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Strange But True
 By F. E. MacArthur

It is interesting to note the un-
 common way the sportsmen of
 Colonial times made their wild
 game decoys; slips of twigs were
 set in the sand close to the wa-
 ter's edge, to the size of the bird
 it was supposed to represent. Near
 to this the sportsmen set up sev-
 eral sticks to the height of the
 body; round these sticks was
 wrapped bits of sea-weed, in such
 a way as to resemble the wings
 and tail of the bird. More sea-
 weed was placed on the top of the
 sticks to form the neck and head.
 These crude decoys, when viewed
 at a distance resembled the real
 McCoy. That was the first step
 to fool the birds. The next was
 to dig a pit in the sand, and
 around it place some small, bran-
 ches of trees. When the flocks
 drew close to the decoys the hun-
 ters got in some deadly shots.

Travelers through New Bruns-
 wick in early times were amazed
 to see Indian children treading
 like snails, unwillingly to school.
 Sounds like fiction, but such was
 the case. These schools were
 founded and maintained by the
 benevolent society in England, cal-
 led the New England Company,
 for the education and civilization
 of the New Brunswick Indians.

To keep the youngsters at school
 their parents were allowed to set-
 tle the land. But the system had
 to be abandoned because when
 fall came around, and the hunting
 season opened, men, women and
 children folded their tents and
 struck off for the happy hunting
 grounds. And sad to relate, most
 of their profits from the chase
 went for fire-water.

The first white settlers in the
 Maritime Provinces had a unique
 method of finding bees in the
 woods.

First they built a small fire in
 the forest (guarded against spread-
 ing by stones). Next they placed
 a bit of bees wax on a nearby
 stone adding several drops of
 honey and vermillion around it.
 If there was any bees in the
 neighborhood they were sure to
 be attracted to the spot by the
 smell of burning wax. Once they
 arrived they began to drink the
 honey, and in doing this some of
 the vermillion, stuck on their
 wings.

The next step in this unusual
 honey quest was to fix the course
 of the bees as they returned home
 with their precious honey. By the
 use of his watch, he observed how
 long those bees marked with ver-
 million took to make the round
 trip. Armed with this information,
 the honey hunter was, after con-
 siderable searching about, able to
 find the tree where the bees lodg-
 ed, and kept their stores. A tree
 might contain as many as half a
 dozen ordinary hives, standing side
 by side, on the wall within.

Bloodhounds are sometimes cal-
 led sleuthhounds, slouth-hounds,
 and slough-dogs.

"Mankind since Adam, has been
 woman's fool,
 Women, since Eve, are still the
 devil's tools."

Indians of the Mohawk Valley
 in New York, once killed a ser-
 pent of the horn kind in whose
 belly was found the remains of an
 Indian child and a dog. The snake
 was 24 feet long, and six inches

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 the Justices of the United States
 Supreme Court.

There's a hotel in New York
 City which never does any adver-
 tising. It is one of the places
 which people visit out of interest,
 and they are always talking about
 it. If they can't afford to have
 rooms there, they will make it a
 point to dine there just to see
 the fashions and prominent peo-
 ple. All this gives the hotel more
 publicity than they could possibly
 get by other advertising methods.

None of us should be afraid to
 be original. Originality makes for
 self-reliance. When I see a man
 aping the manners of another, or
 trying to speak like another, I am
 led to say how foolish a violet
 would look if it tried to be a rose.
 Every person is born to do a cer-
 tain work in an original way. So
 if he tried to ape another man's
 way of doing things he will never
 make more than a big noise.

Nowadays we hear a great deal
 of talk about the dangers of the
 one-man power in our great cor-
 porations. People will tell you that
 too much power should not be put
 into the hands of one man. But
 it is impossible to get away from
 the domination of the strong,
 original forceful character.

According to statistics ninety-
 nine out of every hundred of
 those who make a fortune or in-
 herit it, lose it, sooner or later.
 This is quite understandable when
 we know that fortune brings in
 some ships that are not propelled.
 Woolen blankets were the med-
 ium of exchange between Pacific
 Coast Indians as late as 1900.

Question: Why does a hen cac-
 kle after laying an egg?
 Answer: This is an inherited

most welcome.

Equally at home in small groups
 of only six or 12 up to expansive
 displays of hundreds of blooms.

remember that when I first began
 to garden many years ago that
 Twelve Tulips bloomed in the gar-
 den here in early variety and
 twelve late Tulips were expected

off the bloom before the color had
 come. He had copied his Mother
 when she broke off the seed pods
 of the early variety.

Needless to say he was not pun-
 ished for this as he was only try-
 ing to be helpful. Tulips like a
 place in the sun and put on their
 best show in a fertile, loamy, well-
 drained soil.

Beautiful pictures can be created
 with small groups of Tulips plant-
 ed at a garden gate, doorstep, or
 in front of shrubs that bloom at
 the same time. Here in the garden
 they are planted in groups in the
 perennial borders and the late
 blooming perennials hide the fading
 foliage so that they do not
 require lifting after blooming.

I placed it in the earth—
 bulb of mine—
 And from its narrow prison
 house of night
 It struggled forth to reach
 air and light;
 And as it rose, and blossomed
 to the sight,
 Its absolute perfection seemed
 divine.

