

NONFICTION

The Strange Case of Richard Milhous Nixon, by Jerry Voorhis (Popular Library, \$1.25). A former California congressman, the first victim of a Nixon-Chotiner campaign, presents a detailed and highly polemic summary of the President's career, heavily seasoned with reflections on how the American political system should but often doesn't work. Voorhis, an unusually attentive Nixon-watcher of long standing, has added abundant post-Watergate material to the paperback edition of this book.

Marilyn: An Untold Story, by Norman Rosten (Signet, \$1.25). 'Tis the season for books about Marilyn Monroe by men named Norman. The photos in this low-priced study are mostly homemade candid shots, compensating with a sense of reality for what they lack in glamour. The text is by a personal friend who is also a poet; he cannot help, sometimes, seeing her and writing about her in mythic terms, but the Marilyn in these pages is a real person—friendly, spontaneous, often frightened and full of self-doubt, searching for something better than what life offered her.

In Search of Nixon: A Psychohistorical Inquiry, by Bruce Mazlish (Pelican, \$1.50). An attempt to psychoanalyze the President on the basis of fragments of biography and close textual analysis of some of his writings and speeches, basically negative in tone and full of fascinating but utterly unverifiable hypotheses. The paperback edition has a post-Watergate introduction.