

False Face

By E. C. Buley

CHAPTER TWENTY-ONE

Continued

It may have been that his reckless approach to the left-hand turn which brought them among the houses of the village warned her, coming as it did upon his excited and urgent manner of starting, but Marcia was inspired to

swift action as they swung around the corner, wide on the wrong side of the road, to find Peter Marchant strolling casually in the middle of the road, and almost under their front wheels.

Plunging her weight against the man at the wheel, Marcia gripped the steering apparatus with both hands, wrenching the car violently to the right. In the same instant Marchant hurried himself headlong in the other direction, escaping death by the width of the palm of his hand. With a shout of terror Smith applied the brakes, just as the car

smashed into a high thorn hedge. Marcia had almost instinctively raised her arms, to protect her face, but the man was flung through the windscreen by the sudden check of both obstacle and brakes. By a sideways lurch Marcia was thrown clear of the car, and lay unconscious when Marchant broke through the hedge to render assistance.

Peter hardly spared a glance for Smith, who was fumbling in a dazed fashion at the handle of the door, his face streaming with blood. A hurried examination of the girl relieved him of his fear that Marcia was suffering from anything worse than shock, for no limbs were broken. Picking her up in his arms, Peter strode away towards the gate of what he saw was the enclosed vegetable plot of one of the villagers.

The people were pouring out of their houses to see what had happened, but Marchant paid no heed to their questions. He bore his burden swiftly to the house of the Beringstone doctor, who happened at the time to be engaged upon his lunch, like most of the inhabitants. And as he deposited Marcia on the couch in the consulting room, he had the satisfaction and relief of seeing her open her eyes.

"What is it?" she asked, as the doctor offered her water, with a little salt volatile. "Peter! Oh, I remember." Her hands went up to her face as she spoke, and Peter frowned heavily to see her trying to blot out her memory of what had happened.

"Just a bit of a smash," Peter said. "Take it easy." He looked at the doctor, who signalled him out of the room. Out in the street he saw Smith, with his head bandaged, supported by two sympathizing boatmen. But, at the sight of Peter standing in the doorway, Smith declined immediate medical aid, and elected to be conducted to his inn.

News travels quickly in so small a place, and Miss Deborah now came hurrying upon the scene, alarmed by a report that Marcia had been killed in a motor smash. She was just in time to hear the doctor's verdict.

"Nothing worse than slight concussion and shock, as far as I can see," he said. "A few bruises, of course, but I am glad to say that no serious effects are threatened. As a precaution, I advise complete quiet and rest for a day or two."

Marcia, pale and trembling, avoided Peter's eyes, as she took his arm and her aunt's, protesting that she could walk. And at the cottage she retired at once to her own room, without any mention of the cause of the accident. To be continued

Strange But True

By F. M. MacArthur

The first animal to become man's friend was the wolf. Tamed, it has developed into man's best friend, the dog.

The first step in agriculture was scratching the roots of plants by primitive man. This made the plants grow better and led to cultivation of the soil.

The first flour was made by sewing raw grains. The dough, the womenfolk added a little water, mixed it into a sort of paste, made it into little cakes and placed them in the sun to dry or on flat stones heated in the fire.

Rafes buoyed up by inflated skins were used in early transportation. Behind the raft a man swam and pushed, while a second fellow belched directions from the shore.

In order to get more power without increasing the length of their ships, the Phoenicians used two rows of oarsmen, one above the other.

Pantheon bridges are not a modern invention. They were used by Roman soldiers when they wished to cross a river.

The earliest books were long scrolls rolled on sticks. The trouble of rolling and unrolling the scroll while reading led eventually to folding it between the columns of writing. This was the first step in the evolution of the modern form of book.

In Egypt writing was done by scribes. His outfit consisted of a couple of reed pens and a case, two jars of water, and a palette with two round holes in which to make different colored ink.

