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Herb Schaltegger wrote:

On Wed, 6 Apr 2005 23:24:21 -0500, Reed Snellenberger wrote
(in article <VB25e.13809\$Xp.2540@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>):

My second favorite Heinlein, after Citizen of the
Galaxy (and ahead of Starman Jones).

Those are certainly good ones, but my all-time faves are "The
Moon Is A Harsh Mistress," "Starship Troopers," "Friday" and
"Number of the Beast." Those cover all the Heinlein bases
there are to cover - a fierce belief in freedom and
self-determination, responsibility of the individual to
society and vice versa, sexy genetically-engineered Artificial
Person courier/assassins, sentient machines (several, in
fact), and a multiverse created out of the power of
imagination (an idea recently borrowed by Stephen King in the
conclusion of his Dark Tower series). Heady stuff and good
reads, all.

That's the problem with trying to rate them -- I'd forgotten Moon, whose
first-person voice always made it a fun read (ditto, The Glory Road). I
enjoyed Starship Troopers as well, but always thought that it would have
been a better novel if it'd been longer -- it always feels like he'd
either cut out quite a bit, or had to publish it before he was finished.

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