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Grade 4

MONTH OF THE COLD MOON

(JANUARY, 1839)

Roland Barrett

Instrumentation

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| 1 - Conductor's Full Score | 2 - Trombone 3 |
| 1 - Piccolo | 2 - Baritone/
Euphonium |
| 4 - Flute 1 | 2 - Baritone T.C. |
| 4 - Flute 2 | 4 - Tuba |
| 2 - Oboe | 1 - Timpani |
| 2 - Bassoon | 3 - Percussion 1
Bells
Brake Drum
Wood Block |
| 4 - B \flat Clarinet 1 | 2 - Percussion 2
Vibraphone
Xylophone |
| 4 - B \flat Clarinet 2 | 3 - Percussion 3
Chimes |
| 4 - B \flat Clarinet 3 | 2 - Percussion 4
Timbales
Bass Drum
Snare Drum
Tambourine |
| 2 - B \flat Bass Clarinet | 3 - Percussion 5
Triangle
Tambourine
Suspended Cymbals (2)
Gong
Wind Chimes |
| 2 - E \flat Alto Saxophone 1 | |
| 2 - E \flat Alto Saxophone 2 | |
| 2 - B \flat Tenor Saxophone | |
| 2 - E \flat Baritone Saxophone | |
| 3 - B \flat Trumpet 1 | |
| 3 - B \flat Trumpet 2 | |
| 3 - B \flat Trumpet 3 | |
| 1 - F Horn 1 | |
| 1 - F Horn 2 | |
| 1 - F Horn 3 | |
| 1 - F Horn 4 | |
| 2 - Trombone 1 | |
| 2 - Trombone 2 | |

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The Composer

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Dr. Barrett is a nationally recognized composer and arranger, with over 100 published original works and arrangements for symphonic band, various chamber ensembles, and marching band. His compositions have received numerous performances at the Midwest Clinic, and are regularly programmed by all-state and all-region bands. Dr. Barrett is a three-time recipient of the annual ASCAPPlus award, and is a former recipient of the Michael Hennagin Memorial Scholarship in Composition at the University of Oklahoma.

About the Music

This work was inspired by the tragic story of *Nunna daul Tsunyo* (“The Trail Where They Cried” or “The Trail of Tears”), one of the saddest incidents in American history.

In the early 1800s, the U.S., feeling threatened by European presence in western North America, attempted to create a buffer zone between U.S. and European holdings. It would be inhabited by eastern American Indians, allowing for American expansion westward from the original colonies to the Mississippi River.

Between 1816–1840, local tribes between the original states and the Mississippi gradually signed treaties ceding their lands to the U.S. In 1830, Congress passed the Indian Removal Act, forcing remaining Indians off their land. In May of 1838, federal troops began the roundup of the Cherokee Nation. Families were separated, elders and sick forced out at gunpoint, people often given but a few moments to collect cherished possessions. Three groups left that summer, traveling from present-day Chattanooga by rail, boat, and wagon. One of these groups suffered three to five deaths per day from illness and drought.

Meanwhile, 15,000 captives still awaited removal. With overcrowding, poor sanitation, and intense drought, many died. The Cherokees asked to postpone the journey until fall and agreed to voluntarily remove themselves at that time. The delay was approved. In November, they began their 1000-mile trip on foot — Fort Gibson, Oklahoma, their final destination. Heavy autumn rains and hundreds of wagons along the muddy route made roads nearly impassable. Little grazing and game were found to supplement their meager rations. Between December 1838 and January 1839, two-thirds of the poorly equipped Cherokees were trapped between the icebound Ohio and Mississippi rivers.

Illness and death were rampant. Various journal entries attest to brutal conditions: “Cholera broke out and death was among us hourly... 489 out of 800 arrived... 311 persons drowned when an overloaded flatboat capsized.” By March 1839, survivors had arrived in the West. No one knows how many died but the trail took a heavy toll on infants, small children, and elderly. Accompanying missionary doctor Elizur Butler estimated over 4000 died — nearly one-fifth of the entire Cherokee population.

The formal structure of the work abstractly depicts various stages of the tragic journey. Measures 1–24 represent the government’s roundup of the Indians. Measures 25–38 depict the shock of the government’s announcement that the Cherokees be relocated and the ensuing pretrip chaos. The passage beginning at measure 41 portrays the beginning stages of the long march. The middle section beginning at measure 83 captures the immense sadness and desperation of the months of December 1838 and January 1839. Measures 116–end represent the final leg of the journey.

