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## 'Blitz Lunch' Served in Street



The proprietress of a cafe in East End London had her shop bombed out in an air raid, so she promptly moved into the street to serve tea and mid-morning lunch to her customers. This pic-

ture is typical, says the British Minister of Information, of the manner in which the people manage to carry on under adverse conditions.

## History Of Muleshoe Band Story Of Steady Progress

The following history of the Muleshoe band was written by a member of the local school faculty—one who has followed closely the progress of the band, as well as the progress of all other scholastic organizations. In reading this article, you are asked to remember the concert to be presented by this same band tonight (Thursday) at the high school auditorium.

For several years before it became a reality, many patrons of the Muleshoe schools were clamoring for a school band. But, due to financial conditions, the teaching force was not adequate to add a band instructor until the school year 1939-40. At the beginning of that year, H. E. Williams was employed as a public school music teacher. His duties were to include band directing.

Mr. Williams started the band in September of 1939 with a group most of whom had had no previous training. Great interest was manifested, and soon a beginners band of between 30 and 40 members was started. Mr. Williams did a good job with this beginning group and soon had them playing the simpler numbers with great zeal. By the end of the school year the beginners sounded like a real band. Mr. Williams, with the assistance of the band parents organization, succeeded in procuring a number of uniforms so that the band began to look like as well as sound like a band.

Mr. Williams resigned at the end of the first semester of the following school year (1940-41) following school year to accept a similar position with the Santa Anna schools.

After quite a search, during which it was learned band directors were quite scarce, the services of W. A. Dawson were obtained.

Under the direction of Mr. Dawson, the band continued to improve, but soon after the beginning of the following school year (1941-42) Mr. Dawson was employed by the Vega high school system with a raise in salary. Another intensive search finally resulted in the employment

of our present bandmaster, W. F. Finley. A man of wide experience in band work, having directed as well as played in some of the most illustrious bands in the country, among them being Sousa's, Mr. Finley is one of this area's outstanding directors.

Mr. Finley is a native of Scotland having gleaned most of his musical training in that music-loving country. He enjoys a distinction enjoyed by the very few—the ability to play all instruments, both wind and string, well. In addition, he has improvised some instruments of his own make—instruments unknown to the commercial world. He is the author of some widely known band numbers, and is also a singer of no mean ability, altho he lays no claim to this distinction. He was at one time, the director of a renowned musical organization labeled the "Scottish Kilts," a group that won national acclaim. He directs school bands because he loves the work, and not for the small salary obtained.

Needless to say, the Muleshoe school band has developed rapidly under his direction. It is now playing numbers that much older bands find very difficult to master. Muleshoe schools and the entire territory served should be proud of the band. This band deserves and must have the cooperation and support of all interested parties if it is to reach its full development. It is a training that is to be appreciated. It is hard work that should be rewarded. Both the members and the director should have the encouragement and support of all those who really want a band that a community such as this should have.

A small group of parents, known as the Band Parents Organization, has had no small part in forwarding the success of the band. Other parents should become members of this organization and help this small group in the work that has as its ultimate aim the promotion of a better organization of which your child is a member.

### WARNING

It has been brought to my attention that dead hogs have been brown out along the public roads of this county. This is a serious menace to other animals and is a violation of law. I am asking those who have done this to discontinue the practice at once and help keep the county livestock free of disease.

W. E. (Raz) Renfrow, Sheriff, Bailey County.

Buy Defense Savings Bonds.

### HALF CENTURY CLUB SPONSORS "42" PARTY

Members of the Half Century Club sponsored a "42" social last meeting night at the home of Mrs. Neil Rockey. Proceeds of the party was used to purchase Defense Savings Stamps. The club has already bought about \$75 worth of stamps.

Refreshments of chili, soup and coffee were served to 67 persons.

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## Food For Victory Loans Available Through FSA

Food for Victory loans, with which greater numbers of low-income and small farm operators may increase food and feed production for home consumption and the market, are now available through the Farm Security Administration, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Announcement that funds are immediately available and that applications for loans are being received here, was made by J. W. McDermott, rural rehabilitation supervisor for the FSA in Bailey County, who received the "full speed ahead" order from Regional Director Wilson Cowen at Amarillo, Texas.

