

THE MASTER BUTCHERS SINGING CLUB
By LOUISE ERDRICH

I found this to be a brilliantly written story about the life of a German soldier who survived the First World War and settled in what was then a remote small town in America.

It chronicles the trial and tribulations encountered by immigrants at that period, and vividly portrays the means by which he overcame obstacles and turned tragedy into opportunity. It is an emotional story and entirely believable in the chronicle of a marriage, raising a family, coping with death and finally agonising over sons involved in World War two. A great read.

Frank Baldock