



On Coon Mountain: Scenes from a Childhood in the Oklahoma Hills (Paperback)

By Glen Ross

University of Oklahoma Press, United States, 2009. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Coon Mountain lies in the Cookson Hills, where the western edge of the Ozark Plateau reaches in to eastern Oklahoma. A part of the Cherokee Nation during Indian Territory days, it was home to a rural community mostly of white and Cherokee farmers by the time Glen Ross was born there in 1929--which could have been 1829, for all the difference twentieth-century industry had made. These autobiographical essays tell us what was special about the rural Americans of the Great Depression and World War II--about their resourcefulness, humor, and love of the land. How with a minimum of technology, in a subsistence economy, they achieved a life-style and a stature in the eyes of their children that we envy today. Glen Ross's lucid, appealing narratives pull us back into a time when children picked corn, peaches, strawberries--whatever was in season--and trapped animals, when a woman had to make hominy beginning with seed corn grown on the farm, and men met the challenges of horse-drawn equipment as they farmed, hunted, and fished to eke out a living with their families....

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