



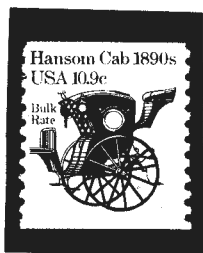
# The Pleasant Places of Florida

(Suggested in The Five Orange Pips)

A Corresponding Scion Society of The Baker Street Irregulars

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## 12th Night Reflections



be forthcoming.....The USPS, thankfully, rescinded its directive to ban the use of fractional postage for 1st Class use. Once again we can use, for instance, the Hansom Cab stamp for Sherlockian mail(see at left). ....Two S'ian Workshops are coming up soon. One at Univ. of Dubuque (Aug.17-19), another at the U.of Minn, Sept.28-29 (Contact: Donna Dacus, UofM, Minneapolis,MN 55455-0118)....Alla Ford, PPofF,(114 S. Palmway,Lake Worth,FL 33460) offers some nice H'ian items..... Greenwood Press(Box 5007,Westport,CN 06881) was just published: The Baker Street Reader, by Philip Schreffler,(\$27.50) an anthology of early S'ian writings (1910-

1960).....This Recorder rec'd 3 most singular articles: "The Magic of Sherlock Holmes", "Trivial Pursuit"(about Ron DeWaal), and "Holmes Video", by Tom Sota, listing all Holmesian video cassettes available. Upon request, and 2 20¢ stamps for each, I'll send you a Xerox copy of any or all of the aforementioned. ....Virginia Lou Seay

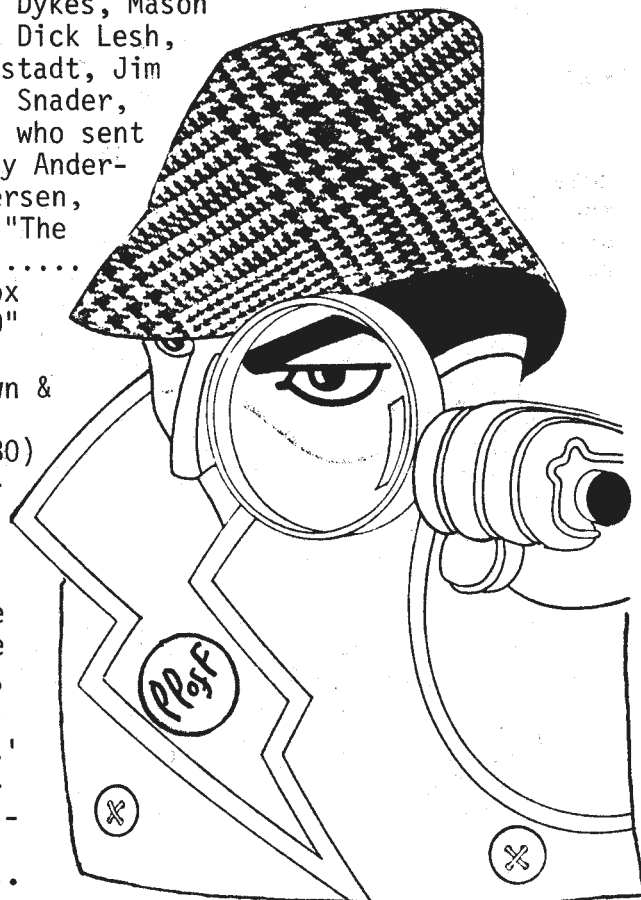
has put out List #2 of some fabulous Sherlockian items. .... As always, my sincere thanks to all who have corresponded with this amiable, but simple-minded cleric,providing enough material to publish this Communication. To Pattie Brunner, Bart Eberman, Joe King, Bob Rapp, Henry Ryan, Howard Lachtman, Carey Cummings, Amy Dykes, Mason Phelps, Robert Hencsek, Barbara Brandes, Gunnar Sundin, Dick Lesh, John Kalajian, David Dunnett, Mike Carroll, Mark Alberstadt, Jim Suszynski, Irving Jaffee. Ken Lanza, Peter Blau, Craig Snader, Noreen Pazderski, Ann Byerly, Kiyoshi Tanaka (of Japan who sent on a beautiful map of London in Japanese!), and Courtney Andersen. Thank you one & all.....Speaking of Courtney Andersen,

our young PPofF author, be sure to order your copy of "The Adventure of the Boxing Day Murder" - it's a corker! .....

