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### SEVENTY-FIVE AND BOARD

By M. P. MERRYMAN

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Yellow October sunlight poured through the west windows of the li-brary. Myriad dust particles floated along the slanting sun paths that slid abruptly into shadow at the table's edge. The assistant professor of bioiogy sat humped over a book that lay upon the table before him, but be was not concentrating, at least not upon the text. With a thump of his fist that set the book jumping he raised his head and looked about the big, quiet room

The assistant professor took off his glasses and rubbed his eyes and stretched. Then he shoved his hands into his pockets, tilted back in his chair and surveyed the shelves of dogeared volumes opposite him. It gave him an immense satisfaction, this bare, low-vaulted room with its brown walls and solid, brown tables and its rows and rows of books.

The assistant professor pulled out a crumpled bit of paper from his pocket and smoothed it out upon the book, after which he continued to regard it with an expression of ironical amuse ment. It was a check made out to hin for the amount of twelve dollars and fifty cents; a sum he had received in payment of a scientific article which it had taken him two months to write. It was a good article, too, but according to more than one editor "not sufficiently popular in tone."

He had been trying to make a de-

cision. This last contemplation of the scrap of paper in his hand had served to topple the scales. He closed the book with a bang, uncrossed his long legs, rose from the table and ambled down the aisle to the door. Outside he stood for an instant blinking in the strong light. When he closed his eyes they still registered printed book pages. With something of the feeling of a stranger he turned and scuffed along the leaf-strewn path to the lake. Now that there was no longer any doubt about his departure the intimate landscape seemed all at once un-familiar and different. He felt already detached from it—and sorry.

The moment the tip of her canon veered round a bend in the shore line he recognized it and whistled. assistant professor of English whistled her answer and waved an undignified paddle in greeting as her small craft slipped into sight.

"Want to come?" she called, invitingly.

smiled at him.

"Sure!"
"All right! Climb in!" The canoe nosed landward and slushed into the sand. With a lunge which shot the boat into deeper water and himself miraculously, into the boat, the new passenger embarked and took charge of the paddle.

"Where to?" he asked. "Oh, anywhere," she replied and

He selected the most distant spot on the lake, laid the paddle across the canoe and rested his elbows on it. "Takes longer this way," he explained.

She laughed and leaned sideways to watch a swirl of red and vellow leaves that went scudding along the surface of the water like a fleet of toy sail-boats. The red of her tam-o'-shanter, however, held more fascination for him. At length the leaves whirled out of sight and she settled back in her seat to feast her eyes upon lake, and

"I'm so sorry for all the folks who live in cities," she said.

"Why?" She looked up inquiringly at the question. He had snapped it out so abruptly it puzzled her a little. He

had begun paddling, too, furiously.
"'Why?'" she repeated. "Why, because they miss all this!" She waved a brown arm toward the rusting woods that shadowed them. "Wouldn't you hate to miss it?" she queried. The blade in his hand cut a long swath before he answered.

"I-I expect to miss it-after next Sunday," he said. "You-you mean-?" Her question

hung unfinished. "Yes, I'm going away-to the city," he said dryly with a pucker of his mouth as if even the taste of the

words was bitter to him.
"Oh!" She bit her lips and tried to go on speaking naturally, but her brain appeared to be turning a semer-sault—and no words came.

"Yes," he went on dully. "Tm going away. Decker has a fellow here now who can take my place. They've given me these last two days till college opens te decide. Well, I've made up my mind. I'm going to the city to live in a hail bedroom and work in an office—and self rubber. Pli loathe

to it till I can make a decent enough living to ask a decent girl to marry I'd rather stay here and go on with my work than anything else on earth, but I'll be hanged if I'll ask my wife to wear second-hand clothes all her life or wear 'em myself. This digging along forever on seventy-five month and board is getting my goat. Today this came. It was the last straw." He drew his offending check

from his pocket and flipped it into her

lap. She read it and met his eyes when she had finished. "I—I don't

know that I blame you much," she

They skimmed along for a time, each waiting for the other to speak When she had made up her mind that he never expected to open his mouth again, she gave in. "And—and how does-the girl-feel about it?" she in ouired. "That would make-some difference-of course." Hours passed for

her before he replied. "I-I haven't-asked her-yet," he

said hesitatingly.

With a little shiver of relief she sank back in her seat and caught back the smile in her eyes so that he might not see. He went on blustering, manfashion:

"It isn't unreasonable, is it, to want enough to live on decently? I'm not aspiring to plumbers' wages, you know, or anything like that; but hang it, even a teacher's got to live." She began speaking then and he

voice grew softer and fuller as she went on. "I know," she replied. unfair and it probably will be for a long time to come, but you can't have everything, you know, Bob. You have the work you like best in all the world. Not many men can say that."
"I know all that," he said, shaking

his head in reply. "I've talked that way to myself, too, but all the same steam-heated apartments in town rent for \$50 a month.' 'So you have been house hunting?"

He had not even the grace to blush. 'Sure!" he exclaimed. "Why shouldn't I? Even a poor devil of a pedagogue can look, can't he?"

She leaned forward, her eyes dancng, but for the moment she felt a little like his mother, nevertheless.

"Boy," she explained slowly and emphatically, "when you're a schooleacher you don't rent a steam-heated apartment in town; you get a cottage n the country and buy a good second hand stove. For that matter, all the furniture is second-hand but you needn't look like that-it's nice! You buy a few pieces at a time and put on three coats of paint and then you enamel it and if you want to you paint

little flow—"

He could not wait for her to finish. And for an engagement ring," he jeered, "you buy some pretty little tin hing at the five and ten."

She shook her head defiantly till the red tassel bobbed. "No, you don't! You hunt up that lovely old amethyst ring of your mother's that you once

He was still stubborn and uncon-"And then," he demanded, when the house is rented and furnished and—and everything—who pays the bills?"

Her patience reached its limit, "Can't you figure out anything for yourself?" she demanded angrily. "Some land goes with the cottage, of course; enough to raise garden truck for the-the family, and besides that you do whatever you can. Raise chickens or rabbits or bees or thoroughbred dogs or mushrooms or anything that sells-how can I tell exactly? Personally, I've made several hundred dollars writing 'deteketif' stories. Maybe your-your wife could do something like that-after the

The assistant professor of biology began to believe he had died and gone o heaven. He felt as if he were treading on balloons that bore him higher higher, yet strangely did not break. The prospect of remaining at his work made him giddy enough, but added to that the idea of wife and nome was still beyond ins rapidly exanding imagination.

"Do you-do you suppose-it could he done?" he demanded, and tried to swallow. The red mouth beneath the ed tam-o'-shanter was quivering, but the round little chin was firm. "Of course it could!" she said.

"God!" murmured the assistant proessor of biology fervently, I—I almost believe it could, too! And you ion't believe I'd be a low-down cad for asking the best little girl in the world to marry me and live like that?" His hands moved forward, eagerly awaiting the touch of the two steady, ones that slipped into his ewn, while the paddle, unnoticed, slid into the and floated away.

"I—I'm sure you wouldn't," she answered, "if—if you mean—me!"

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