

## OS MUNDOS ABORDAJES RELIGIOSOS Y ESPIRITUALES DE LOS CONSUMOS DE

He redesigned the whole device, built a prototype and tested it, tore it down, redesigned, built another. It was Christmas before he was done. Once more he locked up the device and all his plans, drawings and notes. By the time I filled Lucas McGowan in on all the details (I got the impression he was less concerned with his wife's infidelity than with her taste; that it wouldn't have been so bad if she'd been shacking up with movie stars or international playboys), collected my fee, and grabbed a Thursday special at Colonel Sanders, almost two hours had passed. Harry hadn't answered my knock, and so I let myself in with a credit card. The North Wind rumbled to himself for a while and at last confessed: "But no one has ever seen the wind." blank anomie. "What's up?" It's always a shock the first time you come up against some particular kind of authority figure? a. Why?? Two reasons. "Next time I'll tell her. I won't lie to her again. So I guess this will all have to stop." But there are other reasons. Critical judgments are so complex (and take place in such a complicated context), the vocabulary of praise and blame available in English is so vague, so fluid, and so constantly shifting, and the physical space allowed is so small that critics welcome any way of expressing judgments that will be both precise and compact. If vivid be added thereunto, fine? what else is good style? Hence critics, whenever possible, express their judgments in figurative language. Wit is a form of condensation (see Freud if you think this is my arbitrary fiat) just as parody is a form of criticism (see Dwight McDonald's Modern Library collection thereof). 214. coming to boil, then a rapid series of clangs. A tiny white ball came through the doorway and bounced off three walls. It moved almost faster than they could follow. It hit Crawford on the arm, then fell to the floor where it gradually skittered to a stop. The hissing died away, and Crawford picked it up. It was lighter than it had been. There was a pinhole drilled in one side. The pinhole was cold when he touched it with his fingers. Startled, thinking he was burned, he stuck his finger in his mouth, then sucked on it absently long after he knew the truth. to get started on their analyses. Song knelt again and started digging around one of the ten-centimeter. "My God!" I could see her feet and, by rolling onto my back, look up at her rising above me toward. "His back?" "I thought you were dead too," said Billy Belay, "after you ran out of here with that thin grey man and his big black trunk. He told us terrible stories of the places he intended to go. And you just up and went with him without having heard anything but the reward." "Hi," said Barry, with masterful deference. \*Tm Barry Riordan. Unfortunately the polys were not always fun. The terrestrial and extraterrestrial psychosensitive materials that were supposed to enable the poly furnishings to match their owner's personality and moods became so neurotic when exposed to a large number of users or households where emotion ran hot that they developed shapes and colors whose effect on humans ranged from mildly annoying to violently nauseating. Polys were appropriate for Amanda, though. They could suit both her and her alter ego and eliminate any conflict over taste hi furniture. way from my Air Force days. So if you have any objections you might as well tell me up front". It was painful to leave the mystery for later, but there was nothing to be done about it. They could not bring themselves to uproot the thing, even when five more like it sprouted in the graveyard. There was a new consensus among them to leave the Martian plants and animals alone. Like nervous atheists, most of them didn't believe Song's theories but had an uneasy feeling of trespassing when they went through the gardens. They felt subconsciously that it might be better to leave them alone in case they turned out to be private property. Columbine bit her lip, furrowed her brow, and evidenced, in general, a sudden change of heart. mouth issued a gentle snore. The commission agents who had handled the orders for the first Oa? were found oat and had to leave town. Factories were fire-bombed, but others took their place. on the 16th, healthy the 17th, and sick again the 19th. Doris McElfresh. seeming the least homicidal. Why? "A lot of the other Union members had stopped in The Fig Leaf, and the place was full. Some of the world where you long to be. thought) for a lesser degree of stateliness and bon ton than that achieved by Partyland, but even so the. Upstart. "Jake," I said. "Does she believe that?" Mama's gaze was grave. "You must tell her to go." noticed a white patch near the top of the largest globe. It was streaked, like a glass marble with swirls of. "Over there," said Amos pointing back out the door, "is that end. And over there is this end," and he. planet, without sexual reproduction. Each of us adds to the other's pleasure, and it's better than the other times. But even when she. "What are you doing here?" whispered Amos. I looked at him, at his face, at his eyes, at his soul. "There's a gun in the glove compartment," I said. we saw your light. the surface features: Syrtis Major and Thoth-Nepenthes leading in a long gooseneck to Utopia and the. "And thank you. But you didn't answer my question." Q: When did you get that awful sunburn?. box; the light reflected from the card did not even register on his meter, and yet the image in the screen of mammalian egg has had its nucleus replaced, it would then have to be implanted into the womb of a. Amanda sat wrapped in a shawl and staring into the empty fireplace. The poly chair had turned pale gray. "She's trying to take over, Matthew." was finally rewarded by seeing the light come back on in her. At the office I explained that the owner of No. 43 would only let the cabin until May. Was that all right with her?. soft-sculpture, causing Ethan to nearly lose the nipple?" was designed to contain. beings who are no. "I'm Barry Riordan," he managed to bring out, tardily. Sanders, almost two hours had passed. Harry hadn't answered my knock, and so I let myself in with a. When Westland left, I headed for the men's room to down a couple of aspirin to steady my nerves. And who should I meet coming out of the door but Admiral Venerate. Venerate and I are old buddies, having been together on the Potlatch Investigation Team some eight years ago. At that time I proved there were no irregularities in the award of the Potlatch missile contract to Megalo. Venerate proved that the Navy had done nothing wrong. I was promoted to this staff position. Venerate moved up to Admiral. BURROUGH'S Ant Tarzan and the Men. "Where is he?" "What are you doing up this early?" I asked. Janice Fenwick was an exotic dancer at a club on the reaction due to economic depression. So does Robin Scott Wilson (who electrified a Modern Language. address was just around the corner from the Almsbury.)

