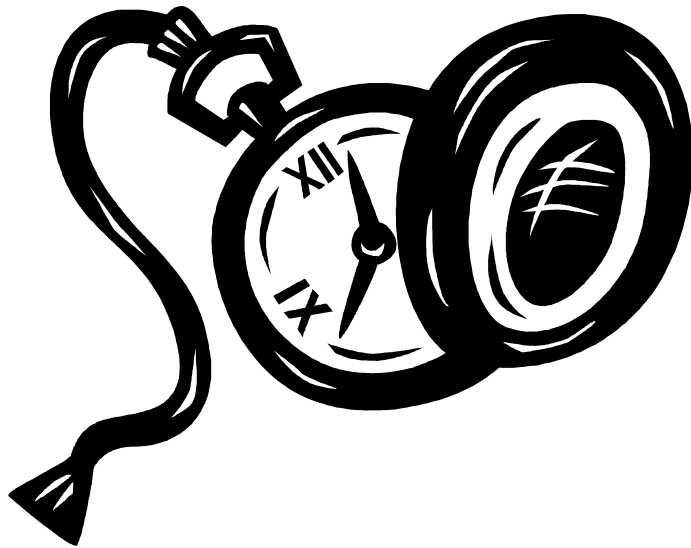


**Talking Book Center
2012 Adult Winter Reading Program**

**Tribute to the Decades:
Celebrating the Twentieth Century**



Reading Guide

A suggested reading list of literature exploring the unparalleled progress and change of the 20th century as a result of advances in science, communications, modes of transportation, technology, medicine, and ideologies as well as authors from the 1900s through the 1990s.

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Turn of the Century

DB 59439

Shoulder the Sky: A World War I Novel
by Anne Perry

Chaplain Joseph Reavley journeys to the Flanders war front in 1915 to help the wounded. When a hated military correspondent is murdered, Reavley probes into the mystery of his own parents' deaths caused by the unknown "Peacemaker." Some violence.

DB 62182

The Desert of Wheat
by Zane Grey

1917. As World War I begins, Kurt Dorn's German heritage becomes a problem. Though his Washington ranch supplies grain for American soldiers, a labor union sabotages his harvest. Dorn wants to serve his preferred country, the United States, but he also wants revenge.

DB 62721

The Man from Stone Creek
by L. J. Ganser

1903. Ranger Sam O'Ballivan has come to Haven, Arizona, to catch a band of rustlers. Posing as the new schoolteacher, he will have a bunch of unruly kids to put in order, including the brother of the charming postmistress, Maddie Chancellor. Explicit descriptions of sex and some violence.

DB 64575

Twenty-Eight Artists and Two Saints:
essays

by Joan Acocella

Profiles of cultural figures whose courage and perseverance sustained

them. Features twentieth-century dancers, sculptors, and writers--Vaslav Nijinsky, Jerome Robbins, Martha Graham, Louise Bourgeois, Simone de Beauvoir, Primo Levi, H.L. Mencken, Dorothy Parker, Saul Bellow, Penelope Fitzgerald, and Frank O'Hara--as well as Mary Magdalene and Joan of Arc.

DB 66623

Oil!

by Upton Sinclair

In early twentieth-century Southern California, oilman J. Arnold Ross teaches his son "Bunny" about the business while trying to stay independent of the big monopolies. Bunny befriends Paul Watkins, a rancher's son, who returns from World War I and becomes a communist union organizer in the oil fields.

DB 67168

A Leader Born

by Alton Keith Gilbert

Biography of career sailor John "Slew" McCain, who graduated from Annapolis in 1906. Describes his World War I service on an armored cruiser and aviation expertise that led him to command aircraft in World War II under William "Bull" Halsey. Introduction by his grandson, Arizona senator John McCain III.

DB 67282

Charlatan: America's Most Dangerous Huckster, the Man who Pursued Him, and the Age of Flimflam

by Pope Brock

Biography of showman John R. Brinkley (1885-1942), who hoodwinked early-twentieth-century audiences with his false cures at medicine shows and on

the radio. Relates that Brinkley scammed thousands of people by claiming to cure impotence with goat-testicle transplants until Morris Fishbein, editor of JAMA, discredited Brinkley as a quack.

DB 67556

**Looking for Anne of Green Gables
by Irene Gammel**

Biography of Canadian novelist Lucy Maud Montgomery (1874-1942) that explains her creation of Anne Shirley, the main character of the 1908 bestseller *Anne of Green Gables* (DB 56114). Details Montgomery's private life and relates its influences on her writing.

DB 67675

**The Indian Clerk: a Novel
by David Leavitt**

Trinity College, Cambridge; 1913. English mathematician G.H. Hardy discovers a math genius in self-taught Madras, India, bank clerk Srinivasa Ramanujan. Wanting to mentor the young man, Hardy asks don Eric Neville and his wife Alice to bring Ramanujan to England. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 67860

**Shadow Country: a New Rendering of
the Watson Legend
by Peter Matthiessen**

Reimagines the mythic life of E.J. Watson, a sugarcane planter in the turn-of-the-twentieth-century Florida Everglades, who was despised and shot to pieces by his neighbors. Watson's favorite son becomes obsessed with his killing, and Watson's own memoir

concludes this account. Strong language. National Book Award.

DB 67865

**Pardonable Lies: a Maisie Dobbs Novel
by Jacqueline Winspear**

Psychologist/investigator Maisie Dobbs is hired by Sir Cecil Lawton to discover the fate of his son Ralph, who was supposedly killed in France during the Great War. Maisie, a former battlefield nurse, faces her own demons from the past when she returns to the continent.

DB 67890

**The Rustler: a Stone Creek Novel
by Linda Lael Miller**

Arizona territory, 1907. Ex-con Wyatt Yarbrow joins his lawman brother Rowdy in Stone Creek. Wyatt falls in love with Sarah Tamlin, a career woman who runs a bank for her ailing father while hiding her previous indiscretions. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 68066

**The Given Day
by Dennis Lehane**

Boston, early twentieth century. Policeman Danny Coughlin goes undercover to infiltrate Bolsheviks and anarchists who are recruiting immigrants and workers to cause civil strife. Soon Danny sympathizes with their plight, befriending his family's Irish maid and an African American fugitive. Violence and strong language. Bestseller.

DB 68078

Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire

by Donna Getzinger

Examines the 1911 fire that raced through a ten-story New York City building and killed 146 people.

Describes the plight of immigrant women working on the premises, the lack of safety precautions, and heroic efforts to save lives. Discusses the tragedy in economic and political contexts.

DB 68181

The Golden Bowl

by Henry James

London. Maggie, daughter of an American millionaire, weds Amerigo, an Italian nobleman who is in love with her friend Charlotte. Despite Charlotte's later marriage to Maggie's father, Amerigo and Charlotte continue their affair--of which Maggie learns from a shopkeeper selling a gilded bowl.

DB 68367

The Toss of a Lemon

by Padma Viswanathan

In 1896 ten-year-old Sivakami receives a marriage proposal from twenty-one-year-old astrologer Hanumarathnam. By eighteen, she is a widow, restricted by Brahmin traditions, with two children to raise. Her servant Muchami helps Sivakami guide her offspring through the political and social changes of the twentieth century's early decades.

DB 68398

A Good Woman: a Novel

by Danielle Steel

Wealthy, nineteen-year-old Annabelle Worthington of Manhattan, who loses her father on the Titanic, marries older

banker Josiah Millbank. After a scandalous divorce, Annabelle moves to France to study medicine--but her past catches up with her. Some violence and some descriptions of sex.

DB 68435

Soldiers and Sled Dogs: A History of Military Dog Mushing

by Charles Dean

Arctic expert and former army officer chronicles the use of sled dogs in military operations, from 1900s Alaska and World Wars I and II to modern-day sledge patrols. Describes the bonds between soldiers and dogs and canine roles in search-and-rescue missions and parachute drops. Also covers sled types.

DB 68580

The Lazarus Project: a Novel

by Aleksandar Hemon

Brik, a writer who fled Sarajevo for America, researches the 1908 murder of Jewish immigrant Lazarus Averbuch by Chicago's police chief. Brik returns to eastern Europe to revisit Lazarus's former life--and his own. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex. National Book Award Finalist.

DB 68632

Loving ; Living ; Party Going

by Henry Green

Three novels exploring British class distinctions in the early twentieth century. Loving contrasts lives of servants and masters in an Irish castle. Living portrays iron-foundry workers and owners. And Party Going presents the reactions of wealthy travelers to crowds of lower-class railway passengers stranded by fog.

DB 68644

The Ambassadors: a Novel

by Henry James

Acting as the wealthy Mrs. Newsome's ambassador, conscientious Massachusetts-based newspaper editor Lambert Strether journeys to Paris to retrieve Newsome's errant son, Chad. When Chad's suave demeanor and the city's charm distract Strether from his mission, Mrs. Newsome sends another envoy.

DB 68847

Land of Marvels: a Novel

by Barry Unsworth

Mesopotamia, 1914. British archaeologist John Somerville discovers ancient Assyrian remains situated in the path of a railroad being built to access oil reserves. As John's desperation mounts, restlessness spreads among his party, which includes his bored wife and an American geologist with hidden motives. Some descriptions of sex.

DB 68850

Emily Post: Daughter of the Gilded Age,

Mistress of American Manners

by Laura Claridge

Biography of twentieth-century etiquette expert Emily Price Post (1872-1960).

Details Post's privileged upbringing, scandalous 1906 divorce, and decision to work as a fiction writer to support her family. Describes Post's rise as a bestselling author after publishing her first book of manners in 1922 at age fifty.

DB 68656

American Lightning: Terror, Mystery, Movie-Making, and the Crime of the Century

by Howard Blum

Examines the October 1, 1910, bombing of the Los Angeles Times offices that killed twenty-one workers. Chronicles the violent labor disputes that preceded the attack. Discusses the roles of PI Billy Burns, filmmaker D.W. Griffith, and Clarence Darrow, who defended the two brothers accused of the crime. Some violence. Edgar Award.

DB 68886

Radical Innocent

by Anthony Arthur

Biography of novelist and reformer Upton Sinclair (1878-1968). Discusses Sinclair's literary and political career and his socialist philosophy that was reflected in his books including *The Jungle*. Covers his two marriages, relationship with his son, and friendships with Hollywood stars.

DB 69876

Full-court Quest: the Girls from Fort Shaw Indian School, Basketball

Champions of the World

by Linda Peavy

Documents the journey of ten American Indian young women from a Montana outpost to the 1904 St. Louis World's Fair. Discusses their diverse backgrounds, boarding-school experience, and performance on the basketball court. Describes the aftermath of the championship game and its impact on the women and their community.

DB 69051

Death in Lacquer Red: Hilda Johansson Mystery

by Jeanne M. Dams

South Bend, Indiana; 1900. Swedish immigrant Hilda Johansson, a housemaid for the wealthy Studebaker family, discovers the brutally beaten corpse of a female missionary wearing a distinctive red jacket from China. Despite wary coworkers, narrow-minded police, and social prejudices, Hilda tracks the killer.

DB 69060

W.C. Handy: the Life and Times of the Man who Made the Blues

by David Robertson

Biography of William Christopher Handy (1873-1958) traces his Alabama childhood during Reconstruction, his musical training, and his early career performing in ragtime and vaudeville venues. Highlights Handy's ability to write scores and publish commercially, his relocation to Memphis and then Harlem, and the accident that blinded him.

DB 69092

Locked Rooms: a Mary Russell Novel

by Laurie R. King

Mary Russell and her husband, Sherlock Holmes, travel to Mary's childhood home in San Francisco to settle the Russell estate. Mary's troubling dreams about the 1906 earthquake and fire--and a series of recent deaths--lead the detective couple to delve into Mary's past and her family's tragic demise.

DB 69277

American Passage: The History of Ellis Island

by Vincent Cannato

Historian examines the history and politics of Ellis Island from 1892-1924, a period when twelve million immigrants were processed there. Details the evolution of public policy for admittance into the United States. Includes actual immigration cases of people who were filtered through the system.

DB 69450

Red, White, and Blue Murder: A Hilda Johansson Mystery

by Jeanne Dams

Indiana, 1901. President McKinley's assassination upsets the wealthy Studebaker household where Swedish immigrant (and amateur sleuth) Hilda Johansson works as a housemaid. When the assassin is linked to South Bend, Hilda suspects that her coworker--a coachman with anarchist sympathies--may know more about the murder than he's letting on.

DB 69762

The Wilderness Warrior: Theodore Roosevelt and the Crusade for America

by Douglas Brinkley

Award-winning historian evaluates efforts of President Theodore Roosevelt to preserve America's natural environment. Describes Roosevelt's success in creating forest, game, and bird reserves; national parks and monuments; and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's National Refuge System. Highlights influences of John James Audubon, Charles Darwin, and John Muir.

DB 70015**The Bridegroom: a Stone Creek Novel
by Linda Lael Miller**

Arizona, 1915. As her wedding to an unsavory local banker approaches, Lydia Fairmont summons childhood friend Gideon Yarbrow to Stone Creek. Undercover Wells Fargo agent Gideon kidnaps Lydia, takes her to his brother's home, and marries the shocked bride himself. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex

DB 70108**Honolulu
by Alan Brennert**

Hawaii, 1914. Regrettable, a sixteen-year-old Korean girl who desires an education, commits to a marriage arranged through missionaries. After her new husband beats her nearly to death, Regrettable, now named Jin, leaves him. She supports herself in a variety of low-paying jobs while embracing her freedom. Some violence.

DB 70113**The Airplane: How Ideas Gave Us Wings
by Jay Spenser**

Former curator at the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum chronicles the innovations that solved technical challenges from aviation's conception to the development of the Boeing 787 Dreamliner. Discusses airplane construction: fuselage, wings, controls, propulsion, and landing gear. Portrays pioneers Sir George Cayley, Otto Lilienthal, Hugo Junkers, and others.

DB 70127**A Short History of Women: a Novel
by Kate Walbert**

Evelyn is an impressionable British thirteen-year-old when her mother, Dorothy Trevor Townsend, starves herself and dies for women's suffrage in 1914. Dorothy's story becomes a legacy for Evelyn, precipitating her move to America and influencing the life choices of future generations of family women.

DB 70398**Lost River
by David Fulmer**

New Orleans, 1913. When a man is found shot to death in a Storyville brothel, Creole detective Valentin St. Cyr returns to the life--and people--he tried to leave behind. The case could cost Valentin his freedom and his girlfriend. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex.

DB 70272**The Imperial Cruise: a Secret History of
Empire and War
by James Bradley**

Chronicle of 1905 diplomatic trip to Asia led by the then secretary of war William Howard Taft for President Theodore Roosevelt. Asserts that Taft's secret agenda--to broker a pact allowing Japan to expand into Korea--was unconstitutional and set the stage for war. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller.

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DB 70521

The Children's Book

by A.S. Byatt

England. Children's book author Olive Wellwood welcomes runaway factory child Philip Warren, a budding artist, into her family's country home to celebrate Midsummer's Eve in 1895. Family crises intermingle with Olive's stories, against a backdrop of cultural and social events through World War I. Some descriptions of sex.

DB 70654

Roses

by Leila Meacham

In 1916 Texas sixteen-year-old Mary Toliver's late father leaves her the family's cotton plantation, bypassing his wife and son. Although in love with timber magnate Percy Warwick, Mary puts her land first and forgoes a relationship. Decades later Mary helps spare her great-niece the same fate. Some strong language. Bestseller.

DB 70857

Far Bright Star

by Robert Olmstead

1916. After Pancho Villa and his bandits loot and kill in New Mexico, Napoleon Childs leads a novice cavalry expedition to hunt them down. But when a braggart does something reckless, the men are at

the mercy of the bloodthirsty Dorados. Violence and some strong language.

DB 71134

A River in the Sky

by Elizabeth Peters

Palestine, 1910. The British government instructs Amelia and Emerson Peabody to monitor amateur archaeologist Major George Morley, a suspected spy. Meanwhile, the Peabodys' son Ramses, elsewhere in Palestine on a dig, uncovers a treasonous plot but is kidnapped before he can reach his parents and reveal it.

DB 71308

Elizabeth Street: a Novel

by Laurie Fabiano.

New York City, early 1900s. Giovanna Costa immigrates to America and starts a new life in Little Italy. She has a baby and establishes a growing business. But an extortionist from the Black Hand threatens the family.

DB 71406

Operation Mincemeat: How a Dead Man and a Bizarre Plan Fooled the Nazis and Assured an Allied Victory

by Ben Macintyre

Researches the exploits of intelligence officers Ewen Montagu, Charles Cholmondeley, and Ian Fleming, who planted phony European invasion plans on a corpse to fool the Nazis during World War II. Bestseller.

DB 71413

The Spy

by Clive Cussler

1908. Isaac Bell of the Van Dorn Detective Agency investigates the supposed suicide of battleship engineer

Arthur Langner. After more deaths among naval research staff, Bell hunts for a foreign spy hobbling American military advances during a buildup to war. Some violence. Bestseller.

DB 71468

Killstraight: a Western Story

by Johnny D. Boggs

Comanche Daniel Killstraight, returning home from Pennsylvania's Carlisle Industrial School, arrives in Fort Smith, Arkansas, in time to see his boyhood friend Jimmy Comes Last hang for murder. Afterward, Jimmy's mother asks Daniel to prove Jimmy was innocent. Daniel joins the Indian police but finds his loyalties tested.

DB 71970

Fall of Giants

by Ken Follett

Saga of five interrelated families in the early twentieth century. Welshman Billy Williams enters the coal mines, British lady Maud Fitzherbert falls for German spy Walter von Ulrich, Russians Grigori and Lev Peshkov endure revolution, and American Gus Dewar becomes a diplomat. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller.

DB 72025

A Duty to the Dead: A Bess Crawford Mystery

by Charles Todd

1916. British nurse Bess Crawford returns to England to convalesce and travels to Kent to convey a message from dying patient Arthur Graham to his brother. There Bess helps nurse a shell-shocked soldier back to health--and becomes uncomfortably enmeshed in Graham's family secrets.

DB 72082

The Creed of Violence

by Boston Teran

1910. During the Mexican Revolution U.S. Bureau of Investigation agent John Lourdes is teamed with assassin Rawbone in an undercover cross-border smuggling operation. Lourdes recognizes Rawbone as his long-lost father amid a conspiracy involving foreign oil fields. Violence and strong language.

DB 72115

Fighting the Flying Circus

by Eddie Rickenbacker

Eddie Rickenbacker's memoir of the World War I air battles against the German Air Service. Describes the exploits and death of fellow pilot Quentin Roosevelt, the son of president Theodore Roosevelt. Foreword highlights Rickenbacker's background as a developer of race-car technology and his formation of the Hat-in-the-Ring Squadron.

