

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

Nearly all savage races believe that animals are endowed with feelings and intelligence like those of men, and that like men, they possess souls which survive after death to be born again in animal form.

Recently I came upon authentic evidence that the Lapps expected the resurrection of all the animals they'd slain to take place in another world. Indeed, they believed that all insects as well as animals, would rise from the dead and live underground. On the other hand the North American Indians looked for the resurrection of the animals in the present world.

Strangers are the beliefs of the Eskimos of Northern Canada and Alaska. A few examples will suffice. When a hunter kills a fox, he cuts the tendons of the animals legs so that the ghost of the fox can't leave its body and go galavanting about.

Besides hamstringing the fox they sometimes tied the animal's mouth up tightly to prevent the ghost of the fox from coming from its grave and warning its fellows against the approach of the hunter. They also put out the eyes of seals they have slain, lest the ghost of the slain animals should recognize their killers and avenge their death by spilling the seal-hunt.

Eng. discovered her son's grave in a recent dream she had. Her son was killed in action on the retreat from Dunkirk in 1940 and his body was thought to have been buried somewhere along the beach. One night Mrs. Watson dreamed she visited a military cemetery near Dunkirk in France and walked through a wicket gate to her son's grave. This strange dream troubled her so much that they pooled their life savings to buy a round trip ticket to France.

The dream proved correct in every detail but one. The cemetery was there all right. So was the wicket gate. However, the grave they sought was several yards outside the burying ground proper. They got permission to dig up the remains. Result: a cigarette holder and a photograph. The photograph was of Mrs. Watson, the cigarette holder was the parent's gift to their son the night before he sailed for France.

Because of a Mother's dream, a wreath of red cloth poppies now grows above a soldier's bier and a headstone bears the following line: "Lance Cpl. T. J. Watson, killed in action, 1940. Strange But true!

COMMUNITY WINDFALL PALMERSTON, N. Z. (CP) — Residents of the farming settlement of Mangamare discussed ways of raising money to renovate the public hall and as an afterthought bought a ticket in an Australian sweepstakes. They won top prize of \$80,000.

In Korea, doctors removed a live three-inch armor-piercing shell from the body of Private Art Barrie. The medics didn't know it was a live shell until after they removed it. Neither did the soldier. Why it didn't explode is anybody's guess.

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CARD PARTY—A successful card party was held last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Gillis, Graham's Road, at which 19 tables of auction forty-fives were in play. The ladies' prize was won by Miss Mamie McGurk, the gentlemen's by Mr. Frank Murphy. Proceeds were in aid of Summerfield C. W. L.

ROSS, in loving memory of our darling Frances Irene who was called home five years ago today, Dec. 15, 1948.

Five years have passed and gone Since one we loved so well Was taken from our home on earth With Jesus Christ to dwell.

The flowers we place upon her grave May wither and decay, But the love for our darling who sleeps beneath, Shall never fade away.

Ever remembered by Mommy, Daddy, Donna, Louis, and her Grandmas.

IN MEMORIAM In memory of our dear Mother, who passed away December 15th, 1950.

The dearest Mother the world could hold A cheery smile, a heart of gold. To those who knew her all will know How much we lost three years ago.

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IN MEMORIAM In loving memory of Mrs. Henry Coles who passed away, December 15th, 1950.

The years are quickly passing, The still I can't forget, For in the heart, that loved you Your memory lingers yet.

Lovingly Remembered "Alice."

IN MEMORIAM In sad and loving memory of our Daddy, Cpl. Daniel G. Whitlock, killed in Italy on December 14th, 1944.

To those who have a Daddy, Please cherish him with care. For you'll never know the heartache, Till you find he is not there.

Lovingly Remembered by his Son Donald and Daughter, Carol Whitlock.

IN MEMORIAM Some evening when the sun is low When clouds are absent from the sky, When space is clear by nature's hand The stately evening star appears; Look up, behold! and feast upon The glories of the setting sun.

The sky is a painting of colors When the evening sun is low, Its changing hues are ever rare Its restless beauty conquers all; No wonder that the little star Could bring the wise men from afar.

It scaled through dense and dizzy heights Until it came to Bethlehem's own, The mission of the little star Meant all that faith and trust could claim; God's only Son, the time, the place Were sacred plans the task embraced.

And so it came that all was done In perfect order as was planned, The shepherds gazed, the angels sang The few, but faithful, wept with joy; The humble manger then became A symbol of undying fame. —D. A. Louise Birch.

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Richard - Finnan Wedding

An autumn wedding was solemnized at St. Lawrence Church, Hamilton, Ont., on October 31 when Gertrude Aletha, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Finnan, Howlan, P.E.I., was united in holy bonds of matrimony to John P. Richard, St. Louis, P.E.I. Father MacBride was the celebrant of the Nuptial Mass. Given in marriage by her brother Albert of Hamilton, the bride chose a white gown of lace and net with fitted bodice, a lace jacket and a full skirt. Her veil was of a three-quarter length held by a pearl trimmed tiara. She carried a white prayer book adorned with forget-me-not and white streamers.

Her bridesmaid was her sister Ruth who was attired in a yellow gown of taffeta with matching bandeau and mitts and she carried a white carnation. Mrs. Robert Fleming acted as maid of honour, wore a green satin gown with matching headress and mitts and carried a corsage of white roses.

The groom was supported by his brother Adrian, Mr. Robert Fleming acted as usher. Mr. Anthony Finnan, mother of the bride, wore a dress of pale blue crepe with navy accessories. Her corsage was a white carnation.

After the ceremony the bridal party motored to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fleming, 350 John St., where a dinner awaited them. Assisting in serving were Mrs. Elmer Blanchard, Mrs. Clarence Arsenault, Mrs. Edward Gallant.

The bridal party later motored to St. Catherine's, Ontario, where a supper was served by the groom's sister, Mrs. Fred Arsenault.

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At the close of the programme Santa appeared in his usual jovial manner and presented the gifts from the prettily decorated tree. A treat of apples and bars was given by the W.I. to the children of the district while the teacher remembered the other little ones with apples.

NORWAY FLOODS OSLO (CP) — Floods in southern Norway caused heavy damage in the Kragero district, destroying six bridges and putting many farms under water.

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