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INTRODUCTION

If some of the observations in this publication seem a trifle selfindulgent, then I offer my apologies in advance. For such was the format so intended.

In my capacities as Historian for the Doctor Who Appreciation Society and as a plain fan of the series DR WHO, I have read many articles, treatises and publications on the subject of the Doctor, his travels, his companions, foes and monsters. Some are anateur productions, while others hail from such professional bodies like TARGAT Books and the BBC itself.

But almost all of these have had one thing in common - a dispassionate, narrow-fielded cutlook to the subject being analysed. In some cases it might be the Doctor's character, in other cases the elusive qualities of "magic" supposedly present in the series. Or, as is even more common, a simple catalogue of stories numerously sub-headed with the oriticisms; good, bad or indifferent.

Yet, each story itself, as produced by the BBC, is a complex beast with more facets and characteristics than the Doctor has items in his pockets. The diary of a DR WHO production could fill an entire magazine with an appreciation of all the talents and techniques needed to bring an epiche to your screens, and a DR WHO Concordance of facts as learned through sixteen years would fill a volume of "Encyclopaedia Britannica" proportions.

This publication covers none of the above, and yet it touches, I hope, on all of them. It is an attempt by me, a single DR WHO fan, to present a global overview of the series harmsesing all the resources acquired during sixteen years of fandom. By the very virtue of my position within the Society, DR WHO has changed my life far more than perhaps any other concept or ideal. And to do that, it must have something within its make-up to capture and fire the imagination during, arguably, the formative and most important years of a person's life - childhood through adulthood.

I believe DR WHO has all those qualities through the way in which it is presented on television. At the same time, however, those qualities are not in sympathy with everybody. Everyone is different with differing sets of values and those differences divide DR WHO fans from non-fans.

"AMAZING JOURNEYS" are therefore my journeys - my interpretations on sixteen years of a unique mass media series. Not all of you will agree with me, that I accept. Yet, I earnestly hope all of you will come away from reading this account having found some of your own enthusiass

reflected within its pages.

With special thanks to Society Pres-ident Jan Vincent-Rudski, Gordon 'Drog' Lengden, Paul Stephen Smith, Deanne Holding and the Society Executive.





Stretching out his hand to catch The Stars, he forgets the flowers at his feet. Jeremy Bentham 1748-1832

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de stands like some fabled champion of old Held firmly in his right hand is a sword - the generations-long symbol of the warrior knight. Ever prepared to do battle with the most fearsome of foes but guided by the honours and codes eloquent of his aristocratic birth.

His effusive garb and tall, leather buccaneer boots lend him a not undeserved similarity to the Cavaliers of Jacobean England. An image complemented by his rich, velvet long-coat and gangling, multicoloured scraf. An escapee from conformity and convention, unruly yet curiously ele-

Hehind him - the columns of a ruined temple, a fitting monument to a figure equally timeless. His exile over now, he has returned to the corridors of Eternity and Infinity, hunting for an elusive, distant goal perhaps even he is unsure of.

And so the present Doctor is very much nomad, rejecting the cosy life offered to him on Earth as scientific adviser to UNIT, yet strangely also rejecting the comrade-ship of his own people on Gallifrey, as witnessed in his two recent returns to the planet of his birth as a fully fledged, fully forgiven Lord of Time. This rejection of even his own kin leads us to suppose that the Doctor, now that he is, by his own admission, approaching middle age, is headed both for an identity crisis and for a period of deep insecurity. Romana deduced as much

from her first conversation with him.
In short, he has won his freedom to travel in Time and Space as a non-official ambassador for the Time Lords. He is far freer about admitting his origins than in his past three incarnations and indeed almost seems to relish the prestige it gives him over other, lesser mortals. His repairs to the TARDIS, once a major preoccupation with him, are almost complete now, despite the recent addition of a Randomiser Unit to avoid being tracked by the Black Guard-

After all, the TAMDIS may only be a creak-ing reminder of the days when Gallifreans used these testimonies to trans-dimensional engineering (before the advent of travel by Time Ring) but it is the only home the Doctor knows

So we have a repaired TARDIS, absolute freedom for the Doctor and a growing dis-satisfaction with flesh and blood compan-ions. All factors that would explain a

lonely, very introverted Doctor.

And this is perhaps the key to the whole problem which both bedevils the Doctor on screen, and has viewers on the other end of the television network concerned with an apparent absent factor from DR WHO.

THE SEVENTIES

The Doctor of today confounds and amazes. His personality has so outstripped those of his companions and associates that he now, far more than ever before, projects the qualities of alienness which human observers find so difficult to come to terms with. His former incarnation was once described as "crackling with energy". Given that as true, then following his rejuven-

ation the energy has positively exploded into a blaze of frenzied activity and wanderlust.

Nowadays, far more than ever previously, the Doctor is severing his connections with his confessed favourite planet - Earth. His companions too are non-terran in origin and appearance: an acolyte Time Lord and a mobile computer. But, even with these two the good Doctor is finding a degree of inpatience and irritation setting in; almost as though the qualities of friendship and

sociability are becoming onerous to him. At the outset of 'The Ribos Operation' the Doctor was quite happy to plan a holi-day for himself with only K-9 in attendance. After all, if ever K-9 becomes too tiresome for the Doctor he simply has to reach out and power-off his system. Not at all easy to manage with a creature of flesh and

Recently, in a confrontation with the White Guardian of Time, he was "given" h current assistant, Romana, a move which was, for a long while, deeply resented by the renegade Time Lord. Bad enough, perhaps, being lumbered with a human companion to look after and run around rescuing, but a member of the race he had tried so long to run away from...

The Doctor now has no clear, long term sense of purpose.

No longer is there the thrill of illegal rebellion from his peers, no longer the challenge of curing the faults in his ship, not even the drive to escape imprisonment on Earth. Nothing. Just short term problems to be solved in short term environ-

Therefore what we now have is a histum. An impasse The Doctor, by the token of his past, remains a fascinating character study. A fictional personality of remarkable complexity. Flamboyance and introversion at constant war with each other; unable to do without human company but resentful of the incursion it makes upon his feelings.

Before we try to look to the future, it is worth taking a step back and looking at the way the present Doctor has arrived at his current status.

A long proposed theory, and one which is substantiated by evidence presented on screen, is that natural changes in the Doctor's appearance (Hartnell to Troughton, Doctor's appearance (Hartnell to Troughton, Fertwee to Baker) are rejuvenations rather than complete regenerations, as was the case when the High Council changed by force the second Doctor into his third incarnation. In their colonial days the Time Lords taught this technique to the Minyams. Hence in 'Underworld' we witnessed the cellular rejuvenation of Tala from her old, exhausted body to her younger, fitter self. The implication from this therefore is that the present Doctor is a younger version of his present Doctor is a younger version of his former self.

Physically one only has to look at the

TOM BAKER

..wanderer in eternity



MASQUE OF MANDRAGORA

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Exotic alien locations; Skybase One

first scene in 'Robot' immediately following the change. The hair, although brown as opposed to grey, was still styled like that of his older body. It was not until his emergence from come in the UNIT sick bay that the new "more erratic" personality ruffled the locks up into their more recognised shape. But then again, don't all youngsters resent being a chip off the old block? block?

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The Doctor was still as tall as his predecessor and the same beaky nose was retained. Even his affection for his readster "Bessie" clung to him for a while until the lure of the cosmos proved too much for him at the end of 'Robot'.

Curiously, the disruption from his more stable third-body personality can be gleaned more from 'Pace of Evil', specifically from the book of the serial. In the novel Terrange Dicks alludes that after his first day investigating the case of the Giant Robot the Doctor took off on a solo voyage in the TARDIS at night. This journey took him to a distant planet and to Leela's ancestors. Misunderstanding the nature of the crashed spaceship's computer, the Doctor allowed it to copy a "print" of his own traumstised mind into its core. That "print" eventually became the evil side of Koanon:

Luckily the good Doctor was in saner mood for 'The Ark in Space', where in a classic soliloquy, eyes filled with admiration, he delivered his salute to mankind:

"Homo Sapiens, what an inventive, invincible species. It's only a few million years since they crawled out of the mud and learned to walk - puny, defenceless bipeds. They've survived flood, famine and plague, they've survived cosmic wars and holocausts. And now, here they are, out among the stars waiting to begin a new life. Ready to outsit Eternity. They're indomitable..."

THE MUTANTS

The reflective traits of the first Doctor seen there, and a hint of things to come in the form of his interest in longterm ideals rather than short-term solu-tions. We had to wait until 'Genesis of the Daleks' though before full confirma-tion of this was seen. Despite Sarah Jane's pleading the Doctor refused to alter the temporal projection of a Dalek dominated future by terminating the Dalek species at 'birth'. With an eye for the global development of the Galaxy he let the most feared race in the skies live, even with the knowledge of the suffering they would one day inflict upon countless species.

It is ironic to note here that just as the Doctor's character was beginning to harden, losing much of his third manifesta-tion's compassion, so the series itself began to change direction under the helm of its new Producer and Script-Editor.
Philip Hinchcliffe and Robert Holmes altered
the flavour of DR WHO quite drastically
during their three years in the hot seats.
Horror has always been an undercurrent to the series but owing to the influence of past Producers it has always been played down - except for rare and noteable occasions. The Holmes/Hinchcliffe team changed all that with a series of stories which brought howls of protest from the National Viewers and Listeners Association under Mrs Mary Whitehouse. The BBC eventually heeded some of the arguments and replied by moving DR WHO to its current later time slot of six o'clock, or thereabouts.