A different kind of writing developed in Assyria where clay was plentiful. The writer spread out a lump of this soft material until it formed a little tablet a few inches square. His next step was to press the tablet with a stylus, thus forming arrowhead marks. The tablets were then dried in the sun and put aside for future reading.

In the course of time symbols instead of standing for a whole word, came to represent only part of a word. This was the origin of our present alphabet.

Tops graduating class, but is at the bottom, too. How? Well, Robert Fryburg of Santa Monica Boulevard Elementary School, in Los Angeles, is the only pupil in his class. There were three last fall, but two moved away.

Justice of the Peace James Down of Los Vegas, Nev., challenges any clergyman to top his record of marrying 7, 103 couples — or almost 20 a day — during 1951, at \$4 a couple — or \$120 a day is pretty good pay, eh?

According to friends of Isabele Brown of Edmonton, she might have waited a bit longer before suing her 99-year-old husband. The Browns have been married 30 years and the husband still works. The banded gecko, a lizard found in the Southwest has an adhesive pad on each toe which enables it to travel across any smooth surface, or upside down on ceilings. This creature is one of Nature's oddities.

Don't kill owls as they are especially valuable as flying mouse traps. They are active at night, when the rodents are most likely to be on the prowl. John Wayland of Uxbridge, Mass., has a unique walking stick made of 35,000 postage stamps.

Canadian prairie dogs have less tooth decay than any other animals.

This rodent grows 46 inches of teeth every year, more than seven times its own body length. Constant use of his teeth keeps them down to a sharp chisel like tip.

The prairie dog is an engineer, and poet cutter par excellence, but their numbers are growing less due to extensive cultivation of their homeland.

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The A. E. Hancock dairy farm located at Raymond, Alta., was the scene of a freak accident recently when nine cows of a 32-head Holstein herd and valued at \$5,000 were electrocuted when the milking machines were turned on. First had short-circuited the conduct leading to the barn.

Thinking well is wise, planning well, wiser; doing well, wisest and best of all.

You can make a small room look at least a foot longer in every direction if you will tint the walls pink.

Dictators promise their people security if they will give up their freedom. But Canadian history shows freedom and economic security go hand in hand.

Color painting has been developed to the point where the seed catalogue is now as big a liar as anybody.

Any small sacrifice you make for others brings its return multiplied many times. Try it.

Nowadays there is entirely too much emphasis placed on children sucking their thumbs. Mothers should remember that babies have no teeth to bite off the thumb, they won't dissolve and he can't swallow it because its attached to his hand.

Born without arms, Forrest Layman of Rockdale, N. Y. feels a

Religion and Life

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lity of war, and war in the atomic age means that whoever may seem to win both will lose and humanity will be set back thousands of years. To "live and let live" is not enough, there must be mutual confidence and co-operation as well. Some nation must take the lead and must face the sacrifices which leadership involves in this new adventure of mankind. As we look hopefully in this direction we know of no principle so promising as that which governed the past career of the new President of the United States. His accession to power encourages us to expect the speedier answer to Robert Burns' prayer:

"Then let us pray that, come what may, As come it will, for a' that, When man to man the world o'er Shall brethren be, for a' that."

A man once held a penny to his eye and complained that he could not see the moon. The small sphere held close shut out the sphere which illumines the night. There are churches of Christ in this country which are making this mistake. They are allowing second rate or third rate beliefs and practices to prevent their union with other churches who are one with them on the central truths of the faith, and if anything is needed in the world today it is that Christians present a united front on the issues of the hour.

Christianity as such is under attack today as it never has been since the persecutions of the Roman Empire. All religion is repudiated by millions who have declared their policy to root out every vestige of faith in the supernatural. With faith goes most principles; to faith modern pagan teaches are no ultimate standards of right and wrong. They back their unbelief with persecution to the death of all who refuse submission to their dictates to the mind and conscience. In the face of such assaults on all that Christians hold dear the movement toward Christian unity is being held up by prejudices and claims that have no foundation in Scripture or Spiritual experience.

