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The Brats

A Novel of the Future

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A man dressed in sackcloth... came shuffling along the gutter bearing a large sandwich-board on which was printed: THE END IS AT HAND. At that moment a party of youths crossed the road, and one called out to this latter day prophet:

'When is the end, then? Next Sunday fortnight?'

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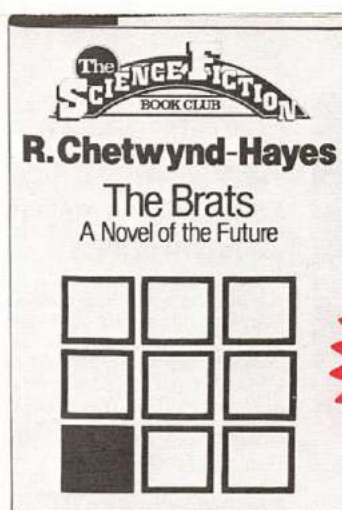
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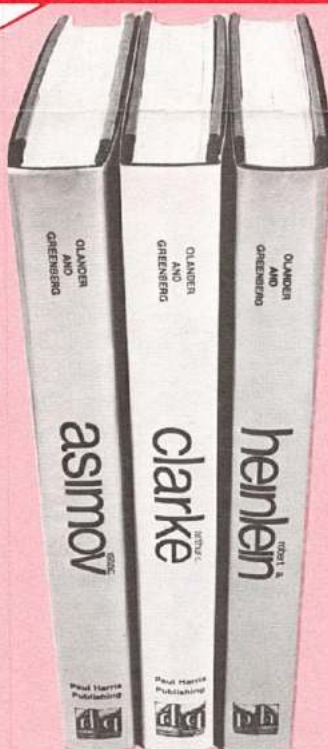
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