However, no stringent curbs were applied to the programme itself andthe gruesome parade continued. 'Genesis of the Daleks' was censured for its portrayal of Nazi-style officers within the war-obsessed Kaleds, 'Pyramids of Mars' was slated for over-

graphic presentation of strangulation, a criticism also made for the subsequent 'Seeds of Doom' serial which also fell under the hammer with the inclusion of a compostmangling machine fed liberally with human victims. Ultimately it was the scene of "sadistic drowning" in 'The Deadly Assassin' which finally gave rise to questions "upstairs" at the BBC. In an almost unprecestairs stairs" at the BBC. In an almost unprecedented move Sir Charles Curran - the then Director-General - issued a statement to the press defending Philip Hinchcliffe's edited version of 'The Deadly Assassin', while at

version of 'The Deadly Assassin', while at the same time reflecting that some of the scenes shown in it were a trifle "too real-istic" for a science-fiction series. However the critics were divided in their opinions on the new-style DR WHO. 'The Brain of Morbius' - another Holmes/Hinchcliffe triumph - showed several gory scenes including the up-turning of a jar containing a living brain. The resulting shot of the brain splattered across the floor won praise from the reviewers in The Daily Mail and The Observer, while the critic of The Daily Tele-graph - a confessed mother of young children - complained at the sick level of dramm being

used to catch ratings.

And that was the final testament to the changes wrought in DR WHO. Whatever the reasons - the stories, the publicity, etc - the audience ratings for DR WHO during those three short years were consistently some of the highest in the programme's history, with episode three of 'The Deadly Assassin' reach-

ing an alarming peak.
By the time Philip Hincheliffe's last DR WHO serial was aired - 'The Talons of Weng-Chiang' - Tom Baker himself had established firm guide lines over the way he felt the role of the Doctor should be played. In numerous TV and newspaper interviews Baker emphasised that the Doctor should be shown

more as the alien he really is, rather than as the father-figure he had become under Jon Pertwee. And with the support of Holmes and Hinchcliffe, plus later Graham Williams and

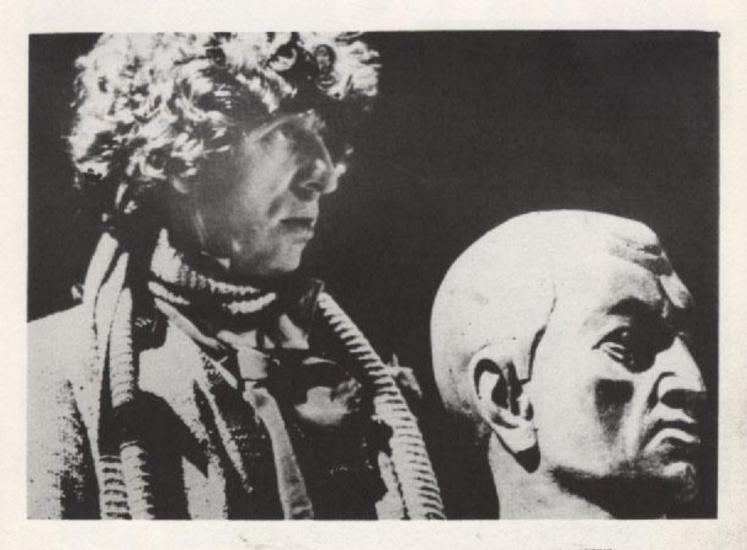
Anthony Read, that is exactly what occurred.
Earlier in this article we arrived at
'Genesis of the Daleks' to show the subtle
shifts already noticeable in the Doctor's 'persona', but in actual fact by then sever-al more alternations had already been made. The element of ambiguity had been introduced. or rather re-introduced, since in many respects Baker's Doctor bore many of the trade-marks usually associated with Patrick Troughton's incarnation. The felly babies made a comeback right from the first serial.

However gravity tests were made with the use of a yo-yo, complex measurements were calculated on the stitches in a scarf, and precious specimens were stored in the confines of an old toffee tin. The copious ex-planations for events patiently expounded by the former Doctor were now reeled off using a patter of pseudo-scientific terminology. or, better still, totally ignored. A cas of the Doctor astounding himself with his A case

genius?

With 'Terror of the Zygons' we witnessed a powerful demonstration of his abilities to hypnotise - a Time Lord technique more usually associated with the Master. the Doctor used his power to induce a cataleptic state in Sarah while both of them were sealed in a decompression chamber - minus air. And the longer Sarah stayed with the Doctor the stronger his mesmeric influ-ence over her grew. This culminated, in 'The Hand of Pear', with the Doctor able to put her into a trance with a mere gase from those powerful eyes.

And it is the Doctor's eyes which give the greatest clue to the intelligence burn-ing behind them. Bright, piercing blue.



Reminder of a grim past; the Doctor looks upon the head of Morbius BRAIN OF MORBIUS

they both project the overwhelming strength of personality while reflecting a disturbing un-likeness to humankind. Nowhere is this more apparent than in 'The Seeds of Doom' where, with chilling impassiveness, the Doctor suggested the only way to help Charles winlett was to amputate his infected arm; an operation he was not going to perform because, as he put it, "You must learn to help yourselves". The teacher anxious to see what his pupils can do, or tedium at their lassitude for solving problems without his aid? Whatever the case, it makes more understandable his statement to Sarah in 'The Masque of Mandragora' where, half-jokingly, he said, "You Humana have such limited little minds. I don't know why I like you". It should be remembered here that the first Doctor had a similar cynical impression of Humanity's intelligence.

At any rate, by the time 'The Deadly Assassin' had been screened, the Doctor had severed his last link with Earth with his farewell to Sarah: an experience he accomplished seemingly without emotion or remorse - a far cry from his sadness at the loss of Jo Grant some years earlier. The death of Chancellor Goth left the Doctor as President Elect of the Time Lords, a position which gave him, later on in 'The Invasion of Time', access to the entire wealth of knowledge and power that his race had accumulated over generations of Time travel. During 'The Invisible Enemy' a hint was given that the Doctor possesses within his brain neural ganglia wherefore to join his mind to the mass intelligencia of Gallifrey held in the Matrix. And that, presumably, gives him an empathy with the greatest thinker Gallifrey has known: Rassilon.

thinker Gallifrey has known: Rassilon.
Certainly that understanding, applied to
the Doctor, would explain a great deal of
the self-assurance the present Doctor now



exudes. Right from the moment he enters a situation, he commands it. Death holds no fear for him. By the time, say, the Megara are ready to execute him, his skilful chess playing of the other factors and characters around him will already have ensured his survival.

This, more than anything else, is the legacy Graham williams, Anthony Read and Doug Adams have bequeathed to DR WHO. A Doctor with almost total mastery of his environment; a grand strategist and planner of the adventures he becomes involved in. Outwitting the Jethrik hunters on Ribos, plotting revolution on Zanak, instigating the overthrow of the Grachts on Tara, the list grows longer than the famed multi-coloured scarf. It is almost a case of: episode one - Doctor arrives and analyses situation, middle episodes - Doctor hatches plots and schemes to achieve final goal; last episode - confronting the enemy in his lair, the Doctor watches as his plans all come together with split-second timed precision.

Of course, it can be argued that many plots in the past have held this format. True, but not quite with the Doctor being so dominant a character, and with such heavy artillery at his command. Romana is an acolyte Time Lord with technical capabilities proven with her Academy Triple-Firsts. K-9 is equiped not only with a deadly photon blaster, but also with a memory bank bolstered by draining the records held in the TARDIS log.

Two aliens and a computer travelling the

Two aliens and a computer travelling the corridors of Infinity and Eternity. The potential adventures lying before them are endless. Technical advances at the BBC mean that adventures in the Eighties will be colourful and action-packed. More visual effects, exotic locations moving further afield as budgets rise - already Paris has been used for 'City of Death' - and with more flexible hand-held cameras, the possibilities in terms of versatile direction are manyfold.

Yet, in the end, it will be the plots that will bear the load if the series is to reach 1990. Writing is still the key to DR WHO's success and if it is to survive beyond superficial interest in the twenty-five minutes air-time per week, it needs the background back-up of good continuity and credible purpose. It needs the occasional foray into areas of controversy and to dip into its past to find its keys to develop further.

The future is vital, but the amazing journeys of sixteen years are just as important. They lend the series a depth and substance many other programmes would envy. Let them not be forgotten as the warrior stands on the threshold of a new decade.





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Former visited. Preferred to maintain a hand-written 500 year diary in preference to electronic log of stolen T.T.Capsule (see Malfeasance sub-section). Formed close tele-pathic and emotional link with grand-daughter refered to as Susan Forenan. Expressed personal ambition to meeting prominent histor-loal people with particular emphasis on Sol 3.

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Whilst the actions of the former acholar at Prydon Academy are to be deplored with the utmost severity. It must be remembered that the Doctor's accredited genius was won through experience rather than teaching. WILLIAM

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Of course this was also the time which Prime Minister Harold MacMillan summed up so well in his famous quote, "You've never had it so good". Consumer spending was rapidly approaching an all-time peak - before the demon called Inflation - and nowhere was this increased spending more manifest than in "the youth of Britain"; the corner-stones of nearly all the over-night success stories.

It was into this environment that the Daleks were born in 1963, at the very tip of the ice-berg known as the "Swinging Sixties". The interest the Daleks founded was very real indeed and the resulting phenomenon which became known as Dalekmania was every bit as fervent, though



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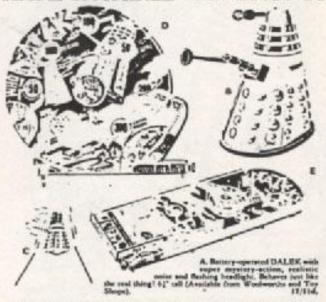
on a somewhat smaller scale, as the furore surrounding the rise of the Beatles.