The liberalized lending program does not affect present FSA borrowers. However, present borrowers may, if the need is present, obtain loans to meet increased food goals for war-time needs.

In addition to bringing additional numbers of farm families into the thousands now being served in this section, FSA plans to help producers form cooperatives to market their products. This may be done by establishing pick-up and delivery routes in the rural areas.

Among purposes for which the new Food for Victory loans will be made, according to Mr. McDermott, are purchase of feed, seed, fertilizer, tools and renting equipment and workstock or power necessary in production enterprises; purchase of material for fencing, building shelters for livestock and equipment for production.

Loans are available also for purchase of materials and equipment; purchase of cows, heifers, calves, pigs, other livestock and chickens.

Farm wives will be interested in knowing that these Food for Victory loans may be made to eligible rural people for the purchase of materials and equipment for the construction of food storage.

Persons eligible for Food for Victory loans are tenants, very low-income owner-operators, and part-time farmers with small farms, employed in non-industrial occupations, and those who can make a contribution to national defense needs, either by supplying more of their own family needs or by contributing to national marketable supplies. Funds will also be available for low-income farmers to participate in the proposed Muleshoe Truck Growers Association. This phase of the program will be discussed at a meeting which will be called soon.

Producers who do not own their own places will be required to obtain from one to five year leases, depending upon the terms of the lease.

In his instructions to Mr. McDermott, Mr. Cowen said that simplified farm and home plans will be required for all borrower-families.

### KENNETH JENNINGS RAISED IN RANK TO 1ST SGT.

Announcement was received here this week of the promotion of another home boy serving in the army. Kenneth Jennings is stepped up from Section Chief to Staff Sergeant.

Kenneth is with an Air Warning company, stationed somewhere in the Northwest. These are the boys who will have the first intimation that enemy planes are approaching, and the lives of thousands of men depend upon their efficiency. The instruments used to detect planes by the U. S. Army are said to be the most modern of any in use today.

### BANQUET AT NEEDMORE

A banquet, to which the public is invited, will be held tonight (Thursday) at the Rebekah lodge at Needmore. A check of fifty cents a plate will be made and proceeds will be used to improve the hall, which was recently moved to Needmore from Sudan. The banquet is being sponsored jointly by the Rebekahs and the Old Fellows.

He or she who relaxes helps the axis.

## Boy Scouts To Take Over Feb. 14 At Courthouse

There'll be an election of new county officers Friday, February 6. Yep! There'll be some changes made—so the Boy Scouts say, for they are going to take over at the courthouse on Saturday, February 14 for one day. The new party is known as the "Boy Scout Party" and they are soliciting votes now.

The ticket lists the following young county judge, June Waggon; County Attorney, Dick DeShazo; Sheriff, Paul Gardner; County Clerk, Dan Bray; Treasurer, Frank Foster; Justice of the Peace and Constable, Billy Pierson.

The last combination of offices is probably a little bit confusing, but will maybe work out all right.

The Boy Scouts again ask that you save your waste paper for them.

## County Ginning Total Is Far Below '41 Mark

Bailey County cotton ginnings are 14,209 bales short of last season, it was announced Monday by the Department of Commerce. Ginnings as of January 16 of the 1941 crop were 14,672, as compared with 24,881 a year ago. Farmer county ginnings were 1,146 as compared to 5,260 a year ago.

Although some counties are short of last year's crop, the section known as the South Plains will likely hang up a record for cotton production, according to the Bureau of Census report. Ginnings for the 19 South Plains counties as of January 16 were 519,354 bales, an increase of 104,352 over last year. The state total was short, with 2,465,796 as compared with 3,015,576 for last year.

Lubbock county leads the state by a substantial total of 76,830 bales, with Lynn second with 61,987 and Jones third with 60,916 bales. Success is fourth and Dawson fifth.

Other South Plains counties ranked in the state as follows: Crosby 10th; Lamb 13th; Seury 15th; Hockley 17th; Dickens 25th; Terry 33rd, and Hale 34th. Present indications are that the next report, in March, will show a substantial increase, probably to bring the total somewhere near the 600,000 bale mark. Ginnings for the month between December 13 and January 16 approximated 100,000 bales.

