

## THE EXTRA TERRESTRIAL DELIVERY

sure you have things under control. J.L. is, by the way, interested in access to Zorphwar on his own. longer, soon it won't be minutes she's taking, it will be hours, then days, until there's no time left I can. suddenly, under his heart appeared a thin red line like a knife's slash that bled for a moment Hinda caught. I've been thinking of you as a luxury, and about as useful as the nipples on a man's chest. But I was. Crawford had a glimpse of Ralston and Lucy McKillian; then Mary shut the door. sounded vaguely Japanese. The booklet described the device as a distant viewer and gave clear, simple. "Where is he?". Several people at the back stood up and started clapping. The applause spread and turned into a standing ovation. Congreve grinned unabashedly to acknowledge the enthusiasm, stood for a while as the applause continued, and then grasped the sides of the podium again. Amanda screamed again. I tried to roll sideways but my body would not respond and I steeled myself for the second, almost surely fatal blow. But, instead, there was the thud of something dropping on the floor. I looked up through a starry haze of pain to see Amanda falling to her knees beside me, crying. McKillian didn't seem to know what she wanted. "No. I... but, yes. Yes, I guess I do." She looked at "Sizzling hot and waiting," said the grey man, lifting his sunglasses. "Where is the sailor you took to help you?". answered him, 'I am Prince because my father is King, and everyone knows I should be.' Then the. "And you're telling me those little spikes are what poked holes in the dome bottom? I'm not buying. say there are more than nine hundred thousand people packed into the smoky recesses of the dome. It's. pool. Once I myself dived from a rock into the blue ocean to retrieve the pearl of white fire I wear on my. So they pushed the jewels back and leaned against the closet door till it closed. Then they returned to the map. Samuel R. Delany for "Prismatica". What was marvelous was the afternoon with Amanda clinging to my arm and greeting each new offering with a sigh of pleasure or gasp of delicious dismay. In the course of it she stopped calling me Mr. Gordon, too, and began saying Matthew. I would have preferred Matt, but when I brought that up she dropped her eyes and said: Subject: Admission to Commonwealth of Zorph His Imperial Majesty, Ruler of Zorphdom and the Greater Galaxy, The Middle Claw of Justice in the Universe, Benefactor of all Sentient Beings, does hereby proclaim that your planet, Solus HI, has been admitted to the Commonwealth of Zorph as a Status V member. As a member in this privileged class, you will be expected to pay tribute in measure of your standing. The requisite payment for your Corporation is twelve ingots of gold of 100-kilogram weight per week. These should be placed on the roof of the Megalo Corporation Headquarters for pickup by Zorph shuttle craft. Failure to comply with this order will result in immediate penalties, including criminal trials of your leaders. Address all subsequent messages to Message Central for relay to the Zorph commandship assigned to your sector. Wes and Lynn Pederson. My initial spasm of panic passed as I realized she was wearing an exercise jacket and shorts and only. CAMPBELL'S There Goes Who? STURGEON'S Well Sturgeon Is Alive and. HEINLEIN'S Rolling the Stones ASIMOV'S Asimov the Early MATHESON's Born of Man, Woman and. Terrific, just terrific," Barry replied with authentic warmth. He'd always scored well at this preliminary. That stopped me for a minute, but I'm not sure why. I must've had a mental picture of Charles Laughton riding those bells or Igor stealing that brain from the laboratory. "He's good-looking and he's a hunchback?". Ike and I were on picket duty when we heard that the latest bargaining session had gone Pffff! Eli. Tom Ream?. Zorphwar! by Stan Dryer 59. And that is the end of the story. knob is dull from years of handling; it feels warm and a little greasy in your hand. The console has a funny. Dutch fanner in New York, a British sailor, a German musician. Their faces glow in the screen. PROLOGUE. I was so pleasantly pooped I completely forgot about Andrew Detweiler. Until Monday morning. Westland. "A valuable training aid, it is a product of the research staff of the Megalo Corporation. It is the year 2783. Suddenly the galaxy is invaded by a horde of alien beings, the Zorphs. They. egocentric, and totally amoral. She nearly drove my father mad before he realized there was no helping. "Trial's necessity. Without daily practice I'll tighten up and my elevations will fall.". There was a pause while she debated. "I guess so, but, please, come when you can.". I turn. "And?". I wasn't lucky enough to get number six or eight, but I did get five. Lorraine Nesbitt's nameless, dingy apartment court was a fleabag. Number five was one room with a closet, a tiny kitchen, and a tiny bath? identical with the other nine units she assured me. With. And Birdie Pawlowicz: "Yeah, he typed a lot in his room.". we'd best be sure it's safe. Meantime, well all sleep in our suits." There were helpless groans at this, but. Yon are forty, a respected scholar, taking a few days out to review your life, as many people do at. At the Union Hall this evening the Organizer told us that another meeting between the Company and the Union has been arranged and that it's scheduled to take place day after tomorrow. This time, there's going to be a Mediator present? one that the King himself appointed. Maybe now we'll get somewhere. I hope so. We've only been out a week, but it seems twice that long, with nothing to do but hang around the house and with Debbie wondering out loud all the time about what we're going to do when our savings run out. To tell the truth, I'm kind of worried myself. Being a new Union, we don't have a strike fund, and we've got six more weeks to go before we become eligible for unemployment insurance. Meanwhile, the bills keep coming in. So I told her. "Okay, Rob, I'm up in the booth above the east aisle. Give me just a tickle." My nipples were. skilled labor. I figure that as a bricklayer I can get on easy. stars have whole platoons of karate-trained killers for protection. Jain needs only Stella. "Stella, pick me. The Podkayne was barely visible behind a network of multicolored vines. The vines were tough enough to frustrate their efforts to push through and enter the old ship. But both lock doors were open, and sand had drifted in rippled waves through the opening. The stern of the ship was nearly buried. 222. couple of elderly old-maid sisters in number twelve. He hadn't been feeling well and had moved out later. Amanda walked into my arms and buried her face against my neck. "Next to my father, you're the most dependable and trustworthy person I know.". rendered. Barry said (jokingly, of course) that he wouldn't object to bartering his virtue for an. Barry said nothing, but

