

PKD a hack?

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Michael Straight — 28 Oct 1999, 09:10

On Wed, 27 Oct 1999 Patri10629 at aol.com wrote:

And let me be frank. No, really frank. Read TIMEQUAKE. Read THE THREE STIGMATA OF PALMER ELDRITCH and Look me in the eye and tell me that's hackwork and I'll buy you a beer.

Or read the MAN IN THE HIGH CASTLE. There is some really beautiful prose in that novel. I read it right after _Little, Big_, so I'm not just talking relatively beautiful prose, or "pretty good for a hack" prose.

It was my first Dick novel and I was astounded. I said to myself, "I thought Dick was just a mess of wacky drug-induced paranoia...no one ever told me he *wrote* so well!"

-Rostrum