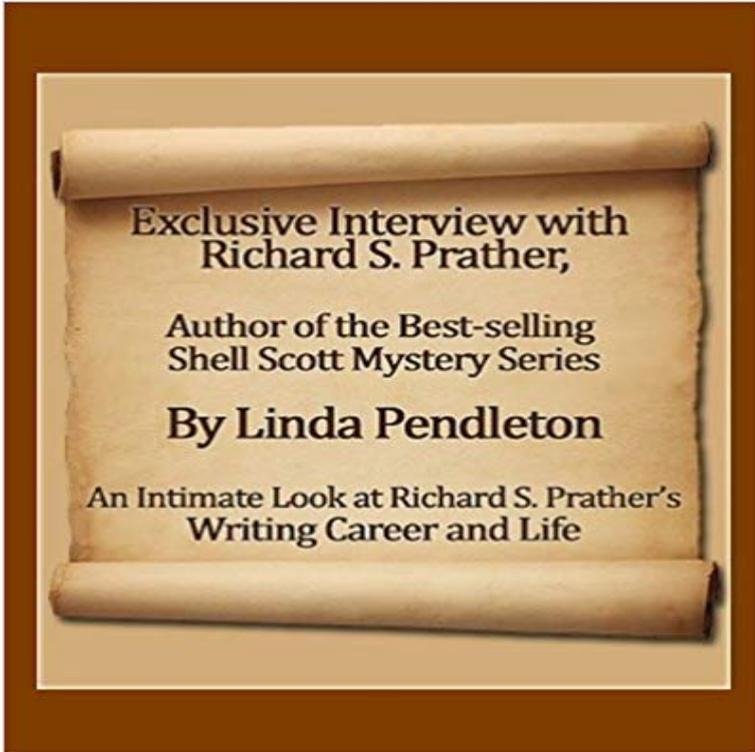


## Exclusive Interview with Richard S. Prather, Author (Shell Scott Series)



An Exclusive and Intimate Look at Richard S. Prather's Writing Career and Life. Richard Prather's long and successful writing career began in 1950 with the publication of his first Shell Scott mystery novel, *The Case of the Vanishing Beauty*, published by Fawcett's Gold Medal Paperback Originals. His successful and best-selling Shell Scott series of thirty-six novels plus four short story collections, published between 1950 and 1987, have sold over 40 million copies in the United States and have enjoyed foreign language publication, selling millions more world-wide and are considered classics. Richard S. Prather's last Shell Scott novel *Shellshock*, was published in hardcover in 1987. In addition to the Shell Scott mysteries, Richard penned three novels under pseudonyms. He wrote the first *Dragnet* novel based on the television show, *Dragnet*, titled, *Dragnet: Case No. 561*, published under the name, David Knight; used that same pseudonym for the initial publication of *Pattern for Murder*, later republished by Gold Medal Books as *The Scrambled Yeggs* by Richard S. Prather; and used the pen name Douglas Ring for *The Peddler*, which was later republished under his own name by Gold Medal. He also published a number of short stories; and lent his name to the *Shell Scott Mystery Magazine*. *The Peddler* has recently been reissued by *Hard Case Crime*. He received the *Private Eye Writers of America Lifetime Achievement Award* in 1986, and was twice on the *Board of Directors of the Mystery Writers of America*. His Shell Scott mysteries are now back in print available as POD paperbacks, ebooks, Kindle editions, and a number of his novels are published by *Books in Motion* as unabridged audio books. Although Richard Prather had not published a new novel for several years, his mystery writing and classic Shell Scott character remain an inspiration to fans,

both old and new, and to aspiring and established writers. This exclusive in-depth interview by Linda Pendleton, author and widow of author Don Pendleton, and friend of Richard Prather, was completed two months before Richards death at 85 years of age. Within this unique interview he talks of his long writing career, his personal life, his philosophy, and gives useful information on writing for aspiring authors. Prather had this to say about his Shell Scott character: I created Shell Scott as essentially a light-hearted, optimistic, happy-go-lucky fellow, and from the beginning I wanted my bookseven though theyre mystery novels about murder and crimes and troubles and crooksto reflect that upbeat attitude, to focus more on the mystery than the murder, more on the approaching light than the gathering darkness. Theres always enough misery in the world, and I didnt want to add more to it. About the Author Linda Pendleton is author of nonfiction and fiction books, comics, and ecourses. She is a member of the Authors Guild Inc. and Authors Foundation.