Counties showing increases in ginnings over the corresponding date of the previous crop included Briscoe, Crosby, Dawson, Dickens, Gaines, Garza, Lubbock, Hale, Lynn, Motley and Seury.

### Germination Tests Are Advised

Farmers are again warned about germination tests on all planting seed for the coming season. Numerous tests have been made, and it was found that on seed which was apparently good the germination was excessively low.

A recent test on seed sent in by Arthur Shafer showed 35 percent. A report on a test for D. Warner showed 20 percent. All planting seed should be tested as soon as possible so that necessary steps can be taken to cure or secure good seed. This will mean a great saving in work and expense.

### Weather Report

Slightly colder weather was felt in Muleshoe the past week. However, the mercury still hovered too high above the zero mark for the spell to be considered a "cold wave." Temperature readings for the past week:

Date	High	Low
January 28	63	21
January 29	70	26
January 30	67	31
January 31	56	17
February 1	46	18
February 2	58	19
February 3	61	20

Buy Defense Savings Bonds.

## Indications Point To Vegetable Crops Bringing Highest Prices In History This Coming Season

### Local Cagers To Play In District 5-A Tournament

The Muleshoe Yellowjacket basketball team will play the Littlefield Wildcats at 8 o'clock tonight (Thursday) in a first round game of the annual north zone District 5-A tournament at Amherst.

The local team, ranked as one of the favorites to win the district crown, will play the winner of the Morton-Slaton game, providing they clear the Littlefield hurdle.

Morton and Slaton play at 6 o'clock Thursday evening in the first game of the tournament, and Oton and Sudan take the floor an hour later. Leveland drew a first round bye and will meet the winner of the Oton-Sudan game, Friday afternoon.

The final game of the two-day tournament will be played at 8 o'clock Friday night. There will be a consolation bracket with the finals in this division to be played at 7 o'clock Friday night.

The high school boys and girls won over Morton Tuesday night, while the Junior cagers lost to the Morton five. The score of the senior boys' game was 37 to 25, with Sam Damon high point man. The girls won 18 to 12 and Ed Eble Starkey was the leading point guard. The score of the junior game was 26-13.

Friday night, the Muleshoe boys avenged two earlier defeats by winning over Sprinklake 17-14. Weldon Standerier led the scorers with nine points.

The Muleshoe girls' team won over the Sprinklake girls the same night, 21-17.

### Registration To Be Held At Four Places In County

Bailey county draft board officials announce plans of registration for February 16 as Muleshoe, Baileyboro, Maple and Bulah. Instructions which might be of aid to the registrants are also given.

A Selective Service registrant, at the forthcoming February 16 registration of men in the military service age bracket of 20 to 45 years old, who has more than one place of residence may choose which one he wants recorded as his place of residence to designate the local board that always will have jurisdiction over him, board officials said today.

They emphasized, however, that no transient address may be recorded and that Selective Service regulations prohibit any interference or dictation by a registrant when a registrant who has more than one place of residence is making his choice as to which he desires recorded as his home address.

"It is the intent of the law and the purpose of Selective Service regulations," officials said, "that each man be registered at his home address and be subject to call to fill quotas from that local board."

Registration cards to be used February 16 will contain a space for the registrant to list his place of residence. In the event that he has more than one place, he is required to list his own choice as his place of residence.

In addition, the registration card will have space for recording a mail address. This may be the same as the place of residence or it may be another address where the registrant will receive his mail more readily.

### MINERAL PRODUCTION UP

Texas' 1940 mineral production totaled \$714,905,731, according to Dr. E. H. Sellards, director of the University of Texas Bureau of Economic Geology. This represented a gain of \$13,077,035 from 1939 totals.

### Army Camp Red Cross Appreciates Chapter's Work

The following letter was received recently by W. C. Cox, home service chairman of the Red Cross, from Red Cross headquarters at Camp Wolters, Tex. My Dear Professor Cox:

We received the fifty hot water bag covers made by the members of the Bailey county chapter for the patients at the station hospital at Camp Wolters.

The covers will add much comfort to the patients in the hospital and will certainly be appreciated by the boys.

Kindly thank the members of your production group who participated in this worthwhile project.