A Country Garden
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... dig out the soil for a depth
 of six inches and loosen the soil
 underneath, then level off. Set your
 bulbs in place according to varieties
 and cover with the top soil which
 was removed. Where this is incon-
 venient, loosen the top soil to a
 depth of six inches or more be-
 fore digging the holes for the bulbs
 with a dibble. Tulips are the gay-
 est and most versatile of all spring
 bulbs. It is possible to enjoy them
 for weeks if early and late varieties
 are planted. No other flowers can
 bring such a wide array of gorgeous
 color, at a time when color is

trait from the days when the hen
 was a jungle fowl. When she took
 time out to lay an egg, she cackled
 to signal her whereabouts to the
 wondering flock or to her mate.

As a publicity stunt and to help
 spark the price of his eggs, a
 California farmer stamps pictures
 of Hollywood actors on them.

Strange but true, after a bolt of
 lightning had struck the home
 occupied by 93-year-old Charles
 Schultz of Batavia, N. Y., the
 oldster was able to throw away
 his hearing aid.

Thousands of books on Christian
 theology have been produced since
 the bible came into general use
 which, if all were laid end to end
 and placed in a common grave,
 would leave Christianity in the
 main nothing the worse, and in
 some respects essentially better.

While visiting at the home of
 Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Sanderson,
 Midgell, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Jew-
 ell of North River and their three-
 year-old daughter, Lorraine were
 having lunch. "Why don't you eat
 up all your lunch, dear?" pressed
 the kind hostess to the little girl.
 "Have you got a dog?" piped
 up the three-year-old.

The Crow and the Pitcher

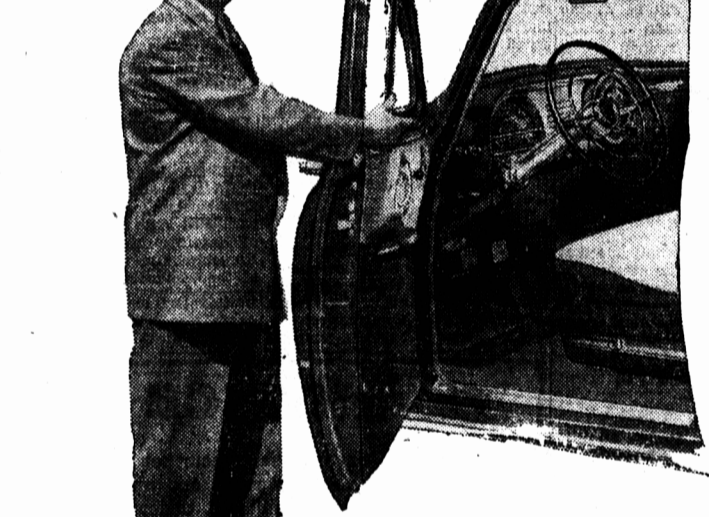
A THIRSTY CROW found a Pitcher with some water in it, but so
 little was there that, try as she might, she could not reach it with
 her beak, and it seemed as though she would die of thirst within
 sight of the remedy. At last she hit upon a clever plan.
 She began dropping pebbles into the Pitcher, and with each
 pebble the water rose a little higher until at last it reached the
 brim, and the knowing bird was enabled to quench her thirst.

MORAL: If you are thirsty for success;
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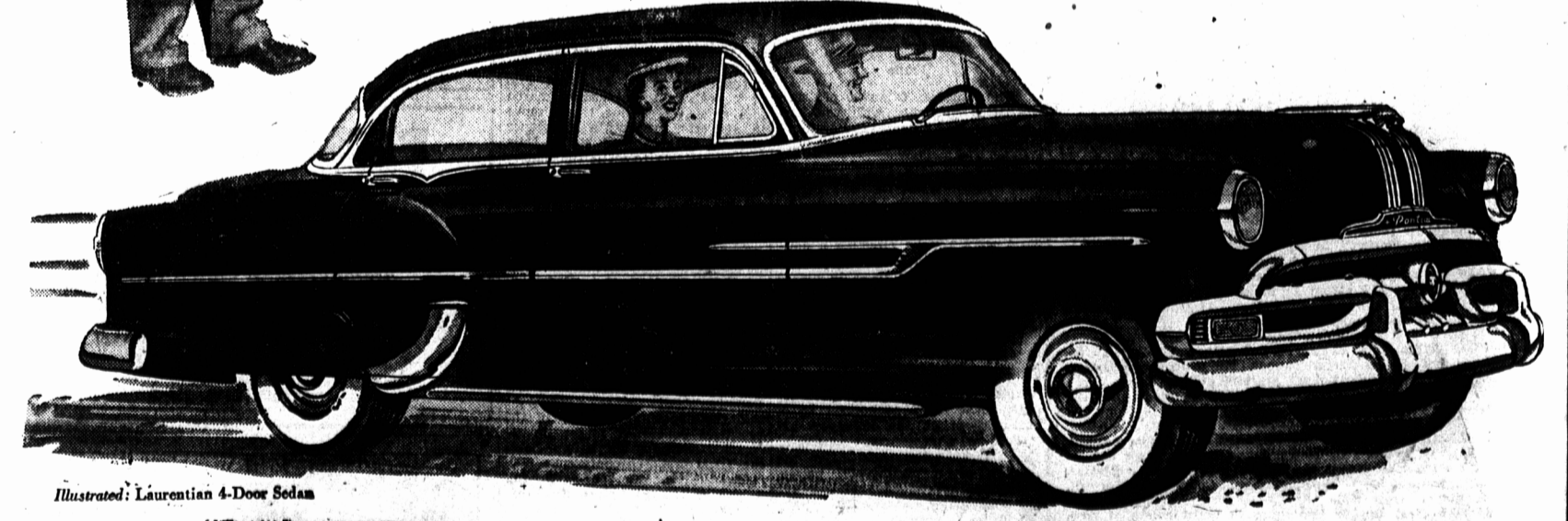
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