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TOM OWEN, M.D.

To his mother he was the son who had betrayed his heritage by leaving the coal fields for the glittering social world of Pittsburgh.

To the heiress who loved him he was a challenging discovery who could be made into a fashionable society surgeon.

To the young nurse who worshipped him he was a genius, who needed the faith in himself that her love could supply.

And to himself, he was a hack doctor, with a lot of luck and a great capacity for wine and for women.

You'll learn who the real Doctor Owen was in this racing novel of a modern surgeon who was forced to choose between two ways of life and two kinds of love.

HORACE McCOY has achieved success as a bestselling novelist and a Hollywood screen writer. He is especially popular in England and France, where he is regarded as the first American existentialist. Other Signet editions of his novels include *I Should Have Stayed Home* (#884), *Kiss Tomorrow Good-bye* (Abridged #754), *No Pockets In A Shroud* (#690) and *They Shoot Horses, Don't They?* (#670). The original edition of this book was published by Appleton-Century-Crofts.

