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hypnotism, modern dance, meditation, Silva Mind Control, Arica, acupuncture, sex therapy, Reichian therapy. . . ." The list goes on, but you get the idea: Jerry Rubin, 1970s-version, is as much of a jerk as ever.

Jackie and Ari. Lester David, Jhan Robbins. Pocket Books, $1.95. Here's a good example of "gossip" that does not illuminate. In a description of the yacht *Christina,* for example, we learn that "Charlie the bartender is busy. Charlie is a fixture on the *Christina*, and his martinis are famous among the Beautiful People. He concocts them of four-and-one-half parts gin to seven-eighths of a part of vermouth. Those who have tasted them pronounce Charlie's martinis the world's finest."

Jackie and Ari and his yacht and their martinis tell us so little precisely because he was so rich and therefore so removed from the everyday world—removed into the world of almost pure fantasy. The same criticism can be made of much of the social coverage in Washington—parties at the Iranian embassy, for example. They do not impinge on the real world any more than life on Ari's yacht does. For that reason, of course, these accounts tend to have a widespread "escapist" appeal, but they tell us very little about our society.

Living with Terrorism. Richard Clutterbuck. Arlington House, $7.95.

Mediterranean Europe and the Common Market: Studies of Economic Growth and Integration. Eric N. Baklanoff, ed. Univ. of Alabama Press, $14.50.

Nightmare: The Underside of the Nixon Years. J. Anthony Lukas. Viking, $15. This history of Watergate is mostly familiar stuff, but you would need to read at least a dozen other books to find all the material Lukas has brought together here. Familiarity makes it tepid reading now, but completeness will make it an indispensable reference in the future.

The Party's Choice. William R. Keech, Donald R. Matthews. Brookings. A valuable history of and commentary upon the presidential nominating process. Almost all the material concerns the period since 1936.

Peacemaking: A Guide to Conflict Resolution for Indviduals, Groups and Nations. Barbara Stanford, ed. Bantam Books, $1.95. A pointless and tedious compilation, which seems to be based on the dubious premise that if only we can have a "dialogue" of high-minded nature on the solemn issues of the day, our problems will eventually disappear. Peace does not prevail not because we are unfamiliar with "peacemaking techniques" or a "definition of peace" or the nature of "interpersonal conflicts," but because human beings are not as sweetly reasonable as the authors of this book.

Police Reform in the United States: The Era of August Vollmer, 1905-1932. Gene E. Carte, Elaine H. Carte. Univ. of Caifornia Press.

The Politics of Adoption. Mary Kathleen Benet. Praeger, $8.95.

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