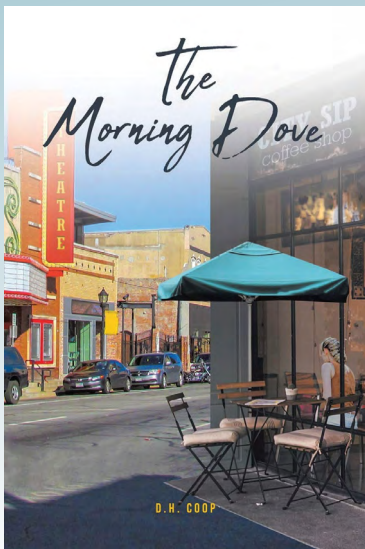




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**The Morning Dove** is a madcap satire set in a small beach town. When an early morning small fire breaks out in a vacant theater, Mabel, the town gossip, starts a chain of events that has local, state, and federal governments in a state of panic. The fire is a catalyst for Mabel's colorful imagination. As the hysteria spreads, some of the politicians use the news reporters to promote their personal agendas. Not one to shy from the spotlight, Mabel seems to be everywhere the cameras are. The fire inspector, C. E. Hall, arrives upon the chaotic scene to investigate and separate fact from fiction. During his investigation, C. E. learns more about the residents' characteristics and often odd behaviors that make for a hilarious story.



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