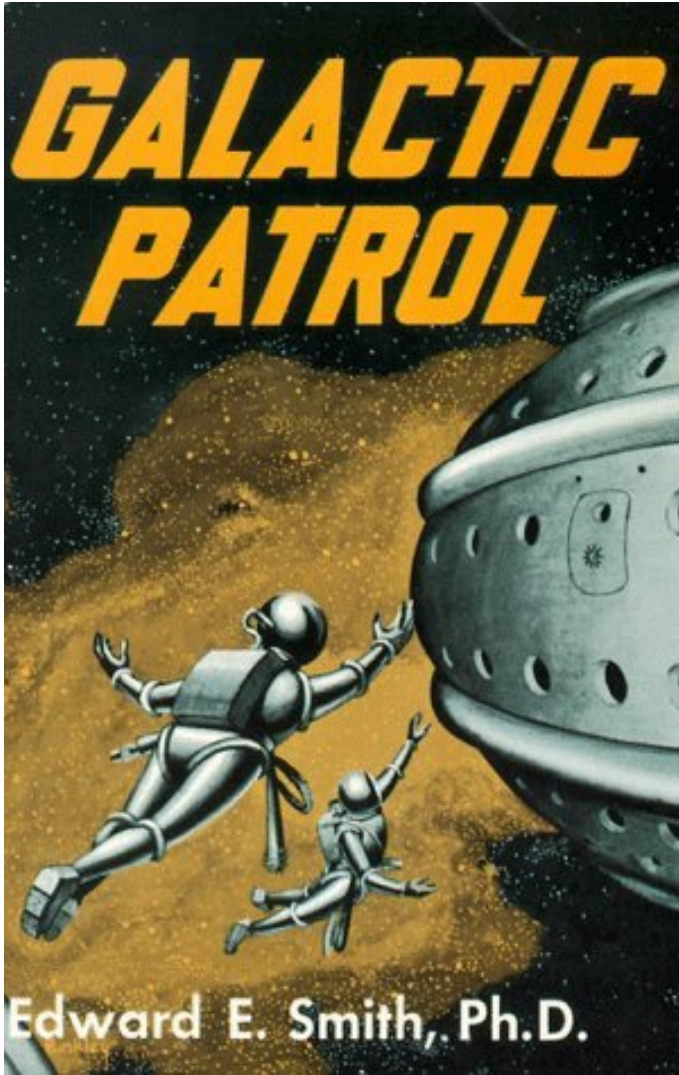

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Description

The Galactic Patrol's Lensmen are the most feared peacekeepers in the Galaxy. The "Lens," a telepathic jewel matched to the ego of its wearer, is the ultimate weapon in the war against the merciless pirate Boskone and his forces of lawlessness. The only problem is the Galactic Patrol isn't sure how to capitalize on the Lens' incredible powers, but new graduate Kimball Kinnison is determined to learn. Taking command of the experimental fighting ship, the *Brittania*, Kinnison and his crew set off on a journey of harrowing adventures, coming face to face with deadly space creatures, and the evil pirate Helmuth...who may be the dreaded Boskone himself.

Insightful reviews

Shannon Appelcline: Though I can see why this book is a classic, I also found it a very hard read, and was rarely able to read more than 20 or 30 pages at a go as a result.

The book's biggest problem is that it's very, very compressed. Huge plot details blow by in a whole chapter. As is usually the case, this was paired with very flat characterizations. You get a slight impression of who the protagonist of the book is, but that's about it.

This combines with a few other issues. First up, there are some uncomfortable gender politics. There's only one woman in the book, and though she's presented as intelligent and capable, she's used as an object, to be won, taken, or given away. Second, the plot itself seems to wildly spin out of control with no good sense of momentum. Instead it meanders here and there and varies between dull setups and exciting action. The rapid increases in the protagonist's power also seem unearned as often as not. Finally, the plot involving the book's woman doesn't go anywhere, and then the whole book pretty suddenly stops too.

In other words, it's a clear example of science fiction in the '30s, with the writing and plotting both pretty primitive.

On the upside, there's a marvelous galactic scope here that one suspects was even more amazingly imaginative at the time. The plotline is also quite exciting at its high points. Finally, the general ideas behind the series are also a lot of fun and make me want to see more about how this universe expands.

So, there's good stuff here ... if you can stay interested and ignore the book's blemishes.

Jim: This is book 3 and the first book of the original Lensman series. From here on out they will only get better.

I have to confess I have read this series 5 times over the last 20 years. Its a classic I keep on my shelf.

Linn: The Lensman books are like candy and [Galactic Patrol](#) is no exception. They are delightfully outdated and wonderfully futuristic but not to be taken terribly seriously. Do not read

these books if you expect deep character development and certainly give them a miss if you want heart-throbbing romantics. Doc Smith gives us male-dominated action with women mostly present as spunky window dressing, but his books are satisfying anyway. Evil is vanquished, good conquers all and the strapping North American man gets the gal.

I love these for what they are: an icon of their time and genre. My only qualm with them is how bloodthirsty his society is: if it's evil, every man, woman and child of the society MUST be snuffed out in a wash of fire and violence. It was the only thing that made me sad in all three of the first books. Otherwise, I love these things like I love sugar-covered donuts.

Steven Grimm: The granddaddy of all house operas, and, to my thinking, an improved position to dive into the sequence than ebook #1. (Books number 1 and #2 have been released later, and smash many of the surprises within the closing four; i believe the sequence is far better learn in book order than in chronological order.) This isn't really nice literature that plumbs the depths of the human soul, however it convinced is fun. it really is from the Thirties and exhibits its age in loads of areas -- if you are trying to find gender equality, you will not locate it here, and a few of the turns of word within the discussion are virtually comically out of date -- yet is much sooner than its time in others. the largest flaw is that the most personality is just too perfect: approximately unbeatable in combat, a grasp army strategist, a able technician, morally unassailable, and oh yes, with psychic superpowers too. Granted, the tale recognizes how not likely he's and turns that truth right into a plot point, yet even if it is in line with the universe of the novel, it nonetheless makes him tougher to narrate to as a character. that did not hassle me whilst I first learn this as a kid, however it form of caught out this time around. But that is not the point. this can be meant as a romp, now not a narrative to take seriously, and it succeeds at that goal. And its impression on later technology fiction is tough to deny; it is simple to acknowledge lines of "Lensman" in every kind of later work, from Heinlein's novels to "Babylon 5." certainly steered examining for any SF fan who hasn't skilled it yet.

Julie Davis: I easily could not withstand this book, completely in line with John C. Wright's nonreview of it. vintage house opera with pink prose is a specific weak point of mine. i used to be returning a booklet to Audible and so selected this to take advantage of up my refund credit. FINISHED Ho hum. i discovered this captured my curiosity purely the following and there, so much significantly whilst the hero used to be up opposed to the top pirate. Otherwise, every thing got here a lot too simply to the hero ... which was once most likely high-quality in serial form, which used to be how the publication was once initially published, yet was once relatively dull as a listening experience.

Elijah Spector: the place the Lensman tale particularly choices up. like several of Smith, the writing is a section hokey and simplistic at times, but when you do not need whatever too deep you could have alot of fun. there are various issues that he did first in sci-fi.

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