



## Some Looks At Books

By LOCKIE PARKER

**GROWING WINGS.** The Perennial Cycle of Birds by Sarita Van Vleck (Doubleday \$3.95). There is a wealth of information about American birds from Chickadees to Bald Eagles in this enjoyable book. Miss Van Vleck begins with the shorebirds gathering for the spring migration as "the flaming April sun slips silently into the aquamarine Gulf of Mexico." She gives such lively detail of the movements of the restless Dunlins and Sandpipers that you know she was there. I follow her form in giving capital letters to their family names—they are important families to her.

Dramatic as she makes the stages of the annual cycle, migration, getting and defending territory, mating, training the young, you can trust her for accuracy. The book has a preface by the Curator of Birds of the American Museum of Natural History and the jacket has a testimonial from a specialist at the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology.

Eird migration has always amazed and baffled men. Recent experiments here described show that some birds orient themselves according to sun and stars. But not all. A steamship in Bering Sea observed flocks of murrelets flying straight and sure through a dense fog where the steamer had to navigate by instruments. Speed, she reports, varies from the leisurely twenty-five miles per hour of songbirds up to the sixty and a hundred miles of some large waterbirds.

The special charm of this book comes from the writer being so keen about her subject and her ability to convey her own enjoyment. She not only knows about birds but she likes them, finds them ever so entertaining. Her drawing of two male birds facing each other in belligerent display is true comedy. Then there is a touching series of sketches of a baby Redwing at hatching and each day for ten days as it develops from an "utterly helpless crumpled creature" to a recognizable bird.

One popular myth dispelled by the author is that of the utter fidelity of birds to their mates. They vary in this matter about as widely as human beings. Some are monogamous, some polygamous and some just plain promiscuous. Promiscuous male birds are usually more spectacular than others. One of the most promiscuous is the Ruby-throated Hummingbird, "a gay bird in every sense of the word." The author ends by defending the rights of the birds to living space. After all, she says, they have been here 130 million years as against man's one million. Today their numbers are declining as feeding areas give way to real estate developments, their enemies the bulldozer and the population explosion.

**THE MOONFLOWER VINE** by Jeita Carleton (Simon & Schuster \$4.95). This is the story of one family, loyal, closely united, yet each having his own lonely struggle to come to terms with his life. The scene is mid-America, a quiet farm in Missouri, or sometimes the nearby town where the family moved when Matthew Soames was asked to be principal of the high school.

Matthew and Callie Soames had four daughters. We see them first as mature women come home for a summer reunion. Two of them are married, one has a job in New York, the fourth is not there. Mathy, the strange one, had died young, but her son is the pride of the family. That summer visit was a good time, giving the daughters a brief illusion of return to childhood and the rule of their parents. There were shared memories and shared joys, such as the moonflower vine.

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Then the novelist takes up the history of each person separately, the tumultuous experiences, the trials, the growth that has led each to this moment of serenity and family harmony. Each is a good story in itself, and they interweave to make a fine tapestry of family forbearance, family affection, a sort of testimony to the elusive, tenuous, strong bond that makes a real family.

**VOICES IN THE SNOW** by Olga Andreyev Carlisle (Random House \$4.95). What is life like for an artist in the U.S.S.R. today? Has the rejection of Stalinist repression made a difference? Who are the leaders? Olga Andreyev Carlisle visited Moscow in 1960 to find out. She was well qualified. She spoke the language, she came from a family of Russian writers, she had spent her early years in a colony of Russian exiles in Paris, she was a painter and writer herself, so these people talked to her warmly and freely.

The book consists chiefly of her interviews with Sholokov, Pasternak, Ehrenburg, Yevtushenko, a few less known writers, and her pen portraits of these people in their homes. Most attractive is her picture of Pasternak, glowing and vigorous at seventy, outwalking her in the snow, conversing eagerly on a dozen subjects, happily in the midst of his family, full of enthusiasm for his work in progress. Yet Pasternak as well as Sholokov seemed to her in some ways the last links with the past, shadowed by nineteenth century patterns and the cruel violence of the years of Revolution and two World Wars.

What were the new men like? She found a cousin who was one of them. They went to art exhibits, poetry readings, sat drinking tea and talking with their kind for hours. These younger people were very alive, confident, serious about their responsibilities to the country. The government prints their work in large, inexpensive editions, accessible to and welcomed by the masses. Editions of popular poets run from twenty to a hundred thousand and are sold out rapidly. The Communist Party calls them "engineers of human souls." It is also in their tradition from Tolstoy and Dostoevski to consider content and social significance important, but the narrow interpretation of this that made so much writing dull as government propaganda has relaxed. Dudintzev is much admired for his attack on corruption among officials in "Not By Bread Alone." He has followers.