She had cut her wrists on a piece of broken. recognized the name? She stepped back, holding the door for me. I could tell that detectives, private or. Lang raised her eyebrows. "Yes, it was under the dome. The air we exhausted was warm, you see, and it was thought it could be put to use one last time before we let it go, to warm the floor of the dome and decrease heat loss." The Tin Men Go to Sleep, ISAAC ASIMOV. "You never have time for anything but exercising. Will you ever?" There was also a carbon copy of the story he'd just finished. The return address on the first page was up the lid ever so slightly. Then he tossed the cat inside.. me with slightly distressed eyes. "You... ah... didn't want to play for money, did you?" "Really, what's that?" We flew over and spent most of the day glubbing around in the Pacific with a bunch of kids fifteen years younger than I and five years younger than Janice. I'd been on these jaunts with Janice before and enjoyed them so much I'd bought my own wetsuit But I didn't enjoy it nearly as much as I did Saturday night and all of Sunday.. They're probably from the Blue Orion Theatre up the street Would you like to see the show there. beyond the Moon and no billions of dollars to invest while the world's energy policies were being. Let me give you a quick rundown of this exciting interactive game. It is the year 2783. Man has. "Sounds all right to me," Lang assured her. "It'll do for a working theory. Now what about airborne. They named their colony New Amsterdam, because of the windmills. The name of whirligig was the one that stuck on the Martian plants, though Crawford held out for a long time in favor of spinnakers.. in all subjects he wanted to avoid. "What's it like in the Blue Ridge? Coon huntin? and moonshine?" Smith got his consignment of Ozos early in the week, took one home and left it to his store manager to put a price on the rest He did not bother to use the production model but began at once to build another prototype. It had controls calibrated to one-hundredth of a second and one millimeter, and a timer that would allow him to stop a scene, or advance or regress it at any desired rate. He ordered some clockwork from an astronomical supply house.. "They'll just keep tossing men and women at the stats until someone does come back. Sreen or no Sreen." The captain strikes the door again, with the edge of his fist this time. "Sreen!" A bellow which, curiously, does not echo in the vast antechamber. "Sreen! SREEN!" by THOMAS M. DISCH. But he was home again at dark.. The Detweiler Boy. She winced. "No." still don't really believe in them, but you will if you stay here long enough? they know genetics. They really know it We have a thousand theories about what they may be like, and I won't bore you with them yet, but this is one thing we do know. They can build anything they need, make a blueprint in DNA, encapsulate it in a spore and bury it, knowing exactly what will come up in forty thousand years. When it starts to get cold here and they know the cycle's drawing to an end, they seed the planet with the spores and ... do something. Maybe they die, or maybe they have some other way of passing the time. But they know they'll return.. baby kicking and squirming. You have seen yourself delivered, seen the first moment when your. Vpstart. per-cent admixture of the proud blood of the conquistadores, "Who are we to know the way of. Crawford was the only one to look up when the lock started cycling. The two people almost tumbled over each other coming out of the lock. They wanted to do something, and quickly, but didn't know what. In the end, they just stood there silently twisting their hands and looking at the floor. One of them took off her helmet. She was a large woman, in her thirties, with red hair shorn off close to the scalp.. embryos into all sorts of specialized bypaths that would produce a kind of monster that had a full-sized. make you sleep much better than all the air hi the world." That hurt. I climbed to my feet and reached out to touch her shoulder. "I was talking to her for your. and a small misshapen arm poked out briefly. I could only stare, frozen. The shirt was ripped to shreds.. "You two are unbelievable," Barry said. "Do you honestly think rd sell you my endorsements? Assuming?" he knocked on the varnished walnut coffee table?" I pass my exam." John Varley's first story for F&Sf was "Picnic on Nearside" in 1974. Since then, he has earned a reputation as one of sfs most exciting new storytellers through such work as "Retrograde Summer" \* "The Black Hole Passes," "In the Bowl" (Best from F&SF, 22nd series) and his first novel, Titan. This story was another Nebula award nominee.. As a historian, he felt he could not let such a moment slip by unobserved. Silly, but there it was. He had to be out there, watch it with his own eyes. It didn't matter if he never lived to tell about it, he must record it.. "orgasm." and second, it was clearly intended to be sung to the tune of "Home on the Range." and now, now you are on the big road, flying eastward, passing all the cars, rushing toward the great. the woods. His animals were at his heels.. closing time be asked if they would either consider giving him an endorsement. They said they would. up, the thing hanging onto hhn, retrieved the shut, and put it on. He wrapped the straps nearly around the. the arm of the couch like a little gnome and smiled. It ran its fingers down the side of Detweiler's cheek. for you." When she was certain he was gone, she opened the cottage door and went in. The cottage was suddenly. "Then it's good I am going to get it for you," said Amos, "because even with your sunglasses, it would give you a terrible headache." Debra certainly isn't. That's why?" (He couldn't resist the chance to explain his earlier failures.) "I did. Subject: Problems with Communications Network I am sending this message by mail as there seems. By the time the rescue expedition arrived, no one was calling it that There had been the little matter of." Yeah, I was working on a story, but I'd rather play gin." He grinned, open and artless. "If I could make money playing gin, I wouldn't write." I look out at the crowd and it's like staring at the Pacific after dark; the gray waves march out to the horizon until you can't tell one from the other. Here on the stage, the crowd-mutter even sounds like the sea, exactly as though I was on the beach trying to hear in an eighteen-foot surf. It all washes around me and I'm grateful for the twin earpieces, reassured to hear the usual check-down lists on the in-house com circuit. Amos and darted on ahead to get back to the cell. Then Amos walked out to the boat with the broken. "I don't know. I don't want you to get in trouble." computer-generated art, a project that a couple of my people have been working on for the last six. mottle of yellow and orange.. dioxide, and quite a bit of oxygen into the atmosphere. Not much, but maybe more than it seems, considering the low concentrations that are naturally available. We've altered the biome. Does anyone know where the exhaust air from the dome was expelled?" prove I'm in the same league, but it does indicate the persistence of the issues involved and that they. away at its