.. Peter Melonas, who runs Baker Street Enterprises(Box 34357,Bartlett,TN 38134), is offering an elegant 16x20" S.H. print for only \$10. .... In Topsy-like fashion, the circulation of this Communication has grown & grown & grown! 392! This includes:Resident Members(87); Scion exchanges(147); Non-Resident Members; BSIs & Others(130) and Foreign(28). If you appreciate receiving this humble Communication, do send us a mere \$2.21 for 1984, if you have not done so. We would be most grateful.

From Will Shakespeare's Henry V, Act III,Sc.1: "The game's afoot: follow your spirit, and upon this charge cry 'God for Harry, England, and Saint George!'. There is also another worth quote from the same play, Act I, Sc. 2: "Omit no happy hour . . . " God Save the Queen!

....Finally, I recently discovered in the Chicago Cubs' Media Guide that Milo Hamilton, broadcaster for my beloved Cubbies, says he's an avid reader and is especially fond of books about Sherlock Holmes. Now there's a man with taste! Let's get 'em this year, Milo!.....



## Holmes Beach



AUGUST 2, 1984\*

# THE BAKER STREET IRREGULARS

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(\* - On this very day in 1914, Holmes said of  
Watson, as they captured the infamous Von Bork,  
"Good old Watson! You are the one fixed point  
in a changing age." (LAST BOW).

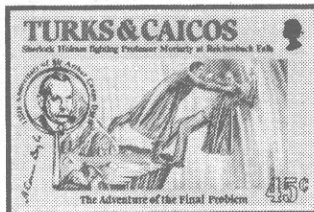
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... or "Stamping Around  
with Sherlock Holmes"

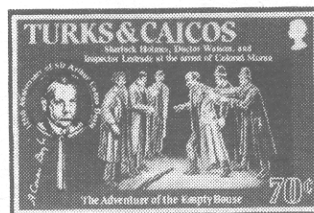
... By the time you receive this Communication, the new TURKS & CAICOS issue (4 stamps and a Souvenir Sheet) should be available. See the Baker St. Emporium listing on Page 3 to order them. Scott's Stamp Monthly (July '84) listed them in detail.



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## From Mrs. Hudson's Kitchen



## STEAK and KIDNEY PIE

(A special Lammas Day (Aug.1) treat submitted  
Mrs. 'usdon(Joan Wood) and Charlotte Long,  
gourmet Mayor of HOLMES Beach, Florida.)

2 lb.beef sirloin or top round,cut in 1" cubes  
1½ lb.beef or veal kidney  
Salt & pepper  
½ c. butter  
½ c. chopped onion  
4 oz.can sliced mushrooms,drained  
2¼ c. beef stock  
½ t. pepper  
1 bay leaf  
2 t.chopped parsley  
Pinch each marjoram & powered cloves  
1 T. dry sherry  
1 t. Worcestershire  
Pastry to cover top

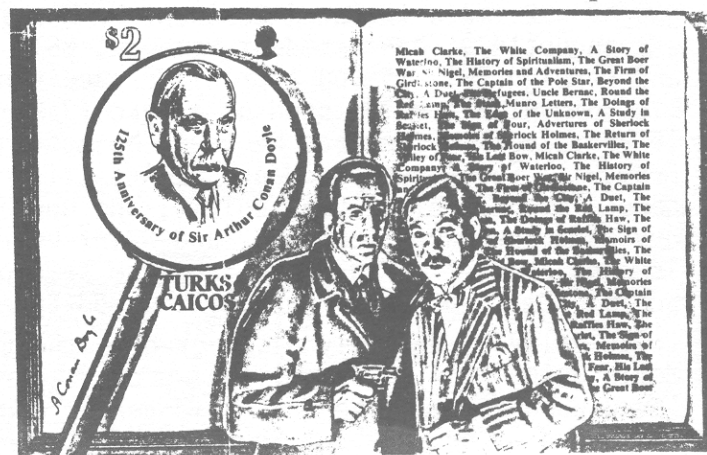
Soak kidney in salted water for 1 hour.  
Dry & cut in  $\frac{1}{4}$ " slices. Dust beef & kidney in  
flour seasoned with salt & pepper.

Sauté beef, kidney, & onion in butter till brown. Add beef stock & remaining ingredients. Cover & simmer 1-1½ hrs. till meat is tender.

Place mixture in greased casserole & let cool. Cover with pastry & seal edges well. Make vents in pastry.

Bake in 450° oven for 10 min. Lower heat to 375° & bake for 30-40 min. longer or 'til crust is browned & the filling hot.

