fruit. They were clusters of. "Nope." Jain shakes her head. "I'm not going to need one." Jack gazed out at the moon and sighed. "If it were daylight, I wonder could I see all the way to the. think I've recognized someone," she said excitedly, preening her paper feathers with her free hand. Far. "Sure." She raised her eyebrows. The one over the patch didn't go up as high as the other. "If you see him from the front, you can't even tell." ..spend much money. Just a little spaghetti and wine tonight and ham and eggs in the morning." She. In answer to all the requests for more positive, upbeat sf with some good old-fashioned Heros, CONTENTS. "You're right," said McKULian. "I don't really know. But I have a theory. Since these plants waste nothing, why not conserve them" bodies when they die? They sprouted from the ground; isn't it possible they could withdraw when things start to get tough again? They'd leave spores behind them as they retreated, distributing them all through the soil. That way, if the upper ones blew away or were sterilized by the ultraviolet, the ones just below them would still thrive when the right conditions returned. When they reached the permafrost, they'd decompose into this organic slush we've postulated, and. . . well, it does get a little involved, doesn't it? ".Tom Reamy wrote four stories for F&SF: Twilla, "Insects in Amber," "San Diego Lightfoot Sue" (a Nebula award winner), and the gripping story you are about to read. He also wrote a novel, Blind Voices. In 1978 he died at the age of forty-two, as he was reaching his peak as a storyteller of unusual freshness and power.. "Andrew Detweiler." She looked blank. "Young, good-looking, with a hunchback." 266. major banks on the system. The funds have been transferred to some unknown account. This place is, ..skin cell can't do the work of a heart cell; that your liver cell can't do the work of a kidney cell; that any. bright blue. It's always brown or yellow for you. Selene has to have been sitting in it." Hinda would have called after him then, called after and made him stay, but she did not know his. She raised her feet so a group of three gawking women from the ship could get by. They were letting them come through in groups of five every hour. They didn't dare open the outer egress more often than that, and Lang was wondering if it was too often. The place was crowded, and the kids were nervous. But better to have the crew sat. "Okay," she says. "Let's play." I must look doubtful. "Rob," she Bays warningly.. Things did settle down, as Lang had known they would. They entered their second week alone in virtually the same position they had started: no romantic entanglements firmly established. But they knew each other a lot better, were relaxed in the close company of each other, and were supported by a new framework of interlocking. would be looking for. About two years from now we're going to have to be in a position to survive with. needless to say, Panic City, with vice-presidents screaming for action all over the place.. emerged that for most of her childhood, Amanda Selene Gail had been two personalities, Amanda Gail. "Let me guess," he said, much more calmly than he felt "The little one goes around the big one, right? ". At Intensity Five I'm just plain Columbine, honey. The same as you're just Larry. And not knowing. "What you can do with your stickers," Barry said resolutely, "is stick them up your ass. Your asses, rather." ..many freestanding, brimful metal ashtrays. Having already forked out twenty-five dollars upstairs as his. "Bullshit," said Barry. It was the first time he'd used an obscenity conversationally, and he brought it. So the prince ran down the rocks to the shore and snuck onto the ship, and Amos waited for the sun. "What's happening on Five-E, Horace?" he asked the empty room around him.. They're probably from the Blue Orion Theatre up the street Would you like to see the show there. would've let me die, but he knew and got blood for me. Hers." He sat staring at me blankly, his mind. Crawford to nurse the leg she had stepped on in her haste.. Ed held out his hand. "Mine's Ed. Say, are you trying to pick up an endorsement? ". possible rescue. The more they thought about it, the less happy they looked. They all seemed to agree. master's in oceanography at UCLA in the afternoons. In the year I'd known her I'd seldom seen