Mania is, by definition, an excessive enthus-issm marked by excitement. Another definition more unkindly puts it as mental derangement caused by hallucination. Just what your over-view was of Dalekmania depended mainly on your age and also on your interest in sciencefiction. For many the Sixties are remembered for being the golden age of space travel where Man travelled beyond his home and a privileged few actually touched down on the soil of another world. Space was no longer the realm of the world. Space was no longer the realm of the pulp-magazine reader, it was a reality within the appreciation of all. And hot on the heels of space travel was the speculation concerning life on other planets. This too stepped out of the minds of fanciful dreamers and into the worlds of technology; even today the maxim of "Watch the Skies" is as applicable as it was during those days when numerous apaculative during those days when numerous speculative articles were appearing in The Times and The Guardian, advising us on what creatures from other worlds could resemble.

Those viewers of the pioneer DR WHO serials already knew, however. For there, on their

already knew, however. For there, on their flickering black and white television screens, were monsters, the kind of which had never been seen on Earth before; creatures hideously scarred by nuclear radiation living within the





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totally alien. To coin the clicke oft used since then, they captured the imaginations of a generation and founded the craze Dalekmania. It was a totally unpredicted event and when it happen-

ed no one was more surprised by it than the creators of DR WHO and the Daleks themselves. Tracing Dalekmania back to its origins, a popular pastime among sociologists, is easy. It began with the transmission of the seven episode DR WHO serial, "THE DEAD PLANET". during the Emas/New Year period of 1963/4.
At that time the Daleks were just one of several 'alien menaces' planned for the Doctor and his three companions during what could easily have been their one and only season. Two million viewers for the first four-part serial hardly amounted to a runaway hit in television circles, in fact it was close to a flop. However, from our points of view in hindsight it is possible to see why the Daleks had, if nothing else, the best potential for scooping a large audience. BBC research has

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since then shown that the series gets its really high audiences during those cold winter nights when folks are more inclined to stay indoors by the fire rather than to venture

into the cold, blustery outside.

So it was that on December 28th 1963. post-Xmas weekend, two million impressionable youngsters watched in stark terror as the first Daleks glided into view. They were captivating. Right from their grating electronic voices to the operation of thier ray guns they held the attention and interest of those who watched them. At the tender age of eight no consideration exists in the mind that Daleks were BBC props with sweating actors inside. They were machines, and while DR WHO was on screen the television set was acting as a window for children to see into the world of the Daleks: a world as real as the one around them.

A famous writer is once reported to have "If you gain the imagination of a child, maid. you have on your hands one of the most power-ful forces in the Universe". In the days that



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followed transmission of that first Dalek episode the grapevine that children operate Those who went into action with a vengeance. saw the episode compared notes and the first crude attempts were made to emulate the famed Dalek voice. Those who had not seen the programme were told what they had missed and they in turn told others as the subsequent "Dead Planet" episodes were shown. The game of play-ing "Daleks" came into being in school playgrounds up and down the country as youngsters moved around with arms outstretched attempting , to be their idols. If you had asked any one of them what he wanted for a Kmas present next year, the chances are the reply would be, "A

At that time only a scant few days separated the filming of DR WHO from the actual screening on television, and so the production staff for the series were still at work on the first Dalek story when the reaction began to occur. A few letters began trickling into the offices of the then Producer, Verity Lambert, asking about the Daleks. By the end of the serial that trickle had become a flood tide and with the killing off of the Daleks in episode seven the majority of the questions revolved around enquiring when the metal monsters would be reappearing.

For the Producers of DR WHO, of course, no

plans existed for a reappearance of the Daleks. However, with good intention, they did bow to the wishes of children wanting Daleks by giving away two of the creatures to the Dr Barnado's Orphanage (see article) on the belief the machines would never be needed again.

How wrong they were in their assumptions. few weeks later the newspapers realised there was copy to be found in the increasing interest surrounding the Daleks with the result that articles started appearing in the dailies reporting on the letters deluging the BBC

"Daleks Dead but Won't Lie Down" was the headline to one article in The Daily Mail where Verity Lambert herself was quoted as saying the Daleks would not be rescheduled for any more

stories.

By the summer of 1964 pressure from the press and from "upstairs" at the BBC dictated that, far from waiting for the fuss to die down, the Producers should give way and think about satisfying the mass craving for more Dalek material. This presented a bit of a problem for the Dalek writer Terry Nation. His first story had firmly established that the Daleks on Skaro were all killed. Now he was being asked to resurrect them from their metaphorical graves. This he did by assuming that the next Dalek story would be set in an earlier age from the Skaro serial when the monsters would be very much alive and well, and not only that, they would be alive on Earth.

The firm which built the original Daleks was commissioned again to construct a few more with special adaptations to enable the operators to move the devices over rough terrain. BBC des-igner Ray Cusick - the man responsible for the realisation of the Daleks in the first place -had envisioned a pedal-car-like contraption with wider wheels for motivating the Daleks on Earth: all of which would be hidden under an enlarged fender section on the Daleks.

Ray Cusick was not alone in his task of building Daleks in the autumn of 1964. Following on the heels of press interest, commercial businesses determined that Daleks meant potentially big sales for the Xmas market, tradition-slly a profitable period for the toy industry. LOUIS MARKS & COMPANY of Swansea have the

honour of being the first concern to produce a Dalek toy. Their "tricky-action" batterya Dalek toy. Their "tricky-action" battery-operated toy appeared in the shops in time to solve the problems of irate parents wondering desperately how to satiate their offsprings incessant demands for Daleks. From sales of this one toy alone Louis Marks announced rec-ord profits in 1965 and indeed a version of this toy still proliferates in shops to this

very day.

The "tricky-action" Dalek opened the gates to a whole host of Dalek toys and models after that. There were Dalek construction kits,

This great Duick Bagarette sells at a retail price of 7/6d



Dalek in the Thames: DALEKS: INVASION EARTH 2150 AD Photo courtesy EMI Films Itd.



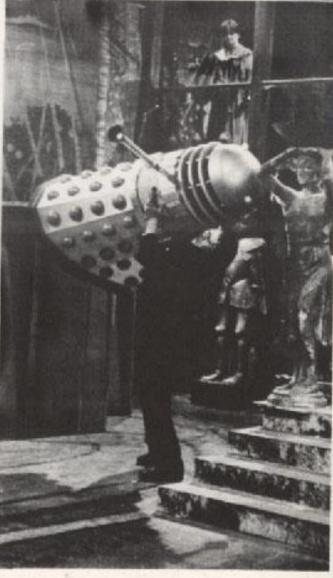


friction drive Daleks with flashing internal lights, clockwork Daleks with revolving dome apparatus and even scap containers in the shape of Daleks. The sizes were legion too. At one end of the market could be found the 'rolykin' Daleks: tiny models just an inch high costing one shilling (5p) a piece. At the other end of the scale the 'Automotives' Dalek stood over four feet tall and was big enough for a child of twelve to climb into and operate the extendable arm rod and fire the battery-powered buzzer gun. This version cost well over £8 and yet was a hit for Xmms 1965.

P.W. WOODWORTHS deserves a favourable mention for its role in Dalekmania. The stores retailed a variety of Dalek games, including the famous 'bagatelle', and a selection of Dalek jignaws. The models included the grey push-along Dalek which was the closest a firm ever came in those days to producing an accurately-designed Dalek. In 1965 that model was complemented by the addition of a push-along Mechanoid - the Daleks' arch space foes



THE CHASE



Battle of the monsters as a Dalek comes to grips with Frankenstein



Playsuits to Projectors. Datek Merchandise on sale circa 1965

brought out under lisence from Terry Nation who was anxious to repeat his success with the Daleks.

Keen to jump on the bandwagon of profit, some firms even cheated a little by hastily recalling old toys, modifying them slightly and packaging them under a Dalek banner. LINCOLN TOYS INTHRNATIONAL were a prime ex-ample of this. World War II bazonka toys were resold as "Anti-Dalek Exterminators" and the familiar bane of all parents, the water pistol, suddenly rematerialised as 'Dr Who's Fluid Neutraliser'.

By Xmas 1965 the toy industry had gone firmly Dalek-mad and hardly a week went by without a new product being added to the ever-growing list of Dalek merchandise. In fact a the life of a Dalek fan might well go

something like:-

"Awake in bedroom decorated in Dalek wallpaper. Fut on Dalek slippers (Furness Footwear Ltd) and go to bathroom to wash with Dalek soap (Northhants Assoc. for the Blind). Do daily exercises using inflatable Dalek (Scorpion Toys) as punchbag before setting off for school sporting Dalek mini-badge (Woolworths) on jumper. Call in at newsagent on the way for comic featuring Dalek strip (TV 21) and a few packets of sweet cigarettes (Cadet Sweets) featuring the Daleks, the Doctor and the Voord (another Terry Nation creation) in a set of cards. At break-time either sit back and read cards. At break-time either sit back and the Dr Who and the Daleks book (Frederick Muller Ltd: hardback, Armada Books: paperback) or swap cards in playground, noting them with a Dalek pencil (Bailey's agencies). Come home with friends and entertain them by either playing a Dalek record ("Who's Who" by Roberts Towey: Polydor Records) or by a film show on your Dr who and the Daleks Give-a-show Projector (Chad Valley Co. Ltd). The list goes on and on-

Maybe, at some point in the future, a historian with a time machine might wish to travel back to investigate the Dalekmania vogue. To observe the phenomenon at its best he could do a lot worse than select the "Daily Mail Boys and Girls Exhibition" at Clympia in January 1965. This exhibition was an annual event sponsored by The Daily Mail newspaper which had. in previous years, attracted a fair number of people anxious to try such things as small electric go-cars, or the mock parachute jump display run by the HAF or perhaps even the radio-controlled toy tanks. However, for 1965 the paper advertised that the Daleks would be there supervising, and apparently controlling, an ingenious electronic train which ran without a driver: 'The Brain Train'.

