

Next American Nation: The New Nationalism and the Fourth American Revolution

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Next American Nation and millions of other books are available for Amazon Kindle. Learn more. Books. He is a frequent contributor to many national publications, including The New York Times, The Washington Post, and The New York Review of Books. He is the author of *Up From Conservatism: Why the Right Is Wrong for America* and a novel, *Powertown*. In *The Next American Nation*, a provocative look at the past, present, and future of our national identity, Michael Lind maintains that American society is not breaking into separate tribal enclaves. The really significant development of our time is the emergence of a multiracial middle-class American majority united by a common language, customs, and culture. Although Americans suffer from a deep-seated fear of nationalism inspired by the experience of 20th-century fascist dictatorships, Lind reminds us that nationalism in the 19th century was often a liberalizing force. Lind provides a practical agenda for a liberal nationalist revolution that would combine a new color-blind liberalism in civil rights with practical measures for reducing class-based barriers to racial integration. **THE NEXT AMERICAN NATION: The New Nationalism and the Fourth American Revolution.** By Michael Lind. 436 pp. New York: The Free Press. \$25. We Americans, in the liberal nationalist view, are defined by a common language and culture; and as long as these unite us, we will constitute an ethnocultural nation." As may be inferred from the above, Mr. Lind (himself a Texan of Scandinavian provenance) has no patience in "The Next American Nation" with theories of the gene pool, "the browning of America" or any of the rest of it. For him, race and nation are related obliquely if at all. Let Us Help You Pick Your Next Book. On the lookout for your next book to read, but not sure where to start? We can help.