DB 72307

The Poisoner's Handbook: Murder and the Birth of Forensic Medicine in Jazz Age New York

by Deborah Blum

Pulitzer Prize-winning science journalist chronicles the birth of forensic medicine and the careers of toxicology pioneers Dr. Charles Norris and Alexander Gettler during the early twentieth century. Examines criminal cases in which Norris and Gettler identified previously difficult-to-detect chemicals and advanced scientific understanding of how poisons worked. Some violence.

DB 72387

C: a Novel

by Tom McCarthy

Communication is a constant theme of Serge Carrefax's life, from his fascination with radio while growing up in his father's school for deaf children to his service in World War I and a fateful journey to Egypt. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Man Booker Finalist.

DB 72757

Glorious

by Bernice L. McFadden

Easter Bartlett leaves Waycross, Georgia, in 1910 after racial violence tears her family apart. Ending up in Harlem, Easter marries a West Indian man and publishes a novel under a pseudonym. But tragedy again mars her happiness. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex.

DB 72917

In the Shadow of Gotham

by Stefanie Pintoff

Dobson, New York. Unable to deal with the loss of his fiancée in the 1904 General Slocum ferry disaster, detective Simon Ziele transfers to a quiet country town. But a horrifying homicide sets Simon and a noted Columbia University criminologist on the trail of a killer. Some violence.

DB 73342

An Impartial Witness: A Bess Crawford Mystery

by Charles Todd

1917. Nurse Bess Crawford, from A Duty to the Dead (DB 72025), escorts

wounded soldiers back to London. At the train depot Bess recognizes pilot Lt. Evanson's wife, who is tearfully bidding farewell to another man. Bess assists Scotland Yard when she learns the woman has been murdered.

1920s to 1930s

DB 41229

Selected Short Stories

by William Faulkner

Thirteen short stories (most written in the 1930s) by the Nobel Prize-winning American novelist who died in 1962. In "Barn Burning," a man burns his enemies' barns, and his son tries to warn the victims. "That Evening Sun" recounts the tale of a black laundress who fears her lover after he learns she is pregnant by a white man. In "A Rose for Emily," a woman hides the corpse of her lover in an upstairs room.

DB 62035

A Coffin for Dimitrios

by Eric Ambler

In Central Europe between the two world wars, mystery writer Charles Latimer researches the life of Greek spy Dimitrios Makropoulos, who has been found murdered in Istanbul. During his investigation, Latimer becomes unwittingly involved in the shadowy world of espionage, drugs, assassination, and treachery. Some violence.

DB 65936

The Reserve: a Novel

by Russell Banks

July 4, 1936. Young, unstable heiress Vanessa Cole watches daring painter Jordan Groves land his biplane on the lake of her family's private reserve in the Adirondacks. Their ensuing affair has far-reaching repercussions. Some descriptions of sex and some violence.

DB 66124

Einstein Adds a New Dimension

by Joy Hakim

Examines Albert Einstein's discoveries in the quantum world, the theory of relativity, and nuclear physics.

Discusses the way his theories revolutionized scientific thinking about the universe and led to modern inventions, from the atom bomb to cell phones. For grades 6-9 and older readers.

DB 66900

The House at Riverton

by Kate Morton

Grace Bradley has long-held secrets about a young poet's alleged suicide near an English manor in 1924. When a film director contacts ninety-eight-year-old Grace about the tragic incident, she thinks back to the years she worked as the Hartford family maid and was their daughters' confidant.

DB 67026

Dreamers of the Day

by Mary Doria Russell

Ohio schoolteacher Agnes Shanklin receives an inheritance after her entire family dies in a flu epidemic. She decides to travel and arrives in Egypt during the 1921 Cairo Peace

Conference. Agnes befriends Winston Churchill and Lawrence of Arabia while she falls in love with a German spy.

DB 67031

The Spies of Warsaw

by Alan Furst

Warsaw, 1937. Colonel Jean-François Mercier, French military attaché to Poland, spends his time socializing and recruiting spies. Mercier alerts his superiors to the threat of Nazi invasion but is ignored. Meanwhile he falls in love and rescues an agent. Some explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language. Bestseller.

DB 67062

Nearest Thing to Heaven: The Empire State Building and American Dreams

by Mark Kingwell

Philosophy professor and Harper's contributing editor reflects on New York City's Empire State Building, which, once completed in 1931, stood as the world's tallest building for four decades. Discusses its conceptualization and construction; its representation in art, film, and literature; and its importance as an architectural and cultural icon.

DB 67071

The Pale Criminal: Bernhard Gunther Mystery

by Philip Kerr

Berlin, Germany; 1938. After his partner is murdered, cop-turned-PI Bernhard Gunther is forced back into police work by the Gestapo to help catch a serial killer. Gunther also investigates the blackmail of a rich widow whose son is gay. Strong language and some violence.

DB 67288

American Jennie: the Remarkable Life of Lady Randolph Churchill

by Anne Sebba

Biography of American-born Jennie Jerome, the mother of British prime minister Winston Churchill. Highlights Jerome's personal relationships, social life, accomplishments, and support of her husband's political career.

DB 67305

The Black Lizard Big Book of Pulps
edited by Otto Penzler

Crime stories first published in pulpwood magazines from the 1920s to 1940s--the golden age of pulp fiction--that feature hard-boiled private detectives. Includes Raymond Chandler's 1938 Red Wind, Dashiell Hammett's Faith, and tales by Cornell Woolrich, Erle Stanley Gardner, and James M. Cain. Some violence.

DB 67534

The Man Within

by Graham Greene

Greene's first novel. Young Francis Andrews betrays his fellow smugglers and flees from them. He finds refuge in the cottage of a woman named Elizabeth, who persuades him to testify in court. Francis falls in love even as he is consumed by fear.

DB 67644

A Woman's Place

by Lynn Austin

After the Japanese attack Pearl Harbor, four diverse women take shipyard jobs in Michigan to help the war effort. They all struggle with personal problems: Virginia tires of pampering her ungrateful husband; middle-aged Helen

loses her faith; Rosa lives with her new in-laws; and Jean yearns for college.

DB 67708

To the Lighthouse

by Virginia Woolf

During summer visits to the Scottish coast, members of the Ramsey family reveal their personal challenges and innermost thoughts. Youngest child James must forfeit a yearned-for visit to the lighthouse. Ten years later, James, surviving family members, and former guests complete the long-delayed outing.

DB 67727

The God Machine: from Boomerangs to Black Hawks, the Story of the Helicopter
by James R. Chiles

The author, whose research included helicopter lessons, provides a detailed history of the rotary-driven flying machine--before and after its first true flight in the early 1920s. He muses that although the helicopter never replaced cars as some predicted, it did transform military combat, rescue missions, and television news.

DB 67796

The Empress of Weehawken

by Irene Dische

Following World War I, Elizabeth Gierlich, an aristocratic German Catholic, meets wealthy Jewish surgeon Carl Rother and marries him after he converts. To escape the Nazis, the Rothers leave Germany for the "less civilized world" of Weehawken, New Jersey, with their daughter Renate, whom Elizabeth both mocks and adores.

DB 67808

**Maisie Dobbs: a Novel
by Jacqueline Winspear**

Thirteen-year-old Maisie is lucky to be a maid in the home of a wealthy London suffragette who sees to her education. Maisie becomes a private investigator in 1929 after serving as a nurse during the Great War. Her first case involves a shelter for wounded veterans.

DB 67909

**An Incomplete Revenge
by Jacqueline Winspear**

England, 1931. Investigator Maisie Dobbs is hired by developer James Compton to examine the Sandermere estate in Kent. Suspicious fires occur each fall at harvest time. Maisie and her assistant Billy Beale learn that somehow a 1916 attack by a German zeppelin is linked to the annual inferno.

DB 68183

**Hello, Everybody! The Dawn of
American Radio
by Anthony Rudel**

This social history of the birth of the radio industry recalls events, broadcasters, and personalities that transformed communications in the United States from the 1920s, through the Great Depression, and into the 1940s. Traces the growth of programs that changed entertainment, journalism, politics, religion, and sports.

DB 68182

**Orient Express: an Entertainment
by Graham Greene**

The lives of several passengers aboard the Orient Express become intertwined on a three-day journey from Ostend to Constantinople. Characters include an

English chorus girl, a rich Jewish businessman, a spiteful journalist, a mysterious doctor, and a murderous burglar.

DB 68405

**Serena: a Novel
by Ron Rash**

Appalachian North Carolina, 1929. Newlyweds George and Serena Pemberton, owners of a logging company, arrive to strip the land before the government incorporates it into a national park. Serena's cruelty extends to her lumber camp workers and to a teenager impregnated by her husband. Violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex.

DB 68451

**Black Ship: a Daisy Dalrymple Mystery
by Carola Dunn**

London, 1925. Daisy's husband Alec, a detective, inherits a large suburban house from his great-uncle. Soon after the couple and their seven-month-old twins move in, a maid discovers a dead body in the communal garden. The murder involves American gangsters, bootleggers, and an international liquor-smuggling ring operating rum-running ships.

DB 68519

**Among the Mad: A Maisie Dobbs Mystery
by Jacqueline Winspear**

London, 1931. Investigator and psychologist Maisie Dobbs witnesses the suicide of a war veteran-turned-beggar. The next day the prime minister receives a menacing letter that demands relief for the poor and unemployed--and that mentions Maisie by name. Maisie joins Scotland Yard in its investigation.

DB 68719

Shannon
by Frank Delaney

Ireland, 1922. American priest Robert Shannon, shell-shocked from his World War I experiences as a chaplain and disillusioned by the corruption in his Boston diocese, arrives in Ireland to trace his roots. But a civil war is brewing in the country between Catholics and Protestants.

DB 68741

Soul of a People: The WPA Writers' Project Uncovers Depression America
by David Taylor

History of the 1930s Federal Writers' Project, which employed writers to compile state guidebooks by interviewing local citizenry. Describes workers' experiences with the program and their consequent ability to escape Depression-era poverty. Includes samples from John Cheever, Ralph Ellison, Zora Neale Hurston, Richard Wright, and others. Some strong language.

DB 68754

Six Tales of the Jazz Age, and other Stories

by F. Scott Fitzgerald

Nine short stories by the author of *The Great Gatsby* (BR 11057). Includes "The Camel's Back," "Hot and Cold Blood," and "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button," a tale about a man who ages backwards that inspired a Hollywood movie.

DB 68787

In the Still of the Night: a Grace and Favor Mystery

by Jill Churchill

New York State, 1932. Lily Brewster and her brother Robert decide to make money at Grace and Favor Cottage--the estate bequeathed to them by their great-uncle--by hosting parties where paying guests can hobnob with celebrities. Their first attempt, however, is marred by the murder of one rather unwelcome reveler.

DB 68809

Lords of Finance: the Bankers who Broke the World

by Liaquat Ahamed

Details the financial history of the United States and Europe during the 1920s and 1930s. Chronicles events that led to the Great Depression and examines the central-bank decisions that influenced the world's economic meltdown, including the stock-market crash, banking panics, and post-World War I war debts.

DB 68868

Someone to Watch over Me

by Jill Churchill

New York State, 1932. Robert Brewster discovers a dead body in the old icehouse at Grace and Favor Cottage, the estate he and his sister Lily inherited. Lily investigates another death, while their friend, newspaper editor Jack Summer, travels to Washington, D.C., to cover the Bonus Army march.

DB 68874

The Man Time Forgot: a Tale of Genius, Betrayal, and the Creation of Time Magazine

by Isaiah Wilner

Biography of Briton Hadden (1898-1929), cofounder of Time magazine. Author alleges Hadden's early death allowed his partner and former schoolmate Henry R. Luce to take credit for Hadden's innovative ideas. Uses archives to highlight the journal's controversial nature during the 1920s and its influence on the American middle class.

DB 68935

Paths of Glory

by Jeffrey Archer

A novel based on the life of famed British mountaineer George Mallory, who died in 1924 while attempting to climb Mt. Everest--which he may or may not have summited. Depicts his childhood, Cambridge days, marriage, and WWI service, as well as his final, fateful climb. Some strong language.

DB 69043

The Shadow of Silver Tip

by Max Brand

Townpeople suspect that Tom Converse is the gunslinger called the Shadow. Only Sylvia knows that he is innocent--she's seen the face of the real outlaw. Some violence and some strong language. Commercial audiobook. 1925.

DB 69047

Who's Sorry Now?

by Jill Churchill

New York State, 1933. Several incidents disrupt the peace in small-town Voorburg-on-Hudson: a kindly train

porter is murdered; swastika-painting vandals target a newly arrived German immigrant who fled the Nazis; and siblings Robert and Lily Brewster unearth a skeleton at Grace and Favor mansion.

DB 69099

The Language of Bees: a Mary Russell Novel

by Laurie R. King

Sussex, 1924. Mary Russell and her husband, Sherlock Holmes, receive a visit from Sherlock's estranged son, Damian, an artist and former drug addict, who needs help finding his wife and daughter. Meanwhile Mary delves into Damian's sordid past and investigates the disappearance of a bee colony from Sherlock's apiary.

DB 69136

The Black Moth

by Georgette Heyer

Heyer's first book follows the earl of Wyncham's heir, Jack Carstares, who became a highwayman after being wrongly accused of cheating at cards. Now, years later, Jack comes out of hiding to rescue Diana Beauleigh from the unwanted attention of the villainous duke of Andover.

DB 69160

Shanghai Girls: a Novel

by Lisa See

In 1937 Shanghai, after their gambling father loses everything, beautiful Pearl and May Chin are married off to two Chinese brothers living in Los Angeles. Escaping from the invading Japanese, the sisters arrive in California and experience unexpected difficulties as

they adapt to a new life. Some violence. Bestseller.

DB 69180

Blue Ruin

by Grace Livingston Hill

As Dana Whipple and Lynette Brooke plan their lives together, it becomes increasingly clear that overbearing Dana hopes to mold Lynette into a perfect, obedient preacher's wife. When Dana becomes smitten with a sophisticated New Yorker, Lynette's family sends her to Europe, where she too, meets a captivating stranger.

DB 69184

Prayers for Sale

by Sandra Dallas

Depression-era Middle Swan, Colorado; 1936. Elderly Hennie Comfort befriends newcomer Nit Spindle, a newly married seventeen-year-old. Hennie, a natural storyteller, entertains the lonely girl by reminiscing about the seventy years she has spent in the mountains while the menfolk mined for gold.

DB 69279

Plain Language

by Barbara Wright

Mid-1930s. Virginia Mendenhall travels to Colorado to marry Alfred Bowen, a man she has met only twice. Virginia adjusts to ranch hardships, but as the drought and Depression worsen, tensions rise, secrets surface, and Virginia's troubled brother pays a visit. Some violence and some descriptions of sex. Spur Award.

DB 69328

Blackie and Red

by Max Brand

Ten-year-olds Blackie and Red constantly fight in their orphanage but also run away together. Prospector Andy Connell finds the two boys and takes them in. Over the years the pair grows up, and Andy finally strikes it rich—but one of his wards gets greedy. Some violence.

DB 69362

Devil's Garden

by Ace Atkins

San Francisco, 1921. Silent-film actor Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle is arrested for murder after a wild party ends in the death of starlet Virginia Rappe. Hired to discover the truth, Pinkerton agent Dashiell Hammett uncovers a botched police investigation and Hollywood intrigue. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex.

DB 69471

Public Enemies

by Bryan Burrough

Discusses events that led to the FBI's 1933-1936 "war on crime" led by J. Edgar Hoover. Examines activities of John Dillinger, Baby Face Nelson, Pretty Boy Floyd, Machine Gun Kelly, and Bonnie and Clyde to depict depression-era robbers and murderers. Violence and strong language. Bestseller.

DB 69501

A Bright and Guilty Place: Murder, Corruption, and L.A.'s Scandalous Coming of Age

by Richard Rayner

Rayner portrays forensic investigator Leslie White and prosecutor Dave Clark,

who worked together in Los Angeles during the 1920s and Great Depression when the city was wealthy from its movie and oil industries. Details crime boss Charlie Crawford's 1931 murder and Clark's becoming the prime suspect. Bestseller.

DB 69717

Carry On, Jeeves

by P.G. Wodehouse

Ten stories about the adventures of the irresponsible Bertie Wooster and his indispensable valet, Jeeves. The incomparable valet proves himself time and again as he copes with uninvited houseguests, patches up broken romances, and listens politely to Bertie's harebrained schemes.

DB 69749

The Missing

by Tim Gautreaux

New Orleans, 1921. War veteran Sam Simoneaux works as a floorwalker until three-year-old Lily is kidnapped on his watch. Lily's parents and Sam take jobs on a riverboat with hopes of finding the girl, but they discover violence, ignorance, and family secrets among the backwoodsmen. Violence and strong language.

DB 69767

Go Down Together: The True, Untold Story of Bonnie and Clyde

by Jeff Guinn

Using two unpublished manuscripts and other sources, the author details the lives of outlaws Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker--a portrayal different from the glamorous depiction provided by movies and the press. Describes the lovers as inept, homeless crooks from

the Dallas slums who both suffered from injuries.

DB 69836

Once in Golconda: a True Drama of Wall Street, 1920-1938

by John Brooks

An account of Wall Street during the 1920s bull market, the 1929 crash, and the Great Depression. Focuses on J.P. Morgan bond broker Richard Whitney, president of the New York Stock Exchange from 1930-1935, who was convicted of embezzlement in 1938.

DB 69857

The Winter Garden Mystery: a Daisy Dalrymple Mystery

by Carola Dunn

England, 1923. Daisy Dalrymple heads to Cheshire to write an article about her old schoolmate's estate. While photographing the grounds, Daisy discovers the body of a missing housemaid buried in the garden. The house's occupants and neighbors in the surrounding village become suspects as the police investigate.

DB 69862

The Day We Found the Universe

by Marcia Bartusiak

Science author chronicles the events leading up to Edwin Hubble's observation of other galaxies beyond the Milky Way and his subsequent paper presented at the American Astronomical Society's meeting on January 1, 1925. Discusses the work of noted scientists such as Albert Einstein, James Lick, James Keeler, and more.

DB 69871

The Shape of Things to Come

by H.G. Wells

Dr. Philip Raven, an intellectual working for the League of Nations, dies in 1930, leaving behind an unpublished manuscript inspired by visions. Raven's writings chronicle humanity from the time of his death to 2106--a "history of the future"--and foretell a war, a plague, and political chaos.