her."Because if you do I'll kill you. If you want a divorce, OK, get a divorce. But don't lay a hand on her or I'll find you the farthest place you can go." "Most of 'em." A House Divided by Lee Kitloagh 161. those two little teeth marks on people's jugulars." the edge of the hearth shelf as I fell. The usher continued to hover, smiling, over his chair. Finally Barry realized he was waiting for a tip. Without any idea of what was customary, he gave her a dollar, which seemed to do the trick. "What have you got?" Barry asked. new home was badly needed. They were dealing daily with slow leaks, any of which could become a headstone, a monument. It's growing right here in the graveyard, from the bodies of our friends. passion in his foolishness, and it is an infectious passion. "How dare they treat us this way? What do they. it almost halfway so that it was opened toward the mirror. But from where Amos and Jack were, they. areological records could not be seen without a half-kilometer crawler ride up to the point where. "Yes, I would. Thank you." "this place isn't so grey after all. Look closely." "So we'll put that one in the Fairy Godmother file and forget about it. If it happens, fine. But we'd. "Have you ever been to the Miss America Pageant on 42nd St.?" she asked him, drying her eyes. "There have been (tho' I should not confess), I got back to my office at six. Miss Tremaine sat primly at her desk, cleared of everything but her purse and a notepad. She reminded me quite a lot of Desmond. "What are you still doing here, Miss Tremaine? You should've left an hour ago." I sat at my desk, leaned back until the swivel chair groaned twice, and propped my feet up. on a proposed naval system. Thus, we have pretended that we are fighting a space war of the future. haven't explored yet. But I can't really say if it's alive in the sense we use. I mean, it runs on wheels! It has. "Easily," said Amos. "I have red hair, I have freckles, I am five feet, seven inches tall, and I have. that the confusion should be cleared up. And that's why I'm on the concert circuit with Jain Snow; as far as I'm concerned, the only real blues singer and stim star. "love you. Every single one of you." "What ecological balance?" Song shot back. "You know as well as I do that this trip has been nearly a zero. A few anaerobic bacteria, a patch of lichen, both barely distinguishable from Earth forms?" in such a way as to remove its nucleus, either by delicately cutting it out or by using some chemical. infidelities forced him to divorce her." Brother Hart by Jane Yolen 185. "Tell me anyway. If he and Harry were friendly, he might know something. Why do you keep calling. to be something wrong with the Megalo telephone system and the message network is all fouled up. Now Amos looked over his shoulder too and saw that the white disk was going slowly down. September 22, 1977 Source: P. T. Warrington Destination: W. S. Halson Subject: Attempts at Humor Bill, this is definitely not the time for jokes. Something has gone. pretty nice package: a fifteen-percent across-the-board hourly rate increase; full-paid hospitalization; "I have thought about it." She waited for a long time. "I think the chances are about a thousand to one against us if I try to fly it. But Til do it, if we come to that. And that's your job. Showing me some better odds. If you can't, let me know." more of Amanda, but I was puzzled by the notes. look up at the sleeping loft, each place her feet touched a patch changed color to a pale, clear yellow. The captain, an Indian named Singh, got his crew started on erecting the permanent buildings, then climbed into a crawler with three officers for the trip to Tharsis. It was almost exactly twelve Earth-years since the departure of the Edgar Rice Burroughs. bare rock, rearranged the exhaust to prevent more condensation on the underside, and added more. He frowned slightly. "My dear sir, it is out of consideration for you that I have exposed you only to FASF's special Damon Knight issue (November 1976). As might be expected, it is a totally fresh. He stopped at the clearing's edge, raised his head, and sniffed. The smell of man hung on the air, heavy and threatening. He came through it as if through a swift current and stepped to the cottage door. I lit a cigarette and leaned back in the swivel chair. The whole thing was spinning around in my head. I'd found a pattern for the victims, but I didn't know if it was the pattern. It just didn't make sense. Maybe Detweiler was a vampire. encourage native manufactures. Many readers are, in fact, unacquainted with the general canon of English. Nocturnal and Diurnal Animals, ROGER ZELAZNY R Is for Spaceship, RAY BRADBURY The Tin Men Go to Sleep, ISAAC ASIMOV All Animals Are Vegetables, CLIFFORD SIMAK. "Twenty-two. More than that, if you count limited editions and pamphlets and such." She went over to the bed, rooted among the papers, and returned with a thin, odd-sized paperback. "This is the latest" The front cover said in tasteful powder-blue letters on a background of dusky cream: MADELINE IS MAD AGAIN: New Poems by Madeline Swain. On the back there was a picture of her sitting in this same room, dressed in the same dress, and drinking (it seemed uncanny) another can of beer (though not the same brand). She frowned. "You mean quit running together?" "I mean quit everything: running, swimming, practicing. . . ." "Quit practicing?" Her face set. "I can't afford to stop practicing. Gordy, it's time she doesn't use. She hasn't missed it before, and if I'm careful not to let her catch me out again, she'll never miss it" I shook my head. "You're breaking an agreement" "I'm not taking over, though. You know that's just a paranoid fantasy. I use only enough time for practice and no more." I sighed. "You seem to have all the best of it" She snorted. "I wonder. Do you have any idea what it's like being locked up in her head for six months, continuously aware but able to do nothing? If I couldn't get out for a run once in a while, I'd not only get flabby, I'd go mad." She bounced out of the chair and came over to lace her fingers together behind my neck. "What about you? It's three months until January. How can I give up seeing you for three whole months?" atmosphere as Island of Lost Souls in 1932. Charles Laughton, maybe the best actor yet to appear on. "Yes, Mr. Mallory." She dialed the phone nimbly, sitting as if she were wearing a back brace. "You afraid?" laughed Jack. "You, who rescued me three times from the brig, braved the grey swamp and rode the back of the North Wind?" I dropped by number seven. The typewriter had been put away, but the cards and score pad were. "Maybe so. But just because we're colonists doesn't mean we have to behave like rabbits. A. The two of them had managed to salvage most of the dome. Working with patching kits and lasers to. mansions, and Norman castles I bypassed with the contempt such common tawdries deserved. Instead, I. sunk below the edge of the ocean. At last they gained a fair-sized ledge where the wind was not so. He looked at me, trusting me. "They're pretty superstitious back in there, you know. Thought I was" 81. She smiled at them and

said, "I am glad you have come for the second piece of the mirror, but it is stuck around for more than three days. Not for a minute did I doubt he would be living at the apartment. proletariat becomes conscious of their oppressions, and they can't become conscious of anything until they are as articulate as their oppressors. Language and consciousness aren't independent processes, after all. Talking is thinking turned inside-out. No more, no less." .125. could be erected above his hapless corpse." (William Atheling, Jr. [James Blish], *The Issue at Hand*, "I simulate a job that Citibank is developing for another corporation, but only on an auxiliary basis. Next year I'm supposed to start full-time." "Well, I'm awfully grateful. I mean you scarcely know me." McKillian had had enough. "Matt, what the hell are you talking about? Rescue mission? Damn it, you know as well as I that if they find us here, we'll be long dead. We'll probably be dead hi another year." kneeling in the shrubbery. He photographs them. He turns off the power., sits for a moment, then goes to. sideways at Ike and Eli and Zeke and me. Finally he singled me out and came over to where I was. oxygen-breathing, water-economy beings who needed protection for their bodies until the full bloom of. the New Year. If you're not in a desperate hurry" "Just a few minutes. Hold tight." Crawford looked over to Lang and thought he saw tears, but he couldn't be sure in the dark.

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