THE WINE AND FOOD SOCIETY OF MIAMI 20th Dinner

Crystal House Restaurant

Les Vins

*Ch. Couhins 1962 Villenave d'Ornon, Graves

Wiltinger Braunfels 1961 Spaetlese Orig. Abf. D. Von Volxem

Domaine de Chevalier 1955 Leognan, Graves

Ch. Calon Segur 1955 St. Estèphe

*Ch. Calon Segur 1953 (Magnums)

Ch. Suduiraut 1955 Preignac, Sauternes

Owner and Executive Chef: Mr. Bernard *Wines from the Columbus Hotel November 3, 1965

Le Menu

Escargots Chablisienne

Consommé Olga

Crabe en Coquille Vèronique

Sorbet au Citron

Carré d'Agneau Persillé

Champignons Grillé Pommes Olivette

Fonds Artichauts Florentine

Salade de Laitue - Bibb

Fromages

Tourte au Moka Croute de Noix

Cafe

WINE NOTES

CHATEAU COUHINS, Villenave d'Ornon, Graves, '62

The red wines of Graves are so great that they far overshadow their white cousins. White Graves, such as this, do not measure up to the great whites of Burgundy or Germany, but neither do their prices. These are good, bargain wines, and this one is one of best repute. The '62 vintage was a great one.

WILTINGER BRAUNFELS, 1961, Spaetlese Orig. Abf. Staatsminister D. Von Volxem

This wine comes from the region of the Saar, a tributary of the Mosel. Not well known outside of Germany, it is a neighbor of one of the greatest white wines of the world - Scharzhofberger, which is also from Wiltingen. In poor or average years Weltingen wines are most unattractive, being harsh and acid. However in good or great years they may achieve greatness and perhaps have no peer among the delicate, fragrant wines of the Mosel-Saar-Ruwer region, as well as the entire world. 1961 was a good year, generally speaking, in this area but is not quite up to the magnificent '59 vintage which is now virtually unobtainable.

DOMAINE DE CHEVALIER, 1955, Leognan, Graves

Next to the more famous Haut-Brion which is unrealistically but still officially listed among the "big four" Medoc wines, Domaine de Chevalier is perhaps the next best red wine of the Graves region. It is certainly the next most expensive and stands at the head of the classified growths of red Graves. Better known for its fairly good and relatively inexpensive white wines, Graves produces some of the finest wines of Bordeaux, equalling or surpassing in certain years some of the best from the second growths of Medoc.

CHATEAU CALON-SEGUR, St. Estèphe, '55 CHATEAU CALON-SEGUR, St. Estèphe, '53

Calon-Segur is rated as a third growth officially, but experts place it higher. These two vintages are served to compare one against the other. The '53 was a great vintage and holds the distinction of being the best Bordeaux (red) served at any of our society's dinners thus far. The '55 is new to our group and has been resting since last winter. It was generally rated a little below the '53. However, taste is the only criterion and no one has any monopoly on this.

CHATEAU SUDUIRAUT, Preignac, Sauternes, '55

Although this chateau ranks after Chateau Yquem, many prefer it along with others of the second cru. The virtues of the lesser Sauternes are that they vary considerably, one from the other, and are not so overpoweringly sweet, each having its subtle difference.



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CHÂTEAU COUHINS

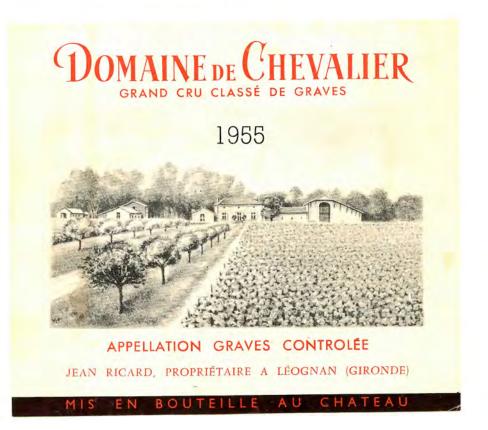
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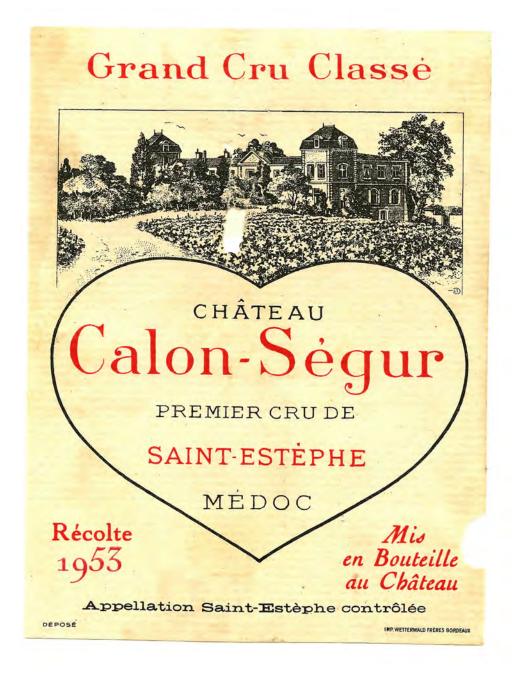
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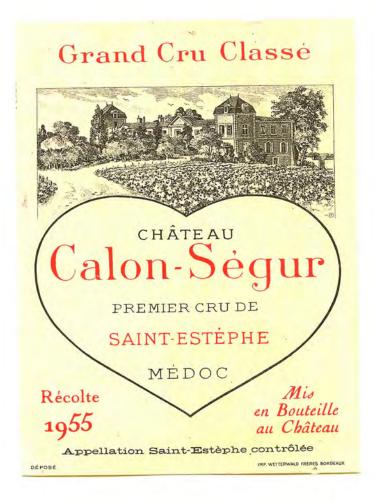
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1962













