

Some Looks At Books

By LOCKIE PARKER

THE OTHER SIDE OF THE RIVER: Red China Today by Edgar Snow (Random House \$10.00). For information on China today—its industries, farms, schools, what its people are thinking—from Mao Tse-Tung and an ex-emperor to peasants and housewives—we have had no book to equal this and probably shall not for a long time. The author has not only collected information but he has checked it as far as possible and has thought long and hard about its significance. We need not accept some of his conclusions but we can not safely shut our eyes to the fact that this nation of nearly 700 million people is making notable strides toward industrialization, though by methods we dislike, and gaining power and prestige in Asia and Africa. Meanwhile, we refuse to recognize it as a legitimate government, and the Chinese consider that the United States is its Enemy No. 1.

Edgar Snow does not claim that he has the recipe for ending our mutual antagonism. He does not even claim that the statistics he gathered are accurate. There are, as he explains, reasons why comparisons between China and the

United States are difficult, and the gathering of accurate statistics is not too well understood in some parts of China. Of this much he is sure: great and fundamental changes have been made in China since the Communists came to power in 1949, so fundamental that the clock can never be turned back and the old ways restored. Setbacks and mistakes there have been, but they have not altered the main trend.

Certainly, as an experienced correspondent who knew China well from earlier days and the first of these old hands to get permission from our State Department and Chinese officialdom to return, he had unusual opportunities. More than this, he had interviewed Mao Tse-Tung in the thirties when Mao was living in a cave in remote Sinkiang, the head of a tattered army that had fled from the Chinese regulars and was disavowed by the Russian Comintern but kept a burning faith that they did not know how to regenerate China and were steadily gaining a foundation of peasant support.

This is not to say that Edgar Snow is a Communist. He long held the respectable post of an Associate Editor of the Saturday Evening Post. He was barred from Stalin's Russia because of his criticisms. What he has tried to give us, aside from the facts he could gather, is a view of how the situation looks from "the other side of the river." He does not dodge difficult questions—Americans held as prisoners, the Tibetan question, or the Indian border dispute. He does tell how these matters look to the Chinese—sometimes in the exact words of Mao Tse-Tung or other high authority.

We welcome this book as an honest attempt to give Americans an unprejudiced view of China, a view notable for depth as well as extent.

I WAS CICERO, by Elyesa Bazna in collaboration with Hans

ELLERBE NATIVE HEADS EFFORT

Contractors Of Carolinas Backing Training Program For Skilled Jobs

The Carolinas' construction industry, faced with a critical shortage of skilled manpower within the next five years, has initiated an intensive program of recruiting and educating prospective skilled workers.

Carolinas Branch, the Associated General Contractors of America Inc. announced today the establishment of a Construction Education Division and the hiring of an education and training director.

The new director, 29-year-old Baxter G. McIntyre, is charged with the responsibility of seeing that a predicted shortage of about 50,000 trained construction workers in North and South Carolina does not become a reality.

McIntyre will work in two main areas. He will see to it that prospective, educable workers are made aware of the job openings and opportunities for advancement in the industry; and he will work with educational institutions and contracting firms to see that adequate training curricula are established and maintained.

These curricula will be designed to provide skilled training on all levels, ranging from on-the-job apprentice training programs to technician education courses in state industrial education centers and four-year, college-level construction engineering courses.

In addition, McIntyre will work with high school guidance counselors and Employment Security Commission offices in both states to set up procedures for testing and placing prospective construction craftsmen.

McIntyre is a native of Ellerbe and a 1955 graduate of the University of North Carolina, where he majored in sociology. He has done graduate work in occupational information and guidance, and will be a candidate for a master of science degree in June.

For the past 27 months, McIntyre has been area coordinator for the Piedmont Construction Apprentice Council. He also served two years as a guidance counselor at the Umstead Youth Center in Butler.

Carolinas Branch, AGC is a trade association representing the majority of the building, highway

and public utility contractors in North and South Carolina. It maintains offices in Charlotte, Greensboro and Raleigh, and Columbia, Greenville and Charleston, S. C. It has member firms in all principal towns and cities in North and South Carolina.

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Nogly (Harper & Row \$3.95). This unique spy story is not only true but hilariously funny. Elyesa Bazna, a Turkish national, is a valet in the British Embassy in Ankara, Turkey in 1943 while Turkey is still a neutral nation. But by night, Elyesa or "Cicero," the code name given to him by the Germans, is busy photographing top secret documents of the allies, "Operation Overlord" (the D-Day Invasion) and the Stalin-Roosevelt-Churchill agreements, among others, and selling them to the Germans. His contact at the German Embassy, Herr Moysich, has also written his memoirs of "Operation Cicero," but this is the first time we have had the story of the day-to-day events by "Cicero" himself.

From his secret meetings with Herr Moysich to a thrilling chase

in the winding streets of Ankara to his romantic interlude in his love-nest, called "Villa Cicero," this story will keep you intrigued and hysterical.