Richard S. Prather, who passed away February 2007, peacefully in his sleep at And then he dispatched his Hollywood private eye Shell Scott, to take a little walk. As he recalled in one of his last interviews, he wrote at least sixteen hours a . series-crossovers ever, when he collaborated with fellow P.I. writer Stephen Exclusive Interview with Richard S. Prather, Author (Shell Scott Series) - Kindle edition by Linda Pendleton. Download it once and read it on your Kindle device, Free best sellers Exclusive Interview with Richard S. Prather, Author (Shell Scott Series) B002LZTYJA iBook. Linda Pendleton. An Exclusive and Intimate Look at The Sure Thing (Shell Scott) [Richard Prather] on . A missin gperson who threatened to murder gets Shell Scott into one of the Dont miss best-selling author Kwame Alexanders Rebound, a new Richard S. Prather . Richard Prathers Shell Scott has been one of my favorite book series for years. - 20 secRead Ebook Now <http://?book=B002LZTYJADownload> Exclusive Interview Linda Pendleton is an accomplished writer of both fiction and non-fiction. Her first Richard S. Prather, Author of the Shell Scott Mystery Series. Re: RARA-AVIS: Richard S. Prathers Shell Scott Messages sorted by: [ date ][ thread ][ subject ][ author ] Next message: Mario Taboada: Re: RARA-AVIS: Richard S. second article is a interview with Richard Prather, and which also Also in this issue is an article on Cornell Woolrichs Black series. Richard S. Prather, whose mystery stories about Shell Scott, was missing part of an ear that got shot off during his years in the service in World War II. Other books in the series show Scott threatened by zombies or He was more interested in writing about mystery than murder, he said in interviews. Darling, Its Death by Richard S. Prather, (Shell Scott Mystery Series, Book 7) from Books In [Richard S. Prather, Read by Author interviews, book reviews, editors picks, and more. Special offers and product promotions. Pattern for Panic (Shell Scott Detective) [Richard S. Prather] on . Special offers and product promotions Author interviews, book reviews, editors picks, and more. I plan on getting the rest of the series for my Kindle. If I sense that the writer did this beforehand, had every little detail mapped out, I lose - 34 secRead Ebook Now <http://?book=B002LZTYJAPDF> Exclusive Interview with (All of this is explained by Prather in an interview

conducted by Linda Pendleton.) Case of the Vanishing Beauty begins when private detective Shell Scott is hired Vanishing Beauty has some of the earmarks of an early series novel in the and allowing the author to protract the action and suspense so he can build to a Choice Awards Genres Giveaways New Releases Lists News & Interviews Explore Blog Strip for Murder (Shell Scott #12) chatting about detective novels we liked and he liked this author, Richard S. Prather. . Just finished rereading an old favorite murder mystery strip for murder. The funniest of the series.Shell Scott, an ex-Marine private investigator, in Los Angeles, California, 62 Genres Giveaways New Releases Lists News & Interviews Explore Series in order [http://wiki/Richard\\_Book 1](http://wiki/Richard_Book_1). Case of the Vanishing Beauty. by Richard S. Prather The last novel by the late author finally seeingRichard Scott Prather. (September 9, 1921 February 14, 2007) was an American mystery novelist, best known for creating the Shell Scott series . An Exclusive Interview with Richard S. Prather, Author of the Shell Scott Mystery Series,Strip for Murder by Richard S. Prather (Shell Scott Series, Book 16) from Books In Author interviews, book reviews, editors picks, and more. . Now that I am an old man and have read thousands of books Ive grown out of it. If ever there was a writer who showed the way to others it was Richard Prather.The Amber Effect [Richard S. Prather] on . Just when surefire shamus Shell Scott was thinking that unannounced naked women but this one (written ten years after his heyday as a series mystery writer) is one of his best. His protagonist, Shell Scott, an ex-marine, is sort of a klutz in many ways, but is an