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labeled and plausible on timely topics.—
John Carroll, Boston Public Library

CRITCHFIELD, Richard. *The Long Charade: Political Subversion in the Vietnam War.* 401p. Harcourt. 1968. \$6.95. 68-28815. INT AFFAIRS

Just what is our major problem in Vietnam? For more than a year now any rational answer has been pretty well smothered in angry, mindless shouting. Our problem seems to be a misunderstanding of Vietnamese political maneuvering and an ignorance of Vietnamese history. Here Richard Critchfield, *Washington Star* reporter, and Asian correspondent in 1959, and a resident in Vietnam from 1964 until 1968, after some well-sustained, persistent investigation, presents his findings. Briefly, the Vietnam conflict is regional as well as ideological. Not only has the country been dissected (in three sections as often as two), but, except for brief interludes, the populous southern portion (Cochinchina) has virtually been left out of the South Vietnam government. Mr. Critchfield believes that members of the Dai Viets, a secret brotherhood with leaders in both Hanoi and Saigon maneuvered themselves into control of that government. This book would be considered a "thriller" were its details not so grim. Will it be read? The author learned much of his background from British Dennis Duncanson, whose recent depth analysis, *Government and Revolution in Vietnam* (Oxford, 1968), has had virtually no impact in this country. This analysis ought not to suffer that fate.—Paul Bixler, Librarian Emeritus, Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio

DOUGLASS, James W. *The Non-Violent Cross: A Theology of Revolution and Peace.* 256p. index. Macmillan. 1968. \$5.95. 68-31276. REL

"To see reality in our time," Mr. Douglass begins in this discussion of non-violence "is to see the world as crucifixion. Our age is defined by the kind of events, from Auschwitz to Vietnam, whose depth of evil imposes night on the eyes of countless victims. . . ." He then proceeds to discuss how men of conscience of differing faiths have faced the challenge of cruelty and violence in the modern world. Mr. Douglass, assistant professor of religion, University of Hawaii has participated in the Catholic Worker Movement and acknowledges a debt to Thomas Merton. He describes in successive chapters the contributions to world peace and understanding made by Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Mahatma Gandhi, Andre Schwarz-Bart, and others. He concludes on a hopeful note that "The cross is resurrection, and at the heart of the world is the dance of its children who have died." Recommended for libraries that are building strong theological collections or material on the peace movement.—Jack A. Clarke, University of Wisconsin Library School, Madison

FOREIGN POLICY ASSOCIATION
Eds. *Foreign Policy Election Issues* 1968. intro. by Samuel P. Hayes. 84p. bibliog. Cowles. 1968 pap. 95¢. 68-27426. INT AFFAIRS
In his introduction to this useful book,

Samuel Hayes, president of the Foreign Policy Association, writes: "In a nation that is a democracy by choice and a superpower by circumstance, the basic issues of foreign policy become a vital concern of every citizen . . . and that is where this volume comes in." The book contains succinct historical and statistical information concerning 12 broad foreign policy questions which will doubtless generate considerable debate in this election year. The carefully selected topics, which include Vietnam, Communist China, the Middle East, foreign aid, and gold and the dollar, are treated impartially, with both pro and con arguments given in summary form. In addition, a brief, select bibliography is included for each topic covered. While this handy guide is designed principally for home use, public and college libraries might wish to add it to their vertical file collections.—Kenneth F. Kister, School of Library Science, Simmons College, Boston

FROMM, Eric. *The Revolution of Hope: Toward a Humanized Technology.* 160p. (World Perspectives, Vol. 38, planned and edited by Ruth Nanda Anshen). Harper. 1968. \$4.95. 68-31745. PSYCH

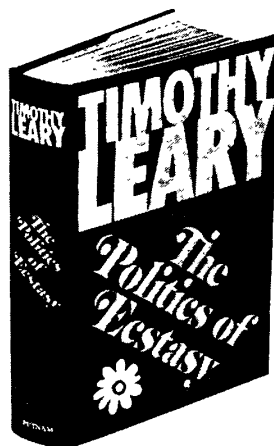
This is Dr. Fromm's third contribution to the 38 volume series "World Perspectives," his other two are *The Art of Loving*, and *Sigmund Freud's Mission*. It will undoubtedly become another "classic." Dr. Fromm encompasses many things in about 160 pages. He attempts (and succeeds) in inter-weaving discussions about economic problems and human character structure, with analysis of contemporary social and political problems. He hopes that the "reader will respond by overcoming the thought habits of compartmentalization and not find it too difficult to accompany me in the jumps from 'psychology' to 'sociology' and 'politics' and back again." He notes that there seems to be a growing hopelessness throughout the world. Why? Dr. Fromm believes that along with the process of mechanizing society, "man himself is being transformed into a part of the total machine . . . passive, unalive, and with little feeling." According to him, we are entering the second Industrial Revolution, which "is characterized by the fact that not only . . . living energy has been replaced by mechanical energy, but . . . human thought is being replaced by the thinking of machines." If this trend continues, by about the year 2000 our society may function as a "megamachine." Fortunately, he concludes that there is still hope for the "crisis of modern man," and he offers a number of proposals so that the reader ends with feelings of *hopefulness* instead of *hopelessness*. This book is highly recommended for public and university libraries.—Hubert I. Schotz, Middle Island Public Library, Coram, N.Y.

HUNTER, James T. *Our Second Revolution.* 152p. Caxton. 1968 pap. \$2. 68-9126. POL SCI

The thesis of this selection concerns the necessary rise of the conservative element in our political history, and it is

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