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| 1 | DON'T GO NEAR THE WATER, by William Brinkley. | 2 | 4 |
| 2 | THE LAST HURRAH, by Edwin O'Connor. | 1 | 25 |
| 3 | THE MANDARINS, by Simone de Beauvoir. | 3 | 10 |
| 4 | A SINGLE PEBBLE, by John Hersey. | 6 | 8 |
| 5 | A THING OF BEAUTY, by A.J. Cronin. | 4 | 10 |
| 6 | ANDERSONVILLE, by MacKinlay Kantor. | 5 | 41 |
| 7 | AUNTIE MAME, by Patrick Dennis. | 8 | 74 |
| 8 | IMPERIAL WOMAN, by Pearl S. Buck. | 7 | 18 |
| 9 | THE NINTH WAVE, by Eugene Burdick. | 12 | 8 |
| 10 | CHARMED CIRCLE, by Susan Ertz. | 9 | 5 |
| 11 | THE ROSEMARY TREE, by Elizabeth Goudge. | 11 | 9 |
| 12 | A WALK ON THE WILD SIDE, by Nelson Algren. | 10 | 10 |
| 13 | THE SEVEN ISLANDS, by Jon Godden. | | 1 |
| 14 | AFTERNOON OF AN AUTOCRAT, by Norah Lofts. | 13 | 3 |
| 15 | CASH McCALL, by Cameron Hawley. | | 29 |
| 16 | COMFORT ME WITH APPLES, by Peter De Vries. | 16 | 13 |

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| 1 | EISENHOWER, by Robert J. Donovan. | 1 | 5 |
| 2 | ARTHRITIS AND COMMON SENSE, by Dale Alexander. | 2 | 18 |
| 3 | LOVE OR PERISH, by Smiley Blanton. | 5 | 26 |
| 4 | GUESTWARD HO!, by Patrick Dennis and Barbara Hooton. | 4 | 10 |
| 5 | THE BIRTH OF BRITAIN, by Winston S. Churchill. | 3 | 16 |
| 6 | PROFILES IN COURAGE, by John F. Kennedy. | 6 | 30 |
| 7 | HOW TO LIVE 365 DAYS A YEAR, by John A. Schindler. | 9 | 73 |
| 8 | GIFT FROM THE SEA, by Anne Morrow Lindbergh. | 7 | 73 |
| 9 | MINORITY REPORT, by H.L. Mencken. | 11 | 10 |
| 10 | YOUTH, by Frances Ilg, Arnold Gesell and Louise Ames. | 8 | 11 |
| 11 | BAY WINDOW BOHEMIA, by Oscar Lewis. | 15 | 15 |
| 12 | THE MIND GOES FORTH, by H.A. Overstreet. | 12 | 2 |
| 13 | THE AGE OF FIGHTING SAIL, by C.S. Forester. | 13 | 2 |
| 14 | OLYMPIO, by Andre Maurois. | 10 | 12 |
| 15 | THE SCROLLS FROM THE DEAD SEA, by Edmund Wilson. | | 34 |
| 16 | ELOISE, by Kay Thompson and Hilary Knight. | 14 | 26 |