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Imperial Blandings

Right Ho, Jeeves

A Bounty of Blandings

A compilation of works by one of the twentieth century's leading humorists features two novels, The

Code of the Woosters and Uncle Fred in the Springtime, as well as fourteen short stories and three autobiographical pieces.

Virginia Woolf

Presents a collection of humorous stories, including "The Truth about George," "Ukridge's Dog College," "The Coming of Gowf," "The Purity of the Turf," and "A Slice of Life."

Sunset at Blandings

Bring on the Girls

Contents: SOMETHING FRESH, SUMMER LIGHTNING, and HEAVY WEATHER

The Crime Wave at Blandings

"[Blandings] is an entire world unto itself and, one senses, Wodehouse pours into it his deepest feelings for England." —Stephen Fry The final Uncle Fred novel marks his return to Blandings Castle to relieve Lord Emsworth's woes: a nagging secretary, prankster Church Lads, and a plot to thief his prize-winning sow. Uncle Fred must serve up his brand of sweetness and light to ensure that everything turns out very capital indeed.

Summer Lightning

'Is this a time for drivelling?' One of P. G. Wodehouse's most gloriously funny stories, this is the tale of bumbling Lord Emsworth, whose quiet life reading *The Care Of The Pig* and pottering among the flowers at Blandings Castle is shattered by an outbreak of lawlessness involving his niece Jane (the third prettiest girl in Shropshire), an airgun - and the trouser seat of the abominable Baxter.

Service with a Smile

Ronald Psmith (the p is silent, as in pshrimp) is always willing to help a damsel in distress. So when he sees Eve Halliday without an umbrella during a downpour, he nobly offers her an umbrella, even though it s one he picks out of the Drone Club s umbrella rack. Psmith is so besotted with Eve that, when Lord Emsworth, her new boss, mistakes him for Ralston McTodd, a poet, Psmith pretends to be him so he can make his way to Blandings Castle and woo her. And so the farce begins: criminals disguised as poets with a plan to steal a priceless diamond necklace, a secretary who throws flower pots through windows, and a nighttime heist that ends in gunplay. How will everything be sorted out? Leave it to Psmith

A Pelican At Blandings

Despite an enormous solo output, P. G Wodehouse often co-operated with other writers, especially in the early stages of his career, exchanging or sharing plots, advising on problems and even writing books and stage-works together. *Bring on the Girls* is a

characteristically mordant account of his work with Guy Bolton in musical comedy, which occupied much of Wodehouse's energy from his arrival in America and effectively made his reputation. This is a tactful book - there are no shocking revelations - but an extremely amusing one, with vivid portraits of such stars as Gertrude Lawrence and insights into febrile life behind the scenes.

Plum Pie

He had an extraordinary Broadway career, wrote 90 novels and story collections, and among his immortal characters are Jeeves and the Empress of Blandings. McCrum's magisterial biography chronicles the achievements and shadows of a gilded life.

Life at Blandings

Was PG Wodehouse really a traitor, a naive simpleton dominated by his wife and out of touch with the world around him? This book challenges many of the accepted wisdoms about PG Wodehouse and his work and skilfully entwines details of Wodehouse's life with an analysis of his work to show that, contrary to popular belief, many of the scenarios, characters and issues he wrote about came from his own, sometimes bitter, personal experience. It shows, for instance, how Bertie Wooster is a much misunderstood figure in literature and shared many of the characteristics and life story of PG Wodehouse himself. Easdale also gives fresh insight into PG Wodehouse's alleged 'treachery' during World War II and his motives for making five

radio broadcasts from Germany which were to cast a shadow over the rest of his life. 'Easdale often finds an original angle with which to shatter stale, accepted perception this book is compelling.' (Country Life). 'This fascinating examination offers a refreshing and accessible study of Wodehouse's work.' (Press Association).

Something New

Blandings is now a major BBC One television series starring Jennifer Saunders and Timothy Spall. Can the Empress of Blandings win the Fat Pigs class at the Shropshire Show for the third year running? Galahad Threepwood, Beach the butler and others have put their shirt on this, and for Lord Emsworth it will be paradise on earth. But a substantial obstacle lurks in the way: Queen of Matchingham, the new sow of Sir Gregory Parsloe Bart. Galahad knows this pretender to the crown must be pignapped. But can the Empress in turn avoid a similar fate? In this classic Blandings novel, pigs rise above their bulk to vanish and reappear in the most unlikely places, while young lovers are crossed and recrossed in every room in Blandings Castle.

Leave it to Psmith

In this, the second novel in P.G. Wodehouse's delightful Jeeves series, the family fumbles through a comedy of errors that is set in motion by a marriage proposal and a downward spiral of miscommunication and crossed wires. This hilarious novel contains many

of the most beloved scenes and set pieces from the series. A must-read for Wodehouse fans and lovers of top-notch humor writing.

