

Some Looks At Books

By LOCKIE PARKER



Drawing by Joan Walsh Anglund for her book, "Christmas Is A Time of Giving," reviewed below.

CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK, November 12-18, has brought out a fine crop of books this year for children of all ages. These range from sturdy books with cardboard pages for the two-year-olds to young romances and the last word on space travel and oceanography for the big ones.

Most alluring to the eye are the picture books for the small ones. Tony Palazzo has added to his Nursery Classics (\$1.25) two more favorites, **THE THREE LITTLE KITTENS** and **THE THREE LITTLE PIGS**. These books are an attractive size, the pictures are clear and uncluttered with detail so that the characters stand out boldly. Children have shown a special affection for them, the kind of book they want Mother to read again and again and then they hug it and take it to bed.

Uniform with the above in format and price are **CAT TALES** and **PUPPY DOG TALES** by Nancy and Aldren Watson. Lively, amusing drawings illustrate old nursery rhymes, familiar and not so well known. As an example of the latter,

"Hoddey, poddey, puddle and frogs,
Cats are to marry the poodle dogs;
Cats in blue jackets and dogs in red hats,
What will become of the mice and the rats?"

Several new books celebrate Christmas. Joan Walsh Anglund whose small books with quaint drawings and heart-warming sentiments have had a great success (and not only with children) gives us this year **CHRISTMAS IS A TIME FOR GIVING** (\$1.75). This is just as simple and appealing as the earlier books.

Rivalling the above in popular-

ity at Christmas will be **MINCE PIE AND MISTLETOE** by Phyllis McGinley (\$2.95). In lilting rhyme the author describes Christmas celebrations of earlier days in Virginia, New England, our Southwest and other parts of the United States that had distinctive customs. There are lovely illustrations in soft browns and blues by Harold Berson.

For beginning readers there are many books with large type, lively pictures and what is more important—good stories. These often come in groups from publishers. One of the best of these is Harper's **I-Can-Read Books**, and here Little Bear leads the procession. This year we have **LITTLE BEAR'S VISIT** (\$1.95). Little Bear just goes to visit his grandparents, who feed him, play with him, tell him stories, but you will be surprised how satisfying that can be to young children who like to find something familiar and "just like me" in a book. For the more adventurous there is **LITTLE CHIEF** by Syd Hoff (\$1.95). This little Indian was too young to go hunting with the tribal warriors, but left on his own, he has a big adventure and comes home a hero.

Big and beautiful is the **GRANDMA MOSES STORY** reproduced pictures by Grandma Moses reproduced picture by Grandma Moses are accompanied with appropriate stories and poems by such well known authors as Robert Frost, Laura Ingalls Wilder, Miriam Mason, James Russell Lowell. For introduction there is a biographical sketch of Grandma Moses. Children who like to hear about how things were when their elders were young will find this an endearing book.

Also beautiful is **SING FOR CHRISTMAS** by Opal Wheeler (\$5.95). This gives music and accompaniment for twenty-four

Folder Explains Social Security for Farmers

Both soil bank payments and farm rental income can affect the amount of social security benefits payable to a farmer and his family. It makes no difference if the farmer be landlord, tenant, or share-cropper, so long as his farming arrangement meets certain requirements of the law, according to R. H. Chapman, district office manager of the Fayetteville social security office.

Mr. Chapman said that a free pamphlet for farm people can be obtained by writing his office, 150 Rowan Street, Fayetteville, or calling phone number HE3-3688, and asking for "The Social Security Retirement Test for Farm People," OASI-25E.

favorite Christmas carols. Accompanying each song is the history of how it came to be written or a bit of background on the times. There are lovely illustrations by Gustaf Tenggren in a soft, lithographic technique, many of them in color. Another music book that will have a wide appeal is **THE POOH SONG BOOK** (\$3.95). This contains "the Hums of Pooh" from the popular book by A. A. Milne and also fourteen songs from **WHEN WE WERE VERY YOUNG** formerly published separately. All have musical accompaniment for the melodies and appropriate decorations by E. H. Shepard.

For older children there are horse stories, mysteries, books of fact and fiction. If you are selecting Christmas presents for young relatives you do not know too well, one way out is a good collection.

