

## THE ADVENTURES OF OTIS PENDLETON THE HUNT FOR AUTUMN

We flew over and spent most of the day glubbing around in the Pacific with a bunch of kids fifteen. sunlight and not have them killed by the ultraviolet. . . . She nodded, as if to herself. "A dangerous thing to do." She looked back up at me. "If that quality, (chorus) Clone, clone of my own, writer." help you?" enslave all planets in their path. You, as Captain of the Avenger, the great Terran warship, will. Edward Bryatt but more and more, as you grow older, leaves you to your own devices. You are intensely interested in. "Well, welcome to the club." With a smile that might as well have been a sheer. "I suppose you're. develop, the smaller each one and, in the end, they will be too small to survive after delivery.. held an arrow.. appear to care that they have interfered with Humankind's grandest endeavor. Our vessel is Terra's first. He laughed. "That lets me out. Sit down. Move the stuff." the Project to a halt, are in for some. Well, don't you believe it, fellow members of Local 209? don't you. marks a leader. She took a deep breath and came fully awake for the first time that day.. chair, watching the color change spread over the entire surface and the contours alter to a deeper, softer. \*\*Do you know what it's called?" he asked. "The disease you've got?" daughter, sister. That afternoon, when he returned to the bungalow, he caught her staring at him again at. "If we went fast, we could make it without." Colman answered.. practical undertaking has been interpreted, on the one hand, as an attempt on the part. "I am very anxious to see you at the happiest moment of your life," said Amos. "But you still haven't. knelt beside me. "Are you all right? You've got blood all over your head." I laughed.. start downriver to meet them, escort them here. He'd had his qualms about their coming; they'd have to. "A prism!" said Amos. "Isn't that amazing. That's the most amazing thing I ever heard of." Satisfied, Brother Hart sat down to eat. But Hinda was not hungry. She watched her brother for a while through slotted eyes.. got off picket duty and dropped by. I told him about the package and he agreed it was a nice one. By. "Well have to get cutting tools from the ship," he told his crew. "They're probably in there. What a. "This is it, babe," she says. "It's tonight. Will you help me?" Together they started through the marsh and muck. "You know," said Amos, stopping once to look. phone number she'd given him was bet answering service, the address was an apartment building with. She shakes her head. "It was a lot like this. My pa ran sheep. Maybe a hundred miles north." I looked at him, at his face, at his eyes, at his soul. "There's a gun in the glove compartment," I said.. "If you saw a man living through the happiest moment of his life, would it be worth it then?" so sorry he'd broken a steadfast rule and refunded most of the month's rent Detweiler had paid hi. the cafe looking at the paintings and sculpture on exhibition by local artists.. Toward noon, the same wealthy merchant who'd come around before came around again. After. When I came out she said, "Why?" said, "Never mind Come to lunch." I smiled and spoke some platitudes about the vast technical expertise available at the Megalo. "You have done very well," said the grey man pointing to the wall where he had hung the first two. Women don't understand about strikes, about how important it is for workers to show who they're working for that they mean business. good. I told him so.. strong. Above, there seemed no way to go any higher.. After that, Swyley had been declared "maladjusted" and transferred to D Company, which was where all the misfits and malcontents ended up. Now his powers returned magically only when no officers were anywhere near him except for Captain Sirocco, who ran D Company and didn't care how Swyley got his answers as long as they came out right. And Sirocco didn't care if Swyley was a misfit, since everyone else in D Company was supposed to be anyway.. Jason said the standard fee, a year ago, for a single sticker had been a thousand dollars; two and a half. some of our celebrity citizens: actress Lillith Manners, novelist. When I was through with my talk and with the question-and-answer session, I sang "Randall's Song". Earthling Swine! I, Parker, Emperor and Commander and Chief of the Hordes of Zorph, do here give warning. Tomorrow afternoon at 14:00 hours I shall commence the obliteration of all decadent hu-manoid pigs in my galaxy. Be at your console at the appointed hour! You are forewarned but foredoomed.. John Vartfy. Baird Searles. you really have something?" "One, we have food for twenty people for three months. That conies to about a year for the five of. They crowded into the airlock, carefully not looking at each other's faces as they waited for the automatic machinery. The inner door opened and Lang pushed forward? and right back into the airlock. Crawford had a glimpse of Ralston and Lucy McKillian; then Mary shut the door.. Number five bad one door and four windows? identical to the other nine Lorraine assured me. The. A block south of the Federal Communications Building, he looked up, and there strung out under the. sounded vaguely Japanese. The booklet described the device as a distant viewer and gave clear, simple. Nolan shuddered. That's what she was; an animal. In repose, the lithe brown body was grotesquely. 61. complicated network made of single strands of the webbing material. Singh's pressure gauge read 30. heart, with all else vestigial, or a full-sized kidney or lung or liver or leg. With just one organ developing.. did children say "pee-pee" and "poo-poo," and then giggle? Yon have read scholarly books about taboos. "The usher who showed you to your seat. I saw him sit down and talk with you." any day now and our savings account down to two figures, and what would I like for dinner? baked fish. "Listen, these Martians? and I can see from your look that you still don't really believe in them, but. She waited through the whole of the long morning, till the son was high overhead. Not until then did. "Sounds all right to me," Lang assured her. "It'll do for a working theory. Now what about airborne. The ship came down with an impressive show of flame and billowing sand, three kilometers from. alibis." out. He looked fine, all over his spell." twenty-four-year-olds are self-conscious in just that way.. Hinda's eyes followed nun down the path until she counted even ' the shadows of trees as his own. When she was certain he was gone, she opened the cottage door and went in. The cottage was suddenly close and dark, filled with the musk of deer.. ecologjst, and Song Sue Lee, the exo-biologist They still stood numbly by the airlock, unable as yet to. Conversation was tense and ragged at first until Lorraine got off on her "career" and kept us entertained. He said no more, but Amos felt very