How his identity is finally discovered, at the hands of a German girl working for the Americans in the German Embassy is a spy story within itself, and an ironic end for "Cicero."

Actually this story was written because "Cicero" wanted the money to sue the Federal German Government for cheating him by paying for his wartime services in counterfeit British currency. Wait till the movies get hold of this one! —A.S.

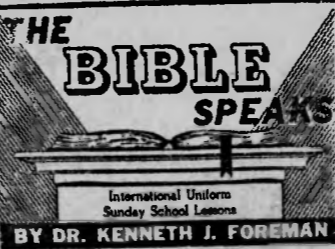
THE SMALL MINE by Menna Gallie (Harper & Row \$3.95). This is a fine book written with such skill that it seems simple. It has humor and tragedy and great compassion for the commonplace, confused people involved in the tragedy.

The scene is a coal-mining village in the Welsh mountains. The central figure is Joe Jenkins, a strong young man bubbling with life, the joy and pride of his sharp, fussy little mother and his slow old father. Joe is not a very remarkable fellow—he goes to work in the colliery like the others, his immediate ambition is to save enough money for a car of his own; but he is friendly and open-hearted, popular with the men at the pub and the small boys of the town, has a girl he is beginning to love and is the best singer in the community singing, a recreation dear to the Welsh.

Joe's life is snuffed out in a mine accident. Some of the townspeople, miners for generations, just sigh and repeat the traditional "That's the price of coal, see, people don't know." But the circumstances of the accident are unusual. Ugly rumors begin to circulate in the pub, over the back fences. What becomes of these rumors is superbly told. Whether Mrs. Gallie is giving us women's gossip, the men talking at the pub or the chatter of small boys, it rings true and shows a keen appreciation for the flavor of the local language. It also builds up, builds to insight into the life of each person and a critical confrontation of human values.

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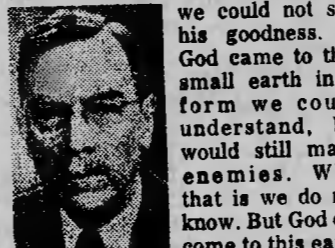
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Making Enemies

Lesson for January 20, 1963



Dr. Foreman in a form we can understand. He came as one of ourselves. It is true, God is everywhere and has always been everywhere. Indeed you might well say that God created Everywhere. But Jesus of Nazareth for the first time showed what God-as-man is like . . . and still made enemies

Reading Minds
It is not quite precisely the truth to say that Jesus "made" enemies. That sounds as if He deliberately stirred men against Him. That was not the story. He made enemies in the sense that on account of things He said or did, some people were mightily angry with Him, so much so that in time they reached the murder-point. It is worth our time to look into this. How was it that the Son of God, the one human being who perfectly mirrored the Eternal Love—how was it that, of all people, He made enemies?

Mark's Gospel tells a group of short stories all on the same theme, at this point. One incident after another brings out the fact that Jesus was up against a dead wall of resistance—and we can see why. First among the reasons was that He dared to say what only God would have a right to say. He was bold enough to tell a young man, lying paralyzed on a mattress: "Your sins are forgiven." To be able to say that to any one implies two other things. The one who says this, if it is true, must be able to read another man's mind . . . and he must be able to read the mind of God. He must know the man wants to be forgiven. He must know that God is ready to forgive, and does forgive. Now you might think that everybody around would rejoice that a man's sins had been forgiven. But instead, the people who heard Jesus say this were convinced that Jesus was a blasphemer. He was "playing God." You see they assumed to begin with that He was lying. But what if He told the truth? That they refused to believe.

Jesus knew what God meant
Many times Jesus made enemies by what He did on the Sabbath, the seventh day of their week, the day sacred to God. The Pharisees had it all figured out that on that Holy Day it was hardly right to do anything at all but go to the synagogue and back. But Jesus' disciples were on a walk and hungry one Sabbath day, and did what any one might have done, picked a few heads of wheat and chewed them up. (They must have been really hungry to do that.) The watching Pharisees, who seem to have been always around, like gnats, pounced on this harmless act. They blamed Jesus for breaking the Sabbath. It never occurred to them that if it is not wrong to give food to the hungry, it is not wrong for the hungry to do whatever it takes to satisfy their hunger.

How Jesus Met His Enemies
So it went. Jesus' enemies were always belittling. They always put out the worst possible explanation of all He did. They were assured in advance that He was a bad man. They were not prepared to believe anything good of him. Such men with such an attitude make mean enemies. There is hardly any hope of winning them over. The better Jesus was, the worse they became. The kinder He was, the more bitter they were. These stories suggest to us some simple plain truths about enemies. One is. There is no escaping them. It is Jesus the Son of God made enemies, his followers may expect the same . . . if, of course, they are as active in doing good as He was. The people who are "good but good for nothing," have no enemies—and no friends either. You can neither love nor hate a vegetable. But if you go about doing good, strange to say you won't have every one with you. But you can do with your enemies what Jesus did with His—go right on doing good as long as you live.

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