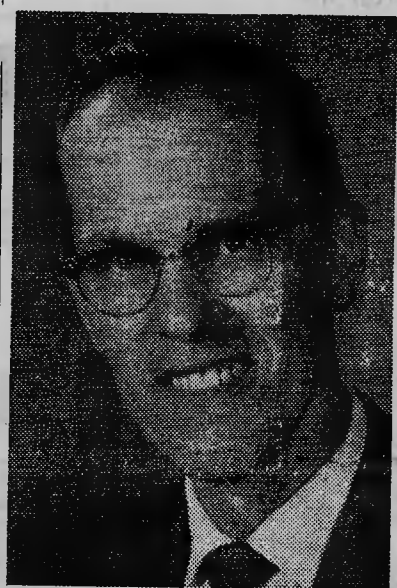
Many of Mrs. Carlisle's statements about this group are based on long conversations with Yevtushenko, a poet whose popularity she compares to that of a movie star in America. A volume of his verse, "Selected Poems," has just been published in this country by Dutton. It includes "Baby Yar", an attack on anti-Semitism in Russia and elsewhere, which made the news columns last autumn when he recited it to a crowd of five thousand in Mayakovsky Square.

It seems clear that the Party now permits and even encourages writers to range more widely in subjects and ideas. Yet the literary life in the U.S.S.R. still has its dangers. A Russian language magazine published in West Berlin recently reported that four authors who said the wrong thing had been committed to mental institutions.

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### TWO VISITING SPEAKERS

## Leadership Training Program Will Continue Sunday At United Church

Sessions in the Leadership Training program at the United Church of Christ will continue Sunday, February 24, with the Rev. Richard N. Rinker of Elon College and the Rev. Charles M. Jones of Chapel Hill as featured speakers, the Rev. Carl Wallace, pastor of the local church, reminds all interested persons.

The program began last Sunday, with the Rev. Harold Myers of Burlington and the Rev. John Lackey of Winston-Salem as speakers for the afternoon sessions.

Events of both Sundays comprise a program conducted primarily for leaders of various activities at the United Church of Christ, but leaders in other churches and all other interested persons are invited.

The Rev. Mr. Rinker, who is director of religious education for the Southern Convention of the United Church of Christ, will preach at the regular 11 a.m. service at the United Church of Christ on Sunday. His topic will be "Relating Christian Education to Witnessing."

In the afternoon session, the church's Board of Christian Education will be in charge of the devotion at 2:30 p.m.

At 2:40, the Rev. Mr. Rinker will have as his discussion topic, "The Role of the Total Church Program in Christian Education."

At the conclusion of his talk there will be a coffee break. At 3:40 p.m., the Rev. Mr. Jones, who is pastor of the Community Church in Chapel Hill, will speak on "Witnessing Via Social Action."

The Rev. Mr. Rinker is field secretary for the Southern Convention of Congregational Christian Churches (acting conference of the United Church of Christ), with responsibilities in Christian Education.

He has degrees from the University of Connecticut and Hartford Theological Seminary. Before coming to North Carolina, he served the Pennsylvania Conference of Congregational and Christian Churches and was pastor of a Pittsburgh church for four years. With his wife and three

### Bookmobile Schedule

Monday, Feb. 25, Doubs Chapel Route: John Willard, 9:35-9:40; Frank Cox, 9:45-9:55; F. L. Sulphin, 10:10-10:15; John Thompson, 10:15-10:25; Clyde Auman, 10:30-10:40; L. M. Hartsell, 10:40-10:50; W. E. Jackson, 10:55-11; R. L. Blake, 11:05-11:10; Arnold Thomas, 11:15-11:30; Mrs. Joyce Haywood, 11:35-11:45; S. E. Hannon, 11:50-12; Mrs. Herbert Harris, 12:35-12:40; Coy Richardson, 12:45-12:55; V. L. Wilson, 1-1:45.

Tuesday, Feb. 26, Murdockville Route: R. F. Clapp, 9:35-9:40; Edwin Black, 9:50-9:55; Mrs. Flinnery Black, 10:10-10:15; W. R. Dunlop, 10:30-10:35; Dan Lewis, 10:35-10:45; Miss Margaret McKenzie, 10:50-10:55; Earl Monroe, 11-11:05; Mrs. Helen Neff, 11:10-11:20; Harold Black, 11:30-11:40; J. V. Cole, 11:45-11:50; Art Zennis, 11:55-12:05; Sandy Black, 12:10-12:20; Mrs. Lillian Whitaker, 12:25-12:30; H. A. Freeman, 12:35-12:45.