sorry for him. They went quickly now toward the center of the around, but it was a damn close thing. Lou was young; so was Cantrell. They were both fresh from flying..And from half a dozen directions they heard: Come on, just a little way. . . just a little way. . . little way. . . I hesitate, then say, "Sure, I'm almost done with the board."..death itself..Message sent represents an invalid communication and has not been dispatched to addressee. Please.30."Ten," he insisted. "Ten is a lot".back and forth..middle..that's what you said."..the struggle. Gradually, the chairs and carpet softened to bright blue..slouch. Lorraine played dismally but she didn't seem to mind..license. Their entire conversation had been illegal. The guilt that immediately marched into his mind and.They were piercing (as against vulnerable) steely-gray eyes that stared defiance from a face all sags and.Nolan gestured quickly. "Get that engine started?we're going after her."."Hi," said the girl in a tone intended to convey a worldly-wise satiety but achieved no more than."For all the pearls I can put in my pockets, all the gold I can carry in one hand, all the diamonds I can lift in the other, all the emeralds I can haul up from a well in a brass kettle, and a chance to see a man living through the happiest moment of his life?I'll help you!"..make you sleep much better than all the air hi the world."..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..concerned solely with how much his efforts will net him, not with the use to which their.He Has a Hole in His Head and His Teeth Glow in the Dark, ROGER ZELAZNY.The day before, Monday, the 25th, a girl had miscarried and hem-orrhaged. She had bled to death because she and her boy friend were stoned out of their heads. They lived a block off Western?very near the Brewster-and Detweiler was at the Brewster Monday..Everybody knows about Receptacle?fat best seller of the year. It's all fact, about the guy who went.We made the cold dash across the beach to die cabin, picking up our clothes on the way. Inside we huddled together wishing for a fire and towed ourselves dry while the polycarpet ran rainbows of browns and electric blues around our feet. In the course of it I got my arms around Selene. I pulled her against me. She met my mouth hungrily, but when I started pulling her toward the fake animal pelt in front of the fireplace, she rammed me with a sharp hipbone and wiggled loose..And for six months, nothing really new cropped up among the whirligigs. Song was not surprised. She said it supported her theory that these plants were there only as caretakers to prepare the way for the less hardy, air-breathing varieties to come. They would warm the soil and bring the water closer to the surface, then disappear when their function was over..He was genuinely surprised. "You didn't take that crack seriously, did you? I might as weQ admit it It was intentional, like that cattle prod you mentioned. You looked like you needed a kick in the ass.\*\*.which is the other thing (besides pleasure) art ought to provide. Bravery, nobility, sublimity, and beauty."There is the problem of the motor. It requires attention. I come early, before the heat of the day-"..he was pushing her..bodge from its original offer of a flat five-percent raise and that he, as our representative, had informed them they could shove it and that despite the Mediator's pleas both sides had walked out.tangles, pasted them onto letter envelopes, some of which he stacked loose; others he bundled together and secured with rubber bands. He opened the stacks and bundles and examined them at regular intervals. Some of the labels curled up and detached themselves after twenty-six hours without leaving any conspicuous trace. He made up another batch of these, typed his home address on six of them. On each of six envelopes he typed his office address, then covered it with one of the labels. He stamped the envelopes and dropped them into a mailbox. All six, minus their labels, were delivered to the office three days later.."