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This Week	September 11, 1977 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	THE THORN BIRDS, by Colleen McCullough. (Harper & Row, \$9.95.) Australian family saga.	1	17
2	ILLUSIONS, by Richard Bach. (Delacorte/Eleanor Friede, \$5.95.) Messiah barnstorms Middle America.	3	13
3	THE CRASH OF '79, by Paul E. Erdman. (Simon & Schuster, \$8.95.) Sheiks, oil, International intrigue and skullduggery.	2	39
4	FULL DISCLOSURE, by William Safire. (Doubleday, \$10.95.) President goes blind; White House intrigue.	5	8
5	DELTA OF VENUS, by Anais Nin. (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, \$10.) Elegant erotica written for a wealthy patron.	4	6
6	COMA, by Robin Cook. (Little, Brown, \$8.95.) Manchurian horror at the Boston Memorial Hospital.		2
7	DYNASTY, by Robert S. Elegant. (McGraw-Hill, \$10.95.) Saga of a Eurasian family in Hong Kong over three generations.	7	4
8	OLIVER'S STORY, by Erich Segal. (Harper & Row, \$7.95.) Tearless but well-meaning sequel to "Love Story."	6	27
9	CONDOMINIUM, by John D. MacDonald. (J.B. Lippincott, \$10.) Disaster hits Leisure Village.	8	21
10	THE RICH ARE DIFFERENT, by Susan Howatch. (Simon & Schuster, \$11.50.) They have more money.		3
11	THE CHANCELLOR MANUSCRIPT, by Robert Ludlum. (Dial, \$10.) Topical thriller.		22
12	TRINITY, by Leon Uris. (Doubleday, \$10.95.) One family's meander through a century of modern Irish history.	10	77
13	FALCONER, by John Cheever. (Knopf, \$7.95.) Stunning prison novel of escape and redemption.		23
14	THE DARK LADY, by Louis Auchincloss. (Houghton Mifflin, \$8.95.) Isadora's back and Hollywood's got her.		1
15	HOW TO SAVE YOUR OWN LIFE, by Erica Jong. (Holt, Rinehart & Watson, \$8.95.) Isadora again.		15

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1	ALL THINGS WISE AND WONDERFUL, by James Herriot. (St. Martin's Press, \$10.) More adventures of a Yorkshire vet.	8	2
2	LOOKING OUT FOR NUMBER ONE, by Robert Ringer. (Cromwell, \$9.95.) How to get yours.	4	10
3	THE BOOK OF LISTS, by David Wallechhinsky, Irving Wallace and Amy Wallace. (Morrow, \$10.95.) Facts that entertain.	1	13
4	THE DRAGONS OF EDEN, by Carl Sagan. (Random House, \$8.95.) How human intelligence evolved: a scientist's speculation.	3	13
5	YOUR ERRONEOUS ZONES, by Dr. Wayne W. Dyer. (Funk & Wagnalls, \$6.95.) Breezy self-help pep talk.	2	55
6	THE CAMERA NEVER BLINKS, by Dan Rather with Mickey Herskowitz. (Morrow, \$10.) TV newsman's story.	5	7
7	IT DIDN'T START WITH WATERGATE, by Victor Lasky. (Dial, \$10.) The Democrats did it too.	7	14
8	THE GRASS IS ALWAYS GREENER OVER THE SEPTIC TANK, by Erma Bombeck. (McGraw-Hill, \$6.95.) Suburban humor by the columnist.		46
9	VIVIEN LEIGH, by Anne Edwards. (Simon & Schuster, \$9.95.) A tragic heroine, born to please.	6	8
10	THE PATH BETWEEN THE SEAS, by David McCullough. (Simon & Schuster, \$14.95.) The Panama Canal Story.	10	5
11	THE POSSIBLE DREAM, by Charles Paul Conn. (Revell, \$6.95.) Story of the Amway Corporation.		1
12	FISHBAIT: The Memoirs of the Congressional Doorkeeper, by William Miller, as told to Frances Spatz Leighton. (Prentice-Hall, \$12.50.) Capitol Hill tell-all.		9
13	HOW TO TAKE CHARGE OF YOUR LIFE, by Milfred Newman and Bernard Berkowitz. (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, \$5.95.) Advice for the failure-prone.		1
14	CHANGING, by Liv Ullmann. (Knopf, \$8.95.) The film star on life, Bergman and, sketchily, her art.		17
15	ROOTS, by Alex Haley. (Doubleday, \$12.50.) One man's family and an important document of Black History.		44