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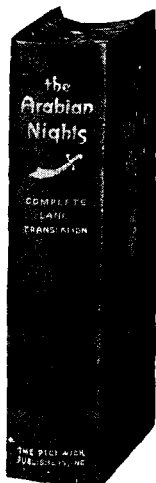
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## SOCIOLOGY

### THE DUK-DUKS: Primitive & Historic Types of Citizenship.

By Elizabeth Anne Warner.

The University of Chicago Press

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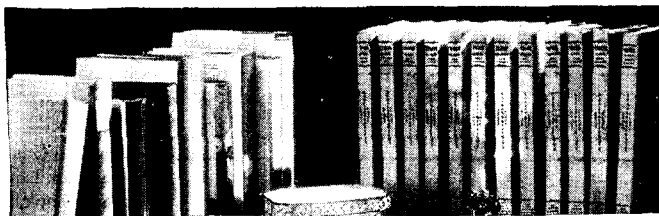
Chicago

Miss Warner examines the initiation ceremonies of primitive tribes, of the ancient Greeks and Romans, and of the feudal knights, with a view to determining whether they offer any suggestions for the training of children in citizenship today. She doesn't seem to be certain about the answer. She believes that "modern democratic states could accomplish something toward heightening the significance of citizenship by taking over certain existing occasions and assigning an official status to them," but when she takes a look at what has been done in that direction by the Russian Bolsheviks and the Italian Fascists she asks herself somewhat sadly "whether the fires of democratic enthusiasm have been tamped for all time." Thus her study gets nowhere, though the facts she brings forward are often interesting. She prints a bibliography and an index.

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