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m.driussi — 30 Jan 1999, 16:40

William H. Ansley,

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While you've got the Oz loaded up in your brain.

But first things first.

As for THE ISLAND OF DOCTOR DEATH AND OTHER STORIES AND OTHER STORIES, I still weep that there has never been a hardcover edition of this book. And at this rate and/or point, there will probably never be one.

For a time I toyed with the madcap idea of buying a half-dozen copies of the reprint (trade paperback) and having them re-bound as hardcovers--an expensive proposition, but not when compared to the cost/labor of small press publishing, and/or the time wasted waiting for someone else to do something that will probably never be done, and/or paying the premium price if/when some specialty press actually does it.

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William H. Ansley — 01 Feb 1999, 00:10 · follows m.driussi

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William H. Ansley — 01 Feb 1999, 23:27 · follows William H. Ansley

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I take the above back, partly. Shortly after I sent it, I remembered that Little Ozzie sings "We're Off to See the Wizard" at some point in FLF. Maybe I'll have to re-read FLF sooner than I thought and see if I forgot any more Oz stuff.

William Ansley