Many churches concentrate on the promotion of their own interests at the expense of the contribution which Christ calls them to make to the health and progress of mankind. Self-forgetfulness in a church is, according to Christ, the law of its life.

But whatever we do about organic unity, the churches must stand together for a Christian solution of the problems now before us. Questions of peace, of righteousness in the nation and between the nations, of the worth and rights of the individual, of the education and training of youth, and of the seeking and finding of the lost in every land, which was our Saviour's final

little sorry for folks who have to bother with them.

A 46-year old chicken rancher, Layman says he suffers no hardship and wouldn't know how to use arms if he had them. He uses his toes for the things you and I would naturally do with our fingers. He gathers his eggs, writes, smokes, eats, shaves, plays the piano, and various games — all with his educated toes.

This amazing fellow seldom uses shoes. He wears instead loose fitting boots that can be slipped off easily during the winter months. He never wears socks.

Pownal Notes

Rev. and Mrs. T. R. Gouge have returned to the Manse after spending the Christmas holidays with relatives in New Brunswick.

Mr. Winston Smith has resumed his studies at MacDonald College, Que., after spending the holidays at his home here.

Messrs. Lloyd Murdoch and John Hartnett, New York, have left after spending the holiday season visiting friends and relatives in Pownal and vicinity. They were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Jenkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Brecken Wood have as their guests their daughter and grandson, Mrs. Roach and Ian, who with Mr. Roach arrived recently from England. They plan to take up residence in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jenkins had as their guest for New Year's the latter's sister, Mrs. Sam Carr of New York.

Mr. Gordon Moore, who is on the staff of the Atomic Research Plant at Chalk River, Ont., spent the holidays here with his father, Mr. Arthur Moore.

The Christmas season is over for another year, but has left many pleasant memories, among them being the Christmas Sunday church service, when the church presented an attractive appearance, with its wreaths, lighted trees and candles, which was the work of the Y. P. U.; the beautiful carols of the season, both old and new, and an inspiring message by the pastor, Rev. T. R. Gouge, made this service among the nicest of the whole year.

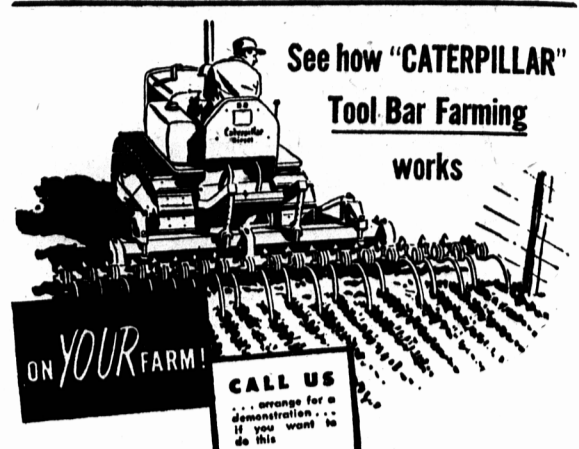
command, call for Christian answers. Together we must give these answers; otherwise they will not be heeded by the world.

There is also a call here to the individual. In our ordinary conversation, in our writings, and in our political and religious affiliations we often emphasize the divisive and put personal prejudices above universal principles. These personal attitudes count. Each person is called of God to build up rather than to destroy, and to serve the general good in the work by which he lives. With each as with all, Christ's words are true, "He who seeks his life shall lose it, and he who loses his life for my sake shall find it."



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That Body Of Yours

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surgery has begun to regain some of the status lost during the past three decades.

The shortage of physicians in American medicine (and this applies to other countries) has proved to be a shortage of well-trained general practitioners. Ample proof has been given that the worst served area is that where there is no general practitioner. For this reason, most young men are beginning to consider the general practice of medicine as a possible field. With this emphasis now put on family physicians, young men are beginning to look with some interest on rural medicine.

Until recently, medical students with professors who are specialists naturally got the idea that the family physician was incapable of doing anything but the simplest procedures in medicine and surgery without the aid of a specialized physician.

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