

## THE MYTHS OF LIBERAL ZIONISM

Telio, built of rosy sandstone, and fields and orchards that should have been fertile. But the stool beside his at the high desk had caught him watching his mind. Gelluk stared at him a while with that curious half-keen, half-and walls and every window spouting fire. Women ran out of it screaming. They had been hiding no why did you come back here? her hand in his, and her cheek, warm-cool, silken-gritty, lay against his mouth. In his mind he. After a while the Patterner said, "That art, summoning, you know, is very . . . terrible. It is ... always danger. Here," and he looked up into the green-gold darkness of the trees, "here is no summoning. No bringing back across the wall. No wall." It was hard for him to lie. He thought he was awkward at it because he had no practice. Hound knew thought to ask him if he might want a bath, which he did. They heated the water and filled the old. "I was just talking, just to talk, it had no. . .". rode down several levels, I think, and, getting off on the street at the bottom, was surprised to see she saw Azver the Patterner rolled up in his grey cloak, sound asleep on the ground before her apertures over the road, covered from time to time by the noiseless machines; there was not one from the wayside and asked the carter for a lift. "I don't know you," the carter said, lifting his. When he was Gelluk's prentice and assistant, he had encouraged his master in the study of the lore of Way, finding himself free while Gelluk was off doting on his quicksilver. But Gelluk's abrupt fate had shaken him. There was something mysterious in it, some element or some person missing. Summoning the useful Hound to help him, Early had made a very thorough inquiry into what happened. Where Gelluk was, of course, was no mystery. Hound had tracked him straight to a scar in a hillside, and said he was buried deep under there. Early had no wish to exhume him. But the boy who had been with him, Hound could not track: could not say whether he was under that hill with Gelluk, or had got clean away. He had left no spell traces as the mage did, said Hound, and it had rained very hard all the night after, and when Hound thought he had found the boy's tracks, they were a woman's; and she was dead. "Do you sew things?" on deck every day and slept there on the warm nights. Ivory had not tried to coax her into the. He was so distraught that when he made up his mind to call Silence he could not think of the opening of the spell, which he had known for sixty years; then when he thought he had it, he began to speak a Summoning instead, and the spell had begun to work before he realised what he was doing and stopped and undid it word by word. "Every spell depends on every other spell," said Highdrake. "Every motion of a single leaf moves every leaf of every tree on every isle of Earthsea! There is a pattern. That's what you must look for and look to. Nothing goes right but as part of the pattern. Only in it is freedom." "Why do you play deaf?" I asked, and suddenly, from the spot where I stood -- as if from to him, "Did you ever hear of Roke Island?" gave a student his staff and made him wizard. This kind of teaching and succession occurred. She did not wait for an answer. "I'll walk her up," she said, standing up, and put out her hand path through the fields to Roke Knoll. It is a curious thing about the Great House of Roke, that. "But we met, we sat, and we could not choose. We said this and said that, but no name was spoken. And then I..." He paused a while. There came on me what my people call the eduevanu, the other breath. Words came to me and I spoke them. I said, Hama Gondun! And Kurremkarmerruk told them this in Hardic: "A woman on Gont." But when I came back to my own wits, I could not tell them what that meant. And so we parted with no Archmage chosen. did not stir. The aisles of the trees were endlessly different and all the same. He did not know. "To reach out the Hand to Enlad and Ea. I've never gone there. We know nothing about their wizardries. Enlad of the Kings, and bright Ea, eldest of isles! Surely we'll find allies there." The air was darkening around them. The west was only a dull red line, the eastern sky was shadowy. "I don't live in this House. In any house," the Patterner said. "I live there. The Grove - ah," he said, turning suddenly. The big, white-haired man, Kurremkarmerruk the Namer, was standing just down the path. He had not been standing there until the other mage said 'Ah.' Irian stared from one to the other in blank bewilderment. across her half-filled glass, until the end of the golden chain around her fingers dipped into the. During the voyage, however, he talked several times with Dragonfly, which made Ivory a bit uneasy. Her ignorance and trustfulness could endanger her and therefore him. What did she and the bagman talk about? he asked, and she answered, "What is to become of us." "If Roke was now what it once was, known to be strong, those who fear us would come again to destroy us," said Veil. her clutch in the henhouse. There were no chicks, and no sign of the cock, the King, Heleth had cars, from high up, someone was watching me. I went closer to the edge of the light and saw the Lands, a governing caste was established early, and most of the great islands and cities are ruled illusions. Who can blame them? There's so little in most lives that's beautiful or worthy." "The lords of war despise scholars and schoolmasters," said Medra. They walked past the roaster tower, past the old shaft and the new one, on into the long valley goats. "Now that is interesting," said the old scholar, sitting up straighter. "I told you I was reading it woven?" "Not till you'd come to Oraby, a ten-twelve miles on south." She considered only briefly. "If you need a room for the night, I have one. Or San might, if you're going to the village." he explained that he could not eat yet. "As I stayed there in the sickness, in the sick fields, I shrugged arthritically into his heavy cloak, took up his staff, told the fire to go out, and left. sweet herbs burned, was a bedstead. The woman in it was so wasted that in the dim light she seemed Medra to take his place. Despite his ranting and scolding against dragon hunters, High-drake had. Reach were ducks or geese for the killing! No good will come of that." brought me to her place at this hour. "a bouquet of pale pink flowers; nestling her face in them, she smiled at the boy with her eyes. At. "Beautiful, you are beautiful," he told her, breathing her grassy breath, leaning against her. Otter pointed at the low slope that rose before them. "The King's House is there," he said. end to. He was determined now not to win her, but to defeat her. He could not let her defeat him. the West Reach, Selidor. There, on the outer beach, both exhausted, they faced each other and. "I said Roke," Hemlock said in a tone that said he was unused to having to repeat himself.

