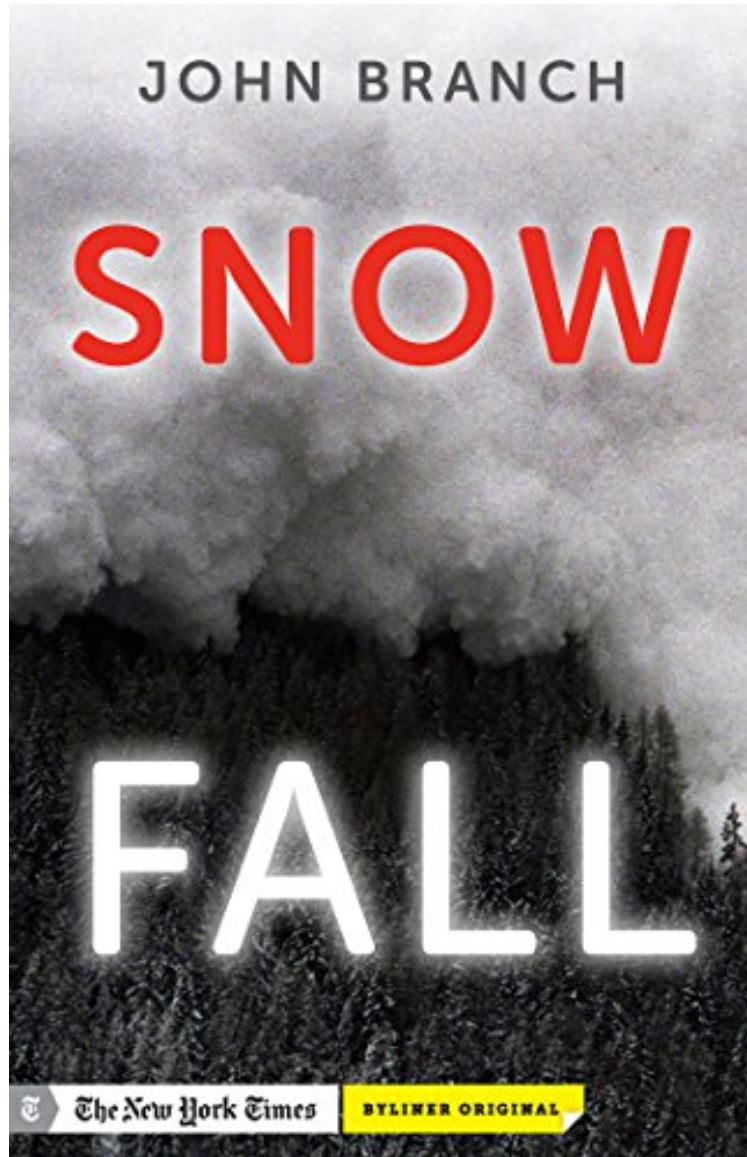


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Lawinenunglück in den Bergen von Washington, dem drei Skifahrer zum Opfer fielen. Atemberaubend!

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