

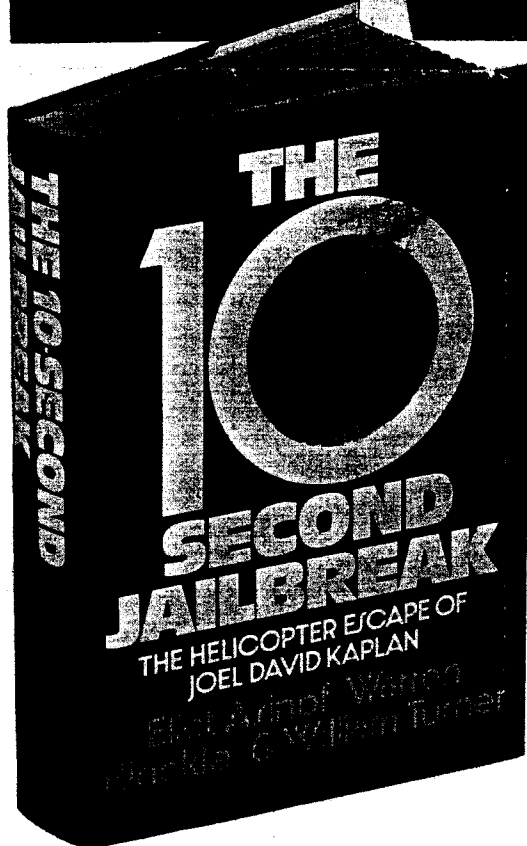
THE TEN-SECOND JAILBREAK.

Elliot Asinof, Warren Hinckle, William Turner. Holt, Rinehart and Winston. \$6.95

Mystery, muckraking, human drama and sheer derring-do—this book has them all in good measure. The authors are well known: Hinckle as the former editor of *Ramparts*, Turner (ex-FBI) as author of

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