THE NEAN

October 21, 1965

MIAMI, FLORIDA

PHILIP W. MOORE Secretary 2500 S. W. 3ND AVENUE MIAMI 36. FLORIDA

Fellow members:

The 20th dinner meeting of The Wine and Food Society of Miami will take place on Wednesday, November 3, at Crystal House, 5055 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, This is a very interesting new place to dine, and an excellent menu has been prepared. French wines, including two fine Bordeaux, will accompany the dinner.

This will be a black-tie, stag affair, and male guests may be invited. The cost is \$20 per person, inclusive. Aperitifs will be served at 7:15 and dinner promptly at 8:00 P.M. <u>Seating will be limited to 24</u>, so please make your reservations early. Checks should be made out to The Wine and Food Society and mailed to C. D. McCormick, 117 N. E. 1st Avenue, Miami, by Tuesday November 2.

Due to several requests regarding reference material on wine and food, our old list of August, 1963 has been revised, brought very much up to date, and enlarged to meet the increasing interest of our members. A copy is enclosed for your convenience. Christmas is not far off and any of these books would make fine gifts for you (from your wives, of course) or vice versa. Whether you rate yourself a rank amateur or connoisseur, the acquisition of a few of these selected volumes will repay tenfold anyone who is truly interested in improving his knowledge, enjoyment and appreciation of good wine and food.

Arrangements are being made for our members to receive the following:

- "Nouvelles des Vignobles" prepared by Frederick Wildman & Sons. 1.
- 2.
- "News from Bordeaux" by the Bordeaux Wine Bureau. "News of the Vineyards" ed. by F. Schoonmaker for Almaden. 3.

Cordially yours, Skinner, Jr. resident

Dues of \$15.00 are still current for a few members. NOTE:

A branch of the Wine and Food Society, founded in London, England, in 1933; President, Andre L. Simon; 30 Grosvenor Gardens, London, S. W. I. OTHER BRANCHES; England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, Australia, British West Africa, South Africa, New Zealand, India, Rhodesia, Malaya, China, Japan, Canada and United States.

THE WINE and FOOD SOCIETY OF MIAMI A selected list of books recommended for the membership. Revised October 1965

FOOD

- 1. "Larousse Gastronomique". Eng. Trans. 1961 (Crown) \$20.
- "The Food of France". Waverly Root. 1958 (Knopf) \$10.
- "The Art of French Cooking". Flammarion. Eng. Trans. 1958 (Simon & Schuster) \$20.
- "Dining Out in Any Language". Myra Waldo. 1962 (Bantam Paper Back) 50¢
- "The James Beard Cook Book". 1959 (Dell Paper Back) 85¢
- "Mastering the Art of French Cooking". Beck, Bertholle & Child. 1961 (Knopf) \$10.
- 7. "Michael Field's Cooking School". 1965 (Barrows) \$8.50
- "Cheeses of The World". Andre Simon. 1960 (Faber & Faber, London) \$4.50

WINE

For the Beginner

- 1. "The Plain Man's Guide to Wine". Raymond Postgate. 1961 (Dolphin Paper Back) 95¢
- "Wines and Spirits". L. W. Marrison. 1957 (Pelican Paper Back) 95¢
- "The Vintage Wine Book". Wm. Leedom. 1963 (Vintage Paper Back) \$1.95
- "Wine, An Introduction for Americans". Amerine & Singleton. 1965 (U. of Calif. Press) \$6.
- "Encyclopedia of Wine". Frank Schoonmaker. 1964 (Hastings House) \$6.95

