



The Pleasant Places of Florida



(Vide "The Five Orange Pips")

#42.

A Corresponding Scion Society of the BAKER STREET IRREGULARS

12th Night Reflections



..... The Fall Gathering of the PPoff at the fabulous Bohman home was a great success thanks to Caroline Everett, hostess who served moussaka, Greek spinach pie, Greek salad & Baklava, Tom Mitchell, who gave a fascinating discourse on the Afghan War, and especially our honored guest, Mr. Noel Wisdom, from England, who had served in Dr. Watson's Regiment in Flanders..... During the past several fortnights this Recorder has received all manner of communications from dutiful Corresponding Members of the PPoff, including Helen Swift, Jim Susynski, "Pat" Herst, Peter Blau, Harold Niver, David Maxfield, Brian MacDonald, Terry Klasek, who, by the by, is teaching a S'ian course at Florissant H.S., Missouri, Paul Gunning, Don Pollack, Ted Schulz, Mason Phelps and Michael Kean. Thank to you all! Andy Peck reports: "Had a glorious time in England" retracing the Master's footsteps. His new digs are:

...Rec'd a note from "The Veiled Lodgers" who remind one & all: "we have not become inactive" (

... Like Mystery Lots? For \$1 this Recorder will send a treasure trove of Sherlockiana never previously offered! ...The Naval Treaty's Irregular Chapbook is available from T.Klasek, 1st Sea Lord,

(\$3½). He gave us a **** review - merci.....This Recorder's phone bill for Sept. listed a long-distance charge for \$2.21. Upon further investigation, the call was to Santa Fe - you guessed it - to none other than John Bennett Shaw - naturally.....Staff Davis informs us that the Afghanistan Perceivers are planning a package tour to observe the 125th in London, Jan. 5-12. Call Jack Woods for info.

..Rec'd the "Reuters Dispatch" from Final Problems, - Great!...See y'all 11th Night!



ELEMENTARY MY DEAR WATSON!

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HOLMES BEACH, FLA.

Communication #41.

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Please direct correspondence to:
The Rev. Dr. Benton Wood, Recorder

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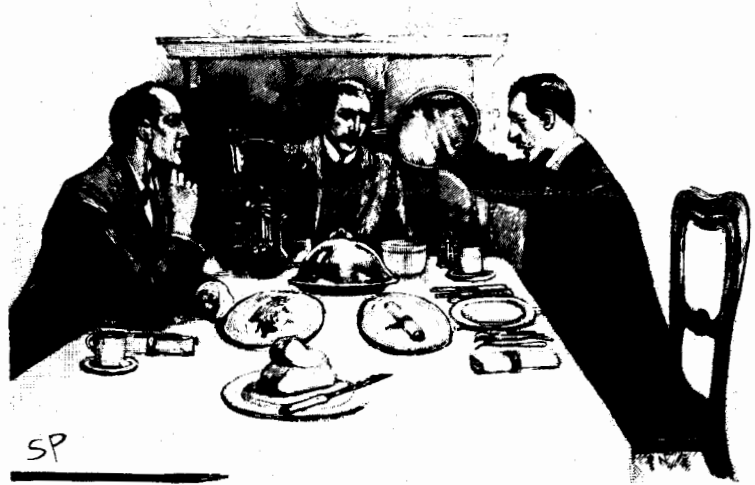
* - On this day in 1896, the Master received the "weird" telegram which launched him and his faithful companion on the "Adventure of the Missing Three-Quarter."



"My congratulations, Professor Moriarty, on a diabolically clever scheme!"

From Mrs. Hudson's Kitchen

Readers are requested to submit their Sherlockian recipes for this column.



"PHELPS RAISED THE COVER."

ORANGE-THYME LAMB CHOPS

(A Pleasant Places of Florida specialty suggested by the Adventure of the 5 Orange Pips.)

- 4 Shoulder Lamb Chops
- $\frac{1}{2}$ t. Shredded Orange Peel
- $\frac{1}{4}$ c. Orange Juice
- $\frac{1}{2}$ t. Thyme
- 1 can Sliced Mushrooms, drained.

