The Bree Press Short Story

GUARDIAN OF THE RANGES

BY COE HAYNE

Horace Young, junior member of the firm, his face a trifle pale after a trying ordeal, Duncan Saunders, lumber man and sawmill operator, had reserved with him into the store "" show Horace up" had passed out. Saun ders considered it fust as well that the community as a whole did not know everything at once. He intended to give Horace a bit of inside information for -his own good.

"The conversation of the nation's timber is a pretty story to put into children's schoolbooks, but I'm here to tel you that your hold-out policy is going to ruin this town. Timber cut and sawed into lumber means bread and butter on this part of the western slope, and don't you forget that."

and butter in this country," answered a contract to cut ripe timber under Horace crisply.

closed sawmill mean no pay checks in Manders Cove. Does that mean anything to Young, Hanover & Company?"

"I believe that you are trying to conwince me that the lumber operations come up to see his business here?" of Pendleton and Baunders are about over," said Horace. "I have not enough faith to believe that. As long as you can get standing timber, you will keep on cutting and sawing, much as it injures good partner for Pendleton." our country."

kill our country." evening," cut in Baunders sharply. "You have a tract of good standing timber and I've made my top offer for it. When Porest. the other tracts have been milled off, our company pulls out and you will be left with your timber on your hands. It won't be worth a dollar, as no logging outfit of the future of our local lumbering will want to organize for that alone."

as though he still were far from being fight to preserve the forests upon the impressed by Haunder's arguments. "I'll give you time to come around

out of the store.

Hornoe. "Mr. Hanover-" "Call me Bart, same as your dad did." senior by loss than a dozen years.

"Bart, I'm a partner of yours, and Haunders wants me to acquire a bus- Hick to it," said Hamilton. iness frame of mind."

Hanover. stand and I'm thanking you a million in his stand against Saunders' ruthless times for that."

two other persons in the store, both strom and Hamilton were men of their strangers, one being a man in the early word. thirties and the other a boy in his

the boy as he stepped over to the counter to the conclusion that no better way to on which Horace sat. "You certainly employ his skill as an avaitor could be talked up to 'em; lectured the whole found. He said that his contract with bunch regular just like our coach at Blair John Pendleton as pilot for his adven-Academy. Y like the way you stood off turous son expired with the present tour.

buildness partner." and Horace warmed to him as he thrust with the loggers. I hope he keeps out of out his hand. "Pleased to meet you, danger. It's not his intention to miss

Royal." the boy. "Best aviator in the little old "Couldn't be otherwise after his boost U. S. I'm doing some touring with the other night."

hands. "I have enjoyed the evening lot of folks who are trying to spoil him." immensely," said McCres. "You have McCres stepped out into the street. He helped me make a decision. If you'll noted a group of men in front of the pardon a personal reference, the way lumber company's office talking excitedly. you dove into that crowd with your Horace was drawn into the street by the timber conversation stuff was a body blow same loud voices. "Men were calling for me. Luck, fate, destiny-call it what across the street to one another. Occuyou please served me a good turn to- pants of buildings on both sides of the

fact that McCrea was flying with Pendic- Lumber Company. ton's son as a passenger intrigued his Horace learned the cause of the exciteinterest. He was certain that he would ment from a clerk of the lumber comlike to develop an acquaintance with pany. Three cars loaded with logs had him. He wished John Pendleton himself broken loose from the string that had would come out to the Blue Range just started from the upper station. country and plan with him as he could They would amash thier way through that plan with Duncan Saunders, whom everything at this end. Saunders had Horace considered ruthless, and wasteful telephoned a warning to the men at the

in his logging methods. next morning strengthened Horaco's on one of the runaway cars. liking for him. The young man learned that the avaitor had been indifferent to the offers of the supervisor of the Blue pulate the brakes?" asked Norace. Range National Porest to take him on as the regular flying fire patrol. McCrca ing the ride thinking that's the right way confessed an indifference to the forest to bend logs down out of the mountains." forest conservation and Wrigation. The could stop the cars." visit ended with Horace's agreement to fly "I believe you could! with McCrea that afternoon in order to cried the aviator. point out to the aviator the effect of the The airplane was standing in a neld wholesale slaughter of the apruce and at the rear of Young, Hanover, & pine throughout the Pendleton-Saunders Company's general merchandise store.

holdings in the Blue Range.

at the back of burned-over section for instance. That's the general merchandise store of a scar on the mountains that may never Young, Hanover & Company sat heal. You say that's the loggers' own

> "Yes. Pendleton and Baunders slaughtered everything and did not clean their brush. The new growth had n brough that jungle like an express ain. We all turned out, fought fire eight days, and saved the company the only tract it has left."