Wodehouse

The Difficult Good

EPISODE 3 IN A MAJOR BBC DRAMA STARRING TIMOTHY SPALL, DAVID WALLIAMS AND JENNIFER SAUNDERS Disaster at the annual fete at Blandings Castle. It is the annual fete at Blandings Castle, and Connie will again force Clarence to wear a miserable top-hat and make a speech. To top it off, he is banned from picking his favourite flowers by terrifying head-gardener McAllister. However, Clarence befriends Gladys and Ern, two cheeky school-children who encourage him to do what he wants. Connie is of course scandalised, and brings her howitzers to bear on the ghastly intruders. Freddie - needing to tap his old man for some cash - tries to help Clarence and the children and inevitably makes everything worse. 'Sublime comic genius' Ben Elton 'You don't analyse such sunlit perfection, you just bask in its warmth and splendour.' Stephen Fry 'The funniest writer ever to put words to paper.' Hugh Laurie 'P.G. Wodehouse remains the greatest chronicler of a certain kind of Englishness, that no one else has ever captured quite so sharply, or with quite as much wit and affection.'

Julian Fellowes

Galahad At Blandings

A complete collection of the short stories in Wodehouse's Blandings series, introduced by one of Britain's favourite comic writers. The volume comprises all the stories from "Blandings Castle", "One From Plum Pie", and "One From Nothing" series.

Lord Emsworth Acts for the Best

The definitive edition of the letters—many previously unpublished—of England's greatest comic writer. P. G. Wodehouse wrote some of the greatest comic masterpieces of all time. So, naturally, we find the same humor and wit in his letters. He offers hilarious accounts of living in England and France, the effects of prohibition, and how to deal with publishers. He even recounts cricket matches played while in a Nazi internment camp (Wodehouse wanted to show the stiff upper lip of the British in the toughest situations). Over the years, Wodehouse corresponded with relatives, friends, and some of the greatest figures of the twentieth century: Agatha Christie, Ira Gershwin, Evelyn Waugh, George Orwell, and Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. The letters are arranged chronologically with intersecting sections of biography written by Sophie Ratcliffe. This is the only book you will need to understand the man behind the characters.

The Collector's Wodehouse

Clarence, 9th Earl of Emsworth, is preoccupied with his prize-winning pig, the Empress of Blandings, and the upcoming agricultural show, while the news that his brother, Galahad Threepwood, is writing his

memoirs, has many ageing aristocrats worried.

The Blandings Omnibus

Blandings is now a major BBC One show starring Jennifer Saunders and Timothy Spall. In this wonderfully fat omnibus, which seems to span the dimensions of the Empress of Blandings herself (the fattest pig in Shropshire and surely all England), the whole world of Blandings Castle is spread out for our delectation: the engagingly dotty Lord Emsworth and his enterprising brother Galahad, his terrifying sister Lady Constance, Beach the butler (his voice 'like tawny port made audible'), James Wellbeloved, the gifted but not always sober pigman, and Lord Emsworth's secretary the Efficient Baxter, with gleaming spectacles, whose attempts to bring order to the Castle always end in disarray. Lurking in the wings is Sir Gregory Parsloe-Parsloe of Matchingam Hall, the neighbour with designs on the Prize which must surely belong to the Empress. As Evelyn Waugh wrote, 'The gardens of Blandings Castle are that original garden from which we are all exiled.' This omnibus contains *Something Fresh*, *Summer Lightning* and three short stories.

P. G. Wodehouse: A Life in Letters

Zany activities of an English lord and his prize pig.

The Crime Wave at Blandings

WITH A NEW INTRODUCTION BY NINA STIBBE A

hundred years ago P.G. Wodehouse, now widely regarded as the best comic novelist of the twentieth century, wrote *SOMETHING FRESH*, the first of his novels set in Blandings Castle. Here resides the dotty Lord Emsworth, who is 'as completely happy as only a fluffy-headed old man with excellent health and a large income can be'; his son, the Hon. Freddie Threepwood, who 'had been expelled from Eton for breaking out at night and roaming the streets of Windsor in a false moustache' and their butler, Beach, who had 'acquired a dignified inertia which almost qualified him for inclusion in the vegetable garden'. Featuring a valuable scarab unwittingly acquired from a dyspeptic American billionaire, plus imposters, engagements, broken engagements, elopements, mistaken identities, family spats and shots fired in the dead of night, *SOMETHING FRESH* is Wodehouse at his glorious best. 'The gardens of Blandings Castle are that original garden from which we are exiled.' Evelyn Waugh

Blandings: Lord Emsworth and the Girlfriend

Presents three works of fiction set at Blandings Castle in Shopshire, England, seat of the ninth Earl of Emsworth, home to the Empress of Blandings, a prize-winning Berkshire sow, and the location of a series of humorous misadventures.

Lord Emsworth and Others

Sam Bagshott has been at Blandings Castle only a

short while, but long enough to know that anyone enjoying its hospitality must get the occasional shock. Sam braces himself as the possibilities flit through his mind. The house is on fire? Empress of Blandings has taken to the bottle again? Constable Evans has arrived with a search warrant? He is prepared for bad news in any form. In any form, that is to say, except the one in which it comes. And as always, it's up to the intrepid Galahad Threepwood to make sure all comes right in the end.

