

political book notes

*Public affairs books
to be published in April.*

America by Design: Science, Technology, and the Rise of Corporate Capitalism. David F. Noble. Knopf, \$12.95.

The American Prospect: Insights Into Our Next 100 Years. Henry F. Thoma, ed. Houghton Mifflin, \$7.95/\$3.95.

Anthony Eden. A. J. P. Taylor, ed. St. Martin's, \$8.95.

Boston, The Great Depression and the New Deal. Charles Trout. Oxford, \$15.95.

A Capitalist Romance: Singer and the Sewing Machine. Ruth Brandon. Lippincott, \$12.95.

A Capitol Crime. Lawrence Meyer. Viking, \$7.95. The notion that the reporter story will be to the 1970s what the detective story was to the 1940s is an intriguing one, and it has obviously occurred to *Washington Post* reporter Lawrence Meyer. His first novel is a whodunit about the murder of a Jack Anderson-like figure, starring a canny, cynical reporter for the *Washington Journal*. Unfortunately, Meyer is no Ramond Chandler; his writing and plot are only occasionally as tight as they should be, and his social observations of Washington are absolutely standard fare.

The Challenge of Daycare. Sally Provence, Audrey Naylor, June Patterson. Yale Univ. Press. Three women who helped run a daycare center in the New Haven ghetto have written a long, excruciatingly specific, but very sound account of their experiences and the issues it raised. Their attitude toward daycare is that it's inevitable, so we might as well prepare for it as best we can. But they are commendably aware of the huge traumas for parents and children that it can bring on if not administered very well indeed.

The Church and Third World Revolution. Pierre Bigo. Orbis, \$8.95/\$4.95.

Class, State, and Crime: On the Theory and Practice of Criminal Justice. Richard Quinney. McKay, \$8.95.

Cleared to Land: The FAA Story. Frank Burnham. Aero Publishers, Fallbrook, Calif., \$11.95.

Congress—Keystone of the Washington Establishment. Morris P. Fiorina. Yale Univ., \$8.50/\$2.95. An excerpt appeared in the March issue of *The Washington Monthly*.

The Crisis in Social Security: Prospects and Problems. Michael J. Boskin, ed. Inst. for Contemporary Studies, San Francisco, \$5.95.

The Election of 1976: Reports and Interpretations. Gerald M. Pomper, et al. McKay, \$8.95/\$3.95.

Falling Apart: The Rise and Fall of Urban Civilization. Elaine Morgan. Stein & Day, \$10.

The Feminization of American Culture. Ann Douglas. Knopf, \$15.

Flight from Inflation: The Monetary Alternative. E. C. Riegel. Heather Foundation, San Pedro, Calif.

The Future That Doesn't Work: Social Democracy's Failures in Britain. R. Emmett Tyrrell, Jr., ed. Doubleday, \$6.95.

Goals for Mankind: A Report to the Club of Rome on the New Horizons of Global Community. Ervin Laszlo, et al. Dutton, \$15/\$7.95.

The Growth of Crime: The International Experience. Leon Radzinowicz, Joan King. Basic, \$11.95.

A Government as Good As Its People. Jimmy Carter. Simon & Schuster, \$8.95.

The Hidden Word. R. A. Haldane. St. Martin's, \$8.95.

Hugo Black and the Judicial Revolution. Gerald T. Dunne. Simon & Schuster, \$12.50.

Inside the Alaska Pipeline. Ed McGrath. Celestial Arts, \$4.95.

In the People's Republic. Orville Schell. Random House, \$8.95. A look at life in China by a writer who managed, by working both in a factory and in the countryside, to see a good deal more of the nation than is accessible to most Westerners.

International Disaster Relief: Toward a Responsive System. Stephen Green. McGraw-Hill, \$7.95/\$3.95.

It Didn't Start with Watergate. Victor Lasky. Dial, \$10.

Mr. District Attorney: The Story of Frank Hogan and the Manhattan D.A.'s Office. Barry Cunningham, Mike Pearl. Mason/Charter, \$10.95.

Modern Capitalist Planning: The French Model. Stephen S. Cohen. Univ. of California, \$3.25.

No Heroes, No Villains: The Story of a Murder Trial. Steven Phillips, Random House, \$8.95.

On Trial: Masters of the Courtroom. Norman Sheresky. Viking, \$8.95.

Police: Streetcorner Politicians. William Ker Muir, Jr. Univ. of Chicago, \$15.

The Politics of Efficiency: Municipal Administration and Reform in America, 1880-1920. Martin J. Schiesl. Univ. of California, \$11.75.

The Presidential Character: Predicting Performance in the White House. James David Barber. Prentice-Hall, \$11.95. An excerpt appears in this issue of *The Washington Monthly*.

Private Property and the Constitution. Bruce A. Ackerman. Yale Univ., \$12.95.

Psychology of Women: Behavior in a Bio-social Context. Juanita H. Williams. Norton, \$13.50/\$8.95.

Rites of Passage: Adolescence in America, 1790 to the Present. Joseph F. Kett. Basic, \$16.50. A fascinating study of the changing social roles of youth in America. Adolescence, it turns out, is a fairly recent invention; in an agrarian, unspecialized age, there was no need for a transition period between childhood and adulthood. Kett traces the American teenager's metamorphosis into a troubled, sensitive product of industrial society, and then his more recent attempts to close the gap and begin adulthood earlier. This is a very good book, well conceived, researched, and written—a model of how historians can profit by using the tools of several disciplines. One complaint: for 327 pages, it seems awfully expensive.

