Another Pun Quiz. The misdefinitions usually also hint at the actual meanings, as in cryptic crosswords. Numbers in parentheses are the letters in the answer; (313) is a charade, a six letter word that splits into a three plus three letter pun. My answers are out back.

1. a sign language convention in the Roman colosseum (Should be but isn’t the etymology.) (4 2 5)
2. Turn a whole novel into a single unrestrained sentence by removing every period. (4 3 3 3 5.)
3. a machine that pries into your affairs and calculates the consequences, ‘piecey’ (8 8)
4. Miners stop work and picket just as the price of ferrous ore is peaking. (6 5 3 4 2 3.)
5. The reason? It’s the proper procedure for getting a meal at a restaurant. (5 2 5)
6. the birthday of the Great K9, according to the tenets of Its worshippers (3 3)
7. undoing of all the marks we got in school, going from high to low (2 7)
8. a darting out of sight after you lose all of your (leather) clothes (3 4)
9. When things look inalterably bleak resort to carefree wishing. (9 4)
10. opposite of complex Tell the editor if it’s too much for you. (3 5)
11. a men’s double toilet with one “i” that shuts down at night (2 5)
12. What to do with the Bible after you’ve preached from it? (4 2)
13. a dyslexic fortune teller who conjures with Biblical verses (8)
14. a broken golf club (He tosses it away as far as he can.) (4 6)
15. homestead, cottage, villa, bungalow, hacienda, manor (9 5)
16. a large dead Australian bird humans might copy (!) (3 4)
17. ‘This fruit tastes okay but I crave a different one.’ (4 5)
18. a migraine produced by a whiny wife (a whinny?) (7 8)
19. use terror to save (someone) from perdition (5 3 4 3 2)
20. A large reptile rips my flesh and I pretend to cry. (9 5)
21. Little Jack Horner digs deeply into his Xmas pie. (6)
22. Cut the cards, no under the table cheating! (3 5 2 4!)
23. be pigeon-toed or a really bad dancer (5 2 4 3 3 4)
24. an exchange of taunts between dressmakers (3 5)
25. a neurotic infraction of the law of gravity (4-2)
26. a ‘dialog’ between two uninterruptables (6 4)
27. science under the Bush administration (9 7)
28. remove the dope from (a drink) (4 3 6 3 2)
29. I only charge $1.00 for a lecture. (4 2 5.)
30. a set of playing cards for the toilet (4 4)
31. spending habit of the prodigal son (10)
32. what the friendly bouncer does (5 3)
33. bushy-tailed rodent mince (6 8)
34. past and future tense of here (5)
35. an amino acid at 8:57 (4 1 4)
36. a jellyfish at 3:50 (4 1 5)