Professor Chen, who wrote his PhD thesis on White's novel Voss, told The Australian Financial Review in 2002 that he only took up Australian studies and developed his affection for White by accident.

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