"Then Saunders has something t thank you for," laughed McCrea.

"I volunteered with the rest of the bunch. Some of our citizens cannot see that the complete destruction of the forest growth means the permanent crippling of this section of the state. I hold the largest tract of virgin timber left standing. Adjoining my property are several other holdings owned by some of the men who were present last "I'm not forgetting what spell bread night. What we want from Saunders is national forest conditions, cleaning up "You know what I mean!" warned the brush afterwards. But Baunders Saunders. "Idle lumber camps and a is an old-time timber butcher. You heard his talk last night."

> "John Pendleton it a man of different callber."

"So I understand. Why doesn't he "He is interested in many large bust-

ness enterprises." "Oh, yes," sighed 'Horace. "As long an dividends come in Saunders is a

McCrea departed for his hotel and "We pay honest wages," flared Saun- Horace for the general store where he found two men waiting for him. Mr. "While denuding the hills surrounding Hagstrom and Mr. Hawkins, long-time our valley. In time that operation will residents of Manders Cove, told Horacc that they had been sent to him as a "I -heard all about that earlier this committee representing nearly all the owners of standing timber between Manders Cove and Blue Ridge National

"We got together last night after leaving this building and came to the agreement that you have the right view and farming industries," said Hagstrom. "It's a fairly big tract," smiled Horace "We want to stand with you in the watersheds." "That's the best news I've heard in

to a business frame of mind, but not a many months," said Horace. "The inlong time." offered Saunders, and walked come from your holdings will not come in as large chunks as it might were "A business frame of mind,' repeated you to sell your standing timber without restrictions. But in the long run you and I will be better off if we conserve said Barton Hanover who was Horaco's the natural resources with which God has endowed our country."

"You have the right gospel, Horace.

The youthful merchant went home "Your business sense suits me," said looking up at the stars. He had not been without hope that the most influential "You haven't left me in doubt of your men in the community were with him enslaughts upon the forest cover, but Besides Horace and Barton, there were now he had positive proof of it. Hay-

MoCres was in the store shortly after moon next day to talk over his prospects "My name's Royal Pendetton," said with the forest service. He had come Mr. Saunders even if he is my dad's "I'm off duty for the day," he said. "Royal, the rascal, induced Saunders A jolly, freckled-faced boy was this to let him take a ride up the tramway anything."

"Meet my friend, Andy McCrea," said "I'm for him," laughed Horace.

"You won his regard. 'He has a sen-Andrew McCres and Mosce shook sible streak occasionally, in spite of a night. May I see you to-morrow?" | thoroughfare quickly gathered in front Horace liked this modest stranger. The of the office of the Pendleton & Saunders

· sawmill. Word had come from the first An extended talk with Andrew McCrez relay cable station that a boy was riding

"That's Royal," groaned McCrea. "Won't the boy know enough to mant-"Know enough! He probably is enjoy-

service until he' had heard Horace's "Can you drop me on those runaways?" plain speech of the night before in asked Horace. "I could clamp on the which he portrayed a future for the brakes. The grades on several long Blue Range region that, depended on stretches are not so steep but that I

McCrea led the way at a run. The flight was made under perfect bring you down within eight feet of the weather conditions. . "I'm converted," topmost log. When you see that the speed announced McOrea. "Take that large of the plane is the same as that of the "Mot a chance

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yourself!" The pilot fastened a rope to the right wing and showed Hotace how to handle himself when he climbed out over the wing for the drop. The airplane roared over the village toward the mountains. Twice Horace leaned forward from his seat to point out the direction, but when McCrea had picked up the tramway then in use, he followed it unerringly. Visability was perfect and McCrea called upon his twin motor for the last ounce of power available.