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# Agony Column

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Dr. Watson (P838)



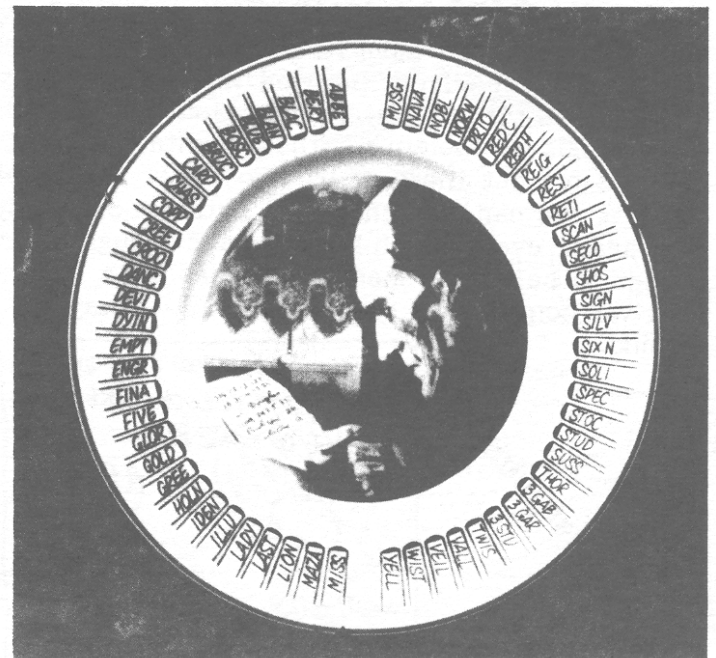
## My dear Watson,

Said Sherlock Holmes to his old friend "Detection is, or ought to be, an exact science and should be treated in the same cold and emotional manner. You have attempted to tinge it with romanticism, which produces much the same effect as if you worked a love story or an elopement into the fifth proposition of Euclid". In Baskerville type (of course) this quotation is set out on the back of a handsome china plate. On the front, in the sharp clarity of black on white, are the four letter codes for the sixty cases the master solved in his long career; from MUSG ABBE, REIG to SIGN. At the centre, in sepia tones reminiscent of a Victorian London fog, is the familiar profile of Holmes, pipe in hand, silhouetted against the coal fire in his untidy room at 221b Baker Street, pondering the case of "Valley of Fear". For the final clues and the result, which should delight you, turn the plate.

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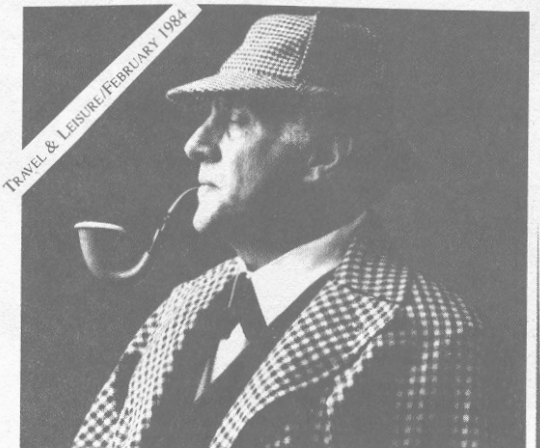
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Sherlock Holmes made Doyle rich, famous, gained him a knighthood and wearied him beyond measure.

"I think of slaying Holmes, winding him up for good and all," Doyle told his mother in despera-

tion. "He takes my mind from better things."

Thousands of people all over the world are convinced that Sherlock Holmes still lives. They write an average of 20 letters a week to 221b Baker Street — an address that didn't exist until the year Doyle died, 1930 — asking Holmes's help.

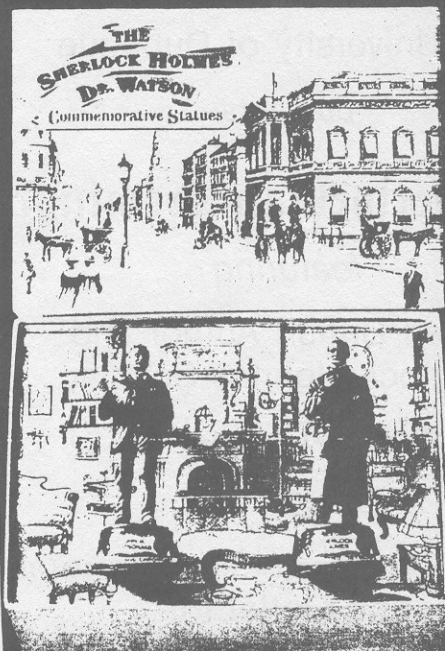
Holmes is on British television yet again these days. Not counting a new 13-part dramatization — already sold for American show-

ing next year — a list of earlier Holmes versions on radio, television, movies and stage "fills 71 pages of an average-sized book," says one authority.

