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Spring 1937. While German Chancellor Adolf Hitler ceaselessly talks of peace, his actions seem deliberately calculated to make the Western allies lose patience. The schizophrenic geopolitical atmosphere even can be felt as far away as Fulworth, England, the home of the retired Sherlock Holmes, where the Steiners, a German migrant couple, have recently found a refuge and have assumed care of the detective's household after the passing of Mrs Hudson. Spying and detective work are far from the thoughts of beekeeping enthusiast Holmes, but the suicide of his protege a local youth whose natural talent the detective developed and encouraged for ten years is a heavy blow. The death without apparent motive has now pulled Holmes back into the world, which has changed dramatically. Steam power has given way to electricity, carriages have been replaced by automobiles, and the skies are dotted with giant airships. The only thing that has remained constant is evil, in the shape of an enemy with whom Holmes first tangled more than forty years ago "

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Dale says

Oh, the humanity!

Maybe I should put a SPOILER WARNING here...

My thanks go out to Steve and Timi at MX Publishing for my copy of this book. Sherlock Holmes is forever!

The book opens with an attempt on the Queen's life. Present at the time are Holmes, Watson, Fredrick Fawcett, a political secretary; Sir Henry Ponsonby, private secretary to the Queen; and the Queen's Indian aide, Abdul Karim. The attempt is a failure, yet the assassin unfortunately escapes...

During 1937, Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson are living in Holmes' cottage on the Suffolk Downs. They are now in their eighties and remain strong and healthy; while Mycroft, Lestrade, and others have passed on. Watson attributes their longevity to potions forced on them when they tangled with a certain Oriental Doctor...

Holmes recently had a protégé, a young man named Richard Green. Green had been attending college. He has been away for a time when he suddenly commits suicide. It is revealed that Green actually worked for a secret government agency. As Holmes traces the reasons why Green would commit suicide, he comes upon Green's pass to the project. Reporting to Mycroft's successor, who goes by "M," Holmes and Watson receive passes of their own and clearance to investigate.

A quantity of weaponized Anthrax has been stolen from the facility by Green. Disgusted that the Government would weaponized the spores; Holmes soon finds out the situation is much worse. Green had a girlfriend and she is a Nazi agent...

The story winds through a series of deadly encounters with Nazi agents. Holmes and Watson, accompanied by an agent of M known only as "James," are captured and nearly killed several times over. Burning houses, speeding trains, auto chases and more bring our heroes and the Nazis closer and closer to a showdown.

The final face-off takes place aboard the doomed Hindenburg on its flight to the United States. The final reveal is a welcome surprise. Good show, Petr Macek!

I give the book five stars! It rocks!

Quoth the Raven...