The queue to get into the exhibition began at the exit of Olympia Underground Station. Ahead, lining several street blocks, stretched a human crocodile comprised of hundreds upon hundreds of children: all waiting, in various degrees of impatience, to see the Daleks. For once inside the massive halls which make up Olympia, another cheque begun. If you were prepared to wait about two hours that queue would eventually permit you to take a five-minute ride on the 'Brain Train', past specially built scenarios in which the Daleks were moving. Daleks at the exhibition were the "Dalek Invas-ion of Earth" variety with the enlarged fenders which lent them an almost frightening height. Every so often the dreaded Black Dalek would le lead its companions in a sinister escort for those passengers gazing in stunned awe from the carriages. No longer were the Daleks confined to a twelve-inch TV screen. They were here in London, terrifyingly real. With ingenious radio relays fitted inside the casings the Daleks were able to speak, threatening instant 18 extermination to any who dared try to alight

from the train while it was moving. No une dared.

This author was one of those thousands who queued for five hours to see the Daleks. From my vantage point on the train I was able to observe as one young child went into a screaming fit when a Dalek approached very close to the spectator fence. Even with my youthful set of values, I could appreciate then why people described the Daleks as monsters. That youngster believed himself to be facing a monster from the pit. No reassuring human features, a parody of a voice, a single, white staring lens for an eye, and a levelled, pointed gun which, at any moment, might fire a beam of 'negative' light and commit that child to an agonising death.

an agonising death.

Does this mean that Dalekmania was founded out of massonism? An irrational desire to terrify the wits out of oneself every Saturday and then go back for more the following week? Perhaps. Maybe there is some truth to the statement. "If Dr Who has never frightened you, you've missed out on a significant part of the magic". For this writer, the Daleks first inspired absolute terror. Later on, as the term Dalek Operator conjured up an image of a man sitting behind an enormous control console directing the actions of these mobile death machines, the wish grew to own a Dalek like that; to have all that terrible power at my command. It took a photograph in a 1966 copy of The Observer Colour Magazine to break that illusion. There, for all the world to see, was a picture of two Daleks with their 'lids' off. No electro-mechanical gadgetry, no hydraulics, no intricate servo-mechanisms - just two rather bored BBC actors.

By mid-1966 the crate of Dalekmania was fading. The second Dalek film, released that summer, did not do as well as its 1965 predecessor at the cinemas and it pointed out the writing on the wall to the commercially minded. The ever-fickle general public was finding new objects to transfer its interest to. "Batman", "The Man from U.N.C.L.E." - these were the new heroes, and the toy market was as quick to switch its production lines to meet this new demand.

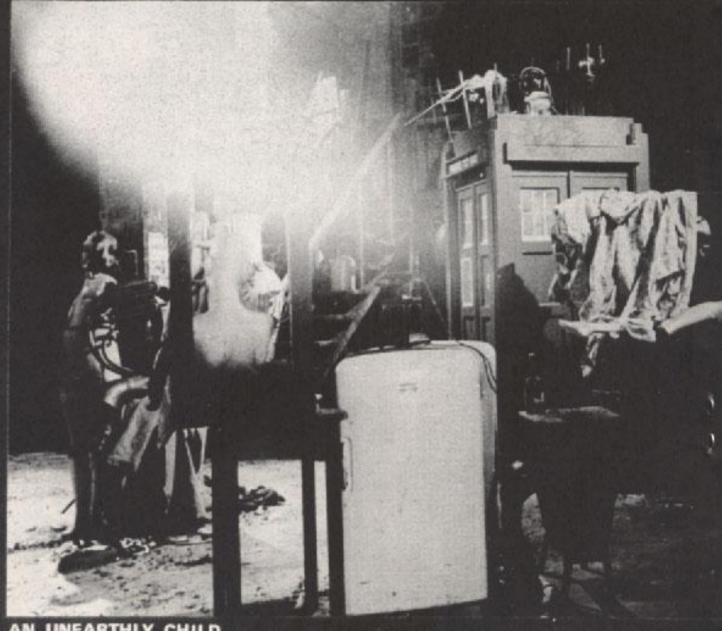
A case of "The Daleks are dead, long live Batman"? Not quite. The fascination people have with the Daleks still survives as BBC ratings prove whenever a Dalek serial or film is shown on TV now. As for the actual Dalek machines, there they stand in the BBC's Acton warehouse, cracked, battered, chipped, the battle-scarred veterans of innumerable village fetes and bataars. The phrase, "Relics of a by-gone age" comes to mind. Could those damaged casings ever again terrify a generation, or has the day of the Daleks truly come to an end? Only the future, plus a curious general public will ever be able to tell.



WHERE IT BEGAN



KEYS OF MARINUS



AN UNEARTHLY CHILD



THE TARDIS

The Symbol of DR WHO, the TARTIS (Time And Relative Dimensions in Space) has sur-vived almost unchanged all through the four Doctors so far seen on screen.

The original TARDIS shell pictured below left in the junkyard of I.M. Foreman in 76 Totters Lane was modified towards the end of the Hartnell era to be more readily transportable in the studios. The number of levels comprising the roof were reduced and the base was made less chunky. This version went on, through numerous repairs, until an unfortunate accident with Elisabeth Sladen and the roof in 'The Seeds of Doom' dictated the building of a new exterior which made a debut in 'Masque of Mandrag -ora. This model rides on casters.

The interior giant set as designed by Peter Brachaki gradually shrank in studio space and was replaced in the 14th season with a wood panelled job - see left.



COLONY IN SPACE

DATA COIL BIOGRAPHICAL EXTRACT SUBSYSTEM : DATA SYSTEMPREPIX : (PRIDONIAN) TEARL VERSION : 265 TYPE : READ-OUT -PILE SELECT : SPECIFIC MACHINE : 1 CODE : CYCLE : 2461 BBB MNEMONIC TIPLE : THE DOCTOR SECOND INCARNATION COMMENT-APPEARANCE : Markedly eccentric. With the Doctor's fascination with Sol Markedly eccentric. With the Doctor's fascination with Sol 3 still very much ingrained, his clothes retained a period identity though noticably of a far lower order than those worn in his previous body. The trousers were evidently made to fit a larger frame as the bottoms had to be tucked into the confines of an old pair of battered boots. The check patterning was still favoured but the effect was made far gaudier by the size of the squares. A loose plain shirt sat comfortably beneath a spotted bow tie fastened with a gaudier by the size of the squares. A loose plain shirt sat comfortably beneath a spotted bow tie fastened with a safety pin. The vagabond like appearance was further enhanced by an enormous multi-hued handkerchief personnially while following regeneration the Doctor was seen to sport a tall chimney hat of unidentified origins. Ornamental tall chimney hat of unidentified origins. Ornamental crest ring worn on right hand. PERSONALITY CHARACTERISTICS : In total contrast to his predecessor the Doctor in his new body was a total pacifist and never once engaged in effects of regeneration never quite wore off as the personality maintained a variance to attitude to the personality maintained a vagueness in attitude except in times of applied concentration. Humour and a mischisvous nature disguised a cumning ability to persuade chievous nature disguised a cumning ability to persuade others to his thinking without them realising they were being manipulated. Intense hatred of injustice coupled with a disregard of his own eafety in times of AGE AT REGENERATION : REASON FOR REGENERATION : Porced animation within new body as part of sentence carried out by High Council at first TRAITS OF INCARNATION : Showed no interest in repairing or further familiarising himself with the stolen T.T.Capsule. His driving curiosity prefered to let the ship take A musical talant for moodwind instruments aboved. his where it would rather than plan a fixed voyage A musical talent for woodwind instruments showed up in a liking for the recorder. "Magpie" (Terran fauna) instincts remained but refined towards a predilection for keeping as many articles as possible in the pockets of his jacket. A sweet tooth for 'jelly bahies' and 'gob stoppers'. Uring a device he inadequately termed a sonic screwdriver.

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Continued free wandering in Time and Space with Terran companions until his surrender for capture at time of 'War Games' incident. Excellent defence at trial resulted in lenient verdict; exile to Sol 3, mid-2#th century England, and with a new physical form.

HISTORICAL DATA :

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THE INVASION



ROBERT HOLMES



The Grand Master

"Uh, it's you. I thought I'd dreamt you up." Jamie's first words as he recovered in the presence of a Kroton: the first in a whole stream of creations to come from the pen of Hobert Holmes, a writer who has dreamed up more aliens and situations for the Doctor than any other single contributor to the series.

was filled, the Head of Serials, pleased with the ideas expressed in the synopsis, passed it on to the DR WHO Office for consideration. Later, when a planned story for the Doctor fell through, Robert Holmes' preliminary script for 'The Krotons' was seized upon as a god-send with the end res-

Nrotons - Nroll

Robert Holmes almost never came to write for DR WHO in the first place. It was one of those cases of 'Serendipity' where several happy accidents came together at the right time. The story for 'The Krotons' had been penned way before Terrance Dicks, the then script-editor, considered it for use in DR WHO. It had been destined for another science-fiction series on BBC TV but when the quota of stories for that series ult that it appeared on screen over December and January 1968/9 as a fully fledged DR WHO serial in four episodes.

