

The SCIENCE FICTION

Book Club News

DEATHHUNTER

Ian Watson

Jim Todhunter holds the respected position of guide in the House of Death: the place where those due to die come to compose themselves. His arrival to take up a new post in the town of Egremont coincides with an almost unprecedented atrocity: the murder of revered poet Norman Harper just as he is about to embark ceremoniously upon his own death. Todhunter is assigned the sensitive task of guiding Harper's killer, the terminally-sick Nathan Weinberger, to his death.

He soon learns that Weinberger has a startling theory: that humans aware they are about to die emit a chemical signal which attracts a strange predator – a creature which is Death itself. Only those who die suddenly escape it, and thus Weinberger was trying to save Harper by killing him. Todhunter is persuaded to help Weinberger, and together they build a cage to trap Death – and then follow the creature into the strange world of the afterlife...

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ROGER ZELAZNY

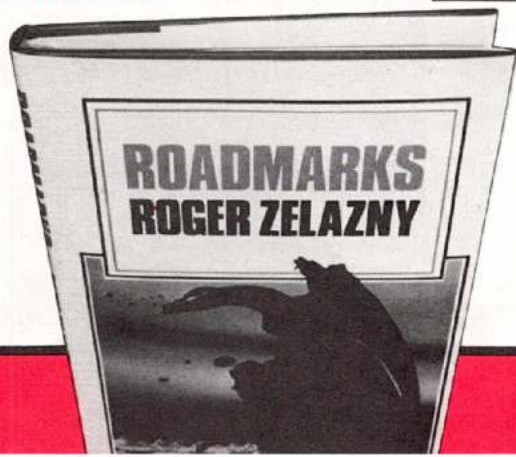
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DOUGLAS R MASON

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From where the Typhonians stood, they reckoned it was gift-wrapped as a new home for their ancient race.

The takeover would bring death or enslavement to the existing population, but then they were only primitives, hardly counted as human by Typhonian standards.

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