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On Sat, 20 Nov 2004 13:55:51 +0000, Jeff_Relf wrote:

> *Hi Tom, Apparently talking to me, You wrote: <<*
> *Sorry about replying through Rick,*
> *but your original post never hasn't showed up here... >>*
>
> *So you were addressing me then ?*
> *I wonder what happened to that post of mine (Usenet is strange*
> *sometimes).*
>
> *As much as I loath Rick, I owe a lot to him, as fewer would read my*
> *posts if it wasn't for him.*

So, you are saying. people read my posts and not yours..

> *You wrote: << WinXP wasn't around then,*
> *so bringing up XP is irrelavent to this discussion. >>*
>
> *No, WinXP comes from Basic, C, DOS, Win 2.0, 3.1, 98, NT, etc.*

Idiot. WinXP wasn't around during the time period in discussion. DOS, Win 3.1 and W95 were.

(snip)

>
> <http://www.Cotse.NET/users/jeffrelf/X.CPP>
>
> *Learn that History, Tom, and the history of C++ and Visual Basic, which*
> *goes back even farther to the 60s and 70s, and you'll understand the*
> *future like I do.*

Your understanding is null.

> *My professional code has roots that go back over 40 years (long before*
> *me, of course).*
>

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- > *Java and C# are like two a smart aleck punks who merely Think they*
- > *know what they're talking about (not unlike Bailo).*
- >
- > *Operating systems are God Damn Fucking Complex objects, and C++, not*
- > *C# is Still the best tool for porting apps...*
- >
- > *Don't believe me ? Ask Ben Goodger, the lead coder for FireFox.*
- >
- > *You wrote: <<*
- > *The fact is that if you would bother to actually do some research, you*
- > *will find that Bill Gates and Co, were in fact nervous that browsers*
- > *in general, coupled with Java (as Rick correctly pointed out) would*
- > *make a Desktop OS such as Windows obsolete. Don't you remember the big*
- > *hubub about network computing ? It wasn't just MS putting two and two*
- > *together either – it was the stated goal of the competition (*
- > *particularly Sun and Netscape)*
- > *Personally, both companies may have been better off if they just kept*
- > *their mouth shut :) >>*
- >
- > *Bill Gate is sane, his so-called competition isn't, that's one reason*
- > *he's so Fucking rich.*
- >
- > *Never, I mean Never , did Bill Gates (proper) think that Java and*
- > *a Browser could unseat WinXP's dominance on the desktop.*

AND AGAIN, you idiot... WinXP was not around in the time period being discussed. ANd it wasn't only Gates that was worried.

Paul Maritz:

"[Web] pages have become applications; Netscape/Java is using the browser to create a 'virtual operating system' [that is] no longer a browser, now an environment ... Windows will become devalued, eventually replaceable"
Microsoft File page 237

Bill Gates, May 26, 1995

"A new competitor 'born' on the Internet is Netscape. Their browser is dominant with 80% usage, allowing them to determine which network extensions will catch on. They are pursuing a multi-platform strategy where they move key API into the client {browser} to commoditize the underlying operating system."
Microsoft File page 235

Schwartz also introduced sworn testimony from a top Microsoft executive, who said the software giant worried Netscape was a "complete competitor" because its browser might "replace the operating system" if it gained wide acceptance.

<http://news.com.com/2100-1001-218545.html?tag=rn>

Jim Allchin:

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"As far as I'm concerned, they were a complete competitor to the operating system," Microsoft senior vice president Jim Allchin said in deposition transcripts made public today.

Although Netscape's Navigator was only a program running on top of Windows and other platforms, Allchin worried it might quickly "replace the operating system" if software developers began writing applications using the borrower's programming interfaces.

"When it started out it was just an application," Allchin said in the deposition, which was taken in March of this year. "In a blink of an eye, it became a platform."

<<http://www.inforingpress.com/us-vs-ms/court-case-19.htm>>

"This alarmed Microsoft, which feared that Navigator's enthusiastic reception could embolden Netscape to develop Navigator into an alternative platform for applications development. In late May 1995, Bill Gates, the chairman and CEO of Microsoft, sent a memorandum entitled "The Internet Tidal Wave" to Microsoft's executives describing Netscape as a "new competitor 'born' on the Internet." He warned his colleagues within Microsoft that Netscape was "pursuing a multi-platform strategy where they move the key API into the client to commoditize the underlying operating system." By the late spring of 1995, the executives responsible for setting Microsoft's corporate strategy were deeply concerned that Netscape was moving its business in a direction that could diminish the applications barrier to entry."

> *Ben Goodger knows that, Linus knows that... how about you ?*
>
> *You added <<*
> *Look – there is no point in debating something with you if you aren't*
> *willing to take the time to look it up. Believe me, a simple google*
> *search will make it all clear. >>*
>
> *You Tom, along with Rick, Bailo, Pete and Roy, could Google all day long*
> *into the night, and then through the next day, reading until you*
> *literally pass out, ...and you guys would not know anything about this*
> *topic after you were done.*

It is you that has no understanding. Of course, I expect you to deny all of the above, since you cannot afford facts to disrupt your own little world.

--
Rick

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