

DEEPS and SHALLOWS

NERVES OF STEEL

Out of the dark the canal bridge loomed ahead. The man pressed harder on the accelerator. It would soon be over now, he thought grimly. Once rid of that gunny sack and its contents, he'd feel free.

Just across the bridge a scarcely discernible dirt road veered off from the highway. The man pulled sharply into it, snapping off his lights as he braked to a stop.

As he had figured, there was no traffic on the main road at this time of night. But even if a car did pass, its headlights would never pick him out here. Nothing could go wrong now!

He had been smart not to bring Betty. She had wanted to prove she could go through with it. But he couldn't trust her to take this part of it without a quawk. Women were funny that way; tough and hard and cruel in their scheming, but when it came to the last detail some little thing might make them go soft on you. A job like this took a woman's scheming desperation but a man's steel nerves.

Noislessly he let himself out of the car and stepped around to the luggage compartment. He cursed under his breath as he fumbled at the lock. At length the key turned. The squeak as he lifted the cover jarred his already taut nerves. His hands were shaking as he felt for the carefully tied sack. Bracing himself, he dragged out the bulgy, weighted bag.

For a moment he let it drop to the ground and straightened his back. Was it a trick of shifting moonlight that made the bag seem to move? Sure he was hard, sure he had agreed to do this part but he hadn't reckoned on movements. Perhaps — perhaps Betty would never know if he didn't quite finish the job. Why not just leave the bag here on the canal bank? It could never be traced to him.

What was ailing him anyway? This wasn't the first time he'd pulled a job like this. He hadn't been more than seventeen the first time, he recalled, and a woman had been behind it then, too. Maybe with years his nerves were softening.

With a rush of determination he grabbed the sack and bumped it clumsily along. The dark water licking hungrily at the canal bank mocked his weakness, called for its prey.

Abruptly, anger possessed him; anger at Betty primarily. Hers was the plan — hers the soft persuasion. How she'd scorn him if he backed out now! He must finish the job.

Again he grabbed the sack and hoisted it onto his shoulder. With careful, burdened steps he felt his way the short distance to the water line. The canal was deep here, no gentle sloping off. With a tremendous heave he flung the sack from him. The splash to his ears was a report, a sharp pistol shot in the dark.

The drive back was a nightmare. He had thought with the sack gone some measure of peace would come to him. Instead, his newly awakened conscience screamed recriminations at him with every turn of the wheels.

Betty was waiting up for him. She had said she would. He steeled himself to meet her. Nonchalance was in order. She must never know how nearly his nerves had cracked.

Her voice was tense as she asked the question, "Did you do it?"

"Yeah," the man answered, then blurted out; "but, by golly, I hope that cat never has any more kittens"

Helen M. Daggett.

OUR WAR

If we want to win this war

You and I

We must work as ne'er before,

You and I

Save our greases, every gram,

Grow a garden, put up jam,

Buy a bond of Uncle Sam,

You and I

Give the blood that we can spare,

I and you

As our fighters do their share,

We must do.

P. M. R.

IF YOU'VE HEARD THIS BEFORE, DON'T STOP ME

A man went to court to have his name changed.

"What is your name now?" asked the court.

"Joe Stinks," said the man.

"And what do you want it changed to?"

"John Stinks," said the man. "I'm so sick of having people say, 'Hello, Joe, what do you know?'"

Buddy Bligh (Not Bligh)

HI THERE POE, WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

O, the Muse on Parnassus, whose job is to see

That no "b's" and no "q's" go awry,

Reading Buddy's dog poem, all teardimmed was she;

When out of the type, on the sly, On the tail of "gh" crept a villainous

"t,"

Slighting and blighting our Buddy Lund Bligh.

Wisconsin Irma. I. B.

Local Chapter D.A.R. to Hear Book Review At February Meeting

Mrs. William F. Einbecker will present a book review at the February meeting of the North Shore chapter D.A.R. She has chosen "Men in Motion" by Henry Taylor, and the meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. W. C. Shipnes, 511 S. Green Bay road. Assisting hostesses for this meeting are Mrs. Henry C. Hawes, Mrs. Carleton A. Harkness and Mrs. Kellogg Speed.

It has been customary this year, due to war-time restrictions on transportation to precede the chapter meeting with the monthly board meeting, rather than ask members to set aside another morning for it, and board members are requested to be present at the home of Mrs. Shipnes by 1:30 p.m. promptly. The regular meeting will be held as usual at 2 p.m. Members of the chapter are often called upon for endeavors incident to work pertaining to the organization. Mrs. Sewall Truax has given many talks on the history of Highland Park in various schools, and the story of the flags which have flown over America is also often in demand.

In addition to the many chapters of the Children of the Revolution, the Blackhawk chapter being the local member, there are many P.A.C. clubs all over the United States, junior American citizens which the D.A.R. sponsors in schools, more about which will appear in a later issue of the

Every member of the D.A.R. is enrolled in some war-effort, in every state money is being raised for the national war-fund, the sales since March, 1942, reports totalling \$170,000,000 and the blood plasma effort has been most notable. Eighteen permanent centers have been provided, 34 mobile units, 11 station wagons, 2 sedans and 1 truck. The first mobile blood unit equipped with refrigeration ever used in this country was donated by the D.A.R. This type of unit collects blood plasma in those parts of the country where there are no donor centers.

League Women Voters Announces Names of Nominating Committee

Mrs. Louis Haller, president of the Highland Park League of Women Voters, announced the names of the nominating committee for the coming spring elections to members of the board yesterday morning at their monthly meeting at the Community center. The nominating committee is elected by the executive committee of the board and prepares a slate to present at the March meeting. Officers will be elected in April. League members are requested to contact members of the nominating committee with suggestions for nominees.