DB 69943

A Royal Pain

by Rhys Bowen

London, 1930s. The queen asks Lady Georgiana to chaperone Bavarian princess Hannelore, who the queen hopes will distract her son, the prince of Wales, from his unsuitable American lover. Hanni proves to be a handful, displaying penchants for shoplifting, slang--and communists. Murder ensues.

DB 70068

Twenties Girl

by Sophie Kinsella

Twenty-seven-year-old Lara Lington reluctantly attends the funeral of 105-year-old Sadie, the great-aunt she never knew. Lara is quite confused to come face to face with Sadie's much-younger ghost dressed in 1920s clothing, who demands that Lara help her find a beloved necklace. Strong language.

DB 70208

The Lacuna

by Barbara Kingsolver

An American youth in 1930s Mexico City, Harrison Shepherd works for artists Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera and their houseguest, Russian exile Lev Trotsky. Returning to the United States,

Shepherd becomes a bestselling author, but his past associations raise suspicions during McCarthy's Communist witch hunt. Some strong language. Bestseller

DB 70577

The Jewel Box

by Anna Davis

London, 1920s. Columnist Grace Rutherford, who pens tales of society escapades pseudonymously as Diamond Sharp, simultaneously falls for neighbor John Cramer and American writer Dexter O'Connell. Discovering they are bitter enemies, Grace vows to uncover the source of their animosity--and learn whom she can trust. Some descriptions of sex.

DB 70678

The Road Out of Hell

by Anthony Flacco

Detailed account of Stewart Northcott's 1920s murder spree in Wineville, California. Flacco uses newspaper articles, court transcripts, and interviews to inform a narrative written primarily from the perspective of Northcott's teenage nephew Sanford Clark, an unwilling accomplice whom Northcott sexually abused. Violence, strong language, and explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 70735

Rainwater

by Sandra Brown

Texas, 1934. Ella Barron runs a boarding house during the depression and accepts Dr. Kincaid's dying cousin David Rainwater as a tenant. Ella falls in love with David as he helps with her mute, autistic ten-year-old boy and the

shantytown's inhabitants. Some violence and some strong language.

DB 70806

Spade & Archer

by Joe Gores

1920s. PI Sam Spade opens his own detective agency in San Francisco and hires secretary Effie Perine and partner Miles Archer. Cases involve murders, mistresses, and missing money as well as swindlers and smugglers. Some violence.

DB 71022

Fall of a Philanderer

by Carola Dunn

England, 1924. Magazine writer Daisy Dalrymple Fletcher, three months pregnant, is on holiday at the seaside with her stepdaughter and her husband, detective chief inspector Alec Fletcher of Scotland Yard. But their relaxation ends when a local tavern owner is found at the bottom of a cliff.

DB 71069

Tapestry of Spies

by Stephen Hunter

After Julian Raines joins the leftist international brigade fighting in Spain's civil war, the British secret service--suspecting Raines was recruited as a Soviet spy while at Oxford--sends former classmate Robert Florry to eliminate him. Meanwhile, Spanish communists are on Raines's trail, too. Strong language and some violence.

DB 71071

The Kind One

by Tom Epperson

Los Angeles, 1930s. Amnesiac Danny "Two Gun" Landon has no memory of

coming to work for mobster Bud Seitz. Bud asks Danny to look after his young mistress, Darla, who wants to escape. To save himself and his friends, Danny confronts his past. Violence and strong language.

DB 71163

The Stalin Epigram: a Novel

by Robert Littell

Fictionalized account of Russian poet Osip Mandelstam, whose 1934 literary attack on dictator Stalin led to his exile to a Siberian gulag. Various associates--including his wife, mistress, cell mate, fellow writers, and Stalin's bodyguard--relate Mandelstam's downfall. Strong language and some descriptions of sex.

DB 71200

The Poet of Tolstoy Park

by Sonny Brewer

Told he has one year to live, Henry James Stuart leaves cold Idaho in 1925 for the warmer climate and philosophical congeniality of Fairhope, Alabama. Settling on ten acres he names Tolstoy Park, Stuart finds renewed purpose and prolongs his allotted time by several decades. Some strong language.

DB 71268

Mr. Shivers

by Robert Jackson Bennett

The Great Depression. Marcus Connelly and three other men track a scar-faced murderer called Mr. Shivers--who killed Connelly's daughter--across the country. As Connelly plots revenge he uncovers a horrifying truth. Violence and strong language.

DB 71350

American Fantastic Tales

edited by Peter Straub

Forty-four eerie tales from the early days of American literature to the 1940s.

Includes works by Robert Bloch, F. Scott Fitzgerald, Robert E. Howard, Washington Irving, Henry James, H.P. Lovecraft, Edgar Allan Poe, and others. Some violence.

DB 71465

Dillinger's Wild Ride: The Year That Made America's Public Enemy Number One

by Elliott Gorn

Chronicles the final year in the life of John Dillinger (1903-1934). Details the crime spree that began a month after his release from nine years in prison and ended with his death at the hands of federal agents. Describes bank robberies and shoot-outs and discusses Dillinger's lingering pop-culture presence.

DB 71547

Last Call: the Rise and Fall of Prohibition
by Daniel Okrent

Examines the origins, implementation, and failure of alcohol prohibition in the United States that was ratified by the Eighteenth Amendment in 1919 and nullified after fourteen years. Traces the temperance movement and its politics, personalities, business interests, and social consequences.

DB 71752

Stay a Little Longer

by Dorothy Garlock

Minnesota, 1926. Midwife Rachel Watkins runs the family boarding house while raising her late sister's eight-year-

old daughter Charlotte. When Charlotte discovers an ill, shell-shocked veteran in the woods, Rachel nurses him to health. Rachel takes an interest in the man's true identity--and love blooms.

DB 71801

The Invisible Bridge

by Julie Orringer

1937. Architecture student Andras Levi, a Hungarian Jew, studies in Paris while his brother Tibor heads to Italy to become a doctor. Andras meets ballet teacher Claire Morgenstern, an older woman, and falls in love. But soon after the brothers return to Hungary, the Nazis invade.

DB 71812

Forgotten Range

by Robert J. Horton

Dissolute New York City heir Roger Hartland is dragged to Silver City, Montana, by his late father's English butler. Roger learns to operate the silver mine and meets the love of his life, Margaret Cram, while struggling with competing businessmen and a pair of ex-lovers.

DB 71956

Dancing in the Dark: A Cultural History of the Great Depression

by Morris Dickstein

Portrays Depression-Era political and social trends from 1929 to World War II. Discusses novels, plays, movies, architecture, photography, product design, and music of the time. Examines the function of art and media in a time of social crisis.

DB 71965

Under the Volcano

by Malcolm Lowry

Quauhnahuac, Mexico; 1938. On the Day of the Dead, Geoffrey Firmin, an alcoholic former British consul, is consumed by the arrival of his ex-wife Yvonne. Her mission to save Geoffrey is complicated by the presence of Geoffrey's half brother and a childhood friend. Some violence and some strong language.

DB 72058

Joan Crawford: the essential biography
by Lawrence J. Quirk

Lawrence Quirk, longtime confidante of Joan Crawford, coauthors a biography of the Academy Award-winning actress. Describes Crawford's dysfunctional upbringing, early career as a chorus girl, and evolution into a Hollywood film star.

DB 72201

The Collected Poems

by W.B. Yeats

The complete body of lyrical and dramatic poetry published by Nobel Prize winner William Butler Yeats (1865-1939). His work, dating from 1889 to the year he died, reflects his involvement with Irish nationalism, recalls the women he loved, and expresses his ideas about the relationship between life and art.

DB 72296

The Quilter's Homecoming: an Elm Creek Quilts Novel

by Jennifer Chiaverini

1920s. Newlyweds Elizabeth and Henry Nelson leave Pennsylvania for Southern California, where Henry has supposedly purchased a ranch with their savings.

But the couple has been swindled. Homeless and penniless, they work as hands on the farm they thought they owned and learn the sordid history of local residents.

DB 72332

Northern Nurse
by Elliott Merrick

Memoir relates the adventures of Australian nurse Kate Austen, who in the 1920s--after a postwar stint in Paris--traveled to the subarctic region of Labrador, Canada, to work at a mission among impoverished settlers and natives.

DB 72605

The King's Speech
by Mark Logue

The grandson of Lionel Logue (1880-1953) uses his ancestor's diaries and correspondence to depict Australian-born Logue's life and his role as speech therapist for Albert, the duke of York, who was crowned King George VI on May 12, 1937. Bestseller.

DB 72682

Riders of Paradise
by Robert J. Horton

Gunman Blunt Rodgers mistakes cattle baron Andrew French's son Dick for Dick's identical twin Clint and starts a fistfight. When someone shoots Rodgers, the brothers are the main suspects, and Rodgers's boss, outlaw Jake Burness, targets them.

DB 72814

The Paris Wife
by Paula McLain

Ingenuie Hadley Richardson falls in love with war hero Ernest Hemingway, eight

years her junior, in 1920s Chicago. After marrying, the couple moves to Paris and becomes part of the literary crowd. Hadley raises their son as Hemingway begins an affair with Hadley's friend Pauline. Some strong language. Bestseller.

DB 72856

Powder Smoke: a Western Duo
by William Colt Macdonald

Two short novels. In Powder Smoke, first published in 1931, a rancher tries to prove that young Ollie Thorpe didn't murder his brother, Matt Thorpe. In The Son of the Wolf, Gene Colton kidnaps the newborn son of cattle king Wolf Blaine, who ruins people to get land.

DB 73303

Lacy
by Diana Palmer

Spanish Flats, Texas; 1920s. Lacy Jarrett waited for her beloved, rancher Cole Whitehall, to return from war. But Cole's heart has hardened--he grudgingly marries her only after a scandal. Still Lacy is determined to win Cole's love and banish his memories of battle. Explicit descriptions of sex.

1940s to 1950s

DB 60857

Westerns of the 40's: classics from the great pulps
edited by Damon Knight

Compilation of sixteen short western stories from magazines of the 1940s.

Includes works by John D. MacDonald, Tom Roan, Roy M. O'Mara, James Shaffer, Cliff Farrell, and others. Contains tales of revenge, range wars, roving saddle bums, and ladies of the night. Some violence.

DB 65641

Fateful Choices
by Ian Kershaw

British historian examines the decisions--made by world leaders Hitler, Churchill, Roosevelt, Stalin, Mussolini, and Tojo--that determined the course of World War II. Includes Germany's invasion of the Soviet Union, Great Britain's refusal to negotiate after France fell, and Japan's seizure of European interests in Southeast Asia.

DB 65927

Moonraker: 007, a James Bond Novel
by Ian Fleming

Secret agent James Bond investigates the activities of Sir Hugo Drax--card player, notorious cheat, and head of England's new missile defense system, Moonraker. Aided by Gala, a beautiful fellow agent disguised as Drax's private secretary, Bond uncovers trouble just before the project's scheduled test launch.

DB 66025

The Letters of Noël Coward
edited by Barry Day

English dramatist and actor Noël Coward's letters provide insight into his life and work, government service during World War II, and relationships with family, friends, and notables such as Marlene Dietrich, Greta Garbo, George Bernard Shaw, and Virginia

Woolf. Some strong language.
Bestseller.

DB 66181

Battlecruiser

by Douglas Reeman

1943. Thirty-nine-year-old captain Guy Sherbrooke, still scarred by the sinking of his former ship, takes command of the legendary battle cruiser HMS Reliant. Guy and his crew join the Allied war effort as Britain prepares to invade occupied Europe. Some descriptions of sex and some violence.

DB 66574

Music is my Mistress

by Edward Kennedy Ellington

Autobiography of bandleader, composer, and jazz musician Duke Ellington. Describes Ellington's childhood in Washington, D.C., his fellow artists, his arrival in New York City, subsequent worldwide tours, and his philosophy of life.

DB 66690

Heartbreak Hotel

by Anne Rivers Siddons

Portrait of a latter-day Scarlett O'Hara during her college years in the 1950s South. Socialite Maggie Deloach, yearning for something more than fraternity parties, Presley records, and marriage to a nice young man, commits an act of defiance and courage that changes her forever. Some strong language.

DB 66714

Inheritance

by Natalie Danford

After Italian immigrant Luigi Bonocchio dies, his daughter Olivia finds a deed to

a house in his hometown. Olivia travels to Urbino, Italy, to investigate. She meets her cousin and uncovers a terrible secret from World War II that Luigi had kept from his American family. Some strong language.

DB 66860

The Americano: Fighting with Castro for Cuba's Freedom

by Aran Shetterly

Journalist recounts the life of William Morgan, an Ohioan who joined Cuba's revolutionary movement in the late 1950s to bring freedom and democracy to the island nation. Describes Castro's adoption of a communist platform and Morgan's subsequent anti-Castro and counterrevolutionary activities, which led to his 1961 arrest and execution.

DB 66887

The Madonnas of Leningrad

by Debra Dean

Decades after surviving World War II in the basement of the Hermitage Museum in Leningrad, Marina--now in Seattle--no longer experiences the present. Marina's mind retreats to 1941, when only the love of her future husband and memorizing the paintings kept her alive. Some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 67046

A Father's Law

by Richard Wright

Chicago, 1950s. African American cop Ruddy Turner becomes police chief of Brentwood Park, an upscale suburb, after the former chief is murdered. Ruddy investigates a string of killings while worrying about his college-age son Tommy. Then Ruddy starts to see a

sinister connection. Strong language and some violence.

DB 67140

Foxfire

by Anya Seton

Pampered New Yorker Amanda Lawrence moves to the bleak little town of Lodestone, Arizona, with her new husband, Jonathan Dartland, a part-Apache mining engineer. When Amanda finds a map to a lost gold mine, she risks everything--including their lives--for a chance at adventure and wealth.

DB 67141

Death in Berlin

by M.M. Kaye

Germany, 1953. Miranda Brand's holiday is disrupted by murder, deceit--and romance. On a train to Berlin, Brigadier George Brindley is stabbed to death shortly after recounting a tale about lost diamonds. Though Miranda herself is a suspect, Captain Simon Lang vows to solve the mystery and win her heart.

DB 67143

Death in Cyprus

by M.M. Kaye

Plucky young heiress Amanda Derington takes a pleasure cruise to the isle of Cyprus, but a shipboard murder catches her in a dangerous web of intrigue. She is compelled to turn to handsome but enigmatic fellow passenger Steve Howard for help.

DB 67179

Blue Skies, Black Wings: African American Pioneers of Aviation

by Samuel L. Broadnax

Black journalist relates his flying experiences after enlisting in the Army

Air Corp at age seventeen and graduating as a fighter pilot from the Tuskegee Institute in 1945. Recounts his and other African American pilots' military careers and their struggles with racism and segregation. Also discusses historical black aviators.

DB 67228

City of Thieves

by David Benioff

Leningrad, 1942. Seventeen-year-old Lev Beniov, a looter, and his cellmate Kolya, a deserter, are reprieved by a Soviet colonel who needs eggs for his daughter's wedding cake. The two leave the besieged city and cross enemy lines, where they encounter death squads and partisans. Violence and strong language.

DB 67272

The Candy Bombers: The Untold Story of the Berlin Airlift and America's Finest Hour

by Andrei Cherny

Recounts the post-WWII Berlin airlift of 1948-1949. Describes the Soviet Union's attempt to expel British, American, and French troops by blockading sectors of the city--actions that consigned more than two million citizens to starvation. Relates the American response--airlifting food and supplies and parachuting candy to children. Some violence.

DB 67352

On the Road to Freedom: a Guided Tour of the Civil Rights Trail

by Charles E. Cobb, Jr.

Journalist and civil rights activist Cobb discusses points of interest in eight states and Washington, D.C., that were

significant to the civil rights movement of the 1940s, 1950s, and 1960s. For each site, provides detailed narratives of the historic events, such as the march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama.

DB 67397

Troublesome Young Men

by Lynne Olson

Details the two-year struggle, from 1938-1940, of some thirty British Tory dissidents to end Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain's appeasement of Hitler. Highlights the actions of Ronald Cartland, Harold Macmillan, Bob Boothby, Harold Nicolson, and their colleagues who defied their party and prime minister to save their country.

DB 67434

Ten Green Bottles

by Vivian Jeanette Kaplan

Memoir of a family's 1939 escape from the Nazis and ten-year struggle to survive in China. Daughter Nini describes marrying her Polish friend Poldi, enduring the Japanese occupation and communist takeover, and emigrating to Canada with her own daughter, the author. Compares life to fragile green bottles. Some violence

DB 67457

Killing Rommel

by Steven Pressfield

Fictional account of a 1942 British plot to assassinate German field marshal Erwin Rommel--a.k.a. the Desert Fox. Lieutenant "Chap" Chapman joins the special forces' North African mission to kill the Nazi troop commander before he can reach the Middle East's oil fields. Violence and strong language.

DB 67484

The Box: How the Shipping Container Made the World Smaller and the World Economy Bigger

by Marc Levinson

Economist traces the development of the shipping container as a cheap means to transport goods, beginning in the 1950s. Explains its effects on the economic landscape, such as eliminating longshoremen's jobs and changing port communities. Features Malcom McLean, a trucking company owner, as the major force in this dynamic.

DB 67504

Indian Summer: the Secret History of the End of an Empire

by Alex von Tunzelmann

Author chronicles India's independence from Great Britain in 1947, after World War II, and its subsequent partition. Focuses on the political involvement of viceroy Lord Mountbatten and his wife Edwina, pacifist Mohandas Gandhi, and Jawaharlal Nehru, India's first prime minister. Describes the sectarian violence between Hindus, Muslims, and Sikhs.

DB 67526

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society

by Mary Ann Shaffer

London, 1946. Writer Juliet Ashton corresponds with Dawsey Adams and other members of a literary society created as a front during the Nazi occupation of the British channel island Guernsey. Through letters, Juliet learns about their wartime experiences. Intrigued, Juliet sails to Guernsey,

where she finds new inspiration.
Bestseller.

DB 67571

Top of the Heap

by Erle Stanley Gardner

Gangster's girlfriend Maurine Auburn mysteriously vanishes from a nightclub. John Carver Billings, the last man seen with Maurine, hires PI Donald Lam to substantiate his alibi. Donald soon uncovers a mining scam, an illegal casino, a double homicide--and an opportunity to make a small fortune. Some strong language.

DB 67625

The Ten-Cent Plague: the Great Comic-Book Scare and how it Changed America

by David Hajdu

Professor and author of *Positively Fourth Street* (RC 52658) examines the 1940s and 1950s controversy surrounding comic books that depicted crime, lust, and horror. Describes campaigns by church groups, politicians, and moral crusaders to censor the publications. Profiles Bill Gaines of *Mad* magazine and others who endured the onslaught.