his expression must have conveyed his disapproval.. "Anywhere," he replied. "Implicitly." sounded anxious. "Matthew, can you come up?"..millions. Everything will turn out all right for everyone." She stares at me for several seconds. "Except.The grey man looked back the other way and nearly took off his sunglasses. Then he decided it was.A: The Day the Sun Stood Still.Christopher Gail had traumatically divided not only Amanda's childhood but her very psyche. Five years.the steel spikes anchoring the dome to the rock. The dome now looked like some fantastic Christmas.the floor below. At an open window a man kneels, holding a high-powered rifle. Smith photographs him.."I suppose you'll be anxious to go to the ship," he said. "You're going to be a tremendous help. You.transcendent geniuses out of an Einstein or thousands of diabolical villains out of a Hitler.."Right," said Ed, nodding more vigorously. "But I liked what you were saying about cars. That made.cargo aircraft.."The map says so," said the grey man. And sure enough, in large green letters one corner of the map.someone is watching you as you watch; and beyond that watcher another, and beyond that another. . . ."But you do not believe me."..We Also Walk Dogs..\*Tm pregnant," she announced to them that night, causing Song to delay her examination of the white fruit..Stella stares disgustedly out the window..hang there Imp and soulless till the morning when Brother Hart donned it once again and raced off to the lowland meadows to graze..we should know why, or we're ignoring a fact about Mars that might still kill us. Let's do that first. Ralston, can you walk?".."He always has an alibi, huh?"..Destination: W. S. Halson."When do I go after the next piece?" Amos asked when they had finished eating..Not long afterward I left. I didn't want to be hung-over on my first spell of picket duty. It was a cool.?I've tried living with you," Amanda said, "but it doesn't work. Now I won't have anything more to do.contorted in pain.."Then it said orlmbn, and mlpbgrm, and grublmeumplefrmp?.gentlemen like to receive their paychecks. I trust that, if any investigations come out of this little incident..Her chin was up and her head held high. She reached past the hunter and pulled the knife from the door.A high-ranking officer in Army Intelligence, watching the first demonstration of the Ozo in the Pentagon, exclaimed, "My God, with this we could dismantle half the establishment?all we've got to do is launch interceptors when we see them push the button."..In the swamp, Amos waited until the prince had found him. "Did you have any trouble?" Amos."I wondered from the start why you were along, Crawford." She was pacing slowly back and forth in the crowded space. The others got out of her way almost without thinking, except for Ralston who still huddled under his blanket. "A historian? Sure, it's a fine idea, but pretty impractical. I have to admit that I've been thinking of you.Well, the genes are contained in the nucleus of the cell, which makes up a small portion of the total and is marked off by a membrane of its own. Outside the nucleus is the cytoplasm of a cell, and it is the material in the cytoplasm that provides the various chemicals that help serve to inhibit or stimulate die action of the genes..She shook her head, eyes hooded and expressionless, and then Nolan remembered that she didn't speak English. He raised the bottle and drank again, cursing himself for his mistake..She stirred in my arms. I felt a ripple of tension in her body. She lifted her head and kissed me hard. I grabbed her shoulders and held her off at arm's length to look at her..spent a good deal importing all those tons of sand from some distant world on the stargate system to.In the HaU oj the Martian Kings.her arms, then used one hand to hold it while she began pinning it in place. The poly turned a bright.On December 12, 1968, I gave a talk to a meeting of doctors and lawyers in San Jose, California.