Mrs. Frank Selfridge, a member of the board, is chairman of the committee, which includes Mrs. Marc Law, a former league president, and Mrs. Richard Loewenthal, also both board members, and Mrs. William White and Mrs. George Blosten, members at large. Elective offices to be filled this year are the following: President, vice president in charge of programs, corresponding secretary, financial secretary, and chairman of the even numbered precincts.

Marion Beere Becomes The Bride of Sailor

On Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 2, in an informal wedding ceremony at the Trinity Episcopal church, Miss Marion Beere, daughter of F. William Beere, 606 Vine Ave., became the bride of Farrell Edwin Secrest, Seaman 1/c, USN, formerly of Decatur, Ill.

The bride, gowned in blue, was attended by her sister, Mrs. R. M. Rioux of St. Louis, who wore pastel green. Erik Schacht, 590 Homewood Ave., acted as best man.

The single ring ceremony was used, and was followed by a reception for a few close friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Tetter, 145 So. Green Bay Road.

Seaman Secrest is stationed at Great Lakes.

Lady Elks annual public dessert-party will be held Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 15, at Elks hall at 1:30 o'clock. General chairman is Mrs. Lydia Frauenhoffer.

GLENCOE Theatre 630 Vernon Avenue

THU., FRI., SAT. Feb. 3, 4, 5 Franchot Tone, Victor Moore Dick Powell, Mary Martin, in the season's funniest comedy "TRUE TO LIFE"

SUN., MON., TUE., WED. Feb. 6, 7, 8, 9 "THANK YOUR LUCKY STARS" All Star Cast Bette Davis, Eddie Cantor, Humphrey Bogart, Errol Flynn and others

THU., FRI., SAT. Feb. 10, 11, 12 "SWING SHIFT MAISIE" Ann Sothern, James Craig "THE BATTLE OF RUSSIA" Lita A. Litzak and Frank Capra Coming: "Lassie Come Home" "Guadalcanal Diary."

Officers of Senior Infant Welfare Group Take Over New Duties

New officers for the senior group of the Infant Welfare society assumed their duties for 1944 at the recent meeting held at the home of Mrs. Bernard Newman on N. Sheridan road. Mrs. George Strecker acted as luncheon chairman.

President for the ensuing year is Mrs. Charles DeLeuw, with a board consisting of the following:

Vice president, Mrs. Howard Detmer; recording secretary, Mrs. William Walsh; corresponding secretary, Mrs. William Jones; treasurer, Mrs. Stanley Grace; legislative chairman, Mrs. Hermann Zische; telephone chairman, Mrs. Walter Rietz.

Members-at-large, Mrs. Elmer Freitag and Mrs. Frank Lunding; junior board representative, Mrs. L. L. Jim Howe; luncheon chairman, Mrs. Tom Leeming, Mrs. David Sanders, Mrs. Robert Douglass, Mrs. Elwood Hansmann; sewing chairman, Mrs. C. Longford Felske, Mrs. Bruce Parsons, Mrs. Donald Robinson, Mrs. Edmund Andrews.

Members of the junior group of the Infant Welfare society automatically enter the senior group after five years of service. Twenty-two new members were thus welcomed into the senior group at the January meeting, bringing the active senior membership up to eighty-five, with twenty-three inactive members. Sewing of garments for Chicago's underprivileged children cared for by the downtown Infant Welfare stations occupies the time at the regular monthly meetings of both the junior and senior Highland Park groups.

The February meeting of the seniors will on the twenty-eighth at the home of Mrs. Aaron Bauer, 154 Lakeview terrace.

Workers Needed By Highwood Red Cross

Workers are urgently needed by the Highwood chapter of the American Red Cross which meets each Monday and Thursday from 1 to 3:30 p.m. in the Oak Terrace school to make surgical dressings. Refreshments are served Thursdays.

Those interested in reporting for work may call the chairman, Mrs. Sam Somenzi, H.P. 1455.

POSTPONE ICE CARNIVAL

The continued mild weather has made it necessary to postpone the city wide ice skating meet planned for Sunday, Feb. 6, at Sunset park.

A new date for the meet will be announced as soon as the weather is more favorable for ice skating.



THIS is what we've been working for all along. This is the year to hit and hurt the enemy. This is the time when everything you do counts double. If we all get together and do all we can, we'll be over this hurdle and well on our way to complete and crushing victory.

No question about the men in uniform—they'll go "all out." But can we count on you to back them all the way? Your quota is where you work—you've got to buy your War Bonds and then buy more, until every last loose cent

you have is fighting. Tough? Of course, it's tough—unless it is a sacrifice you're simply not giving your share!

Make the sacrifice now—buy more than the extra \$100 Bond your country counts on you for—winning the war is worth any sacrifice you make. Besides, you aren't giving, you're lending to America! You'll get back every dollar you invest in War Bonds, with interest. An extra \$100 War Bond now is the minimum for everybody—can't we count on you for more?



This sticker in your window means you have bought 4th War Loan securities.

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MORE DAYS TO DO IT AGAIN

Bond purchases made after next Tuesday, Feb. 7 will be credited for a limited time to Highland Park's quota of \$796,000. But why be a straggler? Give your subscription to your BLOCK CHAIRMAN within the next 4 days and help our community make a whirlwind record. If more convenient you can purchase your bonds from this bank and we will report for him to the Campaign Director.

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