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Matthew DeLuca — 13 Apr 2007, 17:40

-----Original Message-----

From: "Dan'I Danehy-Oakes" <danldo at gmail.com>

To: "The Urth Mailing List" <urth at lists.urth.net>

Sent: 4/13/2007 1:38 PM

Subject: Re: (urth) Vonnegut (1922-2007)

On 4/13/07, don doggett <kingwukong at yahoo.com> wrote:

"Stuff happened" is almost everything. "Someone made stuff happen" is usually laid over it by people trying to make sense of that "stuff". Christians hardly have a lock on interesting fiction, nor are athiests excluded from it.

The last point is certainly true; the first has some truth to it -- but, really, in terms of narrative (and we are creatures of our narrativity), intentional actions are far more interesting than agentless actions.

One of the most impressive narrative tours-de-forces I have ever read was _Fire_, by George R. Stewart (author of the SF classic _Earth Abides_), which took a firestorm as its more-or-less protagonist, and managed to give it agency without personalizing it. He did the same thing, less successfully, for a storm in a book called (of all things) _Storm_.

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Soon, where Toon Town once stood will be a string of gas stations, inexpensive motels, restaurants that serve rapidly prepared food. Tire salons, automobile dealerships and wonderful, wonderful billboards reaching as far as the eye can see. My God, it'll be beautiful.

Geoffrey — 24 Jun 2007, 16:43 · follows Matthew DeLuca

Dear Urth,

Would you please take me off your mailing list,

thanks,

Geoff Goodaie

Chris — 25 Jun 2007, 07:19 · in reply to Geoffrey

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I believe that should handle it.

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