WRIT 4250

New Media Writing

**Creativity as Compression (“Depth”)**

“My ambition is to put everything into one sentence—not only the present but the whole past on which it depends and which keeps overtaking the present, second by second….  I’m still trying to put all mankind’s history in one sentence”

- William Faulkner (*Faulkner-Crowley File*)

**Two sentences from Henry James:**

"....It was the first time in her life that this had happened; somebody, everybody appeared to have known before, at every instant of it, where she was; so that she was now suddenly able to put it to herself that that hadn't been a life" (*Wings of the Dove* I 221).

"....We share this world, none the less, for the hour, with Mr. Verver; the very fact of his striking, as he would have said, for solitude, the fact of his quiet flight, almost on tiptoe, through tortuous corridors, investing him with an interest that makes our attention–tender indeed almost to compassion–qualify his achieved isolation" (The *Golden Bowl* I 111)