A rescreening of 'The Krotons' on television now would probably do the story more harm than good. The actual monster, the Kroton, was born out of a 'Blue Peter' design-a-monster competition and even the finished versions put together by the Special Effects Department could not conceal

the creature's roots in old egg boxes and lamp-shades. And yet, the story-line to 'The Krotons' is very good and the final script reveals two of Robert Holmes' strong points in DR WHO writing: dialogue and characterisation. Consider the following extracts:-

> DOCTOR: Yes, well Zoe is something of a genius, of course. It can be very irritating at times.

DOCTOR: Is it safe to enter that learning all yet?

SELRIS: Why?

DOCTOR: Zoe and I want to have a look round, don't we Zoe? ZOE: (baffled) Oh? Bo we?

JAMIE: Well why does it need them? And why have you been killing the Gonda7

KROTON: The Dynatrope needs High Brains for transfer power. The Gonds have no High Brains.

JAMIE: And that makes it all right to kill them does it?

KROTON: That is procedure ...

DOCTOR: They (The Kratons) sees to have a life system based on tellurium. It's fascinating. isn't it, Zoe? That tank must have been a pularised

centrifuge. ZOE: Which we activated. BOCTOR: On don't blame yourself, Zoe. That machine must have been lying around for thousands of years waiting for someone as clever as us to

Christmas 1978 saw Robert Holmes celebrating ten years with the programme he considers to be his favourite to write During this decade his talents have been switched between free lance writing, mostly under his own name but occasionally with the need to adopt a pseudonym, and script-editing the series during its very successful three and a half seasons at the outset of Tom Baker's reign as the Doctor. All this has put Robert Holmes into the dubious position of being DR wHO's most prolific writer - outstripping

even the track record of Terry Nation.

However, if Terry Nation knew his Daleks
Robert Holmes knews DR WHD. Indeed, of
late much of the mythology concerning the errant Time Lord and his people has come from the fertile imagination of Mr Holmes. In consequence of this, and as a reaction to what many DR WHO fans consider to be the treading of hallowed ground, much criticism has been directed at him for the consistent expansion into areas of thought previously considered unreachable

for a series like DR WHO.

Fifteen years ago, if a writer had suggested to the Production team doing a non-monster story as a satire on the tax-collection system, chances are that writer would have been quickly recommended to take up another job. Yet, in 1977 'The Sun Makers' shattered several long-cherish-ed taboos for what could be done within a series that now adamantly refuses to fall into any conventional category or format. DR WHO is not quite fantasy, neither is it DR who is not quite fantasy, neither is it science-fiction. It has humour and yet is not comic. There are elements of morality plays, horror, pathos, costume drama, even surrealism, within its tenuous boundaries, and all of these facets are the stock-intrade of Robert Holmes: DR who's Space

So let us now look at the decade of DR WHO as influenced by the stories of this cryptic author in an attempt to define the styles and traits that make the serials of Robert Holmes such compelling viewing for true DR WHO fans. Perhaps in there we might be able to discover as a by-product some of the reasons why the DR WHO series itself holds such magic for so many millions of people.

Just how much of the script for 'The Krotons' was Robert Holmes and how much was added by Terrance Dicks will probably never be known, but certainly for those keen on the stories of Robert Holmes this pilot serial showed up many of the trademarks that would personalise his scrips in future years. The humour of the Doctor built up as a kind of quick-fire don't-give-them-time-to-think-about-it repartee, the cunning blending of science with science -fiction, disguising impossible scientific principles with plausible sounding explana-tions, and the almost unique ability to give each alien/monster interesting characters so

that they become more than merely ciphers for robotic "take me to your leader" jargon. The BBC liked 'The Krotons' and Robert Holmes' next script was readily accepted. 'The Space Pirates'. To date this has been Robert Holmes' one and only attempt to do a serious, pure science-fiction space opera. The sparkling dialogue was still there, with Zoe keeping delightfully to character in one scene where she asks Jamie "What are candles?", but in many other respects, by sticking to certain science-fiction rules, the



THE KROTONS



story became very slow moving. The attempt to rationalise deep space travel such that a spacecraft's journey between two planets took a couple of episodes failed by later comparison with Malcolm Hulke's quicker paced 'Frontier in Space'. The majority of characters were either stereotyped military figures or hardened pirates, leaving little room to build in any character sympathy from the viewer. Only the space veteran Milo Clancy held scope for any expansion of role beyond the strick requirements of the serial.

In an interview Robert Holmes has been quoted as saying that he considers four-part serials the best medium in which to tell a DR WHO story. Perhaps some of that objectiveness was derived from experience with 'The Space Pirates'.

Then dame 'Spearhead from Space'. For this story Robert Holmes' task was two-fold. Firstly to design an invasion of Earth that was different from other DR WHO Earth invasions, and secondly to assist in the construction of Jon Fertwee's interpretation of the Doctor. In both he succeeded, and quite rightly 'Spearhead from Space' earned the plaudits the press gave in their reviews. The Daily Sketch even ventured to say that the serial was the best in the series so far.

Analysing the story now one can see rea-son behind Robert Holmes' belief that the series is always at its best when its sources are showing. Meteorites descending on the Earth, filled with the Nestene intelligence, a processing plant in alien hands, mentally subjugated humans - twelve years earlier Nigel Kneale had explored just such ideas in his legendary 'Quatermass' stories. So does the tag of plagarism stick? Certainly if Robert Holmes was taken to task on that score, a precendent would then exist for tarring with the same brush seventy per cent of all the writers who have ever worked on the series. Borrowing previously used ideas and converting them into the DR WHO genre has been a practice used in the programme since the Daleks merged together two of H.G. Wells' immortal creations, viz. the Morlocks and the Martian Fighting Machines. The appeal of any DR WHO serial has always been judged by how well it carries over to the millions watching on their television screens. By that token, Robert Holmes need have no worries.

The task of the first two episodes of 'Spearhead from Space' was very much to establish the concept of the Doctor being "an alien on Earth". Hence episode one consisted mostly of a series of introductions. We met UNIT sgain and the character of Lis Shaw was debuted. The rest of the scenes revolved around the Ashbridge Hospital where astonishing facts about the Doctor came to light, his two hearts, his unearthly blood group, etc. There were no hysterical screams of "Martian invaders:" - instead Mr. Holmes brought over, very convincingly, the kind of reception likely to be afforded to someone from beyond this planet.

In order not to alarm seasoned DR WHO viewers used to Patrick Troughton's Doctor the tone of the first episode was kept very much in a Troughton mode with the Doctor acting very vaguely and irrationally, a move which caused Dr. Henderson to remark, "I wonder if the brain's damaged?"

However, as the story progressed the dialogue blended more and more into what would become the Pertwee mould. The flippancy of the Doctor was increased and became tinged with a touch of arrogance. When Liz asked him what he was a Doctor of his reply was, "Practically everything, my dear". Attempting to regain dignity the Brigadier said, "How do I know you're not

an imposter?" which gained the immediate riposte, "Ah, but you don't. Only I know Only I know

By such scripting Robert Holmes established the new Doctor as being able to stand out in a crowd, and equipped to deal vehemently with the attitudes of pompous bureaucrats and self-opinionated officials; answering only the questions he wanted to answer and dealing sharply with any he did

'Spearhead from Space' will also be re-membered for the impact of the Nestenes and the Autons and, shortly afterwards. Robert Holmes found himself being badgered into bringing them back in a sequel. As is always the case in DR WHD, if a monster does well in its first story the question uppermost in people's minds is, "When are we going to see it again?" Hence for the 1971 season Robert Holmes was commissioned to submit a second Auton story, and this he did in the form of 'Terror of the Autons', but not without reservation. In the first place robot foes for the Doctor are mostly very dull conversationalists and so 'Terror of the Autons' brought about an unwelcome restriction on Hobert Holmes' main forte:

the ability to write good dialogue. Secondly, and this is by far Mr. Holmes greatest argument against the rehashing of Holmes* old enemies, the writer felt the re-use of the Autons, and other enemies, made the Universe seem a terribly small place - every where you go you find Nestenes and Sontarans to do battle with. Hardly the right medium to suggest the infinite distances of the

As an Auton story, the sequel did not have the same punch as its progenitor; what it did have, however, was a new and excit-ing villain for the Doctor: the Master. Looked at now 'Terror of the Autons' can be seen to be the beginning of Robert Holmes' long infatuation with the Time Lords. It was in this serial that the Doctor described his computriots as being a race of "know everythings, do nothings". Even the Time Lord who materialised briefly on Earth to warn the Doctor of the Master's arrival refused to help him defuse the bomb planted by his adversary. Yet, paradoxically, by being asked to write about such renegades as the Doctor and the Master, Robert Holmes' concluded that there must be some very valid reasons why these people were turning again-

st the edicts and lews of Gallifrey.
The DR WHO viewing public had to wait
just over two years for the next Robert
Holmes story, 'Carnival of Monsters'. Holmes story, 'Carnival of Monsters'. This serial allowed its writer to indulge in one of his favourite hobbles: that of researching the language and colloquialisms of a bygone age and using them in DR WHO to create light-hearted moments. Witness here a scene from episode one:-

MAJOR DALY: You say the cook's a Madrassi, Andrews? ANURENS: I believe so. Sir. MAJOR DALY: Hem. I find the Madrassis a bit idle meself. Won't have any of them on the plantation. Still your feller knows how to curry a chicken. Sun-downer old chap?





Episode four:-

7086: Parlare the carny? DOCTOR: I beg your pardon? VORG: Varda the bonapolone? Niente dinari here v*3ila?

(slowly) I'm serry. DOCTOR:

I do not understand your language.

