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## SAVED BY CANINE INSTINCT

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Miles City, Jan. 31.—(Special)—John Rising Sun and Willis Red Eagle, two Cheyenne youths living near Lame Deer on the Cheyenne Indian reservation, owe their lives to the faithful dog, called "Bear," owned by Red Eagle. The story of their recent rescue from the perils of a raging blizzard at midnight was brought to the city by Jasper Red Robe.

Rising Sun and Red Eagle called upon a couple of pretty Cheyenne maidens, about 15 miles from their home. The time passed swiftly. It was near midnight when the young men decided that it was more than time for them to take their departure. Clouds hung ominously low over the mountains. Darkness obscured the road. Travel was difficult. Wind came up, blowing snow in every direction. The trail was hard to follow.

After wandering about for some time and making no progress the boys paused to take stock of their perilous position out there in the night with a blizzard raging. The tracks they left behind were filled at once with flying snow. The wind howled in the branches of the pine trees. There seemed to be no hope that they would find their bearings.

"We're going to freeze to death out here," Rising Sun said to Red Eagle, "unless we find the main highway." The situation was discouraging.

"The only way to get out," said Rising Sun, as he continued to grope for a ray of hope, "is for you to catch 'Bear,' kick him about some, scold him, ask him why he came along and then order him to go home."

Red Eagle looked about and saw some tracks which had been made by his dog. He caught the animal and after cuffing him to some extent, and scolding him for having come along, ordered him to "scoot for home." With canine instinct and feeling that he was not wanted, "Bear" turned from Red Eagle and made a bee-line departure from the lads. He went in a northwesterly direction. The boys were headed in almost the opposite direction.

"Get on your horse quick," said Rising Sun, "and we'll follow the dog's tracks before they are covered again by the snow."

The knowing dog continued for a distance of about four miles in an almost straight direction. The trail was followed by the Cheyenne youths. At last they came to the highway, which had not yet completely

filled with snowdrifts. They were about a mile from home.

The dog, "Bear," continued on home. The Cheyenne boys expressed their gratitude for being saved from the perils of a blizzard in the foothills and pines, and showered upon "Bear" their gratitude in the form of special rations.

## LIBRARY NOTES

The library continues to be used extensively by the general body of students. Although light fiction seems to be the favorite reading material with the students, there has been much demand for news and reference material relating to China and Japan. From this it seems evident that particular interest is being taken in the Sino-Japanese trouble now attracting so much attention in the newspapers.

The commercial students are also frequent visitors to the library.

Next to light fiction, animal stories seem to be the most attractive books.

Some time ago all available material on "McLoughlin of Old Oregon" was placed on a special shelf for the use of those pupils who were interested in the essay. Another shelf has now been arranged for the George Washington bi-centennial work.

Maps of China and the Shanghai district have been placed on the wall and a number of the students are showing interest in the subject. The daily papers are much in demand.

It is to be regretted that a few of our boys and girls see quite selfish in their use of the library. The appeal of an attractive picture in a book or magazine is strong, the desire for the ownership follows, and a final yielding to that desire makes it necessary to remove many of the current magazines from the shelves. The pupils now have access to these magazines only by asking for them at the desk. We hope that soon all will realize the privilege which is theirs of enjoying books and magazines and leave them intact for others to enjoy.

A nice lot of magazines have recently been donated to the library for the purpose of making clippings. These will be gladly furnished to anyone upon request.

New publications received are the Annual Report of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, a pamphlet on the Progress in Alaskan Administration by Ray Lyman Wilbur, Secretary of the Interior, and the World Almanac for 1932.