Conan Doyle was born May 22, 1859, in Edinburgh, Scotland, trained as a doctor and patterned Holmes after one of his surgeon tutors, Joseph Bell.

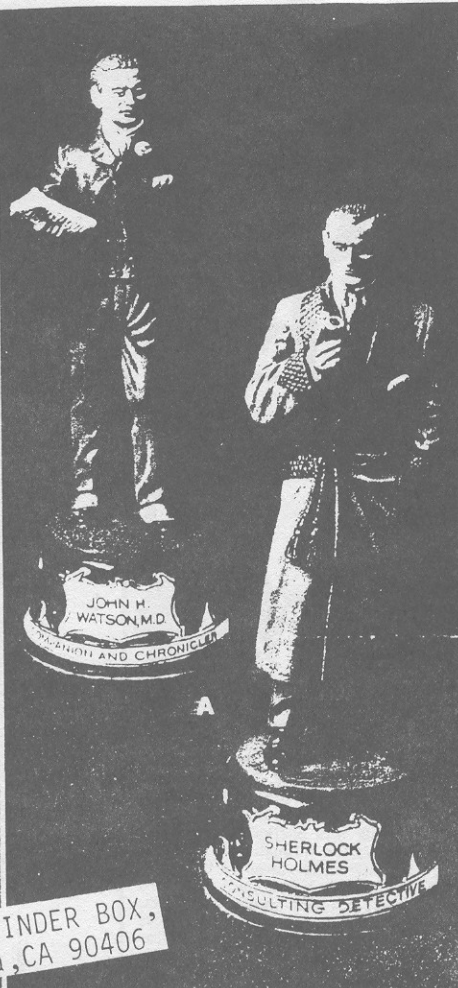
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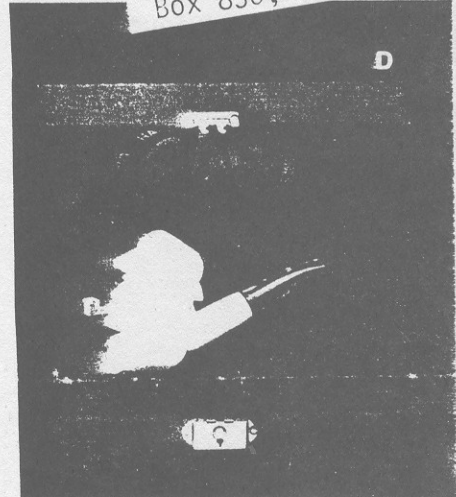


