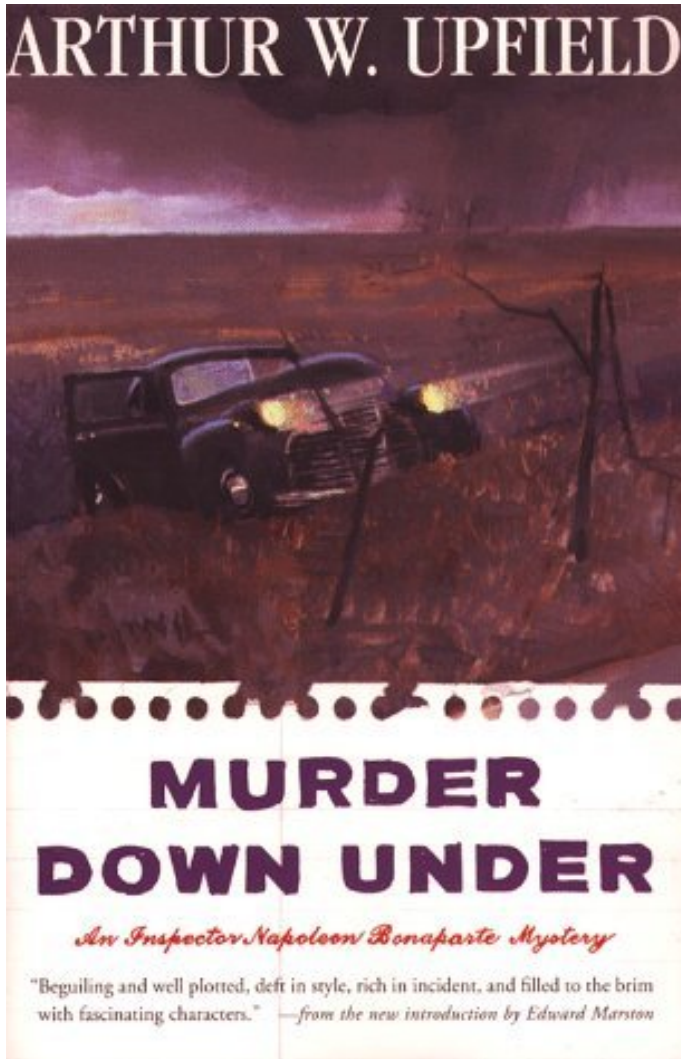

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Description

Bony is happy to take on a little informal investigation during his vacation in Western Australia, after a farmer suddenly disappears near a huge wheat field. Despite the lack of evidence, Bony suspects murder--which leads him to uncover some strange goings-on.

Insightful reviews

Nan: Dated, but a very passable whodunit.

Elizabeth (Alaska): In spite of awarding only three stars, I enjoyed this book. The setting is Australia of the early 1930s. The detective, Napoleon Bonaparte, is a "half-caste". That he is well-educated and well-spoken is apparently quite unusual. With that, we get a glimpse of the racism that was prevalent at the time, but also that the settlers are more tolerant than we might expect.

This was written about the time of some of the Agatha Christie's I've read recently. I couldn't help but make a comparison. Bony, as he is called, is not more humble than Hercule Poirot - far from it - just not as willing to sit in the limelight. I think Upfield is a better writer; that is, his prose is more complex and interesting. Christie provides a better mystery, no doubt about it in my mind. That they each have at least one advantage over the other means I'll probably keep reading both.

Nancy Oakes: Also published as *Murder Down Under*; #4 in the Napoleon Bonaparte series set in the Australian outback.

I can honestly highly recommend *Mr. Jelly's Business* to anyone who a)enjoys a good mystery or b) enjoys reading books set in Australia. As I've noted in previous reviews, you do have to be careful not to judge the book by today's standards, especially when it comes to attitude. Don't forget that this was not originally written in 1982, but many decades earlier.

Brief synopsis:

One night, Mr. Loftus leaves a pub and is never seen nor heard from again. His car is found stranded in a ditch but he's nowhere to be found. Enter Inspector Napoleon Bonaparte, who is technically not on duty at the time. Taking the guise as a worker on the Rabbit Fence, Bony snoops around unobtrusively to get to the heart of the mystery.

A very fun and very good book.

Eleanor Lux: i love this author . frequently a secret gets me so excited that i cannot learn it quick adequate yet Upfield's books also are enlightening and likewise idea upsetting one other favourite writer of mine is Bruce Chatwin yet he isn't within the seek list. i'm wondering why?

Regina: I simply picked this one in all Upfield's books so i'll choose one! i've got learn a number

of they usually have been all fascinating. I first picked them up in Australia and feature been looking them out since. A detective who's part aborigine and part white in the course of hugely prejudiced occasions is a true "hook" and the secret and the Australia atmosphere simply upload to the pleasure.

Ashley: Upfield's writing is gorgeous and descriptive. It made me lengthy once more to come to Australia's rugged beauty. whereas no longer as exciting as many extra lately written secret stories, it made for an outstanding puzzle. I enjoyed the nature of Detective Inspector Bonaparte, and that i imagine if he'd been a true individual we would were solid friends. My basically genuine court cases have been that the speed appeared a bit gradual at times, and the very finishing used to be a little bit ambiguous. Over all, a really exciting read.

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