Wednesday, Feb. 27, Cameron Route: James Hardy, 9:30-9:35; M. M. Routh, 9:40-9:45; G. G. Patterson, 9:50-9:55; Mrs. J. A. McPherson, 10-10:05; Mrs. H. D. Talley, 10:10-10:15; Mrs. Archie McKeithen, 10:20-10:35; Mrs. Isabelle Thomas, 10:40-10:50; Walter McDonald, 10:55-11; Mrs. Ellen Gilchrist, 11:05-11:10; Wade Collins, 11:25; Lewis Marion, 11:30-11:40.

Thursday, Feb. 28, Mineral Springs, Sandhills Route: W. R. Viatt Jr., 9:45-10:05; J. P. Hedden, 10:15-10:35; E. T. McKeithen, 10:40-10:55; J. W. Greer, 12:15-12:30; Richard Garner, 12:45-1; Mrs. Bertha Harm, 1:10-1:25; Ed Smith, 1:30-1:40; W. E. Munn, 1:55-2:05; T. L. Branson, 2:10-2:15; W. M. Chriscoe, 2:20-2:25; the Mr. Rev. Reynolds, 2:30-2:40.

children, he now lives at Elon College.

The Rev. Mr. Jones, now pastor of the Community Church in Chapel Hill, was pastor of the Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church for 12 years and had previously served churches at Brevard and in Virginia.

A native of Nashville, Tennessee, he was educated at Maryville College in Tennessee, Columbia University in New York and Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va. Between periods of study, he worked in a rayon mill and an automobile factory and operated a small restaurant in San Antonio, Texas.

The denominational biennial emphasis on which the Leadership Training programs are based is, "The Church: A Learning and Witnessing Community." Special attention is being given nationally to new curriculum materials and the need for adequate leadership preparation.

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By F. D. Allen  
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### Christian Credo

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Bible Material: Mark 8:27 through 9:12-21

Devotional Reading: Philippians 1:12-21

The word "Credo" comes from the Latin and it means "I believe." Most Christian churches repeat the "Credo" during the Sunday worship. But a person might know the Creed by heart and still not really believe it. Some Christians fly on the wings of others, so to speak. They expect to "go to heaven on their grandmother's ticket." They expect to get cred for what Grandmother believed. It can't be done.

Some churches have no creed but the Bible. They feel that nobody understands a creed anyhow, and that creeds are the language of men not of God. As a matter of fact, all Christian creeds are based on the Bible, and it is a striking fact that they are all much alike, and often in the exact words of the Bible. If a man believes just one single thing, he has that much of a creed.

### Believing what we cannot see

Let us look at another word. Science. That comes from another Latin word, meaning "I know." What is the difference between a Credo and science? What is the difference between a Creed and knowledge? One difference is this: If I say "I know" something, and I do know it, then I can prove it to anybody who is not blind or crazy. But if I say "I believe" something, I can be just as sure about it as if I "know" it, and it can be just as true. Only, what I believe is not public knowledge, shared by everybody. It is private and personal. It goes beyond what any fool can plainly see.

The most important truths in life are precisely those that can not be proved, but must be believed. When a girl promises to love and to cherish a young man, how does he, how does any one know she is telling the truth? It is the most important thing in life, but he must live by it, not by it. We believe that God is but not every one knows though everybody knows the blue. You can know that love not by having some love to you; you have to faith that it is true.

### Christian creed

Christian creed was the shortest. Jesus asked his friends: Who do men say? Peter's answer is Mark as a very short answer: "You are the Christ!" With that sentence Peter registered his belief about Jesus and his belief about Jesus. From that day on, Jesus has held the central place. There may be all kinds of churches, but one kind you will never see is one where the people won't say whether they believe in Christ or not. Any "Christian" who hasn't made up his mind about Jesus is hardly ready to be called a Christian.

Mind you, Peter did not say all the things he did not use all the words, about Jesus that the church would one day use. But in that simple declaration, You are the Christ, was packed something vitally important. For one thing, Peter places Jesus in a class by himself. No Jew in those days thought there could be more than one Christ (or Messiah—the two titles mean the same). Further, Peter meant to say that Jesus was the Number One Authority over men. To be Christ means to share the sovereignty of God Himself. How could Peter know this was true? he never tried to prove it, but he dared to live by it.

### Call to all, call for all

There is a very important feature of Christian faith, at its center and heart. That is, genuine Christian faith is much more than reciting a list of what you believe. More important than belief about belief-in. There is a poem called "Not What but Whom I do Believe"; it speaks for Christians everywhere, it declares faith in a Person not in a Proposition. There are millions of things one can know or believe, without being changed at all. A man who believes oatmeal is good for him is just about the same man if he changes his mind and concludes that oatmeal is bad for him. But if a man believes that God is good, if he goes on and is not changed by that belief, he doesn't really believe it. Christian belief challenges all men, calls to all; and true Christian belief calls on a man for all that is within him.

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