creeping pace, and hurried off to find Song..He was large where Brother Hart was slim. He was fair where Brother Hart was dark. He was hairy where Brother Hart was smooth. And he was dressed in animal skins that hung from his shoulders to his feet About the man leapt fawning wolves, some spotted like jackals, some tan and some white. He pushed them from him with a rough sweep of his hand..sounded anxious. "Matthew, can you come up?".Suddenly Amos felt his eyes grow heavy, his head grow light, and he slipped down in his chair.."You're right," said McKillian. "I don't really know. But I have a theory. Since these plants waste.THE ORGANIZER: The purpose of the Project has no bearing.Robert F. Young has written thirty-nine stories for F&SF over the years, and we can think of only three writers who have contributed as much fiction as Mr. Young (Poul Andersen, A warn Davidson, and Ron Goulart). A Robert Young story is always a pleasure because its high quality is as predictable as its subject matter is unpredictable. Here he gives us the real story behind why a certain tower in Babylon was never finished and why all great builders, from Nebuchadnezzar to Moses (Robert), have such a rough time..to do now for people with special ability and training (low though that pay necessarily is). It's true that the."When Westland came charging back into my office an hour later, he found the Admiral hammering at.kill me. I was out of bed by eight this morning, partly because I've got to get this console modified by.I had seen enough, more than enough- I opened the door and stepped out of the closet..arena; Red, yellow, blue. Start with the basics. Red.."Very well," said Amos a second time. "Until then, I shall walk around and explore your ship."..I drive west, away from the soiled towers of the strip-city. I drive beyond the colstrip pits and into the mountains until the paved highway becomes narrow asphalt and then rutted earth and then only a trace, and the car can go no further. With the metal cylinder in one hand I flee on foot until I no longer hear sounds of city or human beings.."Are they valuable?".A: Hellstrom's Hive."You won't tell her, will you?" she asked anxiously..You squirm around, raising the viewer to aim it down the hill. As you turn the knob with your thumb..There was another twisting of the facial features. Amanda, her voice rising, said, "You can't do this.."I sensed you felt the two of us ought to talk." She slipped out of my hands and went to curl up in one..There, he thought, that should keep her busy long enough for me to think of the next one. He opened a second beer and took a meditative swallow. Did poets ever write poems about drinking beer? Or was that too general? Better to ask her to write about her favorite brand of beer, a kind of advertisement.gleamed about him. The walls were much too high to climb and they went all the way around. Being a.Barry left the cubicle feeling so transcendent and relaxed that he was five blocks from Center St..Jain. You bastard.."..squatted hi a circle around a growth in the graveyard..suppose it could be worse. There's no use complaining. Life goes on, as they say.."..Just for the afternoon.."..which is the other thing (besides pleasure) art ought to provide. Bravery, nobility, sublimity, and beauty..That stopped me for a minute, but I'm not sure why. I mustVe 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?".since the departure of the Edgar Rice Burroughs..black box, and stuffed it into a small square door: OrImnb!.blindness could miss the Vancian cynicism or the massive Dunsanian irony (sometimes spilling over into.."The same way we do," said Lea. "When we are gone, look into the mirror and you will see your..weakness to the one person among the four who might possibly be her rival for leadership. He did not..problem"?her voice dropped, her eyes avoided his?"is timeless and well-known. I fell in love with the

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