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From School Library Journal

Grade 3-6-Marie McSwigan's book is based on the story a Norwegian ship captain told as he unloaded a cargo of gold in wartime.

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Grade 3-6-Snow Treasure by Marie McSwigan (Scholastic, pap. 1986) is an exciting, suspenseful tale of Norwegian children and their contributions to protecting their town's gold during the German occupation in 1940. Convinced that the Germans will try to steal their town's considerable wealth of gold bouillon from the banks, the townsmen decide that it must be removed. Since a group of adults can't remove the gold without the Germans finding out, the townsmen develop a daring plan involving the children. In teams, the children will carry the bouillon on their sleds down to the river where one of the townsmen will load them onto his ship to take to the United States. Various problems arise as the children begin to carry out this plan, but they are resolved. Narrator John McDonough's use of drama and suspense keeps the story moving along. This audiobook would be an excellent supplement to history lessons on World War II. It lends itself well to group or individual listening. Teacher guidance would be helpful in supplying background history.

*Sarah Smith, Harrison Community Library, MI*

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About the Author

Marie McSwigan was an award-winning author of children's books who lived in Pennsylvania.

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