For the Intermediate

- "The Wines of France". Alexis Lichine. 1964 (Knopf) \$5.95
- "Wines and Spirits". Wm. Massee. 1961 (McGraw-Hill) \$8.95
- "The Wines of Bordeaux". J. R. Roger. 1960 (Dutton) \$3.75
- "The Wines of Germany". Frank Schoonmaker. 1956 (Hastings House) \$3.95
- "Dictionary of Drink and Drinking".
 Oscar Mendelsohn. 1965 (McMillan) \$6.50

COMMENTS

The most complete single book on food available today. A must

Good reading on the regional cuisine of France.

Mainly for cooks. Beautiful illustrations in color.

Translation of menu terms for all major European countries.

A real value by the dean of American gastronomy.

Clearly presented basic French cook book.

Probably a new classic in the cook book field.

The most comprehensive and authoritative book on the subject.

A good starter by an English authority.

Another good value full of general information.

Well written and well worth the small cost.

Highly recommended factual, scientific work by our greatest living cenologist

Authoritative and up to date. A must.

Fairly complete, interesting and readable guide to French wines.

Good general treatment. Authentic but not too complete.

Adequate, reliable listing of the major wines of Bordeaux.

Excellent, clear and fairly complete guide to German wines.

Up to date, alphabetical and cross referenced for easy use.

I.

II.

III.

- For the More Advanced
- "The Wines and Vineyards of France". Jacquelin & Poulain. Trans. by T. A. Layton. 1962 (Putnam) \$9.95
- "Atlas de la France Vinicole".
 L. Larmat. 1953 (Paris)
- "Alsace and Its Wine Gardens". S. F. Hallgarten, 1957 (Andre Deutsch) \$3.
- "German Wines and Vines". Alfred Langenback. 1962 (Vista, London) \$6.
- "The Wines of Portugal". H. Warner Allen. 1963 (McGraw-Hill) \$10.
- "The Wines of Italy". Luigi Veronelli. 1964 (McGraw-Hill) \$20.
- 7. "Madeira"; "Port"; "Sherry". Rupert Croft-Cooke. (Putnam, London) \$3. each

BOOKS OF GENERAL INTEREST

- "A Vintage Food Sampler". Narcissa Chamberlain. (Vintage) \$1.45
- "The Epicures Companion". Seranne & Tebbel. 1962 (McKay) \$7.95
- "In Praise of Wine". Alec Waugh. 1959 (W. Sloane) \$6.
- "Life Picture Cook Book". 1958 (Prentice-Hall) \$20.
- "The Gentleman's Companion". Chas. Baker. 1951 (Crown) \$5.95
- "Table Topics". Julian Street. 1961 (Cassell, London) \$3.
- "Notes on a Cellar Book". George Saintsbury. 1963 (MeMillan) \$2.75
- "Stay Me With Flagons". Maurice Healy. 1949 (Michael Joseph, London) \$3.
- "The Gourmet's Companion". Ed. Cyril Ray. 1963 (Eyre & Spottiswoode) \$4,50
- 10. "Wine Magazine". Ed. K. C. Bourke 24 Gilbert St., London, W.I. \$3. yearly

A very complete listing of all the major as well as minor wines of France. For reference mainly.

Separate paper bound folio volumes for each region with detailed maps.

The best book on Alsatian wines available in English today.

Will probably be a standard reference on German wines.

Elegant, with color plates, by one of the greatest wine writers.

Beautifully presented down to attached Italian wine labels.

Detailed accounts in 3 vols. of Englishman's choice in fortified wines.

Interesting selections from books about food.

A literary tour through the world of gastronomy.

Delightful book on drinking in general.

Mouth watering color plates and much general information

Witty and interesting set of two volumes by one of our members.

New Edition of an old one that still retains its interest.

New edition of an all time classic by an erudite wine lover.

Another minor classic for the connoisseur.

Fascinating anthology by one of the best wine writers today.

Highly recommended as a supplement to our "Wine & Food" quarterly.

Generally speaking, almost anything written by H. Warner Allen, Creighton Churchill, Edward Hyams, T. A. Layton, Morton Shand, or Andre Simon would likely be worthwhile. Among excellent paper backs on food, those by Elizabeth David (Penguin, London) are especially commendable.

In vino veritas,

Louis C. Summin.

Louis C. Skinner, Jr., President

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