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**WEIRD TALES ISSUED 1st OF EACH MONTH**

# Voice in a Veteran's Ear

By GANS T. FIELD

*I am the man you killed.* Had I been able,  
I would have killed you first, that day we met  
Between the shell-torn sty and ruined stable,  
Rain in our eyes, shin-deep in mud and wet.  
My broken trigger failed beneath my finger.  
You smiled—and scowled, and raised your gun to me. . . .  
Yet, after twenty years, I mow and linger  
Where your hot eyes, and yours alone, may see.

Lo, here I crouch, here in this shadowed corner;  
I creep before you on this moonless way;  
I mutter in this bush; your breath is stilled.  
You, from my murderer, have turned my mourner—  
But, though you weep and name the saints and pray,  
*I shall remain. I am the man you killed.*