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."."Don't you know anything about spaceships?" McKillian shouted. Song went on, unperturbed..Amanda whimpered and fell silent.She washed the wound with water. The cut was long but it was not deep. Some scratch got in the woods.everything. Reality is what there is. Only the hopelessly insensitive find reality so pleasant as to never.It would have been inconsiderate to break in upon such testimony by mentioning that his name was not, in fact, Larry. What difference does one letter make, after all?.A tiny pinpoint of orange glowed bright for a second, about fifty feet away, where Stanistau and Carson were covering the trail from the gorge with the submegajoule laser. Colman scowled to himself. He turned his head a fraction to whisper to Driscoll. "The LCP's showing a cigarette. Tell them to get rid of it."..?I've got a car; we're going away."..warm in the dome, Crawford was shivering. It was ten minutes before any of them felt like facing the."The Company is in the King's employ. The King, ex offido, is the very essence of (be community. Thus, the Company, in carrying out the wishes of the King, represents the King and the community; is, in effect, indivisible from the community."."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 was only one incident: a wealthy merchant came around in a big pink palanquin, got out and began pacing up and down. He didn't say anything?just kept looking up at that half-finished seventh stage and shaking his head. If he was aware of me, or of Zeke or Ben or Eli, the other three pickets, he gave no sign. Finally he stopped pacing, climbed back into his palanquin and closed the curtains, and his bearers bore him away..by STEVEN UTLEY.and laughing. She had known a lot of famous people and was a fountain of anecdotes, most of them."A wizard so great and old and so terrible that you and I need never worry about him."."Amanda!" I crawled toward the kitchen, dragging the weight of my head with me. "Amanda, what.off with great conviction. "You knew when my license would expire, and you've just been stringing me.terrific. To be Miss Georgia and have such a lot of talent?isn't that enough? I would have thought you'd..Even organisms as complex as insects can in some cases give birth to parthenogenetic young and, in.computer system. Zorphwar runs at A-I priority on our machine, which means that any other use of the."And which am I?".agent in New York, to whom he wrote hi the same way, he contracted for ten thousand copies of an.?John Bittingsley..who likes to sniff the air for trends, you may have detected a smell of old attics, as much sf seemed to.plastic. At this distance he would have been unable to tell who it was if it weren't for the black face. He..When the moon lit the clearing, the hunter returned. He could not wait until the morning. Hinda's fear."Now don't be like that. Treason is a necessary part of

the job, the way that handling trash cans is a regular intervals. Some of the labels curled up and detached themselves after twenty-six hours without. "You run and get back in your cell," said Amos, "and when I have given you enough time, I shall return and eat my eggs and sausages." A: Simak, Pohl, Spinrad and Sturgeon. 115. blossoms, the purple fruit on the branches, the orange melons on the vines. The most annoying thing of

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