1. Trim fat from chops. Mix orange juice, peel and thyme, then pour over chops. Marinate for 1 hr. at room temp., or several hours in refriger., turning chops once or twice. Drain, reserving marinade.

2. Brown chops in small amount of fat; Season with salt & pepper; then add marinade & mushrooms.

3. Cover & simmer for 40 min. Uncover & cook 5 min. more. Serve with appropriate wine. Serves 4.

Sherlock Holmes Tour

The Sherlock Holmes cult numbers in the thousands throughout the world.

One cultist is Scandinavian Airlines Central Area sales Coordinator Marguerite Dawson who together with a Midwest attorney-Holmes buff created the idea of a Sherlock Holmes Tour.

SAS marketing with the input of Holmes experts developed a program with the first departure planned for

April 1979 with visits to almost every important restaurant, bar and location described in many of the adventures of Sherlock Holmes. Dinner meetings are planned with other Sherlock Holmes Societies in both London and Copenhagen.

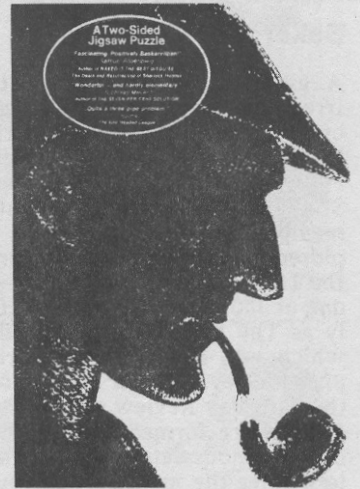
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Agony Column

We ask readers to send in items for this column.



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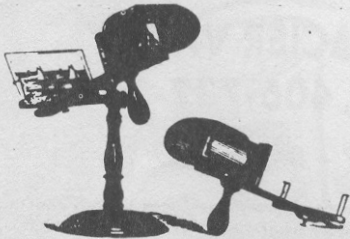
Sherlock Holmes Was Topic Of Day

Sherlockians take their hobby of Sherlock Holmes/Dr. John Watson in earnest, removing tongues from cheeks in order to properly say — in call-response tradition — The Musgrave Ritual. There was a request made of Rev. Dr. Benton Wood (Recorder, now residing at Holmes Beach) by Tom Mitchell (second from left, holding magnifying glass) at last Saturday's meeting of "The Pleasant Places of Florida" (a Corresponding Scion Society of the Baker Street Irregulars) to send around copies of the ritual in its original Latin so that members might have it down pat before the Jan. 5 meeting. The delightful luncheon meeting (Greek cuisine) featured films for Sherlockian buffs, an informative talk on an Indian campaign (in honor of Dr. Watson himself) by Mitchell, who brought appropriate British military illustrations, and a rain check on the charades planned by Caroline Everett who ran out of time. The event was in the delightful bookish home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bohman. From left, Tom Reesor, Mitchell.



FROM: ST. PETE INDEPENDENT 11/15/78

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"Been grocery shopping, Watson?"

"Holmes, how on earth did you ever know?"

"Well, Watson, you have a trading stamp stuck to the bottom of your right shoe, a long cash register receipt is folded in your hand and across your left shoe is a mark, no doubt made by a shopping cart passing over your shoe. Also you left your shopping list here by my chair."

"You have correctly deduced every detail, Holmes. Mrs. Hudson was called away because of a friend's illness and I assured her I would take care of our nutritional needs."

"Very admirable, Watson. I see from your list, we are going to have steaks, baked potatoes with chives and sour cream, tossed green salad with dressing and fresh strawberry pie for dinner tonight."

"Yes, that is what I had planned for tonight, Holmes. Unfortunately I had only \$20 and found food prices higher than I ever expected, so I was forced to change our menu for tonight."

"Then what are we going to eat, Watson?"

"All the \$20 would buy was T.V. dinners, two bottles of 7-Up, some day-old dinner rolls and a small frozen apple pie. What do you think, Holmes?"

"That's hardly alimentary, my dear Watson!"

