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Createspace Independent Publishing Platform, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English. Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand ******. From the author's introduction: Summer on a Mountain of Spices (the title derives from the Song of Solomon) is a novel, i.e. a fiction, based on life at The Spring Lake House, a small family hotel, in the summer of 1945 during the last week of World War II. Spring Lake was a mile from Monticello, the summit of the Jewish Alps. It catered to refugees from the garment center and an occasional professional (a lawyer, a dentist) escaping Manhattan's brutal heat for a few weeks and allowing wives and children the chance to breathe some fresh air, feast on incredible Jewish dishes and polish skills at tennis, baseball, swimming, Mah Jong, Poker, Pinochle, even dancing to a four-piece band in the casino. Guests at the modest hotel (financial mosquitoes compared with the wealthy at enclaves like Grossinger's and The Concord where, my father would say, people walk on cement, not grass) still considered themselves superior to families that rented bungalows in colonies we called kuchalains where you had to do your own cooking and cleaning. Spring Lake was owned and operated by my aunts and uncles. My summer job, at age fifteen, was running the concession under a banner that read WHY STARVE? YELL HARV! that sold cigarettes, cigars, sodas from the Nu Icy bottling plant, candy bars and other essentials of the good life. That summer I was hammered by three gigantic events: I had discovered girls and browsed the mysteries of sex. News of the unthinkable horror of the Holocaust was revealed in the press and on radio. The furious dawn of the atomic age not only signaled the end of the war but possibly...



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