To Howard the earth seemed to float backward with tantalizing slowness considering the life and death character of the errand upon which he had embarked; yet the deafening roar of the motors assured him of a speed not obtained on the previous flight. With curprising suddenness the high timbered lands that had seemed so far away loomed close at hand. Anxiously he scanned the narrow whiching ribbon that was the logging railroad, for a glimpue of th TUNEWAY CATS.

That the cars had not jumped the track before they were nighted by the occupants of the airplane gave McCrea and Horace cause for unbounded joy. They could see the boy perched on a log on the leading car. Heneath them was a comparatively straight stretch of track and here McCrea planned to drop his passenger. He cut off his motors, banked, and glided earthward. He shouted to Horace to get ready. The latter climbed out upon the right lower wing. He gripped the loop of rope that had been fastened to the wing for his use in making the drop; then he slid over the rear edge of the wing. Beneath him a log appeared stationary. He could almost touch it with his feet us he dangled in the air. He released his hold upon the rope, dropped and clung. He saw Royal Pendleton stand up and heard him yell.

Horace knew his immediate task was to not the brakes. He applied them evenly running from one car to another until he had every brake wheel turned down hard. At the too of a steep grade, just beyond the last cable station above Manders Cove the runaway train came to a stop.

"Some ride, blg boy!" called out Royal,

"It would have been a ride if you had started down that last grade," said Horuce, whose relief was beyond measure now that he could look into the laughing eyes of the boy who had not yet come to a full realization of the doom that had threatened him.

Two weeks later McCrea wrote to

I am released from John Pendleton's employ and um now in the forest service. My first job is to bring Pendleton to Manders Cove to show him your country. All that he has written you doesn't begin to reveal his real feelings. Royal is his one and only interest in life. I half believe he is going to ask Baunders to retire or accept all your up-to-date notions about forestry as applied to private lumbering.

APPLE EXPORTS

The statement recently issued by the Fruit Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture provides an interesting reference to the fact that Canadian apples last year were experted to twenty-one foreign countries, the United Kingdom heads the list by taking 1,007, 516 barrels. Belgium last year took eight times the volume of 1929.

Among the other countries buying Canadian apples in quantity are the United States, Denmark, Holland, Newfoundland, France, South America, New Zealand, Germany, South Africa, Sweden, British West Indies, the Orient, Egypt. East Africa, Meditorranean, Africa, Fiji, Dutch East Indies, Cuba, India and

It is interesting to note from the same statement that Canada imported 129,627 barrels of apples during the fiscal year just ended of which 600 came from Australia, 3,850 from New Zealand, and the balance from the United States. Just recently shipments of very atractive apples have made their appearance on the market from Bouth Africa. It is particularly interesting to note in connection with the imports that Eastern' Canada absorbe 77.7 per cent. of the total brought in.



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	Best Single Turnout, 1st, by Alex. McIssac, cash, \$4.60; 2nd, by W. D. Talbot, cash, \$2.00	6 00	
	Best Light Express Horse in harness, 1st, by B. D. Rachlin & Co., cash, \$5.00; 2nd, by J. R. Leishman, cash, \$2.00	7 00	
	Bost Lady Driver, 1st, by J. Stewart, cleaner and dyer, Guelph, cleaning, value \$5.00; 2nd, by O. Hansen, cash, \$2.00	7 00	j.
	Best Pair of Saddle Horses, to be ridden by a lady and gentle- man, 1st, by W. J. Datterson, cash, \$5.00; 2nd, by E. H.		

6 Best Colt, one or two years old, sired by a thoroughbred horse, sultable for a hunter, by Robert Blowart, Limited, Guelph, cash, 1st, \$5.00; 2nd, \$3.00; 3rd, \$2.00 .

of Montreal, Acton, cash, 1st, \$5.00; 2nd, \$3.00; 3rd, \$2.00 8 Heat Agricultural Brood Mare, 1st, by Geo. Cowle, whiffletrees, value \$4.00. This special to apply to Olies 2, Beetlen 1 4 00

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7 Best High Jumping Horse, three out of five tests, by the Bank

10 Best Groomed Colt, 3 years or under, by A. H. Kentner, cash 11 Best and Pastest Road Horse, speed 60 per cent.; conformation and soundness, 40 per cent.; to be driven once around the track to a four-wheeled vehicle, without boots or hobbles. to give three exhibitions of speed, Ist, by Bank of Nova-Bootla, Acton, cash, \$10.00; 2nd, by J. M. McDonald, cash, \$5.00; 3rd, by W. M. Cooper, cash, \$3.00 18 00

