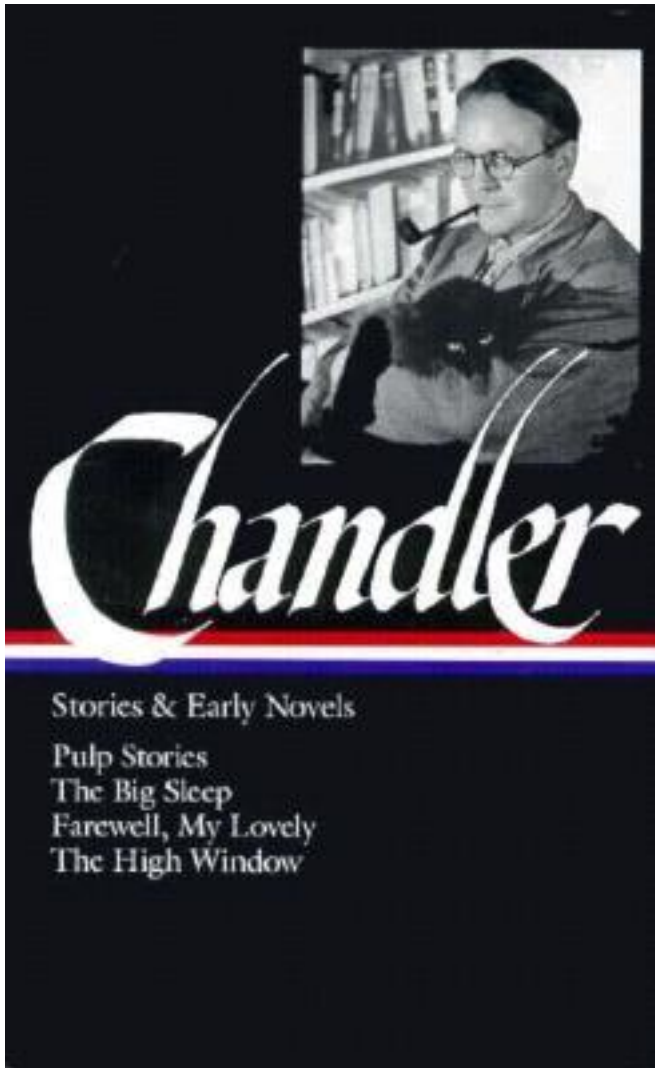

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Description

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Insightful reviews

Fred: You can really see the evolution in his writing from reading his stories and then into his novels. Re-reading the novels it brings back images of the movies that were made from these books.

He writes cinematically with such visual descriptions of people, places, and action without getting bogged down in the descriptions. Now I want to see the movies again.

Rich: "The room he went into was paved with dirty brown linoleum, furnished with the peculiar sordid hideousness only municipalities can achieve." *Blackmailers Don't Shoot*, p. 48.

"I was neat, clean, shaved and sober, everything the well-dressed private detective ought to be. I was calling on four million dollars." *The Big Sleep*, p. 589.

"It was too early in the fall for that kind of rain. I struggled into a trench coat and made a dash for the nearest drugstore and bought myself a pint of whiskey. Back in the car I used enough of it to keep warm and interested." -610

"The coffee shop smell from next-door came in at the windows with the soot but failed to make me hungry. So I got out of my office bottle and took the drink and let myself self-respect ride its own race." -685

[Eddie Mars:] "You ever been here before?" He asked.
"During Prohibition. I don't get any kick out of gambling."
"Not with money," he smiled. -688

[Vivian Regan:] "So you shoot people," she said quietly. "You're a killer." . . .
"I didn't have to," I said. "I might have, I suppose, and got away with it. Neither of them would have hesitated to throw lead at me."
"That makes you a killer at heart, like all cops." -701

subsequent quote is revealing: "I appeared down on the chessboard. The flow with the knight was once wrong. I placed it again the place I had moved it from. Knights had no which means during this game. It wasn't a online game for knights."

Elwood D Pennypacker: I borrowed this and it is better half of later works because it was once the one approach the Brooklyn Public Library provided me how to learn the excessive Window and Playback (the latter within the moment volume). The excessive Window is the 1st of the skinny (dare I name it fluff?) Marlowes. Nowhere close to drawing close the density of the large Sleep or the sizeable attraction of Farewell, My Lovely, the excessive Window continues to be one to head by. So what the hell may perhaps in addition to learn the fast tales from the pulps, too eh? Witness Chandler flip from "I may well use a buck" to "I have whatever to claim a couple of gentleman one of the trash". And it serves it is goal - namely, if there is a pulp sequence wanting a few hack writer, hit me up. i will write you a dolly or two. All at the level.

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