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MONTH OF THE COLD MOON

January, 1839

ROLAND BARRETT
(ASCAP)

Ominously (♩ = 74)

The score is arranged in systems for various instruments and percussion. The top system includes Piccolo, Flutes (1 & 2), Oboe, Bassoon, B♭ Clarinets (1, 2, 3), B♭ Bass Clarinet, E♭ Alto Saxophones (1 & 2), B♭ Tenor Saxophone, and E♭ Baritone Saxophone. The middle system includes B♭ Trumpets (1, 2, 3), F Horns (1, 2, 3, 4), Trombones (1, 2, 3), Baritone/Euphonium, and Tuba. The bottom system includes Timpani, Percussion 1 (Bells, Brake Drum, Wood Block), Percussion 2 (Vibraphone, Xylophone), Percussion 3 (Chimes), Percussion 4 (Timbales, Bass Drum, Snare Drum, Tambourine), and Percussion 5 (Triangle, Tambourine, Suspended Cymbals (2), Gong, Wind Chimes). The score includes dynamic markings such as *fp*, *pp*, *p*, and *mp*, and performance instructions like "Hns. 1&2" and "Tambourine—lay tamb. flat & play w/2 hands".

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Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2
3
4

Tbn. 1
2
3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

fp *pp*

p *mp*

div. *fp* *pp*

fff *ff*

6 3 3 7 3 8 3 3 9 3 3 10 3 3 11 3

rit.

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

rit.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2
3
4

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar/
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

B.D.

Sus. Cym.

mp

p

f

div.

17 3 18 3 3 19 3 20 21 3

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Sax. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2
3
4

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar/
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

28 *ff* 29 30 *mp* *ff* 32

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2
3
4

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar/
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

Gong

mf *ff* *fff*

33 36

41 With quiet intensity

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2
3
4

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

(Gb to G)

Place tambourine head-up on head of snare drum--play on tambourine head w/snare sticks

PPP

p

mp

Small Sus. Cym. & Large Sus. Cym. - wooden stick on crown

38 39 40 41 42

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Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cl. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2
3
4

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar./
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

43 44 45 46 47

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2
3
4

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar./
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

53 54 55 56 57

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2
3
4

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar./
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4
Timb.

Perc. 5

70 71 72 73 74 75 *p*

Picc. *ff*

Fls. 1 *ff*

2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1

2

3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1

2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1

2

3

Hns. 1

2

3

4

Tbns. 1

2

3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Timp. *ff*

Perc. 1 *ff*

Perc. 2 *ff*

Perc. 3

Perc. 4 *ff*

Perc. 5 *ff*

One player on sustained note--all others play only the 8th note

(G to Gb, Db to D)

77 *ff* 78 79 80 81 82

83 With immense sadness (♩ = 56)

Picc.

Fls. 1 2 *mp*

Ob. *mp*

Bsn. *mp*

Cls. 1 2 3 *mp*

B. Cl. *mp*

A. Saxes. 1 2 *mp*

T. Sax. *mp*

B. Sax. *mp*

83 With immense sadness (♩ = 56)

Tpts. 1 2 3 *p* *mp* *tutti*

Hns. 1 2 3 4 *mp*

Tbns. 1 2 3

Bar./Euph. *mp*

Tuba *mp*

Timp. *mp*

Perc. 1 *mp* Bells

Perc. 2 *mp* Vibr. (motor on—slow speed)

Perc. 3 *mp*

Perc. 4 *pp*

Perc. 5 *pp* Wind Chimes

83 *mp* 84 85 86 *mp* 88

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2
3
4

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

96 97 98 99 100 101 102

Musical score for a full orchestra, including woodwinds, brass, and percussion. The score is divided into two systems, each with a tempo change from $\text{♩} = 88$ to rit. and then to $\text{♩} = 58$.

System 1 (Measures 103-104):

- Woodwinds:** Piccolo (Picc.), Flutes (Fls. 1 & 2), Oboe (Ob.), Bassoon (Bsn.), Clarinets (Cls. 1, 2, 3), Bass Clarinet (B. Cl.), Alto Saxophone (A. Sax. 1, 2), Tenor Saxophone (T. Sax.), Bass Saxophone (B. Sax.).
- Brass:** Trumpets (Tpts. 1, 2, 3), Horns (Hns. 1, 2, 3, 4), Trombones (Tbns. 1, 2, 3), Baritone/Euphonium (Bar./Euph.), Tuba.
- Percussion:** Timpani (Timp.), Percussion 1 (Perc. 1), Percussion 2 (Perc. 2), Percussion 3 (Perc. 3), Percussion 4 (Perc. 4), Percussion 5 (Perc. 5), Gong, Suspended Cymbal (Sus. Cym.).