The Red Cross staff certainly appreciates the fine cooperation that we receive from our chapters in the Midwestern Area.

Sincerely yours, Elizabeth Walther, Assistant Field Director.

### Tire Rationing Board Showing No Partiality

The tire rationing board for Bailey county is making every effort to be fair and impartial in the distribution of tires and tubes, but there are misunderstandings which cause no little confusion.

Many do not yet understand that there is a war on, and tire rationing is necessary. Tires for defense will come first, the board stated Monday, although there are allowances for necessary work on the home front.

One thing the public must get accustomed to, they said, is that no tires will be allowed for the delivery of merchandise from the retailer to the consumer. Tires will be allowed for trucks hauling food supplies from wholesale houses to the retail stores, but these retailers who use their trucks to make deliveries to their customers are getting off on the wrong track.

### OVERCOMES HANDICAPS TO ENLIST IN U. S. NAVY

Bert Renfrow, son of Sheriff and Mrs. W. A. Renfrow, left Monday for Dallas, where he will take his final examination for enlistment in the U. S. Navy.

Young Renfrow's enlistment—providing he passes his final examination—is typical of several among American youth. Bert was seriously injured several months ago in an automobile accident, and only recently underwent an operation in order to meet physical requirements for navy enlistment. Such gestures as this on the part of Americans are what will sound the death knell for the hordes of Axisism.

### Big Auction Sale Set For Feb. 10

An auction sale, at which 32 head of cattle will be offered, will be held Tuesday, February 10 at the J. H. Berger place, 11 miles northwest of Muleshoe.

In addition to the cattle, there will be other livestock up for sale, and a large quantity of farming implements and machinery and household goods. An advertisement, appearing elsewhere in this issue of The Journal, lists much of the property to be sold.

The sale will be cried by Col. W. D. Wanzor. M. A. Gibson will serve as clerk.

A big public sale was held last Tuesday at the Ernest Lee Smith place, near the Oklahoma Lane school house.

It is believed that cork can be grown in South Texas. The United States has been importing annually ten million dollars worth of cork.

Local truck growers have best opportunity to market vegetable crops at a fair price the coming season that has been offered. The demand for vegetables, especially tomatoes and beans, will be the greatest ever, caused by the need for food in all the allied countries and the United States has used to supply a great part of vegetable diet.

The minimum price for tomatoes for canning will be a ton for tomatoes purchased a field run basis, delivered to plant or major assembly point.

This was the statement of Secretary of Agriculture Claude Wickard last Saturday. The secretary said the department is making plans for the largest crop of tomatoes and peas in the history of the country—40,000,000 tons of tomatoes and 38,000,000 cases of peas.

Other vegetables will also be in demand and the Muleshoe area can raise bumper crops of these. Carrots comprise another item which may be profitable, according to C. B. Martin, Hale county agent.

Several hundred acres of carrots grown in the Plains country are needed. H. E. Young of Hereford, representing F. H. Vahling, Inc. of New York, has presented a proposition to truck farmers of Hale, Deaf Smith, Bailey and Lubbock counties, where most of an acreage of from 300 to 500 acres of carrots will probably be planted.

Mr. Young observed the first large scale carrot production on the Plains last season in the Hereford area, and says the crop has excellent cash possibilities. The firm represented by Mr. Young proposes to furnish the seed for and purchase the yield.

The firm also proposes to furnish planting equipment and provide a representative to offer advice and give instructions. Carrots should be planted between March 20 and April 15, Mr. Young stated, so that the crop will be ready for harvest in July of August.

Farmers in this section are making preparations now for on the largest plantings ever in the local canning factory which double its capacity within a few hours.

Plans are being worked out by the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce to assist farmers in their tomato plantings as this is one of the principal crops.

### NYA Youths Made 65,000 Items In 3 Months For Army

AUSTIN, Tex., Feb. 2 — Boys employed in Texas NYA Defense Shops produced 65,000 essential articles for the U. S. Army during the months of October, November and December, according to J. C. Kellan, state NYA administrator.