The Novel Life of PG Wodehouse

A compilation of ten stories by one of the twentieth century's leading humorists features such familiar characters as Rodney Spelvin, Bingo Little, and Rosie M. Banks.

Something Fresh

Seven stories in which well-known characters mix with new acquaintances.

Wodehouse on crime

The mad Duke of Danstable is intent upon kidnapping the Empress of Brandings, Lord Einsworth's pet pig, and his lordship calls upon Pongo Twistleton's Uncle Fred to save the day.

Full Moon

From the New York Times bestselling author of Tinker,

Tailor, Soldier, Spy; Our Kind of Traitor; and The Night Manager, now a television series starring Tom Hiddleston. John le Carré's new novel, *A Legacy of Spies*, is now available. As the fall of Saigon looms, master spy George Smiley must outmaneuver his Soviet counterpart on a battlefield that neither can afford to lose. The mole has been eliminated, but the damage wrought has brought the British Secret Service to its knees. Given the charge of the gravely compromised Circus, George Smiley embarks on a campaign to uncover what Moscow Centre most wants to hide. When the trail goes cold at a Hong Kong gold seam, Smiley dispatches Gerald Westerby to shake the money tree. A part-time operative with cover as a philandering journalist, Westerby insinuates himself into a war-torn world where allegiances—and lives—are bought and sold. Brilliantly plotted and morally complex, *The Honourable Schoolboy* is the second installment of John le Carré's renowned Karla trilogy and a riveting portrayal of postcolonial espionage. With an introduction by the author.

The World of Blandings

We all know Jeeves and Wooster, but which is the best Jeeves story? We all know Blandings, but which is the funniest tale about Lord Emsworth and his adored prize-winning pig? And would the best of Ukridge, or the yarns of the Oldest Member, or Wodehouse's Hollywood stories outdo them? This bumper anthology allows you to choose, bringing you the cream of the crop of stories by the twentieth

century's greatest humorous writer. There are favourites aplenty in this selection, which has been compiled with enthusiastic support from P.G. Wodehouse societies around the world. With additional material including novel extracts, working drafts, articles, letters and poems, this anthology provides the best overall celebration of side-splitting humour and sheer good nature available in the pages of any book.

The Jeeves Omnibus - Vol 1

Ashe was reading listlessly down the column when, from the mass of advertisements, one of an unusual sort detached itself. WANTED: Young Man of good appearance, who is poor and reckless, to undertake a delicate and dangerous enterprise. Good pay for the right man. Apply between the hours of ten and twelve at offices of Mainprice, Mainprice & Boole, 3 Denvers Street, Strand. Ashe, an adventurer at heart, was also uncommonly lazy. As it was, however, he could make an immediate start. It was with fine fervor animating him that he entered the gloomy offices of Mainprice, Mainprice & Boole. His brain was afire and he felt ready for anything.

Life at Blandings

Unwelcome guests are descending on Blandings Castle - particularly the overbearing Duke of Dunstable, who settles in the Garden Suite with no intention of leaving, and Lady Constance, Lord Emsworth's sister and a lady of firm disposition.

Skulduggery is also afoot involving the sale of a modern nude painting (mistaken by Lord Emsworth for a pig). It's enough to take the noble earl on the short journey to the end of his wits. Luckily, Clarence's brother Galahad Threepwood, cheery survivor of the raffish Pelican Club, is on hand to set things right, restore sundered lovers, and solve all the mysteries.

Uncle Fred in the Springtime

This Blandings omnibus, starring the further exploits of the Earl of Emsworth and his acquaintances, contains Pigs with Wings, Full Moon and Service With a Smile.

The Honourable Schoolboy

Pigs Have Wings

Heavy Weather

The claim that human agents are vulnerable to tragic conflict, situations in which one cannot help but do wrong, is a commonplace in contemporary moral philosophy. This book draws on Thomas Aquinas's moral thought in order to delineate an alternative view. While affirming that the human good can be attained only through difficulty, including the difficulty of moral conflict, it argues that Aquinas's understanding of a natural, hierarchical ordering of

human goods allows for the rational resolution of moral conflict in a way that avoids tragic necessity.

What Ho!

Nine stories include a crime wave at Blandings Castle; Ukridge appearing on Corky's doorstep at 3 in the morning, wearing his yellow mackintosh and requesting a whisky and soda; and the Oldest Member warning of the folly of driving into the father of the girl you love.

Nothing Serious

Contents: SOMETHING FRESH, SUMMER LIGHTNING, and HEAVY WEATHER

The Best of Wodehouse

'It beats me why a man of his genius is satisfied to hang around pressing my clothes and what not,' says Bertie. 'If I had Jeeves's brain I should have a stab at being Prime Minister or something.' Luckily for us, Bertie Wooster manages to retain Jeeves's services through all the vicissitudes of purple socks and policeman's helmets, and here, gathered together for the first time, is an omnibus of Jeeves novels and stories comprising three of the funniest books ever written: Thank You, Jeeves, The Code of the Woosters and The Inimitable Jeeves.

The Most Of P.G. Wodehouse

Service With a Smile

Raise a glass as this is a time for celebration. The Collector's Wodehouse--all 99 titles--is complete!

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