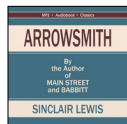


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Arrowsmith

Sinclair Lewis (February 7, 1885 – January 10, 1951)

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Arrowsmith is the story of Martin Arrowsmith, a bright and ambitious young man from the fictional town of Elk Mills, Winnemac, who sets out for New York City to make his name. His passion for science leads him to mentorship by noted bacteriologist Max Gottlieb and to medical school. His passion for the ladies leads to an engagement with a woman and then to another at the same time, the first of many problematic entanglements. Before long he insults his mentor and is suspended from medical school. Impatient, impulsive, and aggressive, he proceeds through a whirlwind of positions and romantic entanglements, eventually landing at an elite research institute, where he makes an important discovery of a phage which destroys bacteria. This leads him and others from the institute to an island in the Caribbean suffering from an outbreak of bubonic plague. He resists mass deployment of his treatment pending proper testing, until it is too late to save his wife and others from the scourge. He relents, the treatment works, and he is hailed as a hero for saving countless lives.

Arrowsmith, however, feels he has betrayed his principles.

Published in 1925, Arrowsmith won the Pulitzer Prize in 1926. It was written at a time when medical education was undergoing major reforms following a report on the topic to the Carnegie Foundation. It is noted for its extensive treatment of medical training, practice, and ethics, as well as scientific research, fraud, and public health. Although not credited, science writer Paul de Kruif assisted Lewis with the book and received 25% of the royalties.

Harry Sinclair Lewis (February 7, 1885 – January 10, 1951) was an American author known for his novels and short stories of middle class American life between the World Wars. He was the youngest of three boys born and raised in the town of Sauk Center, Minnesota. He attended Oberlin Academy and Yale University, where he became editor of the Yale Literary Magazine. Following graduation in 1908 he wrote for magazines and newspapers, developing a gift for producing shallow but popular stories, and started publishing novels in 1914. He struck gold in 1920 with *Main Street*, an exceptionally realistic novel about small town life that sold 180,000 copies in the first six months and over two million within a few years. He followed with *Babbitt* in 1922, the Pulitzer Prize winner *Arrowsmith* in 1925, *Elmer Gantry* in 1927, and *Dodsworth* in 1929. The strength of these works earned him the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1930, the first American to receive the honor. He wrote eleven more novels, notably *It Can't Happen Here* in 1935 about the election of a fascist President. His friend William Shirer summarized his career by noting that “compared to ... Fitzgerald, Hemingway, Dos Passos, and Faulkner ... Lewis lacked style. Yet his impact on modern American life ... was greater than all of the other four writers together.”