Ranging from gun racks to fluorescent lamp fixtures, among the articles made were iron map display racks, military signs, intercommunication sets, machine gun clubs, sighting devices for antitank guns, 81 millimeter mortar aids, sheet metal megaphones, gun sighting bars, targets, metal signs, army lockers, sheet metal air vents, utility desks, gun sighting holders for automatic machine guns, office desks, typewriter desks and stands, chairs, platforms, packing cases, public address systems, microphones and phonographs, and army lockers.

### DICK ROGER RAID ON T...

Word was received recently from Dick we are raising money for the Red Cross.

### Bank

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SUBSCRIPTION RATES
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For must be marked as an advertisement. All local advertisements...

CONGRESS WINNING WAR
Men are doing their bit in the army and navy...

HAWKS TO THE RESCUE
Cotton rats, field mice and other rodents that destroy crops...

PTA PROGRAM
FFA boys contributed the program at the regular meeting of the PTA last Monday evening.

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YOUR NAME?

By CHARLES DIDWAY

GARRETT
Garrett is usually a form of Gerard or Garrard, which come from the ancient English name "Garheard"...

ALFORD
This is an English local name from Alford, a town in Lincolnshire...

MONTGOMERY
An English name of Norman-French origin, Montgomery was formerly "de Montgomeri"...

WALLER
A waller was a wall-builder, a mason. The surname Waller is about equivalent to Mason.

MULESHOE FIGHTERS ARE INVITED TO SLATON TOURNEY
The following letter is from "Stump" Hamilton, athletic coach at Slaton high school...

Red and Blue

by GEORGE MARSH



SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I—Six men traveled the Chibougamau trail in the hills of northern Canada...

CHAPTER II—The inhabitants are in terror of Isadore and his right-hand man, Tete-Blanche...

CHAPTER III—On the second day out just as they had safely passed the worst of the rapids, the three investigators were ambushed from above...

CHAPTER IV—From Indians Blaise learned ten days later that there is much excitement among them over a "big bird" from the south...

CHAPTER V—Finlay and Malone visit Isadore in his magnificent home. He attempts to poison them in the "Waltz" attempt to poison them is frustrated by a clever trick by Malone...

CHAPTER VI—Wabistan, chief of the Montagnais, tells Finlay that the six men who lost their lives on the Wasagwanip were shot by a "bird" that is hunting him...

CHAPTER VII—The Indians have been bitten to believe that the survivor's transit is an "evil eye" that is killing and sickness among their children...

CHAPTER VIII—Garry discovers conclusions led to a tree and suffering tortures from insect bites. The dog, however, through the leading nose and releases him. Later he is found by a clever trick by Malone...

CHAPTER IX—Isadore's men make a note from Lise, protesting her innocence of the ambush, and warning him that his life depends upon his leaving the country at once...

CHAPTER X—The three men visit the Hudson's Bay post, and meet the trader, McNab, tell him of their mission, and that they really are Northwest Mounted Police...

CHAPTER XI—Finlay, Malone and Red hide in the "Waltz" house. They overhear him offer a stake in his company in return for his help in making the police...

CHAPTER XII—Isadore and his Indians on an island and are attacked by land on the island and are attacked by land on the island and are attacked by land on the island...

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"I don't think you'll come back. Constable Malone, good man as you are! It's too bad—too bad! Poor Thistle," McNab said.

"I wanted to be honest with you and tell you, myself."

"Thanks, my lad! I know you're honest by your eyes. We'll shake hands on a good luck!" The trader's face was sober with his fears as they moved to the door.

Isadore's canoe was out of sight when Blaise and the fretting dog stood beside the loaded Peterboro. Near them Finlay talked with Me-Nab of the message leaving for the steek in the morning.

"What a pity, Sergeant! If you'd only wait for help—only wait!"

Finlay smiled and shook his head. Walking slowly Red and Thistle approached. Slowly he was laughing now, laughing up at him through misty eyes.

"Just like him!" thought Finlay. "He's completely mad about her. Walking slowly Red and Thistle approach. Slowly he was laughing now, laughing up at him through misty eyes."

"Come now!" they heard him say. "Chase the clouds out of those blue eyes! I want to see you smile again before I let you go, Red."

She laughed her breath as she smiled up at him, oblivious of them all, then flung her arms about his neck. "I can't let you go, Red," she sobbed.

The others turned away as she clung to him. Later, until the post buildings faded from the sight of them, the canoe, a flutter of white in the clearing marked where a girl waved her farewell.

