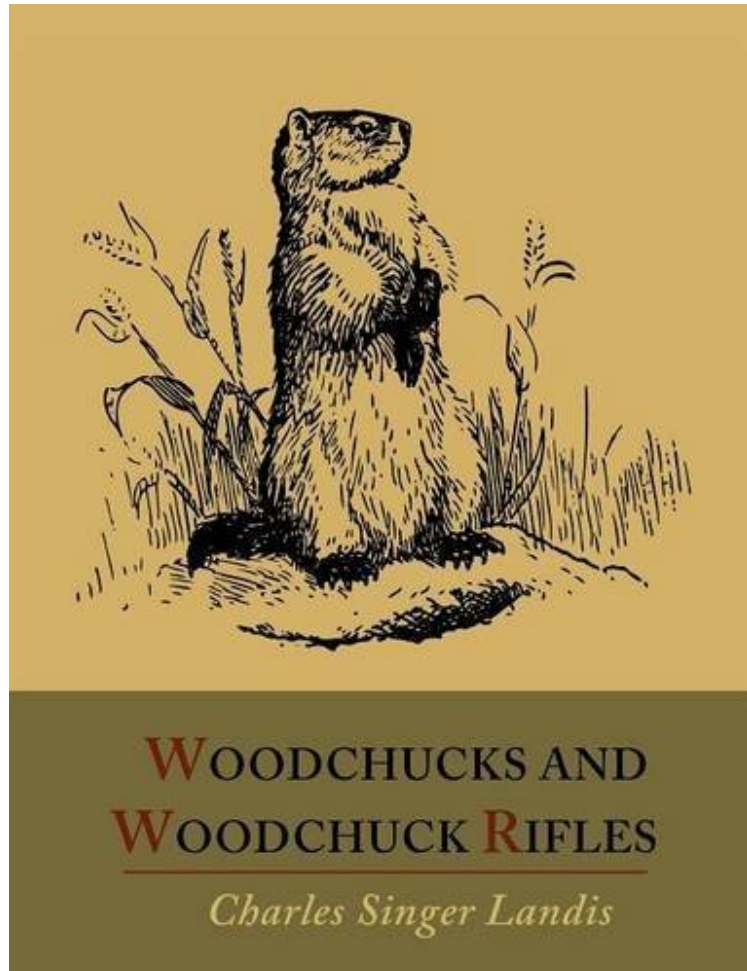


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Charles Singer Landis : Woodchucks and Woodchuck Rifles [Illustrated Edition] before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Woodchucks and Woodchuck Rifles [Illustrated Edition]:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A good account of Eastern varmint shooting as it came of age. By john calkin This is the Landis book I couldn't find when I was a young teen in the early '60s. I'm not big on nostalgia, but reading this book made me nostalgic for the boy I used to be. As much as enjoyed reading it, I don't think its for every shooter, though. An early chapter is little more than a list of successful shots at woodchucks and an informal autopsy of the damage done to each. The quality of the photo reproduction is poor. There are enough typos that I would not trust any of the loading data without checking with current manuals, and you'll find that manuals stopped listing these cartridges long ago (and may never have listed the ones that were even obscure when the book was written). There is a photo of the .222 Remington, but the round was so new that it is barely mentioned in the text, which should help you date the book. The .222 became so popular that the big companies began taking varmint

hunters more seriously, and each new cartridge that was introduced made the book more obsolete. Never the less, this book is a good history of the early varmint hunters and the gunsmiths who serviced them. The chapters about the early .17s are interesting. The chapter by P. O. Ackley is great fun. If you aren't deadly serious about the exploits of old rifle cranks or this period in gunsmithing (pre-1950), I'd skip this book. I had no trouble reading it straight through, but the chapters stand pretty independent of each other allowing skipping around to suit your interests. And yes, you might find yourself nostalgic for a time more relaxed and computer-free, when men shared long and detailed letters about the shooting pursuits that obsessed them.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. This is another one of those long out of print but much sought Firearms Classics. By Joseph M. Mangan
These reproductions are clear to read, and valuable . Landis was a small arms expert who's books still have value today. A classic for the varmint hunter, small game hunter , small bore rimfire and centerfire enthusiast and the firearms history buffs.
1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Woodchucks@Woodchuck RiflesBy BgDan
This is the fourth and last, i believe, of C.S.Landis's books that involve the small bore rifle for hunting and recreational shooting. This volume, as titled, deals with Woodchuck hunting and the rifles used. The book has a publishing date of 1950 so a lot of the information is somewhat outdated. I considered it a very good read as the first chapter deals with the various eastern species of "marmota momax" from Canada to the Carolinas. It then delves into the various gunsmiths of the era and of the varmint rifles that they built, the calibers that were developed as well as accessories. It also features a couple of chapters written by other shooters, one that I really enjoyed was written by P.O.Ackley. Calibers discussed ranged from the fledgling 17's to some that I've never heard of in the 228 to 240 cal. . I'm grateful to for the opportunity to purchase this book at a reasonable price and it arrived in prompt and very good condition BgDan.

2012 Reprint of 1951 Edition. Exact facsimile of the original edition, not reproduced with Optical Recognition Software. Profusely illustrated. Charles Singer Landis was the preeminent small-bore writer and target/varmint shooter of his time. Above all, Landis was an experimenter with a keen interest in the "how" and "why" of firearms and ammunition performance. He was a perceptive observer of wildlife, which made him an expert hunter. Best of all, he was a good writer with the ability to organize his vast store of knowledge and information and present it in a style both concise and eminently readable. His "Woodchucks and Woodchuck Rifles" remains one of the most definitive books on the subject.