

Re: Bill Gates and Tsunamis

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On Sun, 02 Jan 2005 23:13:35 GMT, Iceman <1c3m4n@chi-mafia.org> wrote:

>On Sun, 02 Jan 2005 23:06:28 GMT, royls@telus.net wrote:

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>> On Sun, 02 Jan 2005 00:14:57 GMT, "Randall D. Kelton"

>> <rkelton@earthlink.net> wrote:

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>>>If the world followed your way of thinking, we would still be banging rocks
>>>together.

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>> Nonsense. It wasn't until after the Renaissance was nearly over that

>> the world's *_very_first_* intellectual property law was passed. And

>> even if it is the case that there should be some provision to reward

>> creative work more than was done before IP law (wasn't Leonardo da

>> Vinci creative enough for you?), that doesn't mean government-granted

>> artificial monopoly privileges are the best way to do it.

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>Idiot, if BG hadn't released W3 when he did and GEOS hadn't delayed release

>it would have been far different.

Hypothesis contrary to fact. We have no way of knowing what "would have" happened.

And it's a shame you can't cobble together an argument worth refuting.

You can't even say anything relevant to what you pretend to be answering.

>BG was the one who got the ball rolling on Mac's.

Completely false, of course.

And you should perhaps know that unlike you, I was an adult and a computer user at the time.

>If you want to blame someone then blame IBM like all the Big Blue haters of
>old. They were the ones who got PC's going and could never program a decent
>DOS.

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Having worked for IBM at one time, and witnessed some of the appalling goings-on there, I concur that IBM _management_ deserves much of the blame. Opel's lack of vision was bad enough; Akers was just catastrophically incompetent.

— Roy L