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From the Inside Flap

"Two guys with guts and a go-to-hell-with-you-Jack regard for consequences have about three chances in ten of pulling off a big, well-planned smash-and-grab. If one of them can shoot like me . . . the odds are a damn sight better."

In the course of his line of business, the man who calls himself Roy Martin has robbed a bank in Phoenix, killed three men, and caught a bullet in his arm. Safety--and one half of \$178,000--awaits him on the other side of the country. All that separates "Martin" from his destination are two thousand treacherous miles and three lethal temptations: to trust the wrong friend, to love the right woman, and to start believing that a man like himself can ever be safe.

The Name of the Game is Death combines a narrative as taut as a hangman's rope with chillingly authentic insights into the psychology of casual murder.

About the Author

Dan J. Marlowe was born in Lowell, Massachusetts, in 1914, the son of a printing press mechanic. He received an accounting certificate from Bentley School of Accounting and Finance in Boston in 1934, and lived alternately as a professional gambler and an office manager until 1956, when he decided to try his hand at writing. By the end of 1958 he had sold his first two books, featuring detective Johnny Killain. In 1962, Marlowe produced his masterpiece, *The Name of the Game is Death*, which so impressed a real bank robber, Al Nussbaum, that the two of them started corresponding and eventually became friends and collaborators. At the height of Marlowe's career, having already won the 1971 Edgar Allan Poe Award for Best Paperback Original, he suffered an attack of amnesia. Moving to Los Angeles with Nussbaum, he tried to regain his writing skills. He passed away of heart failure in Tarzana, Calif., in August of 1986.

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