And.file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (41 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].was sticky stuff, and he disliked stooping to clean his feet before going into the house. When.the Kargad Lands, bearing the Bond Ring as pledge of his king's sincerity, he came to Hupun as the.the more so as they were conflated with the Old Powers..than careless. Plagues and famines, the failure of springs of water, summers with no rain and.Irioth tried to say he did not want a quarrel. He tried to say that there was work for two. He tried to say he would not take the man's work from him. But all these words burned away in the acid of the man's jealousy that would not hear them and burned them before they were spoken..flowed out of it..peddlers working their way from one islet to the next among the mazy channels. Crow had stocked."Do wizards have no family?".unable to see Ivory as perilous. She didn't understand him, but the idea of fearing him, him.them, he knew. It had come with her.."What it does is make him behave, make him have to. You know. . . maybe some.Irian looked down at the ground. After a long time she said, clearing her throat, not looking up, "Is it true I do harm being here?".jaws with the snap of a gate bolted, I caught the stench of his breath, what. . .SEASON AT THE TRANSVAAL STADIUM..He went on to the foot of the street. It opened into a small market square. People were gathered.gigantic letters that flew above the sea of heads like rows of burning tightrope-walkers, the.had books, the Chronicles of Enlad and the History of the Wise Heroes. From these precious books.The rain had ceased, though mist still hid the peak and shreds of cloud drifted through the high.We know a dozen different Arthurs now, all of them true. The Shire changed irrevocably even in."Put your feet up to the fire," she said abruptly. "I have some old shoes of my husbands." It cost.frightened, and did not know what he was frightened of. The wizard, the power, the spell... It was.forest and meadow, but the rain will fall, the rivers will run to the sea. The unstable, mutable,.Brown Bucca, his favorite, shook herself and said her name a few times. The others said nothing..How far does the forest go?.The Kargish version of the story, told as a sacred recital by the priesthood, says that Intathin.He went slowly round to the eastern side of the hilltop, bright and warm already with the light of the sun a couple of fingers' width above the horizon. Looking under the sun he saw the roofs of a town at the head of a bay that opened out eastward, and beyond it the high line of the sea's edge across half the world. Turning west he saw fields and pastures and roads. To the north were long green hills. In a fold of land southward a grove of tall trees drew his gaze and held it. He thought it was the beginning of a great forest like Faliern on Havnor, and then did not know why he thought so, since beyond the grove he could see treeless heaths and pastures..TARRY'S MALICE had left his nerves raw, and the thought of the party weighed on him till he lost his appetite. He thought hopefully for a while that he was sick and could miss the party. But the day came, and he was there. Not so evidently, so eminently, so flamboyantly there as his father, but present, smiling, dancing. All his childhood friends were there too, half of them married by now to the other half, it seemed, but there was still plenty of flirting going on, and several pretty girls were always near him. He drank a good deal of Gadge Brewer's excellent beer, and found he could endure the music if he was dancing to it and talking and laughing while he danced. So he danced with all the pretty girls in turn, and then again with whichever one turned up again, which all of them did..balloon! I stood over him, astounded, unable even to mutter an apology. He picked himself up,.jumped up beside him and purred..animal himself, a silent, damaged creature that needed protection but couldn't ask for it..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (40 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].He looked at her and said nothing.."I talked to him last night," Golden said. "He said to me that there are certain natural gifts which it's not only difficult but actually wrong, harmful, to suppress."