System 2 (Measures 105-106):

- Continuation of the orchestral parts from System 1, with dynamic markings such as *mf*, *f*, and *ff*.

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110

Picc. *pp*

Fls. 1 *pp*
2 *mp*

Ob. *pp*
mp

Bsn. *pp*
mp

Cls. 1 *pp*
2 *pp*
3 *mp*

B. Cl. *pp*
mp

A. Saxes. 1 *pp*
2 *pp*

T. Sax. *pp*

B. Sax. *pp*

110

Tpts. 1 *pp*
2 *pp*
3 *pp*

Hns. 1 *pp*
2 *pp*
3 *pp*
4 *pp*

Tbns. 1 *pp*
2 *pp*
3 *pp*

Bar./Euph. *pp*

Tuba *pp*

Timp. *pp*

Perc. 1 *mp*

Perc. 2 *mp*

Perc. 3 *mp*

Perc. 4

Perc. 5 W. Ch.

in stand *mp* open *p*

in stand *mp* open *p*

1. *mp*

109 *mp* 111 112 113 114 115

116 Relentlessly (♩ = 156)

Picc.

Fls. 1 2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1 2 3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1 2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

116 Relentlessly (♩ = 156)

Tpts. 1 2 3

Hns. 1 2 3 4

Tbns. 1 2 3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1 Wood Block

Perc. 2 Xylo.

Perc. 3 Ch.

Perc. 4 Timb.

Perc. 5 Sus. Cym.

ff *mp* *fp* *p* *mp* *ff*

a) 1/2 of section b) other 1/2 of section

a) 1/2 of section b) other 1/2 of section

116 119 120



Picc. *ff*

Fls. 1 *ff*

2 *ff*

Ob. *ff*

Bsn. *ff* *f*

Cls. 1 *ff*

2 *ff*

3 *ff*

B. Cl. *ff*

A. Saxes 1 *ff*

2 *ff*

T. Sax. *ff*

B. Sax. *ff*

Tpts. 1 *ff*

2 *ff*

3 *ff*

Hns. 1 *ff*

2 *ff*

3 *ff*

4 *ff*

Tbns. 1 *ff*

2 *ff*

3 *ff*

Bar./Euph. *ff*

Tuba *ff*

Timp. *ff*

Perc. 1 *ff*

Perc. 2 *ff*

Perc. 3 *ff*

Perc. 4 *ff*

Perc. 5 *ff*

Tamb. (lay tambourine flat, play with both hands)

121 *ff* 122 *mf* 124

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2
3
4

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar/
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

125 128 129

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2
3
4

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar/
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2
3
4

Tbps. 1
2
3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

137

140

ff

p

mf

(D to Db)

Tamb.

Picc.

Fls. 1

2

Ob.

Bsn.

1

2

3

Cls.

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1

2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

1

2

3

Tpts.

1

2

3

4

Hns.

1

2

3

Tbns.

Bar./ Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

Bells

p

ff

f

145

148

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2
3
4

Tbns. 1
2
3

Bar./Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

154 *ff* 156 157 158

164 ♩ = 160

Picc. *fff*

Fls. 1 *loco* *fff*

Fls. 2 *fff*

Ob. *fff*

Bsn. *fff*

Cls. 1 *fff*

Cls. 2 *fff*

Cls. 3 *fff*

B. Cl. *fff*

A. Saxes. 1 *fff*

A. Saxes. 2 *fff*

T. Sax. *fff*

B. Sax. *fff*

164 ♩ = 160

Tpts. 1 *fff*

Tpts. 2 *fff*

Tpts. 3 *fff*

Hns. 1 *fff*

Hns. 2 *fff*

Hns. 3 *fff*

Hns. 4 *fff*

Tbns. 1 *fff*

Tbns. 2 *fff*

Tbns. 3 *fff*

Bar./Euph. *fff*

Tuba *fff*

Timp. *fff*

Perc. 1 *Br. D.* *fff*

Perc. 2 *fff*

Perc. 3 *fff*

Perc. 4 *fff*

Perc. 5 *fff*

164 *fff* 165 *mp < ff* 167 *mp < ff*

Picc.

Fls. 1
2

Ob.

Bsn.

Cls. 1
2
3

B. Cl.

A. Saxes. 1
2

T. Sax.

B. Sax.

Tpts. 1
2
3

Hns. 1
2
3
4

Tbns. 1
3

Bar./
Euph.

Tuba

Timp.

Perc. 1

Perc. 2

Perc. 3

Perc. 4

Perc. 5

169 170 171 *p*