Kevin John

From: Sun., Sept. 10, 1978 ↑

"Ogden Standard-Examiner"



WORD SLEUTH • Sherlock Holmes

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions—forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Unlisted clue hint: SPURIOUS HOLMES' WORD

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| Deerstalker | Mycroft | Bruce | Logic |
| Mrs. Hudson | Gregson | Moriarty | Pipe |
| Lastrade | Watson | Baker St. | |

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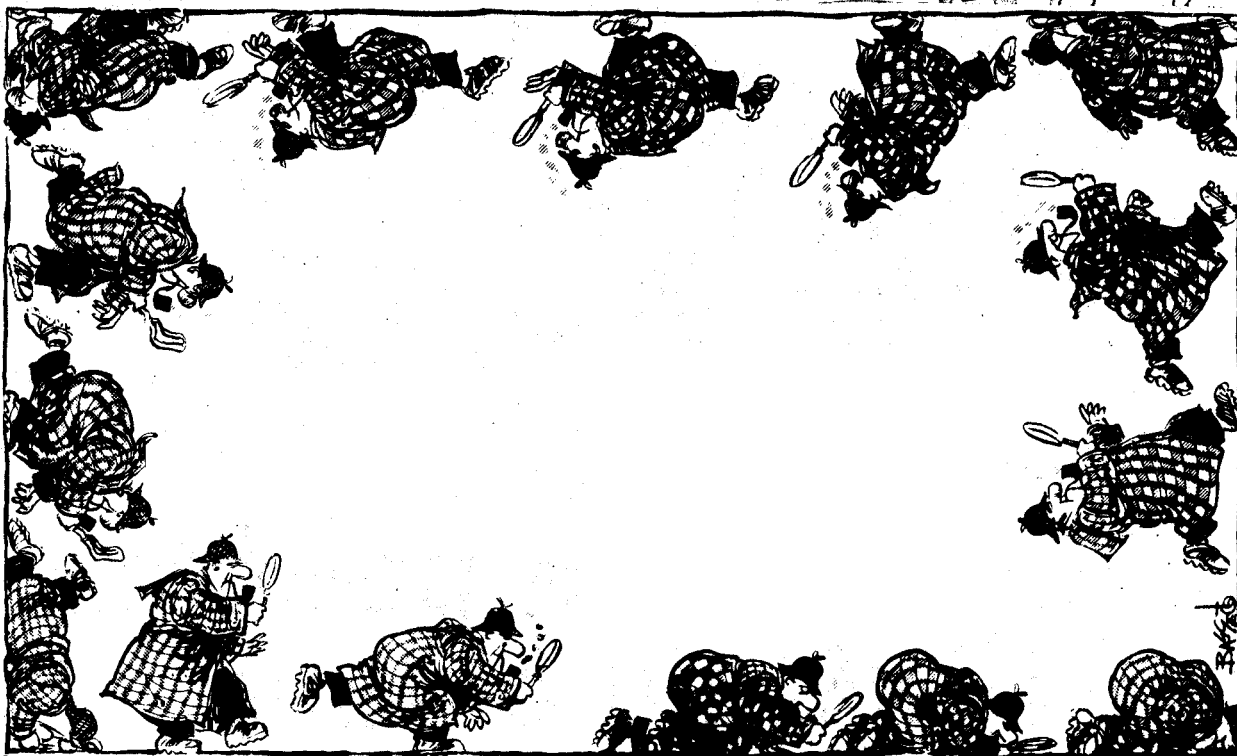
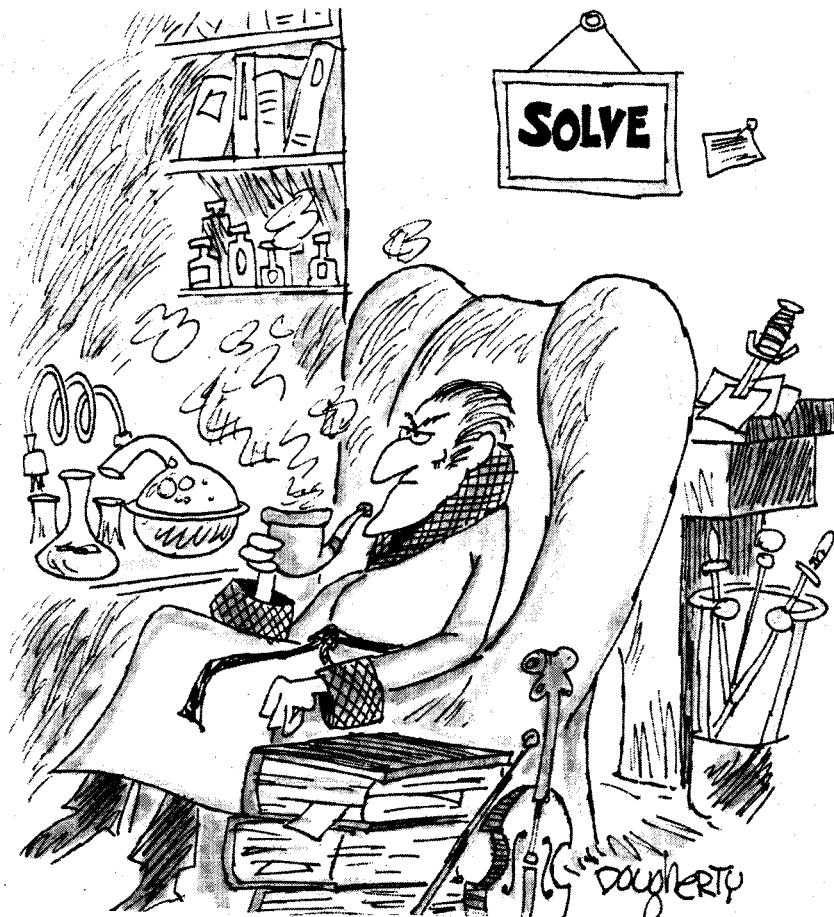
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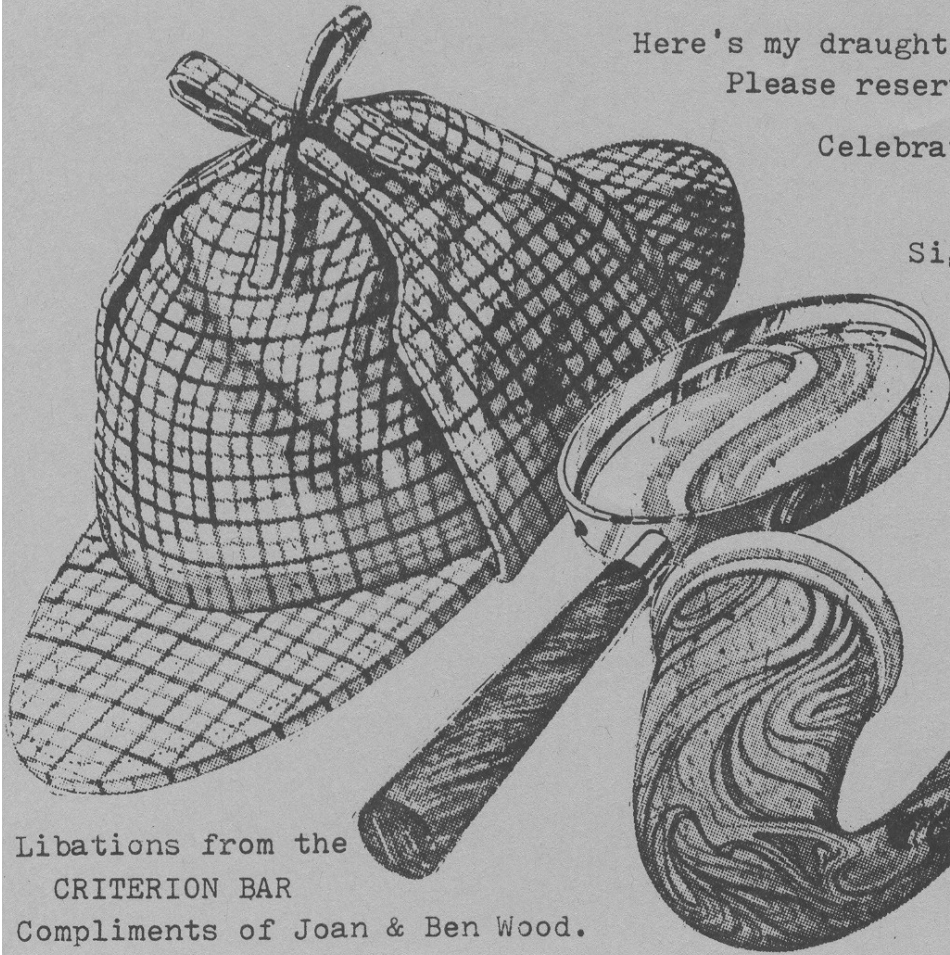
The Kennedy assassination probe

