

IN AND OUT OF BOOKS

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Another book with somewhat unusual background will be coming from Viking at the end of June. It is called "Inquest: The Warren Commission and the Establishment of Truth," and is the work of Edward Jay Epstein. Mr. Epstein is a 31-year-old New Yorker, who studied documentary films at Cornell, moved on to the Program in Government at Harvard. Needing a doctoral thesis, he settled on the Warren Commission's report on the assassination of President Kennedy. Part of it found its way to an editor at Viking—and Mr. Epstein lost his thesis but had a book. The author wouldn't discuss it pending publication—"it may be dull, let's wait and see." Richard H. Rovere, author and The New Yorker's Washington man, has written an introduction.