ALFRED HITCHCOCK'S HAUNTED HOUSEFUL (\$3.95) will please most children from eight to twelve, a fat volume of non-gory mysteries and intriguing ghost stories. Not written by Hitchcock, who only contributes the introduction, these are on the mild side.

READERS' DIGEST TREASURY FOR YOUNG READERS (\$5.95) is aimed at about the same age group and is as miscellaneous as the magazine itself. Bits of biography, history, science and stories are mixed with games and jokes. It might do as a gift for a family of children.

Not quite so new but of more sustained quality is the **TEEN-AGE TREASURY OF GOOD HUMOR** edited by Seon Manley (\$4.95). This fat volume introduces a new generation to Archie the Coekroach and other fine bits from the twenties and thirties. It gives savory samples of the work of Robert Benchley and James Thurber, and also presents some of the gayer moments of classic authors such as Shakespeare, Dickens Charles Lamb.

Bookmobile Schedule

November 13-16

MONDAY, NOV. 13, UNION CHURCH ROUTE: J. M. Briggs, 9:35-9:40; A. C. Bailey, 9:45-9:50; Clifford Hurley, 9:55-10:05; Mrs. Ina Bailey, 10:10-10:15; Elbert Taylor, 10:25-10:35; Parkers Grocery, 10:40-10:50; Mrs. Mattie McRae, 10:55-11:05; Howard Gschwind, 11:10-11:20; Mrs. O. C. Blackburn, 11:25-11:35; Jack Morgan, 11:40-11:55; Mrs. M. D. McIver, 12:15-12:25; Wesley Thomas, 12:35-12:40.

TUESDAY, NOV. 14, NIAGARA, LAKEVIEW, EUREKA ROUTE: J. D. Lewis, 9:35-9:45; Mrs. Ray Hensley, 9:50-10:30; Mrs. E. W. Marble, 10:40-10:50; C. G. Priest, 11-11:10; Bud Crockett, 11:55-12:05; J. L. Danley, 12:15-12:25; John Blue, 12:35-12:45; Homer Blue, 12:55-1:05; Mrs. C. B. Blue, 1:10-1:15; Mrs. Opal Blue, 1:20-1:30; Miss Flora Blue, 1:35-1:45; R. E. Lee, 1:50-2.

WEDNESDAY NOV. 15, ROSELAND, COLONIAL HTS: A. M. Stancill Jr., 9:45-9:55; Larry Simons, 10:10-10:15; Morris Caddell, 10:15-10:25; R. E. Morton, 10:30-10:40; Mrs. Viola Kirk, 10:45-10:55; Mrs. Onnie Seago, 11-11:05; W. E. Brown, 11:10-11:15; Calvin Laton, 11:20-11:30; Marvin Hartzell, 11:35-11:45; Elva Laton, 11:55-12:05; Addor, 12:20-12:30; W. M. Smith, 1:40-1:50; J. J. Greer, 1:55-2:20.

THURSDAY, NOV. 16, GLENDON, HIGHFALLS ROUTE: Ernest Shepley, 9:30-9:40; R. F. Wilcox, 9:55-10:05; Rev. Jefferson Davis, 10:15-10:25; Presley Store, 10:30-10:35; Carl Oldham, 10:40-10:50; Norris Shields, 11-11:10; Mrs. Helen Maness, 11:55-12:05; Anne Powers Beauty Shop, 12:25-12:35; Presley's Service Station, 12:45-12:55; Edgar Shields, 1-1:10; Wilmer Maness, 1:35-2:20.


Bible Tabernacle Revival to Start

Bill Britton of Carney, Okla., begins a two week revival meeting at the Bible Tabernacle, U. S. Highway 1, South, on Sunday, November 12.

Mr. Britton, ex-paratrooper, champion tennis player and athlete, travels extensively in evangelistic work. His work has carried him into over half of the states and Canada in the last six months. He is well known in the Oklahoma-Missouri area, having a radio broadcast and publishing ministry.

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Devotional Reading: Matthew 5:1-15

What We Have

Lesson for November 12, 1961

WITH two exceptions, all the columns from now till Christmas in these Bible studies will be concerned with one question and its several answers: By what means does a Christian grow? Up to now we have been thinking in what parts or activities or attitudes of his life a Christian grows; now we try to see what makes that growth possible, how it is done.

