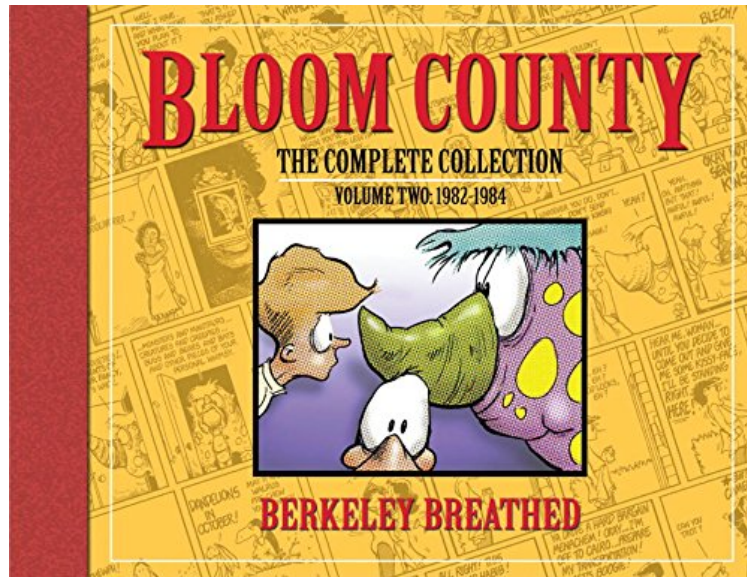


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full-color page. Breathed provides annotations throughout the book, explaining both his thoughts about the strips and pop culture references that young readers might find obscure. Ted Koppel provides the forward. The familiar cast of characters is here: Opus, Milo, Binkley, Steve Dallas, Cutter John, Bobbi Harlow, Oliver Wendell Jones, Hodge Podge, Portnoy, etc. Breathed gently satirizes both the political left and right: for example, on page 68, "Bloom Beacon" editor Milo is approached by respective caricatures of a gun zealot and misguided hippie in successive strips. I got into "Bloom County" a couple years after these strips appeared, devouring the aforementioned trade paperback collections in junior high school. Rereading these strips two decades later revealed some previously unappreciated jokes, such as the fake "Those Darn Feminists" cartoon drawn by "Buckley n' Safire". Some charmingly dated 1980s references inspire nostalgia, but the majority of this material remains culturally relevant. I enjoyed the Volume 1 collection: this material is even better. Very strong cases can be made for both "Calvin and Hobbes" and "The Far Side", but "Bloom County" remains my favorite comic strip of the 1980s.

Bloom County burst onto the American comic scene in December of 1980 and it soon became one of the most popular comic strips of all time. The quirky denizens of the strip included Milo Bloom, Steve Dallas, Michael Binkley, Cutter John, Bill the Cat, and Opus the penguin, along with so many others. Volume Two of the Bloom County Library continues right where volume one left off, with Berkeley Breathed's endearing, enchanting, and occasionally infuriating inhabitants of Bloom County treating us to their madcap adventures, cynical observations, and optimistic innocence - sometimes all at once!

About the Author Berkeley Breathed lives and works in Santa Barbara, California and is the proud owner of a gentle pit bull named Ridley, a deaf dachshund named Milly, and a refugee mutt from the Puerto Rican streets named Pilar--splendidly flawed dogs, every one.