In the former case the jargon was very much a part of the upper crust terms of speech used by wealthy property owners in the British Empire colonies. The latter illustrates the secret Romany language of the circus and carnival owners. The in-clusion of such material in a DR WHO story is evidence that the writer does care about what he is penning. Robert Hole are packed with such material... Robert Holmes' stories

Another facet to the writings of Robert Holmes was shown up in this serial - his flair for borrowing famous quotations, altering them and re-using them cleverly in lines spoken in context during a story. "Give a Functionary a Hygene chamber and he'll store fossil fuel in it" is wellknown to DWAS members, but what about "No vapourisation without representation" borrowed from the American war of Indepen-dence, or "If you can't stand the cold, stay out of the freezer", freely translated from Harry Trueman's political slogan.

Consider the following: -

SARAH: What's that? DOCTOR: My alarm clock. SARAH: Boctor, kindly don't be so patronising. Now what is it really. DOCTOR: It's a rhondism sensor. it detects delta particles. At a preset spectrum density of 15 angs, it oscillates this little cylinder there, which promotes a vacuum in there, which wakes me

up, Clear? An extract from the last story Robert Holmes wrote for Jon Pertwee's incarnation, 'The Time Warrior', demonstrating the allimportant talent any would-be DR WHO author must have, namely the ability to spout pseudo-science. After all, what-ever else he may be, the Doctor is first and foremost a scientist, and so to main-tain credibility with his audience the Doctor must, every so often, be seen to be a scientist by coming out with a farrage of scientific-sounding gobbledegook.
Would-be writers please take note.
While 'The Time Warrior' was being

screened on television, Robert Holmes was busy taking up the reins of a new position in DR WHO: that of script-editor. Togeth Together with new Producer Philip Kincheliffe he set out to create a new atmosphere in DR WHO which would start with the conceptualisation of a new Doctor. George Bernard Shaw, Sher-lock Holmes and Professor Quatermass - all personal favourites in the eyes of Robert Holmes - became the base print for the new Doctor and were noted as such in the 'brief' sent out to writers as a guide or how to sent out to writers as a guide on how to handle the Doctor's changed character. The first Tom Baker story was 'Robot': a UNIT story with the sccent heavily laid on action, story with the accent heavily laid on action a fast moving plot and plenty of battle scenes. The story was fine, but really the Doctor involved could have been any of the three from the past. It took until the second story for Tom Baker to put his personal stamp on the fourth Doctor and this he did in perhaps the most remembered Robert Holmes story of all: 'The Ark in Space'. In almost every interview Robert Holmes is asked to explain the phenomenal audience ratings (14,500,000) this serial achieved, and every time he declines to give a satis-

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factory reply. Perhaps the answer lies in one word: 'atmosphere'. In a lot of res-pects 'The Ark in Space' was pure Hitchcock. The menace began almost imperceptibly - just a green stain on the transom indicating something was wrong. Then a moment of high ten-sion would occur, such as the sudden discovery of the dead Wirrn queen, followed by a lull for the viewers to get their breaths back. Then another moment of tension, then another, each building on the one before, until, by the middle of episode four with Sarah trapped in the ventilator pipe, the audience is practically on the edge of its seat. As a production it was flawless and as a vehicle for Tom Baker to perfect his role as the Doctor it was excellent. In the course of the four episodes the Doctor went through a whole gamut of mannerisms: as a buffoon, a philosopher, a scientist, a bully and a hero. Still submerged, but rising fast, was Hobert Holmes' and Tom Haker's intentions to bring out the alien qualities in the Doctor; to remind the viewers lulled by the dashing character of Jon Pertwee that the Doctor was indeed not a person from our world.

Under Robert Holmes' precise script direction DR WHO achieved one of its peaks in terms of rating success, but viewers at home had to wait over one-and-a-half years for the next script to bear the signature of Robert Molmes. And when it did finally appear it caused such a storm of controv-ersy that the ripples of its effects can

still be seen today.

"The Deadly Assassin" 's four episodes dealt mortal body blows to the concept of Time Lords as god-like deities. They were Time Lords as god-like delties. They were given frailties and infirmities ranging from deafness to rheumaticy hips. They were given emotions like pride, envy, doubt and self-pity, and they were given a society based very much on the heirarchical lines of the Vatican, with Cardinals presiding over Castellans and so forth.

Debate has raged continually over Robert Holmes' foraging into Time Lord law, but whatever the morality of it, the end product which emerged made for more interesting television, and enhanced greatly the notential of the Time Lords as subjects for

serial development.

We learned a lot more about the Doctor.

. He is apparently a non-qualified Time Lord from the Prydonian Chapter expelled from his Academy for some never-explained misdemeanour. His tutor was Cardinal Borusa who, like the rest of his people, is limited to thirteen in the number of incarnations a to thirteen in the number of incarnations a Time Lord can naturally have. The TARDIS was defined as a Type 40 TT (Time Travel) Capsule, the existence of which is owed to the discovery of the Great Secret of Time Travel by the first Time Lord, Rassion; whose mind, along with those of other deceased Gallifreans, is stored within the all-knowing Matrix. But surely the saddest observation one could make from this story was the decline of the Time Lords from mathematically minded super-intellects to geriematically minded super-intellects to geriatric hypocrites with about as much sense

atric hypocrites with about as much sense of adventure as dormice.

In many ways "The Deadly Assassin" was a radical story for its change to the DR WHO format, but it also pointed the way for future stories, such as "The Brain of Morbius" which loaned further conjectures on the changes that were wrought on Gallifrey with the power of Time Travel, particularly the cataclysmic war the Time Lords were embroiled in under the machinations of Morbius.

Three stories later came "The Talons of Weng-Chiang", another Hobert Holmes story which might easily have been an anti-climax after "The Deadly Assassin". It wasn't. Although liberally spiced with ingredients borrowed from Sherlock Holmes, Phantom of the Opera, Fu Manchu and "The New Avengers", the serial nevertheless managed to break

several new boundaries in DR WHO. Drugtaking and drug abuse were highlighted in scenes inside the Limehouse opium dens, scenes inside the Limehouse opium dens, gore was present, manifested in giant rats with a line in macheteing human limbs, and even sex was quietly hinted at as Li K'Sen Chang sought out nubile ladies-of-the-night to appease his master's hunger... for blood. And as for the shots of Leela racing along in wet Victorian underwear - some have never heart the same since been the same since.

Political satire was Robert Holmes next target for achievement within DR WHO. while critics remain devided on the recep-tion given to "The Sun Makers" it does, however, remain a unique DR WHO serial. was not aimed at children and it did not simplify the dialogue to make it more understandable to a younger audience. In many respects it fulfilled one of the major functions of science-fiction: to project a possible future world, albeit heavily laced with left-wing propoganda, ridiculing, as it did, all that we associate with today's Civil Service. The money-grubbing little megalomaniac and the sycophantic crawler anxious to win promotion are uncomfortable burlesques of the current rat-race in Brit-

ish society. And so to the sixteenth season, where this appraisal of the work of Robert Holmes comes up to date. "The Power of Kroll" was more up to date. "The Puwer of Kroll" was more notable by the absence of innovation within its storyline. The humour was still there: "Kroll is all-seeing, Kroll is all-knowing, Kroll is..." "All Baloney", as were the analogies - Romana's ritual execution in episode one showing too obvious roots in episode one showing too obvious roots in King Kong. Even a moral was preached as the wicked colonialists were punished for their harsh treatment of the indigenous population. Yet all along it was very much a case of 'selling a birthright for a mess of pottage': the plot was thin and the only

or pottage'; the plot was thin and the only
real inventive touch was in the devising of
a monster one quarter of a mile long.
"The Ribos Operation", however, will be
more fondly remembered - not so much for
swash-buckling action, but for well-penned
dialogue; Robert Holmes' true forte in DR
WHD. "The Ribos Operation" held down some
of the tightest characterisation seen for years, right from the arrogant Graff to the humble beggar, Binro. Since this account is a personal journey, I would like to end this appraisal of Robert Holmes' DR WHO serials with two quotations from "Ribos" that were for me not only very moving in connection with the story, but also evocative of the DR WHO mystique which emerges whenever people sit down and seriously discuss the programme.

BINRO: Have you ever looked up at the sky at night and seen those little lights?

UNSTOFFE: Un-buh.

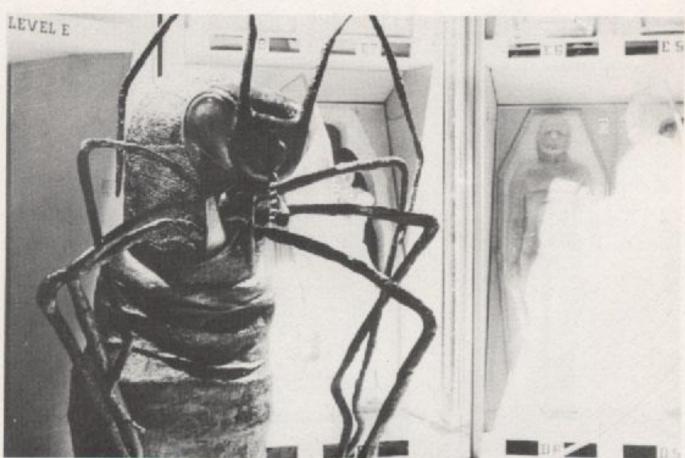
BINRO: I believe they are suns, just like our own sun. And perhaps each sun is a world... You see, my friend, I have taken measurements of those little lights and of our sun and I can prove that Ribos moves. It circles the aun, travelling for away and then returning. That's the reason we have our two seasons - Ice Time and Sun Time. UNSTOFFE: Nobedy believed you?