DB 67677

A Bullet for Cinderella

by John D. MacDonald

Korean War veteran Tal Howard travels to Hillston to find a girl named Cindy and money hidden by his late army buddy Timmy Warden. Tal discovers that another former prisoner of war is willing to kill for the loot, but Tal continues the search--and falls in love. Some violence.

DB 67117

Child 44

by Tom Rob Smith

Stalinist Russia, 1953. Detective Leo Demidov is exiled to a remote village as a prison guard after his wife is accused of espionage. Demidov suspects a killer is preying on children along the Trans-Siberian Railway, but his investigation makes him an enemy of the state. Violence and strong language.

DB 67827

The Irregulars

by Jennet Conant

Describes a British spy ring that operated in Washington, D.C., during World War II. Recounts the mission of Roald Dahl, an RAF pilot, and others sent in 1942 to gather information and promote propaganda with the intent of accelerating U.S. entry into the war in Europe. Some strong language.

DB 67841

Indignation

by Philip Roth

In 1951, during the Korean War, eighteen-year-old Marcus Messner, only child of a kosher butcher, leaves Newark, New Jersey, to attend Ohio's Winesburg College. He experiences rudeness, heartache, and fear of expulsion before his death at age nineteen--which devastates his parents. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex.

DB 67857

What I Saw and How I Lied

by Judy Blundell

1947. Teenage Evie, her mother Beverly, and Evie's stepfather Joe celebrate Joe's return from World War II by

vacationing in Florida. Evie's attraction to ex-soldier Peter--who has a strange hold on Joe--leads her to discover a devastating web of lies. For senior high and older readers. National Book Award.

DB 68090

Peace

by Richard Bausch

Italy, World War II. Three American soldiers undertake a dangerous assignment to locate retreating Germans. Corporal Robert Marson hires an elderly local to lead them over rough terrain, but as the men succumb to fear, they grow increasingly uncertain of their mission--and their guide. Strong language and some violence.

DB 68096

Palace Council

by Stephen L. Carter

Harlem, 1950s. African American writer Eddie Wesley stumbles upon the body of white attorney Philmont Castle. Two years later, Eddie's sister Junie disappears. Eddie spends two decades searching for Junie and discovers that she and Philmont--along with Eddie's former girlfriend Aurelia--had connections to a secret political society.

DB 68097

A German Requiem

by Philip Kerr

Berlin, Germany; 1947. PI Bernie Gunther is hired by a Russian colonel to prove black marketer Emil Becker innocent of the murder of American spy Edward Linden. The Americans also want to employ Gunther--to infiltrate the ranks of a secret group of ex-Nazis. Strong language and some violence.

DB 68207

The Gift of Rain

by Tan Twan Eng

Philip Hutton, son of a prosperous British trader and his Chinese second wife, is sixteen when he first meets Japanese diplomat Hayato Endo in 1939 Penang. Philip's relationship with Endo, his beloved aikido sensei, changes when the Japanese occupy Malaya during World War II. Booker Prize nominee.

DB 68309

The Log from the Sea of Cortez

by John Steinbeck

This narrative account of John Steinbeck's 1940 expedition to the Gulf of California with his friend, biologist Ed Ricketts, describes their four-thousand-mile journey--from chartering a sea vessel to collecting specimens--combining adventure, science, and philosophy.

DB 68310

Chuck Yeager and the Bell X-1: Breaking the Sound Barrier

by Patrick Downer

Explains the complex technological challenges encountered in building the aircraft that broke the sound barrier in 1947. Also describes the fame that enveloped its pilot, Chuck Yeager. Places the achievement in the context of the Cold War and highlights the teamwork that went into the enterprise.

DB 68342

Tallgrass

by Sandra Dallas

Colorado, 1942. The U.S. government opens Tallgrass, a Japanese internment camp, in thirteen-year-old Rennie Stroud's town. Rennie's father hires

internees to work on his farm, but when a local girl is murdered, suspicion falls on the newcomers. Rennie and her family stand up for what is right. Spur Award.

DB 68354

**Murder at Hobcaw Barony
by Elliott Roosevelt**

First lady Eleanor Roosevelt joins Joan Crawford, Humphrey Bogart, and other Hollywood celebrities at Bernie Baruch's South Carolina estate, Hobcaw Barony, where an explosion kills a prominent movie producer. Eleanor investigates evidence of blackmail and illicit affairs to try to solve the crime before the president arrives.

DB 68385

**Skeletons at the Feast
by Chris Bohjalian**

Europe, 1944-1945. Anna Emmerich, a young Prussian aristocrat, flees westward with her mother, brother, and lover to escape the advancing Red Army. They encounter a war-ravaged country and people, among them Uri Singer, a Jew who becomes their protector. Violence, some strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 68393

**A Matter of Justice
by David A. Nichols**

Details President Dwight D. Eisenhower's post-World War II contribution to the civil rights movement. Primary documents trace the administration's initiatives, including desegregating the nation's armed services, capital city, and public schools; appointing progressive federal

judges; and passing legislation that led to the 1957 and 1960 Civil Rights Acts.

DB 68434

**The China Lover
by Ian Buruma**

Fictional biography. Three admirers recall Manchurian-born starlet Ri Koran, nee Yamaguchi Yoshiko, who hides her Japanese heritage to act in Chinese movies. After World War II Ri ventures into American-occupied Japan to perform under her birth name and eventually becomes a television journalist in the Middle East. Some violence.

DB 68470

**Intrepid: The Epic Story of America's
Most Legendary Warship**

by Robert Gandt and Bill White

Discusses the history of warship USS Intrepid, commissioned in 1943 for duty in the Pacific. Details its service as a carrier during the Cold War, later missions in Vietnam and as an astronaut-recovery vessel, and its final designation as a New York City-based museum. Foreword by Senator John McCain.

DB 68503

**Spider Kiss
by Harlan Ellison**

1950s. Luther Sellers, a poor kid from Louisville, signs with a ruthless promoter and assumes a new rock-star persona--Stag Preston. Stag enjoys women and fame until his destructive lifestyle and scandal bring him down. Some violence and some strong language.

DB 68558

**Good Girls, Good Food, Good Fun
by Meghan K. Winchell**

Nebraska professor uses oral interviews and archival research to document the role of civilian women volunteers with the United Service Organizations (USO), which provided recreation for American soldiers at home during wartime. Explains that the primarily white, middle-class, and native-born hostesses were chosen to represent the mid-twentieth-century's feminine ideal.

DB 68623

**A Dance to the Music of Time
by Anthony Powell**

Follows the exploits of four Englishmen during World War II and its immediate aftermath.

DB 68625

**Danger's Hour: the Story of the USS
Bunker Hill and the Kamikaze Pilot who
Crippled Her**

by Maxwell Taylor Kennedy
Chronicles the May 11, 1945, suicide attack on the U.S. aircraft carrier Bunker Hill by Japanese pilot Kiyoshi Ogawa. Draws on historical documents and firsthand interviews with survivors to detail the assault--which claimed 393 lives--from the perspectives of both Japanese kamikazes and American sailors. Violence.

DB 68696

**Bones of Betrayal
by Jefferson Bass**

Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Forensic anthropologist Bill Brockton investigates the recent death of Dr. Leonard Novak, a World War II-era atomic scientist who apparently ingested a radioactive pellet.

When the medical examiners become contaminated, Brockton researches Novak's past and discovers a talkative ex-wife. Some violence and some strong language.

DB 68732

**Claudette Colvin
by Phillip Hoose**

Uses interviews to provide a firsthand account of fifteen-year-old Claudette Colvin's arrest for refusing to give her bus seat to a white woman in 1955 Alabama. Explains the era's racial segregation policy and the consequences of Claudette's demand for her constitutional rights. Some strong language. Newbery Honor Book.

DB 68940

**Lavender Morning
by Jude Deveraux**

Ever since she was a motherless child, Jocelyn Minton has maintained a close relationship with aging, wealthy neighbor Edilean Harcourt. But when Miss Edi dies leaving everything to Joce--including a Virginia manor--Joce learns amazing secrets that Miss Edi kept about her World War II work and lost love.

DB 69012

**The Manhattan Project: The Birth of the
Atomic Bomb in the Words of Its
Creators, Eyewitnesses, and Historians
by Cynthia Kelly**

Atomic Heritage Foundation's collection of writings, first-hand accounts, and oral histories of original Manhattan Project team members and leading historians. Includes material by or about J. Robert Oppenheimer, Leo Szilard, Albert Einstein, Klaus Fuchs, Vannevar Bush,

Richard Feynman, Leslie R. Groves,
Niels Bohr, and many more.

DB 69035

Forever Blue: The True Story of Walter O'Malley, Baseball's Most Controversial Owner, and the Dodgers of Brooklyn and Los Angeles

by Michael D'Antonio

Biography of Walter O'Malley (1903-1979), owner of the Brooklyn Dodgers baseball team. Highlights O'Malley's rise from the club's lawyer to its owner and president. Discusses Jackie Robinson breaking the sport's racial barrier in 1947 and the Dodgers' controversial 1957 move to Los Angeles. Strong language

DB 69141

The Story of a Marriage

by Andrew Sean Greer

African American Pearlle Ash moves to San Francisco for work during World War II. There she reunites with her childhood sweetheart Holland and they marry and have a child. In 1953, a white man whom Holland befriended in a military hospital meets Pearlle and makes her a shocking offer.

DB 69299

The Corporal was a Pitcher

by Ira Berkow

Details the heroism and determination of World War II G.I. Lou Brissie, who was wounded in Italy in December 1944. Recounts Brissie's refusal to allow his leg to be amputated despite major damage, his against-all-odds recovery, and his use of a leg brace to become a Philadelphia Athletics pitcher.

DB 69256

Soldier from the War Returning

by Thomas Childers

Documents the hardships experienced by U.S. veterans who returned home from World War II. Discusses problems such as unemployment, homelessness, alienation, and physical and psychological wounds. Highlights the lives of a former prisoner of war, an infantryman without legs, and the author's father, who suffered from undiagnosed post-traumatic stress

DB 69331

The German Woman

by Paul Griner

British-born nurse Kate Zweig and her German husband Horst, a doctor, suffer in Prussia during and after World War I. When World War II commences, a now-widowed Kate meets Charles Murphy, an American filmmaker spying for the British in London. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex.

DB 69382

Pelican Road

by Howard Bahr

1940. Several miscommunications place two trains on a collision course along a Mississippi-to-Louisiana rail line called Pelican Road. While the freight transporter's engineer, A.P. Dunn, battles memory loss, the passenger carrier's brakeman, Artemus Kane, ponders war memories and his budding romance. Strong language and violence.

DB 69407

The American Home Front, 1941-1942

by Alistair Cooke

Account of British American journalist's trip across the United States during the

1940s to assess the country's transition from the Depression into a war economy. Portrays migrating workers in Indiana, African Americans in the discriminatory South, and interned Japanese Americans in California. Strong language.

DB 69411

Defending Baltimore Against Enemy Attack: a boyhood year during World War II

by Charles Osgood

Emmy Award-winning broadcaster recounts being a nine-year-old boy in Baltimore's Liberty Heights neighborhood in 1942. Describes living with the threat of war, attending Catholic school, and being obsessed with baseball, radio programs, and patriotism.

DB 69470

Brooklyn

by Colm Toibin

1950s. Young Eilis Lacey emigrates from Enniscorthy, Ireland, to Brooklyn, New York, encouraged by her family and with a priest's help. Eilis is lonely and homesick but takes night courses, meets an Italian boy, and adjusts to American life--until a tragedy occurs back home. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

DB 69495

Tears in the Darkness

by Michael Norman

History of Japan's 1942 invasion of the Philippines that led to the capture of more than 76,000 Americans and Filipinos. Details the forced march through the countryside and mass imprisonment, highlighting the ordeals

of private Ben Steele, who made sketches of his fellow prisoners. Violence and strong language. Bestseller.

DB 69547

Satchel: the Life and Times of an American Legend

by Larry Tye

Portrays the personality and career of Baseball Hall of Fame pitcher Satchel Paige. Chronicles Paige's time in the Negro leagues, his 1948 signing to the major league Cleveland Indians, and the prevailing racial segregation in America.

DB 69558

The Secret Life of Marilyn Monroe

by J. Randy Taraborrelli

Biographer Taraborrelli uses records and interviews with family and friends to reconstruct the life of actress Marilyn Monroe. Examines Monroe's relationships with the women who raised her and later with the Kennedy clan.

DB 69559

The Crowning Glory of Calla Lily Ponder

by Rebecca Wells

Louisiana, 1950s. After high school Calla Lily attends beauty school in New Orleans while her boyfriend Tuck heads to college in California. Years later Calla, a widow, returns to their hometown of La Luna. When Tuck comes home for a funeral, the two are reunited.

DB 69660

Valkyrie

by Philipp Freiherr von Boeselager

The author, an aristocrat from the Rhineland, describes his service in the German cavalry during World War II. Explains why he joined the clandestine

military conspiracy to assassinate Hitler and how, as Field Marshal Kluge's aide-de-camp, Boeselager remained anonymous when fellow conspirators were arrested and tortured. Violence.

DB 69702

Murder in the Chateau

by Elliott Roosevelt

1941. First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt travels to Nazi-occupied France to attend a clandestine meeting between French and German resistance leaders planning Hitler's assassination. After a high-ranking SS officer is murdered, Eleanor investigates the crime. She conceals the death from other guests, who include General Erwin Rommel and Gertrude Stein.

DB 69719

Spartan Gold

by Clive Cussler

Treasure-hunting couple Sam and Remi Fargo discover a World War II-era midget torpedo submarine in a Maryland swamp. Inside the craft they spot one of Napoleon Bonaparte's rare bottles of wine and begin searching for the entire collection--but they are not the only ones interested in finding it. Bestseller.

DB 69908

Golden Dreams: California in an Age of Abundance

by Kevin Starr

The history of California. Focuses on social, psychological, and cultural aspects of post-WWII suburban growth, the transformation of cities including San Diego and Los Angeles, infrastructure initiatives, and the rise of what Starr deems a "culture of dissent" that influenced the 1960s.

DB 69911

The Labors of Hercules a Hercule Poirot Novel

by Agatha Christie

Before he retires, Belgian detective Hercule Poirot vows to solve twelve puzzles mirroring the mythical labors of the ancient Greek hero Hercules. Modern-day versions of such challenges involve a lost Pekinese, a gentleman ruined by gossip, and a missing amorous Russian countess--each case more baffling than the last.

DB 69965

Letting Go

by Philip Roth

1950s America. Newly discharged Korean War veteran Gaby Wallach returns to graduate school after his mother passes away. Gaby meets fellow graduate student Paul Herz, Paul's troubled wife Libby, and single mother Martha Reganhart--and becomes entwined in their problems. Strong language and some descriptions of sex.

DB 70032

The Moon Looked Down

by Dorothy Garlock

Illinois, 1942. Sophie Heller and her immigrant family are the targets of vicious anti-German attacks. Newly returned Cole Ambrose, whose physical disability kept him from enlisting, helps Sophie combat vandals. In return, Sophie gives Cole hope for love. Some violence, some strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 70052**Those Who Save Us****by Jenna Blum**

History professor Trudy Swenson survived the Holocaust as a child with her mother, Anna. When Anna married a GI after liberation, they moved to Minnesota. Now a photograph of a Nazi officer opens secret pages of Anna's past. Some violence, some strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 70246**Sarah's Promise: a Novel****by Leisha Kelly**

Illinois, 1946. Sarah Wortham worries about her fiance Frank Hammond, who is helping his brother Sam move over two hundred miles, from Camp Point to Jacksonville. Frank wants to research job prospects in Jacksonville, but Sarah worries about living so far from home.

DB 70321**Masters and Commanders: How Four Titans Won the War in the West, 1941-1945****by Andrew Roberts**

Joint biography of World War II leaders U.S. president Franklin Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and their army chiefs of staff general George Marshall and Sir Alan Brooke. English historian Roberts uses archives and diaries to illustrate tensions, politics, strategic plans, and compromises that led to victory.

DB 70331**The GI Bill**

by Glenn C. Altschuler and Stuart Blumin
Discusses the history of the GI Bill, a.k.a. the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of

1944, and its 1945 revision. Details the significance of the GI Bill for veterans and the country after World War II. Includes background information on Veterans Administration home loans and on alleged gender and race biases.

DB 70361**Oh, Johnny****by Jim Lehrer**

1944. Young baseball star Johnny Wrigley forgoes a professional contract to join the marines and, in the excitement of deployment, falls in love en route. Enduring Pacific warfare but experiencing survivor's guilt, Johnny returns to play ball--and locate the girl. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex.

DB 70368**D-day****by Antony Beevor**

Details the June 6, 1944, Allied invasion of France. Traces the campaign from the embarkation from England to the liberation of Paris. Relates the experiences of the soldiers and French civilians. Discusses the German Army's reaction. Violence.

DB 70463**Camus, a Romance****by Elizabeth Hawes**

Author relates her years of passionate and prolonged research on Albert Camus (1913-1960), the 1957 Nobel Laureate. Combines biography and literary criticism to portray the complex philosophic writer who grew up in North Africa, later moved to France, battled with tuberculosis, enjoyed women, and feuded with Jean-Paul Sartre.

DB 70746

The Pacific

by Hugh Ambrose

Recounts the experience of four U.S. marines and one navy pilot in the Pacific during World War II. Uses first-person accounts to describe the key battles--Midway, Guadalcanal, Peleliu, Iwo Jima, and Okinawa--and the survivors' return home. Violence and strong language. Bestseller.

DB 70752

The Postmistress

by Sarah Blake

1940-1941. Postmistress Iris and newlywed Emma are newcomers on Cape Cod, while female reporter and New York native Frankie is covering the Blitz in London. Emma's physician husband joins the war effort in England, where a tragic accident brings the three women's lives together. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

DB 70879

Ayn Rand and the World She Made
by Anne C. Heller

Biography of Atlas Shrugged (DB 51074) novelist Ayn Rand, who was born Alissa Rosenbaum in Russia. Chronicles her childhood and immigration to America. Recounts Rand's development of objectivism--an anticollectivist philosophy promoting free-market capitalism and the pursuit of self-interest--and describes her cult following.

DB 70931

Hero of the Pacific

by James Brady

Biography of World War II hero John Basilone (1916-1945) from Raritan, New Jersey. Recounts the marine gunnery sergeant's military career, decoration with the Congressional Medal of Honor for service at Guadalcanal, and the posthumous Navy Cross he received for his actions at Iwo Jima. Violence and some strong language.

