James Harris snuck up on me when I was distracted by other things. I gradually became aware of a tall man in a blue suit who often smoked a cigar. He was a writer who sometimes worked as a bookseller... or my Adventures with James Harris, The Daemon Lover. Maggie Umber. BlockedUnblock. Born Shirley Hardie Jackson in San Francisco to Leslie and Geraldine Jackson, Shirley and her family lived in the community of Burlingame, California, an affluent middle-class suburb that would feature in Shirley's first novel "The Road Through the Wall". The Jackson family then relocated to Rochester, New York, where Shirley attended Brighton High School and graduated in 1934. For college, she first attended the University of Rochester (from which she was "asked to leave") before graduating with a BA from Syracuse University in 1940. While a student at Syracuse, Shi...