CATTLE SPECIALS

12 Best Berd of Shorthorn Oattle, I bull and 4 females, 1st by Gilson Manufacturing Co., Guelph, 6 plow shares, value \$6.00. This special to apply to Class 8, Section 8, first prize

13 Best Baby Boof, by D. D. Waldie, President, cash, 1st, \$3.00; 14 Bost Herd of Jersey Cattle, I bull and 4 females, 1st by Ontario Hakery, Guelph, broad tickets, value \$4.00; 2nd by J. Mellon,

15 Bost Dairy Cow, any breed, 1st by Chas. McKeown, cash \$3.00; 2nd by L. Blarkman, cash, \$2.00

SHEEP, HOG AND POULTRY SPECIALS

16 Best Pair of Pine Woolled Ewe Lamba exhibited by a boy or girl under 14 years, by Fred fimith, Rockwood, 20 pounds honey, to be received at Edwards Bakery, value 2 00 17 Best Three Marketable Wether Lambs, 1st by R. J. Kerr, cash, \$3.00; 2nd, by Acton Branch V. P. O., cash, \$2.00 18 Best Boar and Sow, most suitable to produce becom type. Ist by Laffalle Cleaners, Quelph, cleaning, value \$5.00; 2nd, by

Chas. Thatcher, Rockwood, cash, \$2.00 '.... 19 Best Pair of Bacon Hogs, weight from 190 to 230 pounds, 1st by Ritchie & Agar, cash, \$5.00; 2nd, by W. G. Murray,

20 Best Pen of 12 bred-to-lay Pullots, B. C. W. Leghorns or B. P. Rocks, by Woodhall & Musselle, stock from greenhouse, apring 1932, 1st, value \$3.00; 2nd, value \$2.00

GRAIN, ROOT AND VEGETABLE SPECIALS

21 Best Collection of Farm Produce, including grain, roots, vegetables, fruit, flowers, domestic science, ladies fancy work and children's work, not more than 40 samples, gardeners not eligible, 1st by Emith Purniture Co., Quelph, furniture, value \$5.00; 2nd, by Dr. Buchanan, cash \$2.00

22 Best Three Bushels of Oats, any variety, 1931 crop, donor to receive same the evening of the Pair, by The Canadian Industries, Ltd., D. H. Lindsay, agent, fertilizer to be taken out in the spring of 1932, first fertilizer, value \$8.00; 2nd fertilizer, value \$4.00

23 Best Collection, 3 mangolds, 3 turnips, 2 pumpkins and 9 cabbages, 1st by W. J. Akins, Secretary, cash \$2.00; 2nd

24 Best Two Bags Cobbler Potatoes, donor to receive same, by Dr. J. A. McNiven, cash 25 Best Bushel Early Potatoes, donor to receive same, by A. T.

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284 Best Bag Cobbler Potatoes, donor to receive same, by Thos. 29 Best Bag Cobbler Potatoes, donor to receive same, by J. O.

Matthews, cash 30 Best Peck Danvers Onlons, donor to receive same, by E. J.

FRUIT SPECIALS

31 Best Bushel dpy Apples, donor to receive same in October, . sample to be shown, by J. N. O'Neill, Georgetown, wheelbarrow. Value 32 Best Bushel King Apples, sample to be shown, donor to receive

to receive same in October, by Pallant's Clothing Store, 36 Best Bushel Spy Apples, sample to be shown; donor to receive

same in October, by Dr. E. J. Nelson, osah

33 Best Bushel McIntosh Red Apples, sample to be shown, donor

kame in October, by G. H. Lantz, cash 35 Best Dirrel Spy Apples, sample to be shown, donor to receive same in October, by Kenney Bros., pair men's or ladies'

shoes, value DATRY AND DOMESTIC SCIENCE SPECIALS

36 Best 2 lbs. Butter in Prints, donor to receive same, by Dr. E. J.

37 Best 10 lbs. Butter in Crock, donor to receive same, to be delivered to Nelson & Co. evening of Pair, by Evan 38 Best 7, 1bs. Butter in Prints, donor to receive same, by Jak.

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41 Best Pair Chickens, dressed, donor to receive same, by J. W.

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