UNSTOFFE: You'd risk your life for me7 Why7 BINRO: You wouldn't understand ... For years I was jeered at and derided. I began to doubt even syself. Then you came along and you told me I was right. Just to know that for certain, Unstoffs, is worth a life, sh?

How many of you. I wonder, have been jeered at for your faith in DR WHO? Has the discovery of others with the same convictions proved you right as well?

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The Wirrn of Andromeda. From the classic suspense serial THE ARK IN SPACE

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JON PERTWEE

Man of Science.

INVASION OF THE DINOSAURS



when the loctor was younger, he was a far older man. To anyone immorant of the journeys and travels of the mysterious hero known as The Doctor, the above statement is a naradox. Yet, it is true and is only one of many such paradoxes which have confound-

ed and delighted those who have staved with the clusive hero since the very beginning on a cold November evening in 1963. In actual fact, the term 'hero' itself is a conumdrum when applied to the Doctor, for in the early days of his first incornation he was very much an anti-hero, and even, in places, very divorced from the benign, central character we have come to

know today.

Sydney Newman had atepped into the position of Head of Drama straight from his post in ABC Television (one of the ITV companies) and, in simple terms, the appointment was not that popularly received within ABC circles. Neither was the team of production staff who made the jump with Sydney Newman - and that included Verity Lambert. The problems Verity Lambert had to con-

tend with as she strived to get DR WHO onto the air would rival those of Gene Roddenbery whose brain-child, "Star Trek", received a similarly bumpy ride on its road to immort-ality. Suffice to say, as it would be impropriatous to go into detail. DR WHC won the day, but only just. Even those miraculous oreations, the Daleks, were built by an outside firm, not by the internal construction departments at the RBC - hence the reason for their delivery to the car park at Television Centre.

However, we are still jumping time tracks. There is one further similarity which gives OH WHO an uncanny parallel with "Star Trek". DR WHO had a pilot episode.

To date this pilot episode has never To date this pilot episode has never been screened on television, as it was commissioned by the BBC Heads as an experiment to see how they should proceed with the series. After all, £2,000 her episode is a lot of money when one is committed to close on forty episodes. The pilot episode was "An Unearthly Child" and it was filmed on Friday, September 27th, 1963. The nets were virtually identical to the ones seen later in the televised was seen the series. later in the televised version of the enisade and the mist too was identical, leading up the materialisation of the TAHDIS in the prehistoric landscape.

all this serves to emphasise the very real difference that separates the Sixties from the Seventies and beyond. Dit WHO has become a character in popular mythology. but the series itself has many myths which have grown up and fostered others in their turn.

Perhaps now, as a third decade in the Doctor's long voyage orens, it is time to shed a light on some of those myths. A few cherished ideas may perish with this prob-ing, but the end result will, hopefully. enable a clearer understanding of the series, and serve to prove that, no matter how we may wish it, we can never turn back the

DOCTOR WHO began life as an idea from the minds of Sydney Newman and Donald Wilson of the BBC, and it was handed to the talented young producer Verity Lambert to realise as a television programme to go out in autumn 1963. The programme, right from the very start, was to be a fully fledged series comprising of eight stories to comprehensively cover the concept of journey-ing in the fourth and fifth dimensions. A popular misconception here is that DR WHO was only scheduled to run for thirteen weeks. By the time episodes three and four of "The Dead Planet" were making history the planning of "Marco Polo" and "The Keys of Marinus" was well advanced.

However that is skipping ahead a few jumps. Going back to the very beginning. DR WHO had far more chance of being cancelled then, than it did once transmission

What was different was the Doctor's character. The pilot episode gave the hero's role to Ian Chesterton, with the Doctor very much a man to be feared. He was abrasive, caustic, insulting and arrojust as the first Doctor would algant: ways be, but more so He was even shown to be unfeeling and merciless towards neonle he did not like, as the kidnapping of fan and Barbara demonstrated so effectively.

The pilot was well received by the de-The pilot was well received by the de-partment heads concerned with it, but pol-icy decisions were made to lessen the ogrish qualities of the Doctor. These, plus a few other script amendments, were implemented as the polished version of "An Unearthly Child" was filmed in late October. And here another myth vanishes. Despite the assertions of various amnes-

Despite the assertions of various ammes-ian members of the original cast, DR WHO was never filmed live; it was not screened as it was being filmed in the studio. The production crew always worked about a month ahead of the televised episods being screeneriff.

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So it was then that on Saturday, November 23rd episode one went on screen and four million viewers were mystified by the strange happenings in 76 Totters Lane which culminated in the forced abduction of Ian and Barbara by the Doctor. The two school teachers survived their first TARDIS take off, but the viewing public at home almost did not. For there is one further story to did not. For there is one further story to be told in the launch of DR WHO.

For, even as the TARDIS shifted its mole-cules into the Time/Space vartex, anxious

observers in military installations up and down the British Isles and overseas were watching the events taking place in America. November 23rd, 1963 is also the date on which President John Kennedy was shot, and for a while the rumour persisted that the Russians were behind the assassination. Hearing in mind the tensions of the recent Cuba crisis, many military experts were not ruling out the possibility of a pre-emptive nuclear strike against the USSR by the Americans. The Doctor's first amazing journey might have been his last.

Luckily for the world as a whole it was not, and preceded by a repeat of the first episode the following week (as an introduction to an audience which might have

duction to an audience which might have missed the later-than-advertised broadcast the Saturday before), "The Cave of Skulls" launched DR WHO on its steady course as a

serial.

The myth goes that people only began noticing the series with the debut of the Daleks. In truth, critics were writing favourable reviews as early as that second episode. Marjorie Norris of "Television"

episode. Marjorie Norris of Television Today" described it thus:-"Although DR WHO is said to have been written for the 10-14 year olds, I feel sure that if it keeps up the standards of the first two episodes it will capture a far wider audience. It has certainly captured me... All televised science fiction leans heavily on the resourcefulness of the technicians and the imaginativeness of the designer/producer team.

"DR WHO is superlatively served in these respects. Ron Grainer has excelled himself with the music he has composed for the BBC Radiophonic Workshop. The Visual Effects Department have succeeded in transporting

me through Time and Space more satisfactorily than I can recall - and that includes the cinema with all the trick effects at its disposal."

The critics were unusually well disposed towards William Hartnell's portrayal of the Doctor, formulating even then the popular image of him as a crotchety, absent-minded

professor

But the moral magician more readily identified with Patrick Troughton was still years away. The first Doctor was a cunning, devicus alien and Ian wisely chose to keep a close eye on him - even to the point of stopping his attempt to murder a wounded caveman when Barbara's compassion for the injured party stalled the travellers' return to the safety of the TARDIS.

Delete or no Palete a lot of the family.

Daleks or no Daleks, a lot of the fascination fans have with the Sixties lies in the solid shape of the TARDIS and what is symbolised to the intrepid travellers. Nowadays we relate to the Doctor and feel excitement through what happens to him. of the inherent flavour of the pre-Pertwee stories lay towards identifying with the companions and their reactions to all their new surroundings. Ian and Barbara were manifestations of ourselves. The Doctor may have known what existed outside the TARDIS doors, but for the two teachers from London it would be something new: 'possibly a landscape totally unlike anything seen before. And we felt it as well.

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Arguably the most common myth is the one surrounding the speech beginning, "Can you imagine silver leaves waving above a pond of liquid gold..." Various phrases in both "The Sensorites" and "The Rescue" sum up the same atmosphere, but in truth the lines were never said on screen. "he clos-The clos-

A wish fulfilled; the Doctor meets the Hublai Khan in distant Cathap





THE WEB PLANET

Other worlds in other skies; the Doctor and Ian confront the Earbi and their venom grube on Vortis in the Isop Galamu

est any monologue came is the Doctor's words to Ian before he opened the TARDIS doors to show him the view of Neunderthal Earth. Summing up the flavour of DR WHO as precisely as ever, he said, "If you could touch the alien sand and hear the cries of strange birds - watch them wheel above you in another sky - would that

satisfy you?"
"Prisoners in Space". phrase from the pen of David Whitaker -DR WHO's first Script Editor - and a use-ful one to aid the appreciation of what the early DR WHO fans felt as they empath-ised with the companions on screen. Present day Earth was not the comfortable stamping ground for DR WHO serials as it is today. Then it was a promised land, a home Ian and Barbara might never see again. We felt their frustrations as each new landing place turned out to be Thirteenth Century Tibet, a beach on Marinus or revolution-torn Prance, 1789. Escape from confinement is a popular theme in fiction, be it Dumas' "Man in the Iron Mask" or Patrick McGoohan's "The Prisoner", it all makes for holding an audience's attention. And this, Daleks apart, was the key note in the acceptance of DR WHD by over eight million viewers in Great Britain alone by 1965.

