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An excellent memoir and appreciation, November 2, 2009

This review is from: Search for Philip K. Dick, 1928-1982: Revised with New Material, 2009 (Paperback)

One day in 1968 at age twelve I found a novel with an amusing cover in Gianopoulos Book Store in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. I had just begun to read science fiction, and felt as if I was living a sort of science fiction life, son of a Peace Corps administrator, a boy who had grown up in inner-city Philadelphia and was now living in the shadow of the Organization for African Unity building.

This novel, "The Zap Gun," totally knocked me over. I didn't completely understand it, but I knew there was so much there to mine. It was full of humor and political insight and glimpses into intimate human behavior. I started a search for all of Philip K. Dick's novels. Reading Dick's novels, and stories and letters has in fact influenced my life. For the better I believe. Half a year before he died I sent Dick a letter, something I'd thought of doing for a decade, and received a gracious reply. I felt as if I were connected to this big heart and soul, and cried when he died.

Dick's third wife, Anne R. Dick, has revised her earlier work, "Search for Philip K Dick 1928-1982" and I finally have a copy of this work which I had looked for in the 'Nineties. What a rich and revealing read. To a fan of Dick's work, this is a mine of information, and many passages will awaken emotion. This is a love story, This is history. This is the work of an intelligent and frank artist and mother.

I am very grateful to Ms. Dick: I have wanted to read her record of her marriage and subsequent contact with Dick for some time. She has also chronicled her search for information about and an elusive understanding of Dick's life after Point Reyes Station, and has done a great service by sharing her search.

I consider this book a compelling read, a valuable resource, and am very grateful for all the effort and attention Ms. Dick has put into this project over the years. An essential book for any reader interested in Philip K. Dick the man and the writer.

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