SHERLOCKIAN SURVEY

Send to: Kevin John

(Recorder's note: Kevin, a good & faithful non-Resident member of the Pleasant Places of Fla., has asked me to make broad this little survey, which will be combined with Virginia Lou Seay's research effort of a time ago. He would appreciate a few minutes of your time and a 15¢ stamp to bring to him your answers. Merci. B.W.,R'der)

1. Present age: _____
 2. Highest year of education attained: _____
 3. Age of first contact with S. H.: _____
 4. Age of serious study of S.H.: _____
 5. Approx. \$ spent on Sherlockiana during the past year: _____
 6. No. of items in SH Collection: _____
(Tell him, John!)
 7. Approx. worth of SH collection: _____
 8. No. times you've read entire Canon: _____
 9. Favorite SH short story: _____
 10. Favorite SH long story: _____
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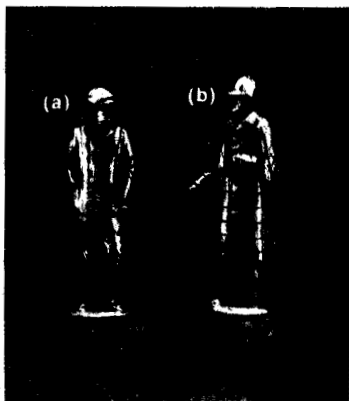
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Minneapolis Tribune Fri., July 28, 1978

Baker Street Irregulars

A group from The Baker Street Irregulars will attend tonight's opening performance of "Sherlock Holmes & the Curse of the Sign of Four" at the Chimera Theater in St. Paul. The group — about 50 members of the Norwegian Explorers, which has headquarters at the University of Minnesota — is one of 150 clubs known collectively as The Baker Street Irregulars, which was conceived by Christopher Morley, founder and editor of the Saturday Review of Literature. Clubs were formed so aficionados of the famous detective could meet to ponder the mysteries surrounding the character of Sherlock Holmes.

After the performance, club members will join the cast and other opening nighters for a party in the members' lounge of the Arts and Science Center.



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Alert Rev. Wood deftly thwarts church break-ins with 'celerity'

□ Sherlock Holmes buff Dr. Benton Wood, rector of the Church of Annunciation in Holmes Beach, played the role of his hero in a brush with would-be church burglars Monday night. Here is his account of the skulduggery.

By Dr. Benton Wood

HOLMES BEACH — Plans of two attempted burglaries at the Episcopal Church of the Annunciation were upset by Dr. Benton Wood, rector, Monday night.

As Dr. Wood was preparing to open Lowe Hall for Scout Troop 7's meeting, he interrupted intruders who were in the process of stealing the piano from the parish hall. The thieves fled before a positive identification could be made.

The Holmes Beach police responded with celerity to Dr. Wood's call, and a thorough investigation was made.

At about midnight, some six hours after the aforementioned incident, Dr. Wood again prevented a break-in at the Annunciation rectory at the corner of Second Avenue and 45th Street.

The rector was listening to the end of the



Sherlock Wood

Monday night football game, in which his favorite Chicago Bears were going down to ignominious defeat at the hands of the Denver Broncos, when he alertly heard noises of someone trying to gain entrance to the rectory.

His investigation scared away the would-be intruder before identification could be ascertained.

All in all, it was a sleuthingly busy day for the head of Florida's Baker Street Irregulars.



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