



Some Looks At Books

By LOCKIE PARKER

ROOTS IN THE ROCK by Charles Child (Little, Brown \$6.75). This is a refreshingly happy story and a true one of a family and the house they built on the rugged Maine coast, a house that grew and grew over a period of twenty summers. But it was not only a house they built. Charles Child, looking back over the experience, says that they gained, too "a sense of family solidarity, of enormous respect for nature and many new friends."

The author is also an artist and this comes out not only in the vigorous line drawings that illustrate the text, but in his keen appreciation of the color and texture of leaf and pebble, shell and moth wing as well as the great sweeps of scenery from the cliffs. He was also a pioneer at heart. Coming to Maine with his wife and two little girls one summer, he bought a piece of land on the tip of a wooded point that had not even a road to get to it. His plan was to cut enough trees to build a cabin for his family. Or perhaps it was his wife who thought of it first. She shared his love of the woods and was full of enthusiasm for the project—full of energy, too, no mere outlook.

But Charles was the man with the axe. He describes with relish the thrill of cutting the first big tree and the cheers that went up from the family when it crashed. The next summer when it came to the log raising, he had the

help of his brother. So it went—a bit of help here and there—but mostly doing it themselves, and then they had a house, a house with windows, a fireplace and a view of the sea. It was a small house, one big room with a kitchen off one end and a porch off the other, but they loved it. Affectionately the author gives you almost too many details of the construction. However, if you want to build a log house yourself, you should be able to learn much that is pertinent.

In addition, Charles Child gives you memorable glimpses of summer days in Maine and one tremendous hurricane, salty bits of conversation with local characters, and a candid view of family life with growing children, its trials and its rewards. A good book and as invigorating as a breath of Maine air.

STATE O' MAINE by Louise Dickinson Rich (Harper & Row \$6.95). This is another glowing tribute to Maine, celebrating its unique qualities. It is less personal than the above, as Mrs. Rich told of her own love affair with the state twenty years ago in "We Took to the Woods."

Here she gives the background, Maine's history from the Ice Age through the coming of the Vikings, the first settlers, colonial days with their struggles with French and Indians. The British and the Court of Massachusetts, the achievement of statehood in 1820 and so on right down to the placing of the Telstar station in the middle of an area "still mainly inhabited by deer and bobcats, foxes and bear."

She tells how Maine folks make their living today, raising extra fine potatoes and apples, of the tough men who still go the lumber camps, living in isolated communities for six months of the year, of the fishermen still catching lobster and herring on the Continental shelf as they have done for centuries and finally of the development of the tourist industry which she holds has been a good thing for Maine people and not only because of the money it brings to the state.

Mrs. Rich admires Maine character for its earthy good sense and humor; she gives some choice anecdotes illustrating these qualities. She also calls attention to "A Few to Be Remembered." These range from Rufus King, the first Governor, to Margaret Chase Smith and include people distinguished in literature, painting, the theatre. Music is represented by Nellie Dunham who won the title of "Champion Old-Time Fiddler of the United States."

Two of Mrs. Rich's earlier books on Maine have just been republished by Lippincott in a single volume, "The Forest

Johnson Attends National Meeting

Lawrence McN. Johnson of Aberdeen returned Wednesday from New York City, where he attended the National Tuberculosis Association meeting which began early in the week. This is the first time, said Mr. Johnson, that a delegate from the Moore County T. B. chapter has attended a national meeting.

A partner, with his father, in the Johnson and Johnson law firm in Aberdeen, Mr. Johnson is on the board of the state as well as the county TB organization.

Years."

RICHARD MANSFIELD, the Prince of Donkeys by Mary Ellen Chase (Norton \$2.95). Here is a firsthand story from a Maine childhood by one of the most distinguished authors that state has produced. Mary Ellen Chase grew up in a small Maine town, one of a household that included six children, two horses, a cow and several cats and dogs.

The family did not need another animal but two elderly ladies decided to pay a debt to the lawyer father with their aging donkey and his yellow phaeton. The father was not too pleased but nine-year-old Mary fell in love with the little donkey at once and took his care upon herself. Their close bond lasted five years, that is until Richard's death.

Beginning with a special tribute to donkeys in literature, the donkeys who carried Sancho Panza, Robert Louis Stevenson and the one who bore Jesus and Mary, Miss Chase has given us a tender and amusing story of her own pet. It is satisfyingly illustrated by Paul Kennedy.

PLEASANT FIELDMOUSE by Jan Wahl (Harper \$2.95). A BABY SISTER FOR FRANCES by Russell Hoban (Harper \$2.50). In a very astute essay on "Boys and Girls and Other Animals" by Gavin Maxwell of other fame, he remarks on the curious fact that "Small children readily identify themselves with animals (in stories), rarely with other small children and almost never with adults."

Here are two books which fit comfortably into that pattern. Pleasant Fieldmouse was small but full of enterprise and ideas. Some of the latter he carried out effectively, some not so successfully. His adventures will have a strong appeal to small boys. The pictures are by Maurice Sendak, winner of this year's Caldecott Award.