The TARDIS was unusual. So were the Daleks and the bevyy of monsters that were all too soon to dominate the series over and above the presentation of history as was intended at the outset. But what of the other principal factor, the Doctor

As noted above, the early Doctor was far removed from the gentler person he would become after his regeneration in "The Tenth Planet". However, he did mellow as the

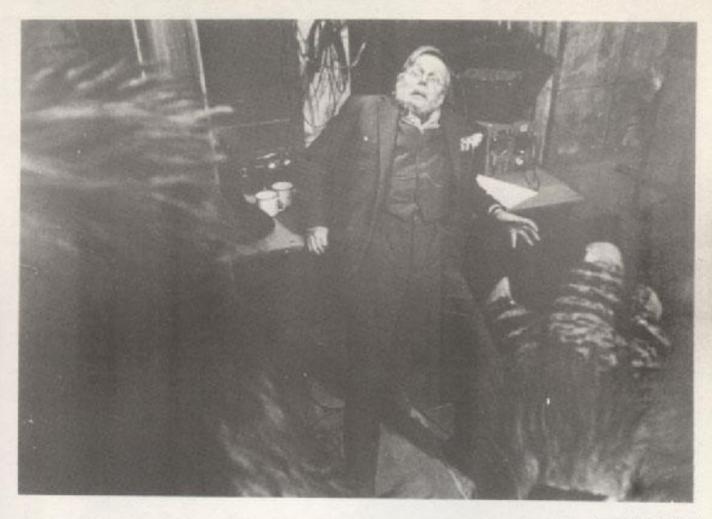
seasons progressed and although he was still intolerant of ignorance and stupidity, he became more relaxed and friendly with his companions. As they relaxed with him, so the audience did as well, albeit with a healthy respect for the darker sides of his nature. Already the Doctor's character was becoming complex enough to allow him admis-

sion into the realms of popular fiction.
Oddly, for so crusty a character, nowhere was this popularity more avid than
with the youngsters, both above and below the 10-14 age group. Heather Hartnell, William Hartnell's wife, tells of an occasion which encapsulates the very real loyalty children had for the first Doctor:-

An RAF Air Fair always attracts a big audience and one year the organisers took a gamble and advertised one of the events as being "an appearance by DR WHO". The set piece was elaborately staged. An RAF transporter plane flew over the venue and released, on a parachute, a polystyrene police box which drifted slowly to a touchdown on the rurway. At the other end of the rurway a jeep with William Harthell as passenger was waiting. As the police box landed the jeep leaped forward down the rurway, past the box to the waiting crowds. For the children in that audience it was a dream come true, the booter apparaing out dream come true: the Doctor appearing out of the sky and walking into their midst as real as life itself. A carefully plotted stunt or magic? It depended on your age and

your degree of imagination.

Sadly, ratings for DR WHO began to drop alarmingly during 1966, reaching an all-time low with "The Gun Fighters". Not sur Not surprisingly, the decision to drop the pure history stories came shortly afterwards. William Hartnell too was not a healthy man



THE WEB OF FEAR

Terror in DR WHO; a Yeti bears down on Professor Travers

and the strain of working almost six days a week, forty weeks of the year, was telling by the time a judgement had to be made on the future of the series. Cancellation was considered but luckily rejected by the BBC. More 'guts' was needed for the series and a younger lead was advised. It took a lot of persuading for William Hartnell to accept his fate, but in the end the stage was set for the most dramatic display yet seen of the powers possessed by the Doctor. We had seen his powers of hypnosis, we had accepted his incredible age of 745 (in 1963) and we had witnessed his ability to imitate voices. On Saturday, 29th October, 1966 an increductous audience saw the Doctor collapse on to the floor of a strangely agitated TARDIS, and before the eyes of his friends Ben and Polly his whole body restructured, and he became a younger man. Doctor Who was Patrick Troughton.

Patrick Troughton.

For the ardent fans of the series this was the hardest shock to bear. For DR WHO without Hartnell was like "The Avengers" without Patrick MacNee, "Sherlock Holmes" without Basil Hathbone or "The Man From UNCLE" without David McCallum.

Patrick Troughton's incarnation rose out of come to face a very hostile reception - and not just from Ben and Polly who, for a time, preferred to believe the stranger was an intruder pretending to be the Doctor. And it is to the credit of Troughton and the production C-in-Cs of Innes Lloyd and Gerry Davis that the DR WHO followers so quickly came round to accepting the younger body.

In a sense the new Doctor brought back a lot of the originality the series had enjoyed in 1963/4. A new Doctor meant new mannerisms, new ways of approaching problems and a novel methodology for dealing with people.

Watching Troughton's Doctor in action was a joy to behold. A feature of the Troughton stories was the smartly run installations peopled by disciplined, officious staff. Into these scenes would wander the Doctor, looking very much like an eager child let loose in a sweet shop. He would irritate, annoy, confound and get in the way as far as was inhumanly possible in very much the same fashion that Peter Falk would win wild acclaim in later years as "Columbo". But underneath the clown-like mask was a mind of enormous perception and understanding, though pleasantly flavoured with fallibility. A classic moment in "Evil of the Daleks" is the Doctor's sudden realisation that things might be getting out of hand and now would be a good time to make a mad dash for imagined safety. And running was something the Troughton heroes and heroines did a lot of. Troughton's genius lay in manoeuvring from the sidelines, not in direct confrontation with the enemy.

Another predominant characteristic of the Sixties was the theme that, by the time the Doctor entered a situation, the influence of the enemy was already quite apparent. This is very much an opposite to today where events begin happening only after the Doctor has materialised, and indeed, frequently the situations only occur because of the Doctors arrival. So when Troughton found himself amid Gravitron personnel resisting a Cyberman invasion, or a power-mad Intelligence roaming the tunnels of the London Undergroum or hostile Ice Warriors disrupting T-Mat, his first actions would normally be to establish his credentials with those being threatened - not easy to do in baggy trou-

lop-aided how the and a Jacket fresh from an Oxfam shop. After that would come the assessing of the people and factors involved in the crimis, and ultimately the solution provided by telling others how best to help themselves. A good example here is "The Wheel in Space". The Doctor himself did not operate the heavy lasers that des-troyed the Cyber-carrier, but merely pro-vided the supply line of Bernalium which powered the guns.

The formula for the Troughton years prowed a great success and the period was addi-tionally bolstered with liberal re-visits of the most famous monsters ever seen HC. The fifth season, as an example. some of in DR WHC. began and ended with the Cybermen, featured two Yeti serials, both closely allied to one another, and even had time for an encounter with the Ice Warriors. If the Seventies is the time of the villain and the alien, the

Sixties were the years of the monsters.

The only pitfall that beset DR WHO under Patrick Troughton was the lack of progress in the development of the Doctor as a fictional character. He had inherited the mantle of an exiled traveller from Hartnell but we learned nothing more significant about his background and his powers until the final story for the the Sixtles, "The

Budgets were getting tighter as inflation pushed episode costs up and up, forcing more longer serials using the same sets, and the BBC audience research proved that longer stories meant less ratings. The last Troughton season was a good graphic example of this. Once again the wind of cancellation blew through the Production office and again a bold step was taken to rescue the programme.

"The War Games" introduced us to the Time Lords, to the Doctor's telekinetic talents. to Gallifrey (unnamed in those days) and to an end of the mystery surrounding his purpose in travelling through Time and Space. It was a sad day when not only the Doctor a la Troughton, but also Jamie and Zoe, vanished from our screens never to return. It heralded the final sealing of the Sixties as a self-contained unit of DR WHO lore and it cleared the way for what could easily have been a totally new series under Jon Pertwee.

But above all else the Seventies owes its roots to the Sixties, and all that happens today in the programme has some bearing on the writer's guide formulated for the series a long time ago. And as a final word, con-sider how much less 'real' the Doctor would have been if Mesors Troughton, Pertwee and Baker had not had the Hartnell mould to work from. No towering edifice survives without very solid foundations and only a fool rebuilds by first demolishing those very same

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DATA COIL BIOGRAPHICAL EXTRACT LEVEL: 2 VERSION SUBSYSTEM: DATA TYPE: READ-OUT MACHINE SYSTEMPREFIX: (PRYDONIAN)

VERSION: 265 CODE: 785 MACHINE: 1 CYCLE: 2461

MNEMONIC TITLE : THE DOCTOR

POURTH INCARNATION

COMMENT-

APPEARANCE :

-FILE SELECT : SPECIFIC

In by far his most unpredictable incarnation yet, the Doctor has achieved a transcendence through two styles of dressing. The undisciplined nature of his original younger self produced a scruffy figure clad in a red, cordurcy backing jacket and grey, bagged trousers which covered an old shirt, a garish yellow-check sweater and an ancient pair of shoes. However as his ties with the Time Lords grew steadily stronger, he moved towards a nore respectable, though still flambuoyant, garb. Tall, leather knee boots surmounted by grey tweed trousers. A white belere shirt worm under a long, wine coloured velvet coat. Both versions have tended to favour a very lengthy multi-coloured scarf and a broad felt hat. No ring.

PERSONALITY CHARACTERISTICS :

The move into the younger self of his current body has produced a make-up that is far more identifiable to his Prydonian peers, yet strangely imbued with qualities that are difficult to analyse. His time, both physical and emotional, with Earth have steadily decreased as his responsibilities to Gallifrey became prominent. He is less compassionate to individuals than in any of his earlier bodies, and he radiates a sense of detatehment to the situations going on around him. Inclined to be short tempered and fond of ambiguity in both thought and action. Noticable re-appearance of absent-mindedness plus cocasional cases of bad judgement in emergencies.

AGE AT REGENERATION : 761.

REASON FOR REGENERATION : (data restricted to Level 3 User Code access)

TRAITS OF INCARNATION :

Greater willingness to associate with his own people and despite early reticence, more ready to act directly and indirectly on High Council assignments. Managed to complete repairs to his 7.7. Capsule and used it on planned voyages until threat by Black Guardian of Time forced inception of a Randomiser to the Navigational Circuits. Reappearance of liking for 'jelly babies' but lapsing of self-defence talents. Colder mentality has seen in him the first acceptance of hand-operated guns and explosives to achieve ends.

HISTORICAL DATA : (TRUNCATED)

With Capsule repairs virtually complete, The Doctor unofficially terminated his responsibilities to UNIT and resumed travelling freely in Space/Time. Forgave his quarrel with Gallifrey and for a while was elected as Fresident of the High Council but resigned after successful repulsion of Sontaran invasion. Elected to become free agent acting as a representative for the forces of Good ...

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