DB 71009

La's Orchestra Saves the World

by Alexander McCall Smith

England. After Lavender "La" Stone's husband leaves her for another woman, La's in-laws give her a house in Suffolk. When World War II begins, La joins the Women's Land Army, organizes a local orchestra for morale, and falls in love with a Polish refugee.

DB 71268

Mr. Shivers

by Robert Jackson Bennett

The Great Depression. Marcus Connelly and three other men track a scar-faced murderer called Mr. Shivers--who killed Connelly's daughter--across the country. As Connelly plots revenge he uncovers a horrifying truth. Violence and strong language.

DB 71406

Operation Mincemeat: How a Dead Man and a Bizarre Plan Fooled the Nazis and Assured an Allied Victory

by Ben Macintyre

Researches the exploits of intelligence officers Ewen Montagu, Charles Cholmondeley, and Ian Fleming, who planted phony European invasion plans

on a corpse to fool the Nazis during World War II. Bestseller.

DB 71415

Spies of the Balkans

by Alan Furst

When Italy attacks northern Greece, senior police official Constantine Zannis helps a German woman smuggle Jews to safety. As the war heats up in the Balkans, Zannis is recruited by the British secret service. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

DB 71470

Valley of Death: the Tragedy at Dien Bien Phu that led America into the Vietnam War

by Ted Morgan

Pulitzer Prize-winning author evaluates the 1954 battle at Dien Bien Phu that ended French rule in Vietnam and led to the involvement of the United States. Morgan, a French army veteran, uses primary sources to discuss the Vietminh liberation movement and the influence of communist China. Violence.

DB 71688

Patton, Montgomery, Rommel

by Terry Brighton

British military historian's biography of three World War II generals: America's George S. Patton, Britain's Bernard Montgomery, and Germany's Erwin Rommel. Traces their careers from World War I through two decades of peace and the conflict that made them famous. Some strong language.

DB 71811

Until We Reach Home

by Lynn Austin

After their parents die, three Swedish sisters flee their unscrupulous uncle and set off to live with relatives in America. Sofia, Kirsten, and Elin endure an arduous voyage, unexpected illness, and an extended stay at Ellis Island before they head to Chicago, where hardship, hope, and romance await.

DB 72029

The Venus Fixers

by Ilaria Dagnini Brey

Journalist recounts work of British and American art historians, scholars, and architects who, as Allied monument officers, salvaged Italian art and antiquities during World War II. Describes the officers' efforts to preserve Europe's cultural heritage by evacuating some pieces and restoring others that were damaged in air raid bombings.

DB 72198

Hound Dog

by Jerry Leiber and Mike Stoller

Memoir of Jerry Leiber and Mike Stoller, who found fame as teens in 1950s L.A. by writing rhythm-and-blues songs for black performers. They recall their hit "Hound Dog," first sung by "Big Mama" Thornton and, later, Elvis Presley, and describe working with other artists and record labels. Strong language.

DB 72267

Four Freedoms

by John Crowley

1940s. An airplane factory moves to Oklahoma and recruits women and undrafted males to join the war effort.

One disabled employee, Prosper Olander, has affairs with multiple coworkers, all of whom struggle to build lives in a rapidly changing era. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 72306

**Master of the Delta
by Thomas H. Cook**

1950s South. Jack Branch teaches a high school course on evil in which one of the students, Eddie, is the son of the Coed Killer. Jack encourages Eddie to confront his feelings about his father by writing a paper. The project reveals the entire town's sordid past. Some violence.

DB 72330

**1022 Evergreen Place
by Debbie Macomber**

Cedar Cove firefighter Mack McAfee is in love with his neighbor, single mom Mary Jo Wyse, whose baby he helped deliver. But the two fear the baby's birth father will want custody. Meanwhile Mary Jo finds a stash of World War II love letters and seeks the writer. Bestseller.

DB 72511

**Beautiful Maria of My Soul: or the True Story of Maria Garcia y Cifuentes, the Lady behind a Famous Song: a Novel
by Oscar Hijuelos.**

The beguiling Maria Garcia y Cifuentes travels to Havana in the early 1950s, where she becomes musician Nestor Castillo's lover. Years later in Miami, Maria reconnects with the past. Companion to *The Mambo Kings Play Songs of Love* (DB 30259). Some strong language and some descriptions of sex.

DB 72605

**The King's Speech
by Peter Conrad and Mark Logue**

The grandson of Lionel Logue (1880-1953) uses his ancestor's diaries and correspondence to depict Australian-born Logue's life and his role as speech therapist for Albert, the duke of York, who was crowned King George VI on May 12, 1937.

DB 72608

**The Liberators
by Michael Hirsh**

Peabody Award-winning director interviews more than one hundred and fifty soldiers who encountered Nazi concentration camps at the end of World War II. The men describe the horrors they found. Includes testimony from survivors, some of them Jewish American POWs.

DB 72614

**Warning of War
by James Brady**

Shanghai, November 1942. While most of his regiment ships out to the Philippines, marine captain Billy Port is ordered to rescue scattered troops from northern China. His squad fights its way to Mongolia, reunites with other forces, and heads for Soviet-controlled Siberia. Some violence and some strong language.

DB 72628

**Helluva Town
by Richard Goldstein**

This social history of New York City during World War II provides firsthand accounts from civilians, celebrities, and politicians who lived in the port that hosted more than three million

servicemen on their way to combat. Discusses the city's transformation into an international powerhouse. Some strong language.

DB 72867

A Beautiful Place to Die: a Novel
by Malla Nunn

South Africa, 1952. Detective Emmanuel Cooper investigates the murder of Afrikaner policeman Captain Pretorius in an isolated bush town. Despite apartheid and opposition from the government's Security Branch, whose members believe black Communist radicals committed the crime, Cooper discovers the captain's personal secrets--and the killer's true motive. Strong language.

1960s to 1970s

DB 63307

The Old Patagonian Express: by Train Through the Americas
by Paul Theroux

Overland adventures described by Theroux as he journeys by train from Medford, Massachusetts, through Central America and down the Andes mountains to remote Patagonia at South America's southern tip. His portrayal of cities, countryside, and people includes his meeting with Jorge Luis Borges, the blind poet and Nobel Prize winner.

DB 66008

Going Down Jericho Road
by Michael K. Honey

Chronicles the dramatic events in Memphis, Tennessee, in 1968,

concerning the sanitation workers' strike for union rights that led to the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. Assesses the strikers' impact on the civil rights movement. Includes oral histories of participants.

DB 66303

Write It When I'm Gone: Remarkable Off-the-Record Conversations with Gerald R. Ford

by Thomas M. DeFrank

Former White House reporter DeFrank presents "an anecdotal memoir" of U.S. president Gerald Ford's life in politics, which Ford asked to remain unpublished until after his death. DeFrank highlights Ford's character and his candid assessments of contemporaries, including Richard Nixon and Jimmy Carter

DB 66324

Pictures at a Revolution
by Mark Harris

Film critic Harris examines a volatile time in Hollywood by discussing the making of the five movies nominated for the Academy Award for best picture in 1967: Bonnie and Clyde, Doctor Dolittle, The Graduate, Guess Who's Coming to Dinner, and award-winning In the Heat of the Night. Strong language.

DB 66399

The New Centurions
by Joseph Wambaugh

In the tumultuous 1960s, three Los Angeles police rookies--Chicano ex-marine Serge Duran, insecure Augustus Plebesly, and racist Roy Fehler--fight crime while coping with money and women troubles. Some descriptions of

sex, some violence, and some strong language.

DB 66592

Judgment Days: Lyndon Baines Johnson, Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Laws that Changed America

by Nick Kotz

Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist details the partnership between Johnson and King that enabled the passing of the Civil Rights Acts of 1964, 1965, and 1968. Stresses that the men's common values, love of the South, and belief in American democracy fostered their success despite their division over the Vietnam War.

DB 66656

The Story of Edgar Sawtelle
by David Wroblewski

Wisconsin, 1970s. Gar and Trudy Sawtelle raise an intuitive and intelligent dog breed on their farm. One dog, Almondine, can communicate with the Sawtelle's mute son Edgar. After Gar's brother arrives, Gar dies and fourteen-year-old Edgar flees into the forest with three of the dogs. Some strong language. Bestseller.

DB 66664

Girls like Us: Carole King, Joni Mitchell, and Carly Simon--and the Journey of a Generation

by Sheila Weller

Intertwined biographies of singer-songwriters of the sixties and seventies. Discusses King's 1971 Grammy sweep for Tapestry, Simon's number-one hit "You're So Vain," and Mitchell's self-proclaimed pure opera of the soul in

Blue. James Taylor figures as Mitchell's lover, Simon's husband, and collaborator for all three. Strong language. Bestseller.

DB 67106

Stern Men

by Elizabeth Gilbert

a novel about two neighboring Maine islands as residents feud in the 1970s. Ruth Thomas returns from boarding school and hangs out with the locals. Romance blooms amid fighting over lobster territory. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex.

DB 67121

A Golden Age

by Tahmima Anam

East Pakistan, 1971. When her teenage children Maya and Sohail join the struggle for an independent Bengali state, widow Rehana Haque is drawn into the conflict. Sohail uses their home as a base for guerilla operations, forcing Rehana to risk her life to keep their activities secret from authorities.

DB 67171

The Last Campaign: Robert F. Kennedy and 82 days that Inspired America
by Thurston Clarke

Chronicles the final weeks of Robert Kennedy's campaign for the U.S. presidency that ceased with his June 5, 1968, assassination in Los Angeles. Describes the political agenda of Kennedy, a U.S. senator from New York: to stop the Vietnam War, ensure civil rights, and end poverty. Some strong language.

DB 67258

One Minute to Midnight

by Michael Dobbs

Recreates the October 1962 crisis precipitated by the Soviet Union's refusal to remove nuclear weapons from Castro's Cuba. Uses archives and interviews to highlight actions to avert war that were taken by U.S. president John F. Kennedy, his advisors, and those under Soviet premier Nikita Khrushchev. Some strong language.

DB 67270

The Place to Be: Washington, CBS, and the Glory Days of Television News

by Roger Mudd

Award-winning television news anchor recalls working at CBS in the 1960s and 1970s and includes interviews with former colleagues. Describes breaking the news of the civil rights movement, the Vietnam War, and Watergate. Details his split with the network after being passed over to replace Walter Cronkite.

DB 67300

America America

by Ethan Canin

Upstate New York, 1970s. Corey Sifter, a plumber's son, befriends members of the influential Metarey family, who eventually send him to prep school. Sifter observes the presidential campaign of Metarey protege senator Henry Bonwiller--and its self-destruction caused by scandals and corruption. Some strong language. Bestseller.

DB 67394

What I'm Going to Do, I Think: a Novel

by L. Woiwode

Young Chris and his wife of one month, Ellen, who is two months pregnant,

arrive at her grandparents' summer lodge in Michigan. Ellen revels in the wilderness, while Chris feels increasingly confused about his new role. Then Chris buys a rifle. Some descriptions of sex and some strong language.

DB 67543

Shake Hands Forever: an Inspector Wexford mystery

by Ruth Rendell

Housewife Angela Hathall is found murdered in her home with no evidence of a break-in. Chief Inspector Wexford interviews beautiful Nancy Lake, the last person to see Angela alive. But what begins as a routine investigation becomes an obsession that threatens to destroy Wexford's career and marriage.

DB 67548

Golda

by Elinor Burkett

Biography of Golda Meir (1898-1978), one of the founders of the State of Israel. Describes her childhood in Russia, her family's immigration to the United States, and her dedication to Zionism. Examines her term as prime minister, her presence on the world political stage, and her legacy.

DB 67578

Endless Night

by Agatha Christie

England. Chauffeur Michael Rogers's dream of owning a beautiful home seems out of reach until he marries American oil heiress Ellie Goodman. Despite warnings from locals and other sinister omens, they acquire a property rumored to be cursed by gypsies. Michael soon

succumbs to resident evil. Some strong language.

DB 67632

**An April Shroud
by Reginald Hill**

Detective Andy Dalziel finds shelter from heavy rains at the estate of voluptuous, recently widowed Bonnie Fielding. When Andy discovers that both of Bonnie's husbands have died under suspicious circumstances, he launches a discreet investigation--while pursuing an affair with Bonnie. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex.

DB 67000

**Counselor: a Life at the Edge of History
by Ted Sorensen**

Nebraska-born Sorensen, advisor and speechwriter for President John F. Kennedy from 1953-1963, highlights the events that engulfed the nation during Kennedy's term, including the 1962 Cuban missile crisis. Sorensen also discusses his later political and legal career. Bestseller.

DB 67779

**A Place of Execution
by Val McDermid**

Scardale, England; late 1963. Thirteen-year-old Alison Carter disappears while walking her dog. New detective inspector George Bennett heads the investigation and deals with closed-mouthed neighbors in the rural community and Alison's arrogant stepfather, the village squire. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 67794

**In the Country of Men
by Hisham Matar**

Twenty-four-year-old Suleiman Faraj el-Dewani, exiled in Egypt, remembers the summer of 1979 when he was nine years old and living with his parents in Tripoli, Libya. Recalls childhood games disturbed by sinister phone calls, his father's business trips, his mother's "medicinal" confidences, and the political unrest. Booker finalist.

DB 68106

**Hell House
by Richard Matheson**

A wealthy media magnate offers a hundred thousand dollars to a physicist, a medium, and a psychic to investigate paranormal activity in the Belasco House on the Maine coast. Past attempts have led meddlers to madness, suicide, and murder. Violence, explicit descriptions of sex, and some strong language.

DB 68110

**Sing Me Back Home: Love, Death, and
Country Music
by Dana Jennings**

New York Times editor explains the ways the classic country music of the 1950s to 1970s resonated with the rural, working-class lives of his New Hampshire family and neighbors. Discusses legendary musicians like Johnny Cash, Hank Williams, Patsy Cline, and Loretta Lynn and their effect on audiences. Strong language.

DB 68214

Ladies and Gentlemen, the Bronx is Burning

by Jonathan Mahler

Chronicles the political, cultural, and racial problems that engulfed New York City during the 1970s and that included high unemployment, middle-class flight, municipal near-bankruptcy, a blackout, and a serial killer. Recounts the mayoral race waged between Edward Koch and Mario Cuomo and the Yankees' participation in the World Series.

DB 68273

People of the Whale

by Linda Hogan

Pacific Northwest. Native American Thomas and his longtime sweetheart Ruth have just married when Thomas enlists and is wrenched from his community. Changed profoundly by the Vietnam War, Thomas stays away, only returning to participate in an ill-fated whale hunt years later. Some violence and some strong language.

DB 68674

Mickey Thompson: the Fast Life and Tragic Death of a Racing Legend

by Erik Arneson

Biography of Mickey Thompson, who started hot-rodding as a street racer and later set many professional records, including driving at 406.60 miles per hour in 1960. Arneson discusses Thompson and his wife's execution-style murder but focuses on his world-renowned motorsports career. Some violence and some strong language.

DB 68889

The Help

by Kathryn Stockett

Jackson, Mississippi; 1962-1964. College grad and fledgling writer Eugenia "Skeeter" Phelan searches for a book-worthy project. At the urging of an editor, Skeeter interviews African American maids Aibileen and Minny about their relationships with their employers. Violating integration laws, the three women question their lives. Some strong language. Bestseller.

DB 68946

The Conviction of Richard Nixon: the Untold Story of the Frost/Nixon Interviews

by James Reston, Jr.

Historian describes serving as adviser to British journalist David Frost for the 1977 televised interviews with former president Richard Nixon. Discusses using House Impeachment Committee evidence in Frost's interrogation guide for the Watergate portion of the broadcast, watched by forty-five million Americans.

DB 69053

The Mourner: a Parker Novel

by Richard Stark

The father of a former lover coerces Parker into stealing a priceless alabaster "mourner" statue from a Slavic diplomat's Washington, D.C., residence. Although Parker's associate courts the maid to gain access to the home, two thugs may also be after the weeping-monk figure. Some violence and some strong language.

DB 69075

Paul Newman: a Life

by Shawn Levy

Chronicles the sixty-year career of leading man Newman, whose work included fifty-eight movies, five Broadway plays, and ten Oscar nominations. Also discusses his race-car driving, camps for ill children, fifty-year second marriage to actress Joanne Woodward, children from both marriages, and battle with cancer. Some strong language.

DB 69262

Uranium: War, Energy, and the Rock that Shaped the World

by Tom Zoellner

Examines the history and the dangers surrounding Earth's natural element uranium. Discusses the 1950s mineral-mining rushes and the deadly uranium-mining conditions in both the United States and the former Soviet Union. Also explores the benefits of nuclear power plants versus carbon-emitting systems.

DB 69289

When March Went Mad

by Seth Davis

Sports reporter recounts the college basketball season that lead up to the dramatic 1979 NCAA championship game between All-American stars Earvin "Magic" Johnson of the Michigan State Spartans and Larry Bird of the Indiana State Sycamores. Highlights coaches Jud Heathcote and Bill Hodges.

DB 69308

The Wapshot Scandal

by John Cheever

Relates the decline of the Wapshot family and of the mythical New England

town of St. Botolphs. The "scandal" is the discovery that Aunt Honora has never paid her income taxes.

DB 69334

The Honorary Consul

by Graham Greene

Argentina. A British consul is kidnapped by Paraguayan revolutionaries who have mistaken him for the American ambassador. A local physician with his own divided loyalties negotiates between the rebels and the authorities. A tale of political chaos, love, faith, and betrayal.

DB 69381

South of Broad

by Pat Conroy

Charleston, South Carolina; 1960s. Lonely, troubled Leo and several other high school students form an unlikely but close-knit friendship. They endure crises and successes until their loyalty is put to a final test two decades later, in San Francisco. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

DB 69431

Sunburn

by John Lescroart

Costa Brava, Spain; 1975. Two couples--a bored husband and wife and a pair of passionate lovers--meet an American who is searching for his missing girlfriend. Meanwhile, Franco's regime teeters on the edge of collapse. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 69464

**The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie
by Muriel Spark**

Edinburgh. With her freethinking ideas and irresistible charm, schoolmistress Jean Brodie exerts an enormous influence on a small group of impressionable young girls. The "Brodie set" receives an introduction to the privileged world of adult games. A portrait of adolescence, its innocence, and curiosity about life and sex.

DB 69479

**Inferno
by Larry Niven**

While attending a science fiction convention, writer Allen Carpentier falls from a hotel window and awakens in a Dante-esque Hell. To escape he must traverse various layers of the underworld where, guided by Benito Mussolini, Allen encounters all manner of sinners including dictators, criminals, and bureaucrats. Some strong language.