The book about Frances is for little girls and emphasizes the warmth and security of family love. To be sure, things have been a bit disrupted in the badger family by the appearance of a new baby. Then Frances finds out she is still important in the family, even more important in the role of Big Sister. The pictures by Lillian Hoban are as gentle and lovable as the text.

Bookmobile Schedule

June 1-4

Monday, Doubts Chapel Route: John Willard, 9:40-9:45; Frank Cox, 9:50-10; F. L. Sutphin, 10:05-10:15; John Thompson, 10:20-10:30; Clyde Auman, 10:35-10:50; L. M. Hartsell, 10:55-11:05; W. E. Jackson, 11:10-11:15; Arnold Thomas, 11:30-11:50; Mrs. Joyce Haywood, 11:55-12:05; S. E. Hanon, 12:10-12:20; the Rev. Don Bratten, 1-1:10; Mrs. Herbert Harris, 1:20-1:30; Coy Richardson, 1:35-1:45; Vernon Lisk, 1:50-2:20; V. L. Wilson, 2:25-2:40.

Tuesday, Murdockville Route: R. F. Clapp, 9:35-9:45; Edwin Black, 9:55-10:05; Tom Clayton, 10:10-10:25; W. R. Dunlop, 10:30-11; Dan Lewis, 11:05-11:15; Edgar Lewis, 11:20-11:30; Earl Monroe, 11:35-11:45; Mrs. Helen Neff, 11:50-12:05; Harold Black, 12:45-1; J. V. Cole, 1:05-1:10; Art Zenns, 1:15-1:25; Sandy Black, 1:30-1:40; Mrs. Lillian Whitaker, 1:45-1:55; H. A. Freeman, 2-2:10.

Wednesday, Cameron Route: James Hardy, 9:40-9:50; M. M. Routh, 9:55-10:05; E. F. Carter, 10:10-10:20; Lloyd Thomas, 10:25-10:35; Mrs. J. A. McPherson, 10:40-10:50; Mrs. H. D. Tally, 10:55-11:05; Mrs. Archie McKeithen, 11:10-11:25; Mrs. Isabelle Thomas, 11:30-11:40; Hubert Phillips, 11:45-11:55; Mrs. James Love, 12-12:10; Mrs. Lewis Cooper, 12:15-12:25; Walter McDonald, 1:15-1:25; Mrs. Ellen Gilchrist, 1:30-1:40; Wade Collins, 1:45-2; Lewis Marion, 2:05-2:25.

Thursday, Mineral Springs, Sandhill Route: W. R. Viall, Jr., 9:40-10:10; the Rev. W. C. Neill, 10:20-10:50; J. W. Greer, 10:55-11:25; Mrs. E. T. McKeithen, 11:35-11:50; S. R. Ransdell Jr., 11:55-12:10; Richard Garner, 1:25-1:45; Mrs. Bertha Harms, 1:50-2:05; Frank McDonald, 2:10-2:20; Ed Smith, 2:25-3; Mrs. W. E. Munn, 3:15-3:25.

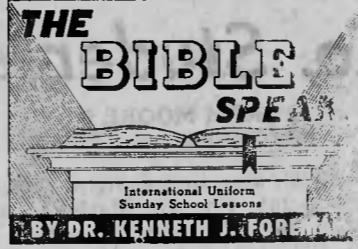
Thompson Speaks To Local Lions

Coolidge Thompson spoke Friday night at the Southern Pines Lions Club meeting on "Our American Heritage." Leonard Muddimer introduced the guest speaker. The dinner meeting was held at the Holiday Inn Restaurant.

Special guests were Roland White, who was received as a new member by transfer, O'Neill Lozack and Howard G. Thompson, brother of the speaker.

A report from the activities committee stated a net profit from the recent chicken fry of \$200, which will be used to help finance a trip to New York City and the World's Fair for Girl Scouts in the area.

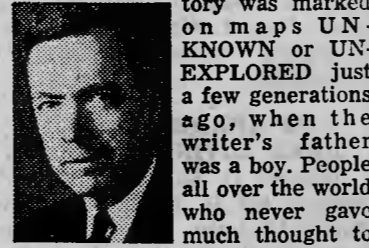
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Nationalism Lesson for May 31, 1964

Background Scripture: Isaiah 10:15-11, 20:1-11; Amos 1 and 2; Acts 17:22-31. Devotional Reading: Acts 17:22-23.

AS OF October 25, 1962, there were 110 nations in the United Nations Organization. (How many can you name?) Nations are there which did not exist when World War II ended. Nations are there whose very territory was marked on maps UN-



KNOWN or UNEXPLORED just a few generations ago, when the writer's father was a boy. People all over the world who never gave much thought to Dr. Foreman it before, now want to belong to a nation, able to take its place, perhaps a small place but a real one all the same, among the nations of the world. Great nations that used to take themselves more or less for granted, now are keenly aware of their role in the world of nations.

