

My Name (dialogue)

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My name is of no importance. You see, I'm a product of a century
Which started at the height of class-conscious imperialism and ended
With a society so reduced to totalitarian commonness that in my final
Years at college the saying 'mediocrity rises' became very popular.
And being mediocre, I rose. But you're not supposed to laugh at that.
My generation has been taught to be so in touch with the latest fashion
That we have become faceless; we're victims of design.
But, oddly enough, although I was taught to think of myself as a man
With no face, somewhere inside my soul I believe that one day
I'll become an individual.