Seven Women: Portraits from the American Radical Tradition. Judith Nies. Viking, \$8.95.

A Sexual Profile of Men in Power. Sam Janus, Barbara Bess, Carol Saltus. Prentice-Hall, \$9.95. This is an alleged scientific study by experts of the sexual psychology of congressmen and the like. But the scientific

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Snap Crackle and Popular Taste: The Illusion of Free Choice in America. Jeffrey Schrank. Delacorte/Dell, \$7.95/\$2.95.

The Socialist Decision. Paul Tillich. Harper & Row, \$10.95.

Stonewall: The Inside Story of the Watergate Prosecution. Richard Ben-Veniste, George Frampton. Simon & Schuster, \$11.95. The first sentence of this book does not inspire confidence. It reads, "John Dean's call came as Richard Ben-Veniste was hastily recorking a recently opened bottle of Italian Chablis." Fortunately, the authors know more about Watergate than they do about wine. Their book will be valuable to all lawyers who are Watergate buffs. Unfortunately, what's good for them—an exhaustive discussion of the legal issues involved—is deadly for the rest of us.

Taking Rights Seriously. Ronald Dworkin. Harvard Univ., \$12.

Talking to Myself: A Memoir of My Times. Studs Terkel. Pantheon, \$10.

The Time of Their Dying. Stephen S. Rosenfeld. Norton, \$7.95.

Vested Interest. Charles B. Lipsen with Stephen Leshner. Doubleday, \$6.95. The autobiography of a veteran labor-union lobbyist, ghostwritten by a *Newsweek* reporter, this is an entertaining, detailed defense of lobbying. Lipsen comes across as a very sane man, and some of his anecdotes are delightful (Lyndon Johnson gets a limousine phone to one-up Everett Dirksen; Dirksen gets a phone of his own; Johnson retaliates by getting a second line), but one is not left convinced of the nobility of the lobbying profession.

The Wall Street Journal Views America Tomorrow. Donald Moffitt, ed. Amacom, \$9.95.

We Were There: The Story of Working Women in America. Barbara M. Wertheimer. Pantheon, \$15.95/\$6.95.

Wife Beating: The Silent Crisis. Roger Langley, Richard C. Levy. Dutton, \$8.95.

Women's Health Care: The Hidden Malpractice. Gena Corea. Morrow, \$10.



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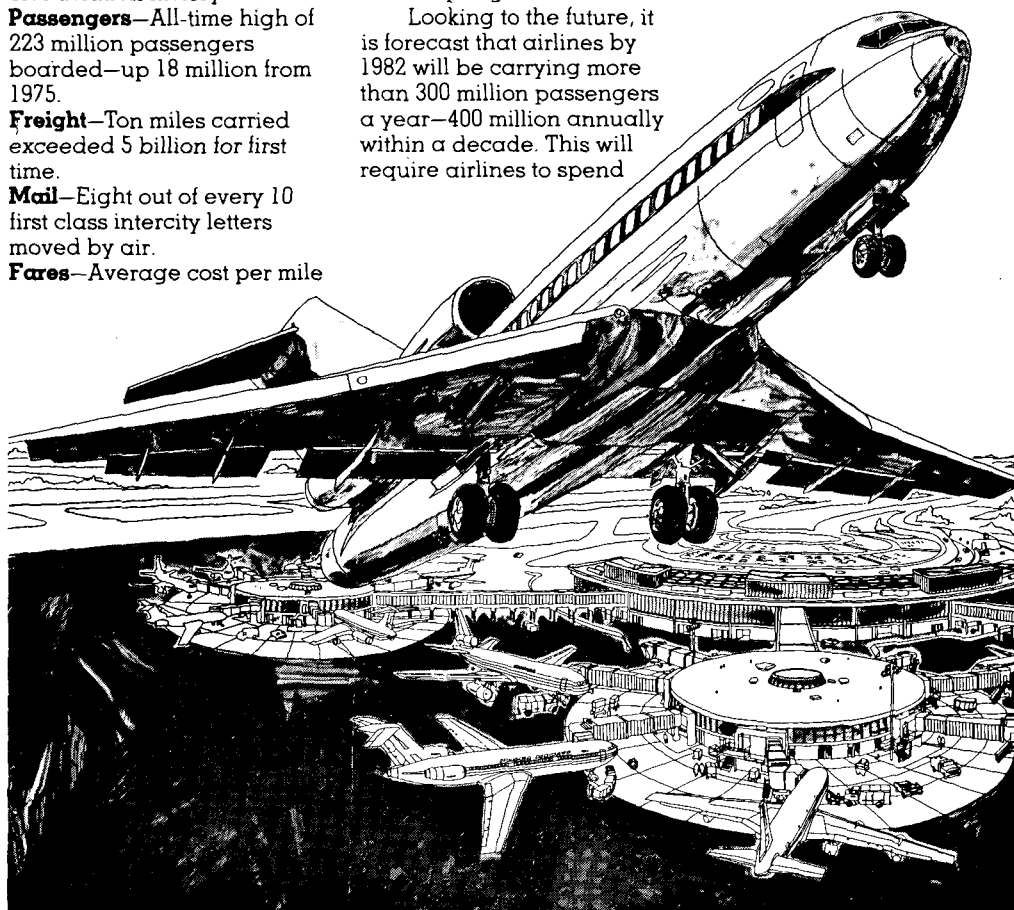
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