DB 69492

**Red and Me: my Coach, my Lifelong
Friend**

by Bill Russell with Alan Steinberg
Former Boston Celtics basketball player Bill Russell, an African American, ruminates about his five-decade-long friendship with his coach, the late Red Auerbach, a Brooklyn Jew. Recounts the nine championships he and Auerbach won during the 1950s and 1960s, and discusses their shared values and mutual respect. Some strong language.

DB 69525

**Mission Control, this is Apollo: the Story
of the First Voyages to the Moon
by Andrew Chaikin**

Chronicles the NASA response to President John Kennedy's challenge to put a man on the moon, describing the successes and failures of all seventeen Apollo missions from 1967 through 1972. Discusses the astronauts' courage, moonwalks, and reactions to space travel. For grades 5-8.

DB 69580

**Inherent Vice
by Thomas Pynchon**

Late 1960s. Gordita Beach, California, private investigator and pothead Doc Sportello is hired by his ex-girlfriend Shasta to find her missing and married lover, construction mogul Mickey Wolfmann. Doc trips around L.A. seeking clues and running into cops, assorted bad guys, and land-development schemes. Strong language. Bestseller.

DB 69704

**Bank Shot: Dortmund Mystery
by Donald E. Westlake**

Dortmunder schemes to steal an entire bank that is being temporarily housed in a mobile home by hitching it to a truck and driving away. Joining Dortmund on this caper are Kelp, a car thief; Murch, an experienced getaway driver; and Victor, a former FBI agent. Some strong language.

DB 69775

**Rocket Men: The Epic Story of the First
Men on the Moon
by Craig Nelson**

Prizewinning author retraces America's race against the Soviet Union to be the

first to land on the moon. Chronicles NASA's 1969 Apollo 11 mission using interviews and declassified documents. Provides glimpses into the personal family lives of astronauts Neil Armstrong, Edwin Eugene "Buzz" Aldrin Jr., and Michael Collins.

DB 69784

Magnificent Desolation: the Long Journey Home from the Moon
by Buzz Aldrin

Astronaut reflects on his notoriety after the 1969 Apollo 11 moon landing: his alcoholism, clinical depression, and two failed marriages. Discusses his recovery from addiction, eventual acceptance of his celebrity status, and his loving and lasting marriage to Lois Driggs Cannon.

DB 69931

Red to Black
by Alex Dryden

Russian spy Anna falls for her British counterpart Finn. Finn goes rogue after becoming disillusioned with his mission of ferreting out a plan hatched in 1960s East Germany. Anna agrees to accompany him, which forces her to become a double agent. Strong language and some descriptions of sex.

DB 69961

Remberton
by D.J. Meador

Alabama, 1970s. Motivated by memories of an unhappy childhood, now-wealthy Jesse Rooter returns to his hometown after a thirty-year absence. He discovers that the long-ago drowning of his brother may not have been an accident and hires lawyer Noble Shepperson to investigate--stirring up dark secrets from the past.

DB 69981

The Fourth Star: Four Generals and the Epic Struggle for the Future of the United States Army

by David Cloud and Greg Jaffe

Pentagon correspondents highlight four American generals who have overseen the War on Terror in Iraq and Afghanistan: John Abizaid, David Petraeus, George Casey, and Peter Chiarelli. The authors trace the transformation of the U.S. military bureaucracy since the Vietnam War and describe strategic successes and failures.

DB 70171

The Walking Stick: a Novel
by Winston Graham

Twenty-six-year-old Deborah Dainton, who uses a walking stick since contracting polio at a young age, works for a prestigious London auction house. Deborah falls in love with bohemian painter Leigh Hartley and finds herself drawn into a high-stakes robbery plot that puts her livelihood--and her heart--at risk.

DB 70285

When Everything Changed
by Gail Collins

New York Times columnist examines the cataclysmic changes in women's lives since 1960. Chronicles five decades of American women's progress in politics, fashion, popular culture, economics, sex, family life, war, and work in the fight for equality.

DB 70450**Let the Great World Spin: a Novel****by Colum McCann**

New York City, 1974. Disparate residents--including Philippe Petit, who performs an illegal high-wire walk between the Twin Towers; the judge who hears Petit's case; and a grieving mother--encounter death, love, and salvation. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. National Book Award.

DB 70478**A Nation on Fire****by Clay Risen**

Details the riots that followed the April 4, 1968, assassination of civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. Discusses the turmoil that erupted in major American cities and led President Lyndon B. Johnson to call in federal troops to supplement the local police and national guard. Some strong language.

DB 70491**Free Agent****by Jeremy Duns**

Nigeria, 1969. Defecting KGB agent Vladimir Slavin reveals information that could expose British operative Paul Dark's identity as a WWII-era double agent. Paul sets out to confront--and possibly kill--Slavin and to find the Russian nurse he once loved but thought was dead. Some violence and some strong language.

DB 70522**Bullet Park: a Novel****by John Cheever**

Sketches of a suburban nuclear family in idyllic Bullet Park, New York. Eliot Nailles, a mild-mannered chemist who

loves his wife, attends church meetings and dinner parties. Eliot interacts with neighbors, including drifter Paul Hammer--who is determined to commit an act of violence against Eliot's son.

DB 70523**I, Sniper: a Bob Lee Swagger Novel**
by Stephen Hunter

The FBI suspects Vietnam-era sniper Carl Hitchcock murdered four aging leaders of the 1960s antiwar movement. When Hitchcock is found dead during the investigation, they ask retired sniper Bob Lee Swagger for insight. Swagger believes Hitchcock was innocent and hunts for the real culprit. Violence and strong language. Bestseller.

DB 70590**East of Desolation****by Jack Higgins**

A pilot's widow charts Joe Martin to fly her and insurance company representatives to Cape Desolation, Greenland, where her husband's small plane crashed. But the body they find is not the husband's--and a cache of emeralds may be behind everything. Some violence and some strong language.

DB 70845**Matterhorn: a Novel of the Vietnam War**
by Karl Marlantes

Vietnam, 1969. Reserve second lieutenant Waino Mellas is airlifted into the jungle to command a squad of marines at a base near Laos called the Matterhorn. Mellas has to fight not only the enemy but racial tensions, bad weather, illness, and senseless orders. Violence and strong language. Bestseller.

DB 71037

Munson: The Life and Death of a Yankee Captain

by Martin Appel

Biography of Ohio native and professional baseball catcher Thurman Munson (1947-1979). Chronicles Munson's 1968 draft from Kent State University to the New York Yankees, the team's success that led to winning the 1977 and 1978 World Series, and Munson's death in the crash of an airplane he was piloting.

DB 71254

Jerry West: the Life and Legend of a Basketball Icon

by Roland Lazenby

Biography of the Los Angeles Lakers basketball player, coach, and executive. Traces West's rise from poverty in West Virginia, college with the Mountaineers, and the 1960 Summer Olympics to professional stardom. Analyzes the perfectionism that the author asserts made West one of the best in his sport. Strong language.

DB 71424

Furious Love: Elizabeth Taylor, Richard Burton, and the Marriage of the Century

by Sam Kashner and Nancy Schoenberger

Uses Richard Burton's love letters and interviews with Elizabeth Taylor to construct dual biographies of the Welsh Shakespearian actor and the Hollywood star. Traces their volatile relationship from the 1962 movie set of Cleopatra, where they began an adulterous affair, through their two marriages and divorces. Strong language. Bestseller.

DB 71449

Lessons in Disaster: McGeorge Bundy and the Path to War in Vietnam

by Jim Zeiger

Political scientist Goldstein analyzes the decisions that maintained and deepened America's presence in Vietnam. Highlights the involvement of McGeorge Bundy, national security advisor in the Kennedy and Johnson administrations, whom Goldstein knew personally. Examines the role of the presidency and asserts that President Kennedy would have eventually left Vietnam.

DB 71466

Neon Angel

by Cherie Currie

The lead singer of the 1970s teen-girl rock band the Runaways describes her dysfunctional upbringing, short singing and acting career, drug use, and eventual sobriety after leaving the band. Foreword by Joan Jett. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 71729

Fifth Avenue, 5 A.M.: Audrey Hepburn, Breakfast at Tiffany's, and the Dawn of the Modern Woman

by Sam Wasson

Discusses the filming of the 1961 movie Breakfast at Tiffany's, based on Truman Capote's novel featuring Manhattan party girl Holly Golightly. Details how director Blake Edwards changed the script to pass Hollywood's morality code while still showing a sexually liberated woman living alone and having fun. Bestseller.

DB 71894

After the Fire, a Still Small Voice

by Evie Wyld

Leon's father, a European Jew who took refuge in Australia, enlists to fight in the Korean War but returns emotionally damaged. Leon later serves in Vietnam and afterward confronts demons similar to those that haunted his father. Leon's own son Frank bears lasting scars. Violence and strong language.

DB 71943

Secretariat

by William Nack

Account of Secretariat, the "horse of the century," who won the 1973 Triple Crown--the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness, and the Belmont Stakes races. Describes the roles of owner Penny Chenery, trainer Lucien Laurin, jockey Ron Turcotte, and groom Eddie Sweat. Bestseller.

DB 71952

The Supremes

by Mark Ribowsky

Chronicles the rise of The Supremes and the Motown sound in 1960s Detroit. Highlights conflicts and tragedies associated with the original singers--Diana Ross, Mary Wilson, and Florence Ballard. Discusses songwriters and performers who contributed to the ensemble's unique African American style in an era of cultural upheaval.

DB 71983

Orange Sunshine

by Nicholas Schou

Details the 1960s California drug-dealing group that established its own church, the Brotherhood of Eternal Love, and believed that LSD was the way to God.

Portrays leader John Griggs, a protege of Timothy Leary, who smuggled drugs from Mexico, Afghanistan, and Colombia into the United States. Strong language. Bestseller.

DB 72049

Life

by Keith Richards

Autobiography of the Rolling Stones guitarist. Recounts his wartime London childhood, his education, and the beginnings of the group in 1962. Discusses bandmates including Mick Jagger, Charlie Watts, Ronnie Wood, and Brian Jones as well as his lover Anita Pallenberg and wife Patti Hansen. Strong language. Bestseller.

DB 72235

Lord of Misrule: a Novel

by Jaimy Gordon

West Virginia, 1970. Deadbeat Tommy Hansel brings four horses to Indian Mound Downs intending to run them in cheap races, win big, and then leave town. Meanwhile, Tommy's girlfriend meets the local eccentrics and gangsters. Strong language, some violence, and some descriptions of sex. National Book Award. Bestseller.

DB 72204

Are We There Yet?

by Susan Sessions Rugh

Presents a cultural history of American middle-class-family road trips in the post-World War II era. Explains the reasons for this summer ritual and its decline in the 1970s. Examines various types of vacations--including heritage, destination, and camping excursions--and their impact on civil rights and environmental issues.

DB 72429

Bob Dylan in America

by Sean Wilentz

Traces the jagged arc of Dylan's career while placing the mercurial artist's music in its wider historical and artistic contexts. Discusses his innovations and influences on his work. Analyzes Dylan's art, distinguishing it from his carefully crafted and continually changing public image. Some strong language.

DB 72437

Saving CeeCee Honeycutt: a Novel

by Beth Hoffman

After twelve-year-old CeeCee's mentally ill mother dies in Ohio, CeeCee's great-aunt Tallulah "Tootie" Caldwell decides to take her home to Savannah, Georgia, rather than leave CeeCee with her negligent father. CeeCee is introduced to genteel Southern living, eccentric family friends, and the housekeeper Oletta.

DB 72619

Letters to Jackie: Condolences from a Grieving Nation

edited by Ellen Fitzpatrick

Some two hundred and fifty letters to Jacqueline Kennedy from ordinary Americans of every age group, race, and religion reflect the country's grief after the 1963 assassination of President John F. Kennedy. Culled from more than a million condolences archived in the JFK library in Boston.

DB 72712

I Think I Love You

by Allison Pearson

In 1974 Welsh thirteen-year-old Petra and her friend Sharon are infatuated with America teen idol David Cassidy.

Meanwhile, writer Bill is pretending to be David in the fan magazine the girls memorize. Fate brings all four of them together later in life. Strong language and some descriptions of sex.

DB 72724

Little Girl Blue: the life of Karen Carpenter

by Randy L. Schmidt

Biography of the female half of a sibling duo that rose to fame in the early seventies. Describes the Carpenters' family dynamics--Richard and Karen lived with their controlling mother until they were twenty-seven and twenty-four--and Karen's descent into eating disorders, which led to her death at age thirty-two.

DB 72741

Wolf to the Slaughter: an Inspector Wexford Novel

by Ruth Rendell

Kingsmarkham, England. Chief Inspector Wexford and a new recruit, Detective Constable Mark Drayton, look into the disappearance of party girl Anita Margolis, reported missing by her brother. But the body they ultimately find isn't hers.

DB 72793

White House Diary

by Jimmy Carter

Annotated diary of the thirty-ninth American president offers insight into current events from 1977-1981. Carter shares his personal opinions of each day's activities and assesses senators and representatives, cabinet members, and foreign leaders. Includes information about the Camp David peace accords and the Iranian hostage crisis.

DB 73076

Land with No Sun: a Year in Vietnam with the 173rd Airborne
by Ted G. Arthurs

Command sergeant major recounts the year he spent in the jungles of Vietnam as the highest ranking enlisted man in a battalion of the 173rd Airborne Brigade. Relates the experiences of individual paratroopers and the challenges of fighting under extreme conditions. Violence and strong language.

DB 73095

The Luzhin Defense
by Vladimir Nabokov

Chess prodigy Luzhin becomes a grandmaster whose addiction to the game leads him to complete dissociation from reality.

DB 73319

Does the Noise in My Head Bother You?: a rock 'n' roll memoir
by Steven Tyler

Aerosmith lead singer born in 1948, reminisces about his childhood in the Bronx as the son of a classical pianist, early musical career, and the rise and fall of the band that made him a rock star. Strong language. Bestseller.

1980s to 1990s

DB 49511

Seasons of Her Life: a Biography of Madeleine Korbelt Albright
by Ann Blackman

A personal profile of the secretary of state under President Bill Clinton.

Albright was born to a diplomat in Czechoslovakia whose family twice fled to avoid persecution--first from the Nazis and later from the Communists. Traces her family history including her discovery that her grandparents perished in the Holocaust.

DB 66764

Mind, Life, and Universe: Conversations with Great Scientists of Our Time
by Lynn Margulis

Candid interviews with thirty-seven leading scientists who provide insight into their lives and work. Features evolutionary biologist Richard Dawkins, Nobel Prize winner Sheldon Lee Glashow, chimpanzee researcher Jane Goodall, Gaia Theory conceptualist James E. Lovelock, physicist Lisa Randall, and biologist Edward O. Wilson.

DB 66893

The Final Detail
by Harlan Coben

Sports agent Myron Bolitar's friend and partner, Esperanza, stands accused of killing their client, troubled Yankees pitcher Clu Haid. Against Esperanza's wishes, Myron tries to clear her name. The investigation leads to a cold missing-person's case and a painful incident from Myron's past. Some violence and some strong language.

DB 66940

A Case of Vineyard Poison
by Philip R. Craig

J.W. Jackson's bride-to-be Zee discovers an extra hundred thousand dollars in her bank account--a mistake attributed to a computer glitch. Later, cop-turned-fisherman J.W. finds on his driveway the poisoned body of college

coed Kathy Ellis, who, coincidentally, had recently withdrawn the same amount of money from her own account.

DB 66992

Every Move You Make

by M. William Phelps

Highlights the deceptions of career criminal Gary C. Evans, who confessed to the 1989 murder of Damien Cuomo. Relates that Evans convinced the mother of Cuomo's child that Cuomo had deserted her, his subsequent affair with the woman, and his other crimes. Violence and strong language.

DB 67066

Life Laid Bare: the Survivors in Rwanda Speak

by Jean Hatzfeld

Presents fourteen Tutsi survivors' descriptions of the devastation that took place in their villages of Nyamata and N'tarama during the 1994 Rwandan genocide. A teenager recounts watching Hutus, including a pastor's son, cut off her mother's limbs. Violence

DB 67233

Death on a Vineyard Beach: a Martha's Vineyard Mystery

by Philip R. Craig

While on his honeymoon in Boston with his bride Zee, ex-cop J.W. Jackson saves former mob boss Luciano Marcus from an assassination attempt. Trouble follows the newlyweds to Martha's Vineyard, where Luciano--embroiled in conflict over a contested cranberry bog--hires J.W. to discover who is trying to kill him.

DB 67309

Cool Repentance

by Antonia Fraser

England. After a scandalous extramarital affair with a much-younger pop star, actress Christabel Herrick returns to her hometown of Larminster to participate in an arts festival. Television reporter and sleuth Jemima Shore, who is assigned to cover the celebration, realizes that someone disapproves of Christabel's behavior--and wants her dead.

DB 67431

The Triggerman's Dance

by T. Jefferson Parker

After Orange County newspaper intern Rebecca Harris is murdered, her former fiance, FBI agent Joshua Weinstein, persuades Rebecca's most recent boyfriend, John Menden, to infiltrate the right-wing group responsible for her death. Some violence, some strong language, and some descriptions of sex.

DB 67510

While They Slept: an Inquiry into the Murder of a Family

by Kathryn Harrison

Examines the 1984 Oregon parricide case of eighteen-year-old Billy Gilley, who is convicted of killing his parents and eleven-year-old sister Becky while sparing sixteen-year-old sister Jody. Includes interviews with Billy, who received three life sentences, and Jody, a Georgetown University graduate, about their abusive childhood. Violence and strong language.

DB 67511

The Journey Home

by Dermot Bolger

1980s Ireland. Francis "Hano" Hanrahan and his friends Shay and Katie endure dreary Dublin office jobs or unemployment while yearning for adventure. After Hano inherits his dad's job working for the town boss, he encounters violence and corruption and flees. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex.

DB 67555

Die for Love

by Elizabeth Peters

Jacqueline Kirby, a librarian at Coldwater College in Nebraska, attends the New York convention of the Historical Romance Writers of the World. When a muckraking columnist drops dead at a cocktail party while surrounded by enemies, Jacqueline believes it's murder. The police are skeptical, but Jacqueline stalks the killer.

DB 67589

Bottlemania: How Water Went on Sale and Why We Bought It

by Elizabeth Royte

Journalist investigates social and environmental consequences of the bottled-water industry. Examines questionable business practices of companies, legal issues surrounding groundwater rights, the ramifications of plastic waste, and effects of production on local communities. Discusses differences between tap and bottled water.

DB 67610

The House at Sugar Beach

by Helene Cooper

Memoir by New York Times

correspondent describes her privileged childhood in Liberia as a descendant of black American founders. Cooper relates her uprooting by a 1980 coup that forced the family to flee to the United States--and her return decades later. Some violence and some strong language. Bestseller.

