

DICK MORRIS,
a Canterbury-
born deer-

shooter and trapper, is no ordinary bushman. He is a keen student of New Zealand's wild life, and is recognised by New Zealand scientists as a good field naturalist. Recently he recorded a series of interviews for 3YA about the Kestrel Hawk (more properly the New Zealand falcon), Canada Geese, the Paradise Duck, and Red Deer. In a longer talk broadcast in 3YA's *Men at Work*



DICK MORRIS—*Life in the wilds*

series, he gave a vivid description of a deer-shooter's life in the wilds.

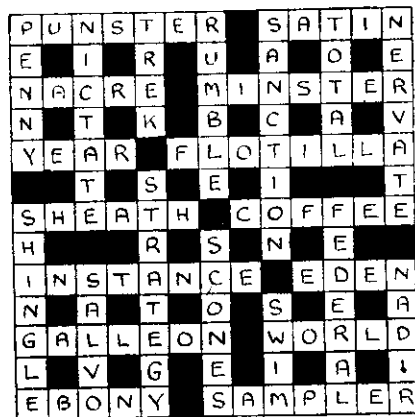
Dick Morris was born in the back-blocks behind Oxford, and has spent most of his life in New Zealand's bush and mountain country, mainly in the South Island. For the past 20 years he has been trapping, fishing, shooting and exploring in the mountains of the South Island, at first as a Government deer-shooter, although in more recent years he has taken to commercial (private) shooting, and now lives from the sale of skins. That is why he is correctly referred to as a deer "shooter," one who shoots deer all the year round for their

skins, in contrast with the deer "stalker," who hunts only in the roaring season, and is primarily interested in getting a good head.

A feature of most of the interviews that Dick Morris made for listeners is his clever mimicking of birds (and of deer), and his ready flow of anecdotes and colloquialisms. When he is not shooting or reading or drying skins, he studies the wild life of our bush and mountain country. He isn't a hermit, he says, and is quite willing to talk enthusiastically about his life in the wilds, as these radio interviews show.

"THE LISTENER" CROSSWORD

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Clues Across

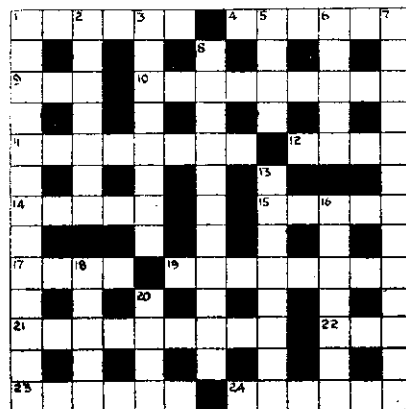
1. This is concealed by the sham mermaid
... should she give it to the auctioneer?
4. The end of this business is in the middle.
9. Robert Gibbings says it's lovely.
10. Frequently follows the assumption of the
bonds of 1 down.
11. Found between the foremast and mizzen-
mast.
12. Truth is said to 22 across at the bottom
of one.
14. "—, —, burning bright
In the forests of the night" (Blake).
15. "Mortals who would follow me
Love Virtue: she alone is free,
She can teach ye how to —
Higher than the spherie chime" (Milton).
17. Four-fifths of a chain, but it's only a
fraction of a foot.
19. Hop into Colon for the tailpiece of an
old book.

21. Ratio in the open?
22. See 12 across. It's not true!
23. One may become one, with a little reshuffle.
24. The tide goes back at the end of this; it will be to yours if you guess the answer.

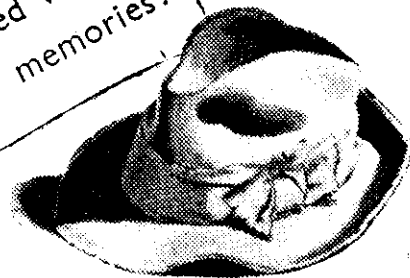
Clues Down

1. Mary, my hot lion (anag.)
2. "Journeys end in lovers — " (Song from "Twelfth Night")
3. Transitory things.
5. To be seen on November 5.
6. There's nothing in a nose.
7. This writer's first name was Enoch.
8. Cross connection between arteries or rivers.
13. Vessel—sailing or drinking.
16. Breathed in.
18. The decor is confused, I believe.
20. "Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto —, which is desert." (Acts 8, 26)

No. 459 (Constructed by R.W.C.)



Retired with
happy memories!

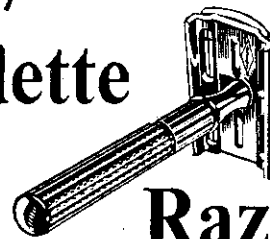


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