Two days later the canoe had passed through Lake Olga of the chain of large lakes and was on the Quiet Water below the Montagnais camp on the island.

"There's the lop-stick spruce David told us to look for!" announced Finlay. On a distant point stood a tall spruce trimmed of its lower branches, a "lop-stick," in use from Labrador to Alaska to mark a grave, honor a man or event or serve as a landmark to travelers.

"Ah-hah! David said that chain of lake lie a mile south of here," said Blaise. "We portage to de lake and pass round de Indian waltz on de riviere, de follow outlet of 'as' lake to Wasagwanip."

"It's going to be tough packing through this thick bush but it beats being shot out of the canoe," said Red. "Isadore must be with them by now, waiting for us."

"Blaise had reached the first lake with a backload and was returning to pack the canoe through with Finlay when he met the sweating Red bowed under three bags of flour.

"What make your face so red?" teased Blaise. Malone scowled past the head-strap of his tump-line at the grinning Brassard. "My face is red because I'm ashamed of the boy's load you took over. You had hardly two hundred, you invalid!"

"I cut trail wide load on my back. I use trail to use de axe. Dose 'free bag you got two hundred pound weight. You had hardly two hundred, you invalid!"

"Step aside, boy, and watch a man work!" grunted Red. "Where's the lake?"

"Just a little piece!" Red went on and shortly saw water shimmering through the trees. He was close to the shore when he heard a movement ahead of him in hardwood scrub.

"Pumpkin, likely, he thought, and kept on. Then dry twigs snapped in front of him. He lifted his head and looked. Taking deliberate aim with his rifle shot an Indian. Malone dropped his backload as the Indian fired. There was a thud as the bullet struck the rolling top bag. With a lunge Red was buried deep in a clump of small fir.

The wilderness forest vibrated with silence. The Indian who had fired on him could not be far but the brush was so thick he could see nothing. So Red decided to stalk him. With his heavy pistol in his teeth he hunched foot by foot on his elbows until his range of vision had increased to twenty yards.

Around him lances of sunlight threw the forest floor, splashing the underbrush with gold. Still the bush was as soundless as a vacuum. Then a squirrel chattered from somewhere in front and Red smiled. "Ah, there you are!"

He turned toward the direction of the sound. Then he stiffened suddenly where he lay. Back in the forest, rose the great "crack-crack-crack" of the northern raven. The eyes snapped as he nodded his head. Shortly the croaking was followed by a dismal "koer-koer!"

"Montagnais, say your prayers!" chuckled Malone. "There's a carousing party. That was no raven! That was Blaise's raven!"

Again Red inched his way through young fir and hardwood. But he saw nothing. How many Indians were waiting for him to make a false move he could not guess. His quick eyes stubbed the circling bust as he held his breath.

Once more the "koer-koer!" of the raven startled the forest—much nearer now and followed by a metallic "klank!"

But Red could not answer. He was too close to deceive Indian ears. So he waited. He got them guessing. "If I could only get a shot, I'd start a stampede." But Red's eyes, glancing the undergrowth, found no target.

Then, from deep in the forest drifted the familiar yelp of the air-dog on a rabbit trail. Flame and Garry! Sweat burst from Red's brow. They must be warned!

There was a sudden movement in the bush. Red lifted his head to catch the fluttering of young fir tops as a dark shape moved through. Once, twice, the 45 roared. Two rifles crashed back in reply. Twigs flew from the saplings where Malone had knelt. But he was already yards away under new cover.

"Thank God! That will stop Garry!" he panted. "There's three Garrys!"

He made a clicking sound with his tongue as he gravely shook his head. "What does he say?" demanded Garry.

"There was big fight at de island! Chief Wabistan kech Kiniebak and Tete-Blanche red whiskey for Montagnais. Michel Wabistan and two odgers was shot. Der is mouch trouble for Chief Wabistan."

"Poor Michel!" said Finlay. "He was a good boy! Well, Mr. Isadore, you're rolling up the score against yourself!"

"Joe Patamish say, also," continued Blaise. "dat Kiniebak make big medicine w'en de August moon is rising."

"Red, we'll be there! Now men, let's get going!"

