

Alfredo's Head



The Sam Peckinpah movie “Bring me the head of Alfredo Garcia” ends without resolving the head’s fate. Bennie, the picture’s protagonist, removes it from Mr. Garcia and, following numerous adventures, is eventually slain. Sure, that *is* a tragedy in itself, but what about the head? Turns out that Bessie Dinklaker, the film’s location scout, had a hankerin’ for parietal lobes. And one day, when the rest of the crew had repaired to the local cantina to celebrate the film’s wrap, she scooped out Garcia’s noggin. Then, back at her seaside apartment over a bottle of chardonnay, she wolfed down the slimy gray matter. “Tasted a little like chicken,” she later admitted.