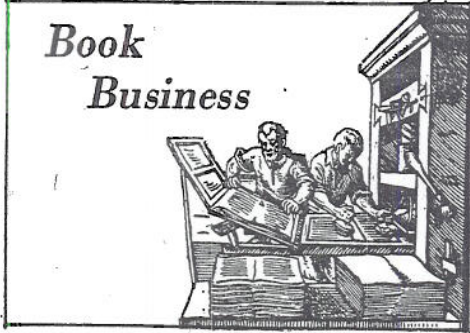


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Lest We Forget

HANS HERLIN resigned his job as managing editor of Molden, a large German publishing house, two years ago at the age of 48 to write his own first novel, *Commemorations*. A best seller in Germany, it will be published here by St. Martin's Press next month.

The author said that although he wrote the novel to entertain, he is disturbed by the current political climate in Germany. "I really feel that we are forgetting too much. And that is what my book is about—the forgetting."

Arthur Miller has said that it "reads like a thriller and relentlessly illuminates the whole tragedy of Germany wrenched by a history it can neither forget

and Tom McCormack, who favorably offered

Teddy Times Two

IF ONE BOOK about Ted Kennedy is a good idea, two should be twice as good, right? That seems to be the theory at Norton, where *Senator Ted Kennedy* by Theo Lippman Jr. is scheduled for publication in January and a study by James MacGregor Burns, tentatively titled *The Legacy of Camelot and the Choice Before Americans*, is scheduled for May.

Lippman, an editorial writer for the Baltimore Sun and author of political biographies of Spiro Agnew and Edmund Muskie, worked on his book for 15 months and had eight taped interviews with the senator as well as access to some of his files. Burns, whose advance from Norton is reportedly over \$100,000, has put aside a book on political leadership he is writing for Harper & Row but expects to resume work on it by the beginning of next year.

When Lippman heard about the Burns book, he fired off a protest to his editor, Evan Thomas, expressing the fear that, with two books competing with one another, both issued by the same publisher, the marketing and subsidiary rights of his book may be affected. George Brockway, president of Norton, insists that Lippman did a "really bangup job" and his book will be featured prominently on Norton's winter list. Fortunately, he said, the books "are several months apart and their thrust is quite different."

Mission: Rescue

A DETAILED STUDY of a controversial operation in the Vietnam war, *The Raid*, by Schemmer, will be published by Harper & Row. The American