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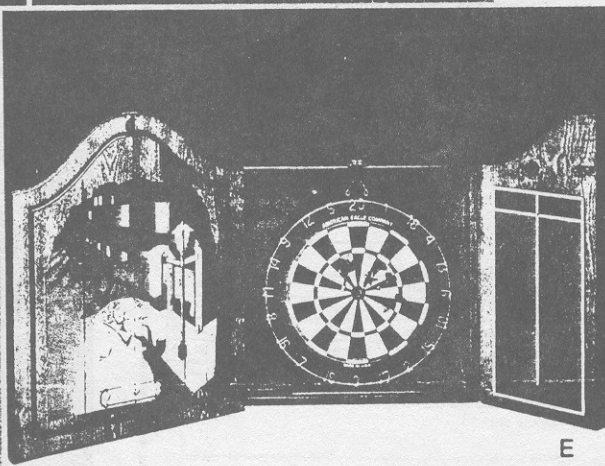
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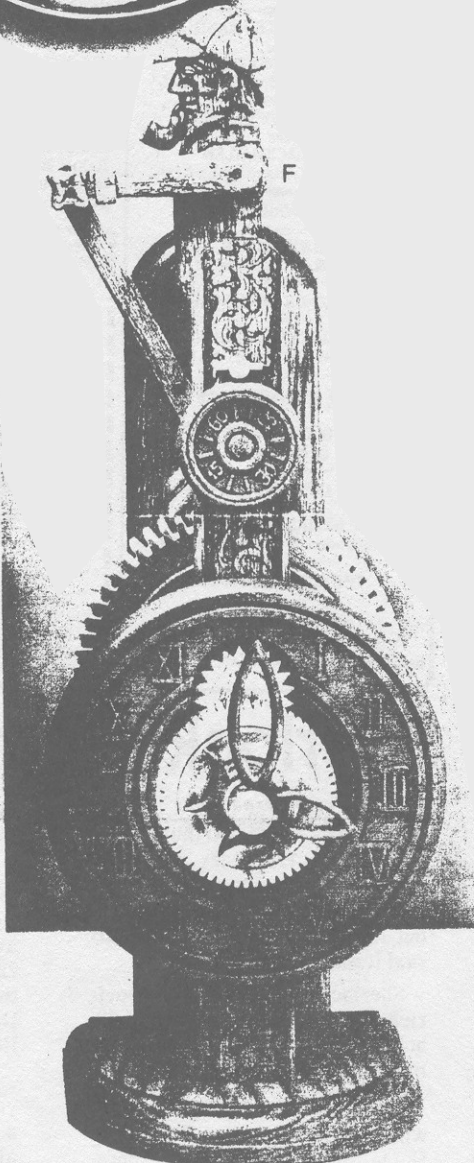
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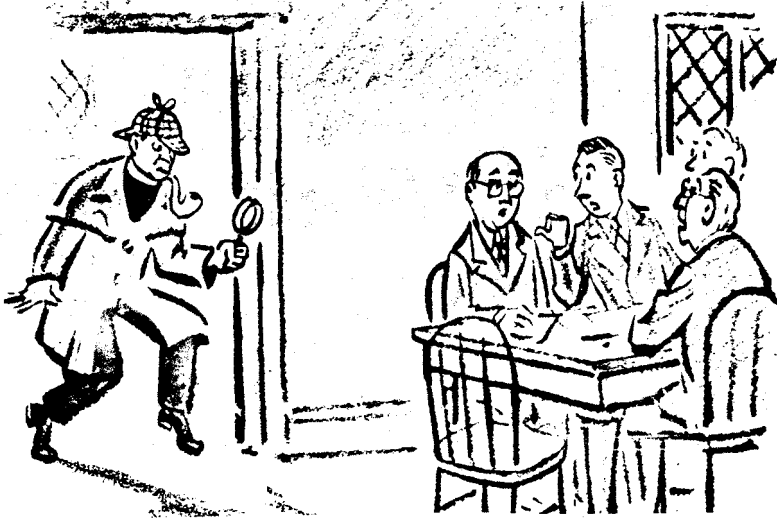
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of radio News.*

# Watson Leads

The indomitable detective, after this.

(ANNOUNCEMENTS)

KURALT: Tomorrow is Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's birthday and lucky for us too. The fortunate happenstance of his birth 114 years ago in Endinburgh, Scotland gave us, eventually, Sherlock Holmes, the master detective and his appreciative and somewhat duller companion Dr. Watson. And also, of course, the Messrs. Gregson and Lestrade, the Scotland Yard bumbler; Wiggins and his band of urchin sleuths, The Baker Street Irregulars; the charming Miss Morstan; Holmes' more brilliant and incredibly sedentary brother Mycroft; and his arch rival the diabolical Professor Moriarty. But Conan Doyle, it seems, was always trying to close the case book on Holmes. He had more serious writing in mind and he kept trying to get to it. First he removed Dr. Watson, the chronicler of Holmes' adventures, from the flat the two of them shared at 221-B Baker Street. Married him off to the charming Miss Morstan. Without Watson, Doyle probably figured that would be the end of it. But the public wouldn't have it, so soon Watson was stomping around the flat, or Holmes would roust him from married life and off they'd go rattling across London in a hansom cab toward Waterloo Station or the seedier side of town to find a murderer or untangle a problem for the hereditary King of Bohemia. Once, Doyle even killed Holmes off but those of us who really knew Holmes doubted he was dead, and he wasn't. We can only thank Sir Arthur Conan Doyle for bringing Holmes back again and again, even though he may have thought there were more serious and important things to be done. Sherlock Holmes is an inspiration, a triumph of the mind in art and we continue to follow his trail--always in admiration, always a dozen paces behind.

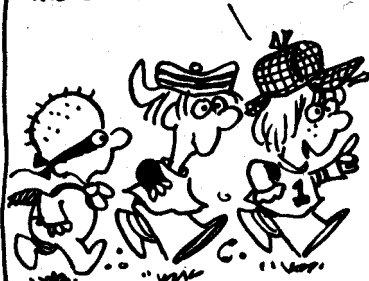


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