

THE PATRIOT.

This is my country's natal morn. My heart with rapture thrills. I've bought a gun for little John, the kind that sometimes kills.

The Flag of District Seven

Naturally it was dark and still about District School Number Seven; why not, when the eight day clock on the wall inside marked nine forty-five p. m., and was ticking on toward ten as fast as it could go.

On the previous Memorial day this had been ruined by a sudden fierce storm, and as the Fourth drew near Mr. Trickey suggested that the brigade borrow District Seven's for the Amadan celebration.

face remained unmoved. He thrust his hands into his pockets and strolled away to join the admiring Jiminy. "Don't gawk so," he muttered, in a fierce, admonitory whisper.

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