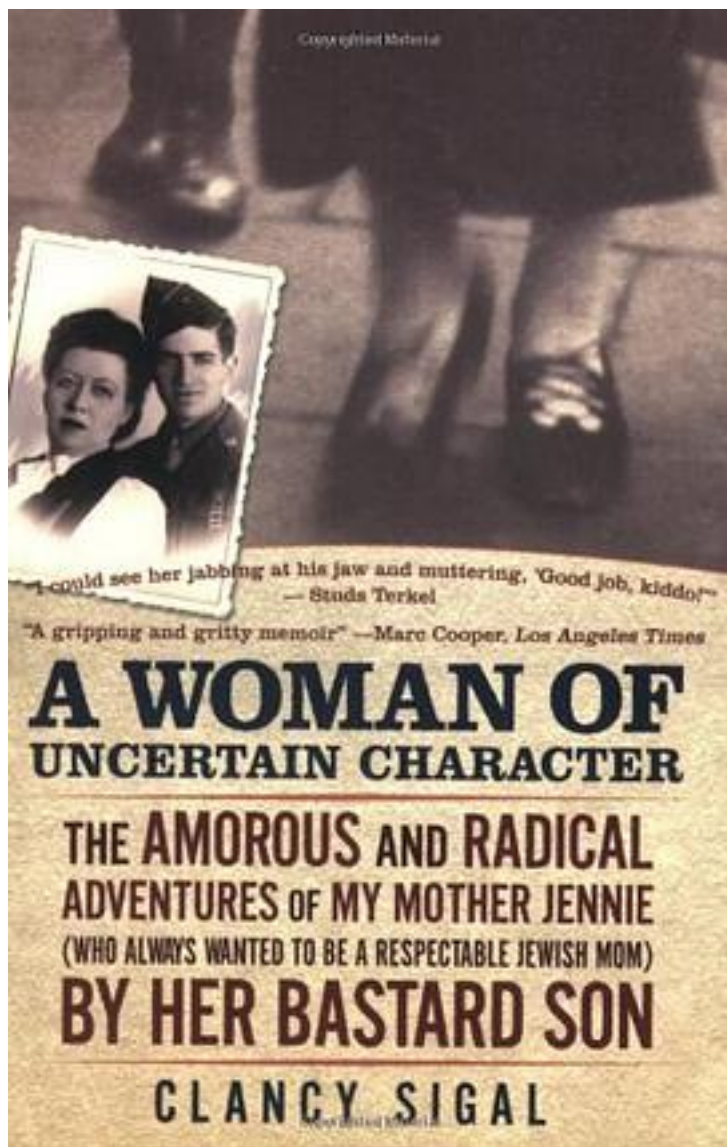


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This is a memoir about Clancy Sigal's boyhood in Depression-era Chicago - James Farrell and Nelson Algren territory. The author recounts his intense relationship with his mother Jennie, a sometime firebrand union organizer, and his roaring Oedipal rivalry with his mostly absent father Leo. Jennie is a single mother on welfare trying to raise a wild rebel son in a twilight world between law and lawlessness; she is defiant, vulnerable, sexually alive, high stepping, man-loving, woman-friendly, wisecracking, fearlessly facing down hostile scabs armed with shotguns and clubs. Along with the portrait of Jennie, this book is a rollicking, profane and gritty tale of life on the streets, of stickball, riding the rails, delinquency, and gangs and fights.

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