The good in nationalism
Nationalism is a state of mind. It is no more visible than the "Spirit of Old Swish" on the college campus; yet as with the college, so with the nation; the kind of spirit it is, the kind of national outlook and outlook that prevails, determines what Swish College or the nation itself shall be. Like all states of mind, nationalism is not just one thing but a combination of things. At base it is patriotism, the love of one's own country, a wish to work for its welfare; it is pride in the achievements of the pioneers, a sense of the living reality of the history of the nation; it can be a sense of national ideals, an "image" of what one's country wants to be; an awareness of her resources, a sympathy with one's fellow-citizens; a proud and happy sense of belonging.

The bad in nationalism
Like all good things, nationalism can be spoiled. It is like family feeling in some respects. It is good to be pleased with one's family, even to be proud of it and to uphold its standards; but the very words "family pride" have a bad sound, because in practice it means, too often, nothing but snobbishness, family conceit. So nationalism can degenerate. It can take the form of bragging. American tourists are in many places unpopular. They go to poorer countries and keep complaining all the time about the food and the language and the people; they never see anything abroad without telling you how much better they do or make things back in good old Swish, U.S.A. They are like rich people going on a trip through the slums and making loud unfunny remarks about the way the people in the slums live. But when a slum clearance program comes up, these same people don't want any part of it. They are willing to tour around and make fun of the way those who are miserable have to live; but they aren't on hand to help when something is being done to make the slum more livable. Likewise nationalism can easily become simple conceit, unwillingness to co-operate in progress.

"Man's other religion"
Nationalism has been called "man's other religion." This is the greatest danger in it; no imaginary danger, as history plainly shows. Nationalism becomes a religion when the citizens think of their nation as beyond criticism; when devotion to it becomes fanaticism; when many forms of anti-social behavior are tolerated in society sooner than brave and intelligent criticism of elements in national life that call for criticism. It becomes a religion when its commands are taken to be the highest authority on earth.

The prophets of the Old Testament had a good deal to say about nationalism. They were not heeded. It might be truly said that the Hebrew nation perished of repeated attacks of nationalism. One thing, however, the prophets made perfectly clear: God has no pet nations. Some nations acknowledge him, some pretend to honor him, some perhaps really do. But every nation is "under God." What will be his verdict on us?

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METHODIST CHURCH
Midland Road
A. L. Thompson, Minister
Church School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Youth Fellowship 6:15 p.m.
WCS meets each third Monday at 8:00 p.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH
New Hampshire Avenue
Sunday Service, 11 a.m.
Sunday School, 11 a.m.
Wednesday Service, 8 p.m.
Reading Room in Church Building open Wednesday, 2-4 p.m.

MANLY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sunday School 10 a.m., Worship service 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., PYF 8 p.m.; Women of the Church meeting 8 p.m., second Tuesday, Mid-week service Thursday 7:30 p.m., choir rehearsal 8:30 p.m.

EMMANUEL CHURCH (Episcopal)
East Massachusetts Ave.
Martin Caldwell, Rector
Holy Communion, 8 a.m. (First Sundays and Holy Days, 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.)
Family Service, 9:30 a.m.
Church School, 10 a.m.
Morning Service, 11 a.m.
Young Peoples' Service League, 4 p.m.
Holy Communion, Wednesday and Holy Days, 10 a.m. and Friday, 9:30 a.m.
Saturday 4 p.m., Penance.

THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
(Church of Wide Fellowship)
Cor. Bennett and New Hampshire
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Sunday, 6:00 p.m., Youth Fellowship
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Men's Club meeting: 3rd Monday each month.
Women's Club meeting: 1st Monday, 8 p.m.
Boy Scout Troop No. 873, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
Girl Scout Troop No. 118, Monday, 8 p.m.

OUR SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH
Civic Club Building
Corner Pennsylvania Ave. and Ashe St.
Jack Deal, Pastor
Worship Service, 11 a.m.
Church School, 9:45 a.m.
L.C.W. meets first Monday 8 p.m.
Choir practice Thursday 8 p.m.

BROWNSON MEMORIAL CHURCH
(Presbyterian)
Dr. Julian Lake, Minister
May St. at Ind. Ave.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m., Worship Service 11 a.m. Women of the Church meeting, 8 p.m. Monday following third Sunday.
The Youth Fellowship meets at 7 o'clock each Sunday evening.
Mid-week service, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
New York Ave. at South Ashe St.
Bible School, 9:45 a.m., Worship Service 11 a.m., Training Union 6:30 p.m., Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
Youth Fellowship 8:30 p.m.
Scout Troop 224, Monday 7:30 p.m.
Mid-week worship, Wednesday 7:30 p.m., choir practice Wednesday 8:15 p.m.
Missionary meeting first and third Tuesdays, 8 p.m. Church and family support, second Thursday, 7 p.m.

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