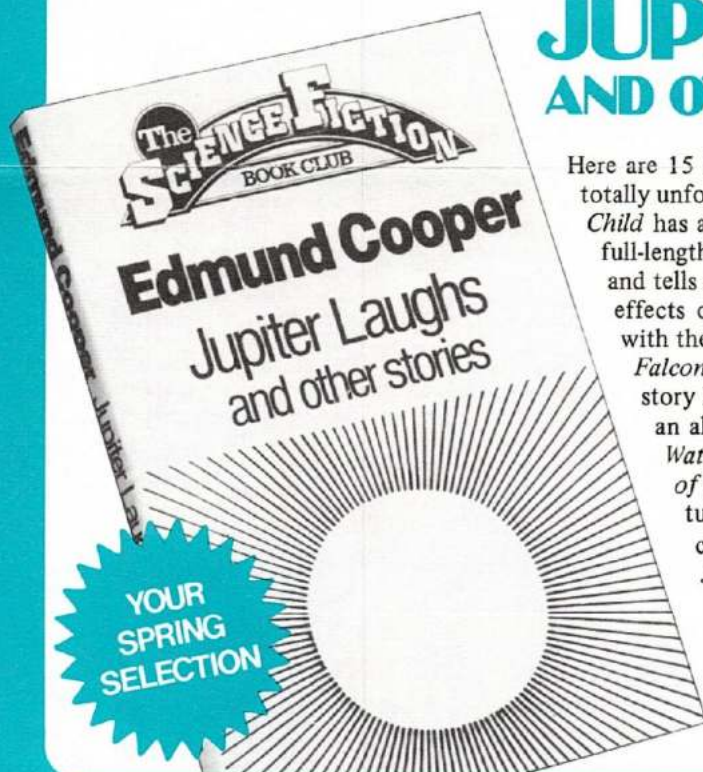


# The SCIENCE FICTION Book Club News



## JUPITER LAUGHS AND OTHER STORIES Edmund Cooper

Here are 15 inimitable, intriguing and totally unforgettable stories. *The Brain Child* has already been made into a full-length feature film by MGM — and tells of the comically disastrous effects of entrusting a computer with the education of a small boy.

*Falcon Chase* is the first short story he ever wrote, concerning an alien visit to earth. *Death Watch* and *The Life and Death of Plunky Goo* have both turned out to be oddly, uncomfortably prophetic. *Judgement Day* concerns something worse than nuclear warfare.

EDMUND COOPER needs no introduction, but for those as yet unfamiliar with his

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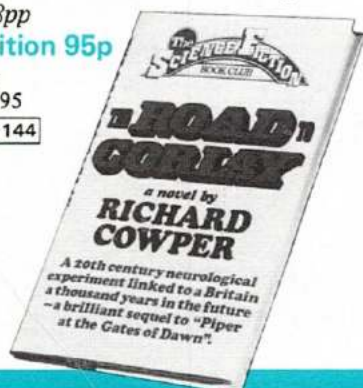
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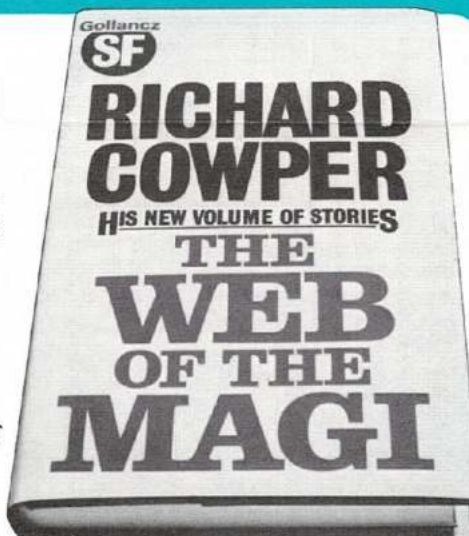
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