SOME PEOPLE

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how civilians are affected by war.

Some people fleeing some other people. City war, conflict, In some country under the sun and and will wiest and particular clouds.

material possesions thy own that are a part or them are left bohird They leave behind some of their own everything, sown fields, some chickens, dogs,

mirrors in which fire now sees itself reflected.

Mullors usually reflect onesof, but now reflect fin and Sestiuction

They have on their backs pitchers and bundles, food and supples the emptier, the heavier from one day to the next,

the leas supplies they have, the more hungry and misoroble beoph will be the aking place stealthing is completely Taking place stealthily is somebody's stopping somebody succumbs to Leath

and in the commotion, somebody's bread somebody's snatching

and a dead child somebody's shaking. Thisory Children are still killed on not drappe serge will of

In front of them some still not the right road, they wed to trove to the the and not the bridge that's needed country over the river strangely rosy. Tive to (un with 600d

Around them, some shooting, at times closer, at times further away, and, above, a plane circling a bit. He conflict is always orand than

Some invisibility would come in handy, rished for non-human things, powers) people fry my to some grayish stoniness, or even better non-being for a little or a long while. make thing s (iggs

Something is still going to happen, only where and what? Mcortainly and Someone is going to head toward them, but when and who, in how many forms and with what intentions?

If he has a choice, maybe he will choose not to be the enemy

and to leave them with some kind of life. It prople and them, may it be an ally of someone who knows no halm