



## *Love Conquers All*

by Robert Benchley (1889-1945)

Robert Benchley was a writer, humorist and actor of note during the 1920s through the early 1940s. He spent his early literary career in New York City as an editor, critic and columnist for many of the major magazines of the day. Along with George Kaufman, Dorothy Parker and Harpo Marx, he was an original

“member” of the Algonquin Round Table. Writers as diverse as James Thurber, Woody Allen and Dave Barry have credited Benchley as an influence.

*Love Conquers All*, originally published in 1922, is the second collection (of fifteen) gathering together Benchley’s humorous essays and reviews. Some references are dated, of course, but the surreal and mundane targets of Benchley’s wit will be familiar to everyone. This volume collects 63 excellent gems from his early professional work, when Benchley’s enthusiasm and style were approaching their peak.

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