DB 67622

Exit Lines: a Dalziel-Pascoe Murder Mystery

by Reginald Hill

Three elderly men are killed on the same night: one is murdered in his bath, another is bludgeoned in a park, and a third dies in an auto accident involving superintendent Andrew Dalziel. Inspector Peter Pascoe tries to exonerate Dalziel, but police politics hinder his efforts. Some strong language.

DB 67635

One Soldier's War

by Arkady Babchenko

Memoir of journalist who, drafted into the Russian Army in 1995, fought in both the first and second Chechen wars. Recalls the drudgery, terror, and brutality of frontline conflicts. Translated from Russian by Nick Allen. Violence and some strong language.

DB 67698

Sick of Shadows: Elizabeth MacPherson Mystery

by Sharyn McCrumb

Elizabeth MacPherson is a bridesmaid at her cousin Eileen Chandler's wedding,

held on their family's Georgia estate. But all is not well: Elizabeth discovers Eileen has an unstable mental history and an intense dislike for the groom. Things get worse when Eileen turns up dead. Some strong language.

DB 67906

The Garden Tour Affair

by Ann Ripley

PBS gardening-show host Louise Eldridge films on location at Connecticut's historic Litchfield Falls Inn. But all is not well among her fellow guests, some of whom meet with untimely ends. Believing the deaths are no accident, Louise and her family investigate amid botanical scandals and lovers' feuds.

DB 68020

A Case of Exploding Mangoes

by Mohammed Hanif

Pakistan, 1988. Junior military officer Ali Shigri believes his father's suicide was actually a murder and holds General Zia, the country's president, responsible. With the help of his friend and sometime lover, Baby O, Ali plots revenge--the general's assassination. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex.

DB 68179

A Share in Death

by Deborah Crombie

Scotland Yard detective Duncan Kincaid is on vacation at a luxurious Yorkshire time-share, when the body of the resort's assistant manager is found floating in a Jacuzzi. Duncan discovers that the victim may not have been the intended target and calls his young sergeant, Gemma James, for back up.

DB 68262

Dead in the Water: a Kate Shugak Mystery

by Dana Stabenow

At the Anchorage District Attorney's request, Kate Shugak goes undercover aboard the crab boat Avilda in the Bering Sea to learn the fate of two missing deckhands. Kate endures grueling labor and a dubious, well-connected skipper, who claims the men went ashore and never came back. Some strong language.

DB 68296

Death and the Princess

by Robert Barnard

Scotland Yard superintendent Perry Trethowan becomes Princess Helena's personal bodyguard after her ex-boyfriend Bill Tredgold, a reporter working on a secretive story, dies under suspicious circumstances. Perry contends with the lovely young woman's reckless ways while he tries to stop a killer and prevent a national scandal.

DB 68352

The Judas Goat

by Robert B. Parker

Hugh Dixon hires Boston PI Spenser to track down the terrorists who randomly wounded him and killed his family in London. While on assignment Spenser encounters the "Liberty" group, whose members include a troubled young woman. Spenser calls on Hawk for backup. Violence and strong language.

DB 68360

The Widening Gyre: a Spenser Novel

by Robert B. Parker

When Massachusetts congressman Meade Alexander is blackmailed with a

videotape of his wife's drug use and sexual escapades, Alexander's staff hires PI Spenser. Aided by his cohort Hawk, Spenser searches for the culprits and uncovers dirty politics and mob connections. Violence and strong language.

DB 68420

**Married in Seattle: Two Novels
by Debbie Macomber**

In "First Comes Marriage" (1991), Janine's grandfather, who raised her, decides she should marry his young business partner--before Janine even meets him. In "Wanted: Perfect Partner" (1995), thirty-seven-year-old divorced bookstore owner Meg is horrified to learn that her fifteen-year-old daughter set her up with an online stranger. Bestseller.

DB 68556

**Downtown Owl: a Novel
by Chuck Klosterman**

The experiences of three people in the fictional small town of Owl, North Dakota, from August 1983 until a killer blizzard the following February. Milwaukee transplant Julia is a new teacher, Mitch is an atypical football player, and elderly Horace is a lifelong Owl resident. Strong language.

DB 68559

**Diminished Capacity
by Sherwood Kiraly**

Chicago journalist Cooper Zerbs, coping with a brain injury, goes back to his hometown in Missouri to help his Uncle Rollie, who is slipping into dementia. Rollie hopes to sell a valuable Cubs baseball card in Chicago to raise

enough money to stay in his house. Strong language.

DB 68564

**Housekeeping
by Marilynne Robinson**

Ruth and her younger sister, Lucille, are haphazardly raised by their extended family in the small, lakeside town of Fingerbone. Their grandmother cares for them until her death, then two bumbling great aunts take over, and finally eccentric aunt Sylvie looks after them.

DB 68656

**American Lightning: Terror, Mystery,
Movie-Making, and the Crime of the
Century**

by Howard Blum

Examines the October 1, 1910, bombing of the Los Angeles Times offices that killed twenty-one workers. Chronicles the violent labor disputes that preceded the attack. Discusses the roles of PI Billy Burns, filmmaker D.W. Griffith, and Clarence Darrow, who defended the two brothers accused of the crime. Some violence. Edgar Award.

DB 68692

**Grime and Punishment: a Jane Jeffry
Mystery**

by Jill Churchill

Jane Jeffry's friend Shelley Nowack hires the Happy Helper Cleaning Service, who instead of sending the regular maid sends substitute Ramona Thurgood. When Ramona is found strangled with a vacuum-cleaner cord in Shelley's house, Jane thinks the killer could be someone in the neighborhood.

DB 68764

Glitter Baby

by Susan Elizabeth Phillips

Model Fleur Savagar struggles to come to terms with her American mother and her French Russian father until she uncovers their secrets. Fleur falls in love with playwright and actor Jake Koranda--a man with his own hidden past. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

DB 68771

A Cold-Blooded Business: a Kate

Shugak Mystery

by Dana Stabenow

After a series of employee drug overdoses, the CEO of Royal Petroleum's Alaskan division hires Kate Shugak to stop a drug-smuggling ring operating within his company. Kate goes undercover as a contractor on the remote North Slope compound--until her true identity is exposed. Strong language and some violence.

DB 68817

Searching for Schindler: a Memoir

by Thomas Keneally

Author of Schindler's List describes his novel-writing process. Recalls his 1980 chance encounter with Holocaust survivor Leopold Pfefferberg in Beverly Hills, which led to Keneally writing about Oskar Schindler, a Nazi who saved hundreds of Jews from death camps. Some strong language

DB 68888

The Grand Finale

by Janet Evanovich

During a delivery, Pizzeria owner Berry Knudsen climbs a tree to rescue a kitten. She spies the hunky homeowner

undressing and falls, knocking out her breath. The awkwardness of this start with inventor Jake Sawyer is later compounded by Berry's three elderly roommates. Some descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

DB 69033

Confessions of a Mullah Warrior

by Masood Farivar

Memoir by an Afghanistan war refugee raised in Pakistan. Farivar recounts becoming a devout Muslim and joining the mujahideen in the 1980s to fight Russians in his homeland. Farivar chronicles his subsequent journey to a U.S. prep school and Harvard University and his eventual return to Afghanistan. Strong language and some violence.

DB 69066

Sag Harbor: a Novel

by Colson Whitehead

Long Island, 1985. Upper-middle-class African American teenager Benji spends another summer at the beach with his brother and his parents, a Manhattan doctor and a lawyer. Benji finds relief from prep school and a part-time job, and learns a few lessons on growing up. Strong language.

DB 69111

The Universe in a Mirror: The Saga of the Hubble Space Telescope and the Visionaries Who Built It

by Robert Zimmerman

Science writer and historian discusses the sacrifices and hardships experienced by the Hubble Space Telescope creators and the tenacious spirit they needed to get the telescope launched. Includes insight of Lyman Spitzer, C. Robert "Bob" O'Dell, Jim

Westphal, Sean O'Keefe, and many others.

DB 69254

**A Knife to Remember
by Jill Churchill**

A movie company sets up shop in a field near Jane Jeffry's neighborhood. Filming halts when the prop manager is found dead--stabbed with Jane's kitchen knife. Suspects include oddball director Roberto Cavagnari and washed-up actress Lynette Harwell, who had an affair with Jane's husband. Some strong language.

DB 69334

**The Honorary Consul
by Graham Greene**

Argentina. A British consul is kidnapped by Paraguayan revolutionaries who have mistaken him for the American ambassador. A local physician with his own divided loyalties negotiates between the rebels and the authorities. A tale of political chaos, love, faith, and betrayal.

DB 69388

**The Golden Chance
by Jayne Ann Krentz**

Social worker Philadelphia Fox faces a moral dilemma when she inherits stock in Washington state's Lightfoot Industries. The company is part of the military-industrial complex that Philadelphia abhors, but she is attracted to Nick Lightfoot, the black sheep of the family. Explicit descriptions of sex and some strong language.

DB 69401

**Stealing Buddha's Dinner
by Bich Minh Nguyen**

Vietnamese professor describes growing up as an immigrant in 1980s Michigan, where she felt like an outsider among the Dutch-descended blondes. Relates her experience of cultural differences and conflicting desires, like wanting both her native cuisine and American junk food.

DB 69445

**The Scarecrow
by Michael Connelly**

Los Angeles Times reporter Jack McEvoy wants a big story for his last two weeks on the job. He stumbles upon a high-tech serial-killer case and a chance to work again with FBI agent Rachel Walling. Violence, strong language, and some descriptions of sex.

DB 69488

**Emily Dickinson is Dead: a Novel of
Suspense**

by Jane Langton

Widowed, self-effacing professor Owen Kraznik organizes an Emily Dickinson memorial symposium at Amherst that attracts ardent admirers from around the world. When a beautiful student disappears and Owen's secretary is found dead, Owen seeks the help of his old chum Homer Kelly, a Thoreau scholar and a former detective.

DB 69588

**U is for Undertow: Kinsey Millhone
mystery**

by Sue Grafton

California, 1988. Twenty-seven-year-old Michael Sutton shares his recovered childhood memories of an unsolved 1967

kidnapping case involving a four-year-old girl with PI Kinsey Millhone. Though skeptical, Kinsey agrees to take on the cold case. But Michael's questionable reliability as a witness complicates Kinsey's investigation. Bestseller.

DB 69590

**Murder at the Academy Awards
by Joan Rivers**

Max Taylor, a Joan Rivers-inspired celebrity interviewer, competes to nab the hottest stars attending the Oscars ceremony. Actress Halsey Hamilton, a friend of Max's daughter, emerges from her limo undressed and stoned. While talking to Max, Halsey collapses and dies. Max goes undercover at Halsey's rehab facility to investigate.

DB 69608

**How to Murder Your Mother-in-Law
by Dorothy Cannell**

England. To celebrate the thirty-eighth wedding anniversary of her husband's parents, Ellie hosts a dinner party during which startling marital revelations surface. Seeking stress relief Ellie commiserates with friends over drinks and homicidal fantasies. But when real murders befall mothers-in-law, Ellie races to find the culprit.

DB 69925

**Smoker
by Greg Rucka**

Bodyguard Atticus Kodiak provides security for Jeremiah Pugh, a tobacco-industry whistleblower scheduled to testify that his company knew cigarettes were dangerous. When a deadly assassin targets Jeremiah and the violence escalates, Atticus begins to suspect an inside job. Strong language,

some violence, and some descriptions of sex.

DB 70092

Googled: The End of the World as We Know It

by Jim Bond

New Yorker columnist profiles the Internet search engine company Google from its conception in 1996 by Stanford graduate students Sergey Brin and Larry Page to its dominance in the advertising field. Details the company's growth and its legal, ethical, and competitive challenges. Strong language.

DB 70099

**Amazing Gracie
by Sherryl Woods**

Workaholic Gracie MacDougal lost three of her last four boyfriends to other women before quitting her hotel-management job. In Seagull Point, Virginia, Gracie discovers the perfect Victorian house to turn into a bed-and-breakfast, but lawyer Kevin Daniels doesn't want to sell. Some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 70101

**Mrs. Miracle
by Debbie Macomber**

Seth Webster struggles to raise his boisterous twin boys after his wife dies. Housekeepers come and go before Mrs. Merkle arrives and takes control. "Mrs. Miracle," as the children call her, encourages romance between Seth and travel-agency owner Reba Maxwell.

DB 70118

Rough Treatment

by John Harvey

Burglars Grabianski and Grice get more than they expected--a kilo of cocaine and Maria Roy, the wife of a TV director. With Inspector Charlie Resnick closing in, Grabianski risks his own safety when he falls for Maria. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 70135

Sotah

by Naomi Ragen

Dina Reich lives with her strict Orthodox family in Jerusalem. Dina's husband is chosen for her but a later encounter with a married man disgraces her, and she is forced to leave her husband and child and flee to America. Some descriptions of sex.

DB 70137

Burning Cold; the Cruise Ship Prinsendam and the Greatest Sea Rescue of All Time

by H. Paul Jeffers

Journalist describes the dramatic 1980 rescue of a Dutch cruise ship that caught fire near Alaska. After spending up to sixteen hours in lifeboats, all of the more than five hundred staff and passengers--many of whom were elderly--were saved by the coast guard, air force, and nearby tankers.

DB 70156

A Map of Home: a Novel

by Randa Jarrar

Boston-born Nidali, daughter of a Greek Egyptian mother and a Muslim Palestinian father, grows up in Kuwait. When Iraq invades in 1990, Nidali's

family flees first to Egypt and later Texas, where--to her parents' dismay--Nidali quickly adapts to teen culture. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 70193

Undress Me in the Temple of Heaven
by Susan Jane Gilman

Memoir of a 1986 backpack trip in China by two naive American college girls reveals the perils and pitfalls of travel. Recalls humorous and horrifying incidents of culture clash and the helpfulness of strangers when one girl experiences an emotional collapse six weeks into the trip. Strong language.

DB 70271

Worth the Risk
by Nora Roberts

Two romantic novels involving competitors. In Partners, rival New Orleans reporters find trouble while investigating a murder. In The Art of Deception, sculptor Kirby Fairchild welcomes painter Adam Haines to her father's estate--but both artists have secrets. Some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

DB 70440

The Clinton Tapes
by Taylor Branch

Pulitzer Prize-winning historian's reflections about his recorded conversations with former U.S. president Bill Clinton provide insight into Clinton's personal and political life. Topics covered include health-care reform, domestic and international affairs, impeachment, the death of Clinton's mother, and Al Gore's defeat in the 2000 election.

DB 70447

The Cellist of Sarajevo

by Steven Galloway

Sarajevo, 1992. A cellist plays Albinoni's Adagio in G Minor as a memorial on each of twenty-two days following a mortar attack that kills twenty-two citizens who are standing in a bread line. The music deeply affects a sniper, a father, and an older man. Inspired by historic events.

DB 70524

Deeper than the Dead

by Tami Hoag

1985. Tommy and Wendy are being chased by school bullies when Tommy stumbles on a half-buried corpse. Their concerned teacher, Anne Navarre, becomes involved in the discovery and is soon in danger. Meanwhile Detective Mendez asks the FBI to assist in the investigation. Strong language, some violence, and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

DB 70780

The Wedding Girl

by Madeleine Wickham

Ten years ago, Milly married her American friend Allan so he could stay in England with his male lover. But now, just days before Milly is to wed her fiancé Simon, a chance encounter threatens to expose her secret. To avert scandal, Milly must find Allan. Some strong language.

DB 71276

Prisoner of the State

by Zhao Ziyang

Memoir of a former Chinese communist premier and architect of the country's economic reforms. Describes his 1989 incarceration after he advocated against

the martial law that led to the Tiananmen Square massacre. Asserts a corrupt leadership in China and encourages democratic reforms.

DB 71286

Silhouette in Scarlet

by Elizabeth Peters

Art historian Vicky Bliss is lured to Stockholm by her ex-lover, jewel thief John Smythe. There a gang kidnaps them and demands their help excavating a fifth-century hoard of gold and silver from beneath a meadow.

DB 71337

The Men Who Would Be King

by Nicole Laporte

Former Variety film reporter covers the 1994 founding of the independent multimedia entertainment studio DreamWorks by director Steven Spielberg, billionaire music mogul David Geffen, and former Disney executive Jeffrey Katzenberg. Examines the men's motives, operating styles, and creative differences, and discusses the company's financial difficulties and eventual failure. Bestseller.

DB 71480

Between a Heart and a Rock Place

by Pat Benatar

Autobiography of award-winning rock singer who achieved fame in the 1980s with hits like "Heartbreaker" and "Love Is a Battlefield." Benatar (born 1953) discusses her blue-collar Long Island upbringing, classical music training, rise to stardom, struggles with music industry double standards, and marriage to band colleague Neil "Spyder" Giraldo.

DB 71496

Things We Didn't See Coming

by Steven Amsterdam

Nine connected apocalyptic stories centering on a boy and his family that begin on New Year's Eve 1999 and span three decades. Extreme weather, disease, government control, and a plethora of other disasters plague the narrator as he struggles to survive. Some strong language.

DB 71553

Tourist Season

by Carl Hiaasen

Miami reporter-turned-PI Brian Keyes connects the murders of a vacationing Shriner, a Canadian visitor, and the Chamber of Commerce president to a terrorist group that wants to deter tourists and restore Florida to its natural state. Strong language and some violence.

DB 71586

Brainchild

by John Saul

In the growing town of La Paloma, California, young Alex Lonsdale barely escapes death after a tragic car accident. But now something is eerily wrong with Alex, and a haunted spirit from the town's past still seeks vengeance for an evil deed. Some violence.

DB 71696

The Madonnas of Echo Park

by Brando Skyhorse

1980s Los Angeles. Aurora Esperanza's Mexican family and their neighbors struggle to achieve the American dream. Aurora's father, an illegal immigrant, loses his restaurant job and becomes a

day laborer. Aurora's American-born mother cleans houses and is her white employer's only friend. Some violence and some strong language.

DB 71805

A Wall of White

by Jennifer Woodlief

Chronicles the avalanche that struck the Alpine Meadows ski resort near Lake Tahoe on March 31, 1982, and killed seven people. Describes how search-and-rescue teams and their dogs found Anna Conrad after she was buried for five days. Some strong language.

DB 71810

A Visit from the Goon Squad

by Jennifer Egan

The members of a fictional 1980s San Francisco punk band, along with their groupies, enjoy temporary fame and settle into middle age. Sasha, a secretary and kleptomaniac, and her music-producer boss Bennie Salazar, the former bass player, self-destruct before seeking redemption. Strong language and some violence. Pulitzer Prize.