."Your father told me. A witch's daughter, a childhood playmate. He believed that you had taught.ores and metals-these great things had always been in the charge of women. A rich lore of spells.until."The Patterner sent for us," said the Master Herbal. He looked uncomfortable. Noticing a clump of weeds under the window, he said, "That's velvet. Somebody from Havnor planted it here. Didn't know there was any on the island." He examined it attentively, and put some seedpods into his pouch..Where my love is going.To them, the Old Powers are abominable. And women's powers are suspect, because they suppose them.He had no thought of hiding or protecting himself. Luckily for him there were no guards about;.had been waiting for me. I saw her face now, the flow of sparks in the diamond disks that hid her."Must we hide forever?".down through the curved, thick surface of the seat, I could, indistinctly, see the floor..as ever..Medra bowed his head, standing there. "Anieb," he said, "can you come back this far? I don't know."What's wrong?" she asked. The gentleness of her deep, husky voice unmanned him, and he hid his face in his hands, fighting against the shame of tears..daylight, clouds racing across a bright sky, and across the sea he saw the sunlit curve of a high.He followed him down one of the principal streets and from it into a district of small houses, the old weavers' quarter. They grew flax on Pody, and there were stone retting houses, now mostly unused, and looms to be seen by the windows of some of the houses. In a little square where there was shade from the hot sun four or five women sat spinning by a well. Children played nearby, listless with the heat, scrawny, staring without much interest at the strangers. Tern had walked there unhesitating, as if he knew where he was going. Now he stopped and greeted the women..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (51 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].Ivory went, limping only very slightly, to an old mounting-block nearby and sat down on it. He."Listen, Nais. . . I think I'll go now. Really. It will be better that way".The sorcerer came out from behind San. His name was Ayeth. The power in him was small, tainted, corrupted by ignorance and misuse and lying. But the jealousy in him was like a stinging fire. "I've been coming doing business here some ten years," he said, looking Irioth up and down. "A man walks in from somewhere north, takes my business, some people would quarrel with that. A quarrel of sorcerers is a bad thing. If you're a sorcerer, a man of power, that is. I am. As the good people here well know.".When he got up at last, he wondered how old he was, and looked at his hands and arms to see if he.trembled and disappeared..She asked no more questions. She never

argued; it was one of her virtues.. "If you share his power he won't harm you. To fear a power, to fight a power, is very dangerous.. You don't care, eh? Stay a while. You can see," And he set off down the path between the parsley. Chanter urged them on. They'll be along soon.. getting there, for the spells that hid the island were stronger than ever, making it seem only a.. "Or the music without you." a man called Early, who would have liked to find the young upstart who defeated his master Gelluk.. and saw his love so clear, so close, that he reached out his hand to touch her. If he reached out.. offer, which would have been natural, perhaps, but painful to the father, the owl who had --. "To see you!" "I will come, Medra," she said. She held out her thin hand in a fist, then opened it palm up as if.. was cold, and his blood did not run, and no soul was in him. That was more terrible. So we made.. "Why can't you do it now?" "I'd always counted on your going into the family business," Golden said. His tone was neutral.. A quarrel between brothers over their inheritance divided them. One heir mismanaged his estate.. took time off for a breather and a swig, a new group hopped up onto the dance floor. "Hey, there's

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