We must remember always that it is God who is the Giver of every good and perfect gift, that it is God who works in us "both to will and to do" what is pleasing in his sight. "Grow" is used in the imperative, as a command, in the New Testament. These next few weeks before the New Year will give us a chance to think how we can obey that command. If you want to keep it, use it!

Some people, reading Jesus' parable of the Talents, are bothered by it. Why was the man's poor little one talent taken away from him, and why, oh why was it given to the man with ten talents already?—Maybe Jesus' parables are not all to be taken literally, but they all mean something. The meaning of this parable is two-fold, positive and negative. Positively: If you want to keep it, use it! Negatively: What you do not use, you may not keep. It is pretty plain that Jesus cannot be taken literally and make sense. It is not true that if you want to keep a skyrocket, set it off. It is not true that if you want to keep a dollar you must spend it. But it is certainly true in the mental and spiritual realm. Do you have a good head for mathematics. Do you want to keep it that way, don't give up your math, keep with it right on through school. Do you have a gift for friendship? It will grow in proportion as you make friends. Do you have faith in God? If you want to keep it, use it.

Hindrances

The Christian word for using what you have, in God's service and for the help of your fellowman, is Stewardship. That word has come to have, in many people's minds, the sound of money. A good steward, we are told, is one who lites his income, is generous with the less fortunate, and so on. But while that is good, it is not the only kind of stewardship. Time, gifts and aptitudes, skills of any good kind, are equally the concern of the good steward of the gifts of God. And of all such things, it is true that what you do not use you may not keep.

Take the Pharisees, for example. They had everything, learning, leisure, the Word of God in the Scriptures of which they thought so highly. They had enough to be what they thought they were, but were not: the spiritual leaders of Israel. They became enemies of the Son of God. His most outright attacks on any class of persons were aimed at the Pharisees. Why, with all their opportunities, did they sink so low? The reader of Matthew 23 will find more answers than one. Hypocrisy, self-righteousness, pride, possessiveness and sanctimoniousness are all there.

Day-by-Day Choices

So—unless we wish to follow the Pharisees' tragic road—if we want to grow as Christians, then we shall have to use, as Christians responsible to our Father in heaven, whatever gifts and opportunities He sends us, in a Christian spirit and for Christian ends. This cannot be done by one great effort of decision. It is rarely in a lifetime that we make tremendous, dramatic, crucial choices. Most of the time we just go from day to day making small decisions all the time. The importance of these day-by-day decisions and choices is greater than some of us think. A minister begins his course as a minister by a great decision to spend his life in God's service through the church. But it has happened sometimes that the man's day-by-day choices were self-centered and self-indulgent, until like the Pharisees the last state of the man was worse than the first. For high and for low, the rule is stern: What you do not use, you may not keep.

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
New York Ave. at South Ashe St.
Maynard Mangum, Minister
Bible School, 9:45 a.m. Worship 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.; 8 p.m.
Mid-week worship, Wednesday 7:30 p.m.; 8 p.m.
Missionary meeting, first and third Tuesdays, 8 p.m. Church and family suppers, second Thursday, 7 p.m.

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Vermont Ave. at Ashe
Sunday Masses: 8 and 10:30 a.m.; Daily Mass 8:10 a.m.; Holy Day Masses, 7 & 8 a.m.; Confessions, Saturday, 5:00 to 5:15 p.m.; 7:30 to 8 p.m.
Men's Club Meetings: 1st & 3rd Fridays 8 p.m.
Women's Club meetings: 1st Monday 8 p.m.
Boy Scout Troop No. 873, Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
Girl Scout Troop No. 118, Monday, 8 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 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Women of the Church meeting, 8 p.m. second Tuesday.
Mid-week service Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.


EMMANUEL CHURCH (Episcopal)
East Massachusetts Ave.
Martin Caldwell, Rector
Holy Communion, 8 a.m. (First Sunday) 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 People's Service League, 6 p.m.
Holy Communion, Wednesdays and Holy Days, 10 a.m. and Friday, 9:30.
Saturday—6 p.m. Penance.

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