DB 71925

American Assassin: a Thriller

by Vince Flynn

CIA operations director Thomas Stansfield entrusts Irene Kennedy and Stan Hurley with forming a clandestine group to counter the threat of Islamic militants after the 1988 Lockerbie plane disaster. College athlete Mitch Rapp, whose girlfriend died flying home, is recruited and sent to Istanbul. Violence and strong language. Bestseller.

DB 72001

Hard Candy

by Andrew Vachss

Call girl Candy asks unlicensed New York private eye Burke to rescue her daughter from a Brooklyn cult. Burke endangers himself while investigating the leader, who he discovers runs a baby-breeding operation. Violence, strong language, and some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 72016

Trust Me on This

by Jennifer Crusie

Undercover government agent Alec Prentice attends a literature conference with plans to trap a con man. Reporter Dennie Banks is there for the biggest scoop of her career. They each suspect the other is a swindler. Some strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 72056

Be Buried in the Rain

by Barbara Michaels

Medical student Julie Newcomb returns to her family's crumbling Virginia plantation to care for her ailing grandmother. Julie confronts the unexpected, including a fully clothed skeleton found on a country road, a chauvinistic yet charming politician, religious fanatics, a mythical ancestor, and long-suppressed memories. Some strong language

DB 72175

The Snakehead: an Epic Tale of the Chinatown Underworld and the American Dream

by Patrick Radden Keefe

Recounts the rise of "Sister" Ping, a Chinese woman who immigrated to New York in 1981 and founded a multimillion-dollar underground banking and people-smuggling, or "snakehead," enterprise. Details the inner workings of her global criminal empire and the law enforcement investigation that led to her arrest in 2000.

DB 72177

Black Water Rising

by Attica Locke

Texas, 1981. African American lawyer Jay Porter rescues from the bayou a white woman he later suspects is involved in a murder. Despite his racially charged criminal past and impending fatherhood, Jay investigates and finds links to Houston's political elite and big oil. Some violence and some strong language.

DB 72292

Lips Unsealed

by Belinda Carlisle

Autobiography of lead singer from the 1980s all-girl group the Go-Gos. Carlisle describes enduring a troubled childhood in California, discovering punk rock, forming the chart-topping band, marrying and having a son, and recovering in 2005 from her longtime addiction to cocaine and alcohol. Some strong language.

DB 72374

Love's Encore

by Sandra Brown

Rayburn Prescott hires interior decorator Camille Jameson to restore his antebellum house near Natchez, Mississippi. Camille is mortified when she discovers that Rayburn's son is

Zack, with whom she had a one-night stand years ago. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex.

DB 72577

Provenance: How a Con Man and a Forger Rewrote the History of Modern Art

by Laney Salisbury and Aly Sujo

Reporters recount an art scam begun in 1986 by self-described British nuclear physicist John Drewe, who paid unemployed artist John Myatt to create dozens of inauthentic masterpieces. Details Drewe's construction of forged records to document the works' provenance, the investigation by Scotland Yard's Art Squad, and the ensuing trial.

DB 72699

Out of Control: the New Biology of Machines, Social Systems, and the Economic World

by Kevin Kelly

Wired magazine editor explores "vivisystems," an author-coined term for self-sustaining systems. Argues that mechanical structures are becoming increasingly lifelike, while biological processes are growing more engineered. Describes examples such as diverse artificial ecologies and computer models of Earth.

DB 72731

The Last Suppers

by Diane Mott Davidson

Goldy's belief that catering her own wedding will cause bad luck is confirmed when the minister is murdered just before the ceremony--and Goldy's fiance, homicide detective Tom Schulz, disappears. Goldy searches for

the culprit among suspects including disgruntled parishioners, the church organist, and a disappointed theology student. Includes recipes.

DB 73009

Snakewoman of Little Egypt
by Robert Hellenga

Illinois, 1990s. Forty-year-old anthropology professor Jackson Jones considers marrying thirty-five-year-old ex-convict Sunny, born Willa Fern, who served a six-year sentence for shooting her jealous husband Earl. But Earl, the snake-handling pastor of a small church, and other lovers intervene. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex.

DB 73018

A Mother's Touch

by Linda Howard, Sherryl Woods, Emilie Richards

Three stories written in the 1990s featuring relationships changed by pregnancies. In "The Way Home" Anna Sharp has been mysterious Saxon Malone's mistress for two years. After they conceive, Saxon must either explain his past to Anna or lose both her and the baby. Some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 73033

The House on Olive Street

by Robyn Carr

Four fellow writers arrive at their novelist friend Gabby Marshall's house for her fiftieth birthday only to find her dead. As their own lives start to unravel in different ways, Gabby's companions gather at her house for the summer. Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex.

DB 73034

**Americans with Disabilities Act
by Susan Dudley Gold**

Discusses the Americans with Disabilities Act and profiles its proponents and opponents. Examines the impact of the 1990 law on public policy protecting the rights of individuals with disabilities in the fields of employment, housing, public facilities and transportation, and communications systems. For grades 6-9 and older readers.

DB 73655

**Blue Velvet
by Iris Johansen**

Kate Gilbert, an American abandoned in Buenos Aires as a child, has been raised by smuggler Jeff Brenden. Wealthy Beau Lantry helps the independent Kate rescue her friend Julio--and falls in love. Explicit descriptions of sex.

Braille

BR 1271

**The Enormous Room
by E. E. Cummings**

The 20th-century experimental poet writes in a witty and satirical manner of his experiences in a French prison camp. A volunteer ambulance driver, he was arrested for his association with another American who was his best friend.

BR 1620

**A Tree Grows in Brooklyn
by Betty Smith**

A novel about an Irish-American girl's childhood and youth, her struggles with poverty, and her work to get an education, set in the midst of Brooklyn tenement life in the early 1900's.

BR 2374

Enough! The Revolt of the American Consumer

A lively account of the American consumer movement from Dr. Wiley's Poison Squad in the early 1900's to the great hot dog controversy of 1969 and Ralph Nader's Raiders.

BR 3967

**Doug & Mary: a biography of Douglas Fairbanks & Mary Pickford
by Gary Carey**

Captures the curious relationship that existed between America's sweethearts from the time of their famous wedding in 1920 until their divorce in 1933. Provides a glimpse of the ways they influenced the development of the movie industry.

BR 4191

**Maggie
by Lena Kennedy**

Authentic novel that depicts Maggie's life from childhood in London's East End through the desperate depression years and World War II. Her story is full of humor, tragedy, and vitality. Some strong language.

BR 4401**Gossip: a history of high society, 1920-1970****by Andrew Barrow**

Traces the major and minor social incidents which have grabbed the headlines of the society and gossip columns of London from 1920 to 1970. Includes tidbits of information on Winston Churchill, Douglas Fairbanks, the Duchess of Windsor, Noel Coward, Tallulah Bankhead, Mick Jagger, Robert Frost, Elizabeth Taylor, and many more.

BR 5184**Young Emma****by W.H. Davies**

At the age of fifty, toward the end of the First World War, W. H. Davies, one of England's most famous poets, decided it was time for him to give up the literary life in London and find himself a wife. This is his memoir, written in 1924, of how he found, fell in love with, and married Emma.

BR 6014**Great Decisions '85****by Foreign Policy Association**

Historical background, basic facts, and policy options on eight key foreign policy issues. Among the subjects included in this issue are "Revolutionary Cuba," "Soviet Leadership in Transition," and "Iran-Iraq War."

BR 6440**Cutting Edges: Making Sense of the Eighties****by Charles Krauthammer**

Collection of thoughtful essays that afford a progress report on America's sociopolitical life since the start of the 1980s.

BR 7221**Winter: a Novel of a Berlin Family
by Len Deighton**

The saga of Berlin's aristocratic Winter family from World War I through the aftermath of World War II. Peter and Paul Winter, sons of a German industrialist and an American heiress, are of differing temperaments. Paul becomes a Nazi leader and his brother Peter is drawn into the Nazi opposition, eventually working as an American spy. The brothers are finally reunited at the Nuremberg trials. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

BR 7438**Little Eden: a Child at War****by Eva Figs**

Memoirs of the author's childhood as a German Jewish refugee evacuated from World War II London to a rural village. Figs presents the year as a happy time, yet the town abounds with snobbery, hostility toward the lower-class evacuees, and anti-Semitism.

BR 8280**The Great War and Modern Memory
by Paul Fussell**

Fussell, a professor of English literature and winner of the 1976 National Book Award for Arts and Letters, explores how historical events and society's record of those events interact. He looks at the British experience during World War I through the eyes of the writers Siegfried Sassoon, Robert Graves, and Edmund Blunden; through the poetry of David Jones, Isaac Rosenberg, and Wilfred Owen; and through amateur memoirs of the men in the trenches.

BR 8523

Breaking Ice: an Anthology of Contemporary African-American Fiction edited by Terry McMillan

A landmark collection of African-American fiction from the 1970s and 1980s. Stories and excerpts from fifty-seven writers, who exhibit a wide variety of styles and approaches, are included. Also contains an insightful introduction by the editor and biographical notes on each writer. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex.

BR 8800

Jewels by Danielle Steel

Sarah, Duchess of Whitfield, is celebrating her seventy-fifth birthday. As she awaits the arrival of her children and grandchildren, she reflects on her life. Sarah recalls her first marriage that ended in divorce, her marriage to the Duke of Whitfield, the births of their children, the struggle to survive World War II, and the founding of the family business. Some strong language and some descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

BR 9140

Dream Makers, Dream Breakers: The World of Justice Thurgood Marshall by Carl T. Rowan

An anecdote-filled biography of "Mr. Civil Rights," the legendary NAACP counsel and first black Supreme Court Justice. Drawing on his forty-year friendship with Marshall and on interviews with his friends, Rowan portrays a driven, earthy, ornery, and gracious man. Rowan includes his own views on other "dream makers" and on several "dream breakers." Strong language. Bestseller.

BR 9337

The Fifties by David Halberstam

As the 1950s were the first decade immortalized by television, the author uses the images that appeared on home screens to support his perception that events made the decade far more rebellious than the benign period often portrayed. Challenging the myth of the "innocent" generation, Halberstam examines political, economic, and social highlights of the era, citing familiar experiences and famous people from Marilyn Monroe to Joseph McCarthy. Bestseller.

BR 9769

The Mandarins: a Novel by Simone de Beauvoir

Set in Paris after World War II, this novel won the Prix Goncourt, the most coveted literary prize in France. The author draws upon her intellectual circle, which includes Jean-Paul Sartre and Albert Camus, for a portrait of the philosophical and political climate of the period.

BR 11263

Remember Laughter: a Life of James Thurber by Neil A. Grauer

Biography of the twentieth-century American humorist best known for his stories and cartoons featured in the New Yorker in the 1930s and 1940s. Thurber, who published most of his writing after the onset of blindness in the early 1940s.

BR 11818

War in the Air: True Accounts of the 20th Century's Most Dramatic Air Battles-- by the Men who Fought Them

edited by Stephen Coonts

Twenty-five excerpts from accounts of aerial fighting covering World War I through the Vietnam War. Includes stories by pilots from both sides of the conflicts. Some violence.

BR 12278

Betrayal: How the Clinton Administration Undermined American Security

by Bill Gertz

Washington Times reporter on national security and defense issues cites Pentagon, State Department, and White House sources to argue that president Clinton's foreign policy decisions have weakened U.S. prospects for peace and stability. Includes copies of government documents to support his claims. Bestseller.

BR 12284

Memoirs of a Geisha: a Novel

by Arthur Golden

A fictionalized account of the life of a typical geisha in 1930s and 1940s Japan. Sayuri recalls being nine years old when she and her sister are sold to a geisha house as their mother lies dying. From then on Sayuri learns the traditional exotic art of pleasing men. Bestseller.

BR 12420

Going Solo

by Roald Dahl

Autobiographical account of British writer's experiences as a young man working in East Africa and his

adventures as a fighter pilot for the Royal Air Force in World War II

BR 12490

Enormous Changes at the Last Minute: Stories

by Grace Paley

Seventeen stories written in the 1960s and 1970s. In the title story a middle-aged woman decides to have a baby with her young hippie lover, even though her hospitalized father advises against it. Some strong language.

BR 12507

The Architecture of Diplomacy: Building America's Embassies

by Jane C. Loeffler

Traces the history of U.S. representation abroad through its buildings, focusing on construction since 1926. Evaluates American embassies in the 1950s as symbols of "an energetic and future-oriented nation." Notes the impact of terrorism on 1990s concerns for embassy security.

BR 13255

In Love with Night: the American Romance with Robert Kennedy

by Ronald Steel

Examines Robert Kennedy's life, career, and enduring image. Asserts that he cannot be understood apart from his older brother, president John Kennedy. Argues that it is pure myth, not reality, for Americans to believe that with Robert's passing, the promise of political redemption eluded the nation.

BR 13279

An Hour Before Daylight: Memories of a Rural Boyhood

by Jimmy Carter

The thirty-ninth president of the United States reminisces about growing up in rural Georgia during the depression. Traces his family genealogy; examines social mores of the segregated South. Describes his experience of daily life in a small, close-knit farming community until his appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy. Bestseller.

BR 13590

Matters of State: a Political Excursion
by Philip Hamburger

A collection of essays about people and places in American politics, most of which appeared first in the New Yorker. Hamburger, who began covering politicians for the magazine in 1939, has a fondness for inaugurations and includes observations of the inaugurals of presidents Roosevelt, Truman, Eisenhower, Johnson, Nixon, Carter, Reagan, Bush, and Clinton.

BR 13660

Birth of the Cool: Beat, Bebop, and the American Avant-Garde
by Lewis MacAdams

Cultural history of the American arts scene in the 1940s and 1950s. Examines the derivation of "cool" and evaluates which artists had it, from jazz musicians such as Charlie Parker and Miles Davis, to writers including William Burroughs, Jack Kerouac, and Allen Ginsberg. Some strong language.

BR 13752

On the Wing: a Young American Abroad
by Nora Sayre

A New York writer and former film critic recounts her coming-of-age experiences in London in the 1950s. Through her parents, Sayre was privileged to move in literary circles with Arthur Koestler, A.J. Liebling, Cyril Connolly, Elizabeth Jane Howard, John Davenport, and actor Tyrone Power. Some strong language.

BR 14249

Thanks for the Memories, Mr. President: Wit and Wisdom from the Front Row at the White House

by Helen Thomas

Longtime White House correspondent relates anecdotes about the nine presidents she's covered, from John F. Kennedy to George W. Bush, as well as the jokes and verbal sparring she enjoyed with them.

BR 14637

To America: Personal Reflections of an Historian

by Stephen E. Ambrose

Historian intersperses his personal story with reflections on American history. His topics include the transcontinental railroad, World War II, Native Americans, Vietnam, civil rights, and women's rights. Also describes well-known persons such as Washington, Lincoln, Lewis and Clark, Nixon, and Eisenhower. Bestseller.

BR 15219

The Early Stories, 1953-1975

by John Updike

More than one hundred short pieces originally published in the New Yorker and other magazines. Includes the

Olinger and Tarbox sagas as well as "Pigeon Feathers," "The Family Meadow," and "The Witnesses." Strong language and some explicit descriptions of sex. Bestseller.

BR 15634

Voices of War: Stories of Service from the Homefront and the Frontlines
by the Library of Congress, Veterans History Project

Personal accounts of American soldiers and medical personnel active in World War I, World War II, the Korean and Vietnam wars, and the Persian Gulf conflicts. Extracts from interviews, letters, and diary entries collected by the Library of Congress Veterans History Project are grouped by themes: Answering the Call, Under Fire, Coming Home.

BR 15826

Politics, Pollution, and Pandas: an Environmental Memoir
by Russell E. Train

Former Environmental Protection Agency administrator recounts his pivotal role in environmental policy development under presidents Nixon and Ford and later as head of the World Wildlife Fund in the private sector. Provides an insider's look at key conservation movement events and figures of the 1960s-1970s.

BR 16667

Rosebuds

by Margaret Mayhew

Post-World War II England. Flora Middleton and Tally Ashby become friends at boarding school despite different backgrounds: Flora is poor while Tally is aristocratic. Their bond

strengthens through young adulthood and first love, but while Tally has her choice of suitors, Flora pines hopelessly for Tally's stepbrother, Nicholas.

BR 16831

The Worst Hard Time: the Untold Story of Those who Survived the Great American Dust Bowl
by Timothy Egan

Pulitzer Prize-winning New York Times reporter recounts the experiences of homesteaders who remained on their land during the 1930s dust storms that ravaged the southern Great Plains. Examines both human and ecological aspects of the disaster and the effects on survivors' daily lives, health, and communities. National Book Award.

BR 17228

The Diana Chronicles
by Tina Brown

British writer and former editor of the New Yorker interviews colleagues and friends of the late Princess Diana (1961-1997) to provide a personal profile of Her Royal Highness. Discusses Diana's marriage to Prince Charles, their divorce, and assertions of her manipulation of the press. Some strong language. Bestseller.

BR 17393

Boom!: Voices of the Sixties: Personal Reflections on the '60s and Today
by Tom Brokaw

Television anchorman Tom Brokaw conducted dozens of personal interviews with baby boomers to document the decade of the 1960s. Includes reminiscences about the political, cultural, and socioeconomic meaning of the era and the changes that

occurred. Some strong language.
Bestseller

Harmon Killebrew, Brooks Robinson,
Frank Robinson, and Billy Williams.

BR 17554

**Little Heathens: Hard Times and High
Spirits on an Iowa Farm During the Great
Depression**

by Mildred Armstrong Kalish

Retired English professor's memoir of
her childhood in 1930s rural Iowa, a time
Kalish describes as "quite a romp."
Recalls years of deprivation and hard
work mitigated by simple rewards.
Discusses daily life and the influence of
religion and literature, and describes
family members whose lessons shaped
her upbringing.

BR 18385

Brooklyn: a Novel

by Colm Toibin

1950s. Young Eilis Lacey emigrates from
Enniscorthy, Ireland, to Brooklyn, New
York, encouraged by her family and with
a priest's help. Eilis is lonely and
homesick but takes night courses,
meets an Italian boy, and adjusts to
American life--until a tragedy occurs
back home. Some explicit descriptions
of sex. Bestseller.

BR 18726

**We Would Have Played for Nothing:
Baseball Stars of the 1950s and 1960s
Talk About the Game They Loved**
by Fay Vincent

Former baseball commissioner Vincent
presents the reminiscences of eleven
ball players who recollect their 1950s
and 1960s games and teammates. The
contributors are Ralph Branca, Bill
Rigney, Duke Snider, Robin Roberts,
Carl Erskine, Whitey Ford, Lew Burdette,