\* Naturally, I was asked to speak on some subject that would interest both groups. Some instinct told me that medical malpractice suits might interest both but would nevertheless not be a useful topic. I spoke on genetic engineering instead, therefore, and, toward the end, discussed the matter of cloning.."No, nothing," said Smith. "That's all right, Jack, thank you." He broke the connection. After a.lanky indicated one of two identical orange-and-brown-striped couches facing each other across a."You're right, of course. And in the only two other real space emergencies since that time, all hands.The sailor leaned his chin on his mop handle awhile, then said, "If you want to avoid it, don't go down.Hinda would have called after him then, called after and made him stay, but she did not know his.window and scooted across the floor and went behind the couch. I only got a glimpse of it, but it might."My red hair," said Amos, "is only on the top of my head. My clothes are ragged and dirty and will probably turn grey in no time with all that mist. Are there any bright-colored clothes on the ship, glittering with gold and gleaming with silk?"..Then, too, suppose it were possible to learn enough about human embryonic development to guide.Morris has been creating Zorphwar, an exciting game that operates on our system..During the week of September 23, seven thousand Ozos were shipped to domestic and Canadian.Sanders, almost two hours had passed. Harry hadn't answered my knock, and so I let myself in with a.Jain takes back the book and shrugs..The North Wind laughed so loud that Amos and the prince had to hold onto the walls to keep from blowing away. "It is so high and so cold up there that you will never reach it," said the Wind. "Even the wizard had to ask my help to put it there.".."Which," said Lea, "can be stated as: 'I've done it.' Roughly speaking."..form of data and supplies. There was one more capsule load due; after that, its presence would only be a.Hinda stood at the door and raised her hand to shade her eyes. The last she saw of him was the flash of white tail as he sped off into the woods.."Matthew Gordon?" she asked in a soft, hesitant voice I remembered from political broadcasts in the last election, extolling the senatorial virtues of her father. "Tm Amanda Gail. I wired you about renting a cabin?".something to eat at the Mexican restaurant around the corner on Melrose. They have marvelous carne.frustration to both groups. There was a great deal of irony hi having two such powerful ships so close to.McKillian didn't seem to know what she wanted. "No. I... but, yes. Yes, I guess I do." She looked at them, pleading for them to understand..(or, possibly, an allied) species, and then let nature take its course..Nothing was trouble which guaranteed me the chance to see her twice a day. When I met Selene on.It seems tike the first time I was in Jam Snow's bed. Jain keeps the xoom dark and says nothing as we go through the positions. Her.somehow be changed to an X chromosome, a male will ipso facto be changed into a female.."Of course we don't know if we would have made it without the assist from the Martians," Mary.Someone sat up beside him. He froze, but it was too late. She rubbed her eyes

and peered into the.got around to inventing the wheel. I've sometimes wondered why not There are limitations, of course, but

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