Through the following night three silent men pushed the Peterboro up Wasagwanip bound for their rendezvous with Chief Wabistan.

Malone, whose inveterate optimism tolerated no thought of defeat, was deep in dreams of a red-gold head and a pair of laughing eyes back at Matagami.

But as their maple blades put mile after mile of the sleeping camp behind them, in the harassed brains of Finlay and Blaise there was small hope of winning out as only through some miracle of chance could they hope to checkmate the red hunters into the bitter water.

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In Montagnais. He had been forced by his older brothers to join the party Tete-Blanche had sent to block the Quiet Water. They had decided that it was a bank break they had heard the night before and returned from Matagami the day before and had doubted the night guard on the river. He, Joe Patamish, and the two men lying there in the scrub had packed the canoe to the lake that morning to hunt moose. When they saw freshly cut birch on the shore, they had landed and found Brassard's bags and footprints. So they had decided to ambush the next man over the canoe. Patamish had no gun. They had brought him to help carry the meat and the canoe. He had nothing against these white men and wanted to run away. But his companions had threatened to shoot him if he didn't stay. When the firing began he had tried to run but the dog had pulled him down.

"Ask him if he believes we've sickened the children with the evil eye as Kiniebak says," suggested Garry.

The boy's black eyes glanced at his carefully bandaged arm, then lifted to the faces of the white men and his keen face lighted in a smile. "No," he said to Blaise. "This white man saved me. He hid me in a rabbit trail. Flame and Garry! Sweat burst from Red's brow. They must be warned!"

There was a sudden movement in the bush. Red lifted his head to catch the fluttering of young fir tops as a dark shape moved through. Once, twice, the 45 roared. Two rifles crashed back in reply. Twigs flew from the saplings where Malone had knelt. But he was already yards away under new cover.

"Thank God! That will stop Garry!" he panted. "There's three Garrys!"

He made a clicking sound with his tongue as he gravely shook his head. "What does he say?" demanded Garry.

"There was big fight at de island! Chief Wabistan kech Kiniebak and Tete-Blanche red whiskey for Montagnais. Michel Wabistan and two odgers was shot. Der is mouch trouble for Chief Wabistan."

"Poor Michel!" said Finlay. "He was a good boy! Well, Mr. Isadore, you're rolling up the score against yourself!"

"Joe Patamish say, also," continued Blaise. "dat Kiniebak make big medicine w'en de August moon is rising."

"Red, we'll be there! Now men, let's get going!"

Through the following night three silent men pushed the Peterboro up Wasagwanip bound for their rendezvous with Chief Wabistan.

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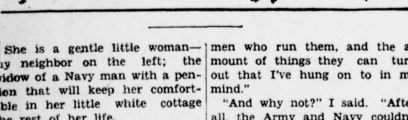
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"De Montagnais was drunk and would not listen w'en dey tell dem Kiniebak was a false shaman and 'Fur' was a knief. Tete-Blanche shoot Michel and dere was war bad time. Dere was too many man for Wabistan and his fre' to fight and dey leave."

YOUR BUSINESS OF Living

BY SUSAN THAYER



She is a gentle little woman—neighbor on the left; the widow of a Navy man with a pension that will keep her comfortable in her little white cottage the rest of her life.

The day after the stunning blow that brought America into the war, I stopped in to see her and talk it over. It was a day when women—and men too, I think—alike over America were living a new bond of understanding and of cooperation with each other. We were not all anxious with a common pride and common need now to stand together, come what may?

And why not? I said. "In my old Army and Navy couldn't get along without industry these days."

People have often said that we Americans are too commercial, that we set too much store by material comforts and conveniences—and, of course, we do like them—but now that we are faced with this kind of mechanized war aren't you glad that we have the greatest industrial system in the world and that our manufacturers are such practical adaptable men? Why, no matter what happens, I know they'll be equal to the emergency. If we run out of some raw materials, they'll invent something to take its place; if some old process doesn't work, they'll find a still better one.

"I know exactly how you feel," I told her. "Why, mass production was invented in this country and we're bound to manage it better than any other people. So even if there is some bad news at first, we'll come out all right in the end because this is a war of machines—and America can build more machines and better machines than any other country in the world."

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