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We have long planned to one day publish a book based on material in past issues. So we copyright EDN to keep others from using it as a basis for a book, while still allowing development workers to benefit from it. We are now hard at work on this book and will complete it after we publish issue # 50 this fall. You will be hearing more about this.