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This Week	December 24, 1978 Fiction	Last Week	Weeks On List
1	CHESAPEAKE, by James A. Michener. (Random House, \$12.95.) Four centuries of Maryland's Eastern Shore.	2	17
2	WAR AND REMEMBRANCE, by Herman Wouk. (Little, Brown, \$15.) The Henry family of "The Winds of War" during World War II.	1	10
3	SECOND GENERATION, by Howard Fast. (Houghton Mifflin, \$10.95.) The children of "The immigrants" on the eve of World War II.	9	12
4	FOOLS DIE, by Mario Puzo. (Putnam's, \$12.50.) Hollywood tycoons and literary celebrities gamble with fate.	4	12
5	THE FAR PAVILIONS, by M.M. Kaye. (St. Martin's, \$12.95.) Love and war in the high Himalayas.	3	12
6	THE SILMARILLION, by J.R.R. Tolkien. (Houghton Mifflin, \$10.95.) Middle Earth in pre-Hobbit days.	10	57
7	EVERGREEN, by Belva Plain. (Delacorte, \$10.) Jewish immigrant woman's rise from Lower East Side poverty.	7	20
8	BRIGHT FLOWS THE RIVER, by Taylor Caldwell. (Doubleday, \$10.95.) The angsts of a man confined to a sanitarium.	5	7
9	ILLUSIONS, by Richard Bach. (Delacorte/Eleanor Friede, \$6.95.) Messiah barnstorms Middle America.	6	74
10	PRELUDE TO TERROR, by Helen MacInnes (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, \$10.) An art consultant amid an international conspiracy.	11	12
11	THE EMPTY COPPER SEA, by John D. MacDonald. (Lippincott, \$8.95.) Travis McGee on the trail of a vanished tycoon.	8	9
12	THE STORIES OF JOHN CHEEVER, by John Cheever. (Knopf, \$15.) Visions of lost moral order amid contemporary domestic disarray.		1
13	EYE OF THE NEEDLE, by Ken Follett. (Arbor House, \$8.95.) Nazi spy vs. British professor in a World War II thriller.	14	19
14	WIFEY, by Judy Blume. (Putnam's, \$8.95.) A woman's search for emotional identity.	13	6
15	SCRUPLES, by Judith Krantz. (Crown, \$10.) Woman's rise in the fashion world.	12	36

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1	MOMMIE DEAREST, by Christina Crawford. (Morrow, \$9.95.) Life with Joan Crawford.	1	6
2	GNOMES, text by Wil Huygen, illustrated by Rien Poortvliet. (Harry N. Abrams, \$17.50.) All about the little people.	2	49
3	AMERICAN CAESAR, by William Manchester. (Little, Brown, \$15.) The life of Douglas MacArthur.	5	12
4	A DISTANT MIRROR, by Barbara W. Tuchman. (Knopf, \$15.95.) The calamitous 14th century.	4	12
5	IF LIFE IS A BOWL OF CHERRIES WHAT AM I DOING IN THE PITS? by Erma Bombeck. (McGraw-Hill, \$7.95.) More domestic drolleries.	3	31
6	FAERIES, described and illustrated by Brian Froud and Alan Lee. (Harry N. Abrams, \$14.95.) Life in a world of magic.	7	6
7	IN SEARCH OF HISTORY, by Theodore H. White. (Harper & Row, \$12.95.) A journalist's memoirs.	6	12
8	THE COMPLETE BOOK OF RUNNING, by James F. Fixx. (Random House, \$10.) For fun and health.	8	51
9	THE COUNTRY DIARY OF AN EDWARDIAN LADY, by Edith Holden. (Holt, \$14.95.) Record kept y a nature-lover and illustrator.	9	51
10	JACKIE OH! by Kitty Kelley. (Holt, \$14.95.) A gossipy biography of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis.	10	7
11	JULIA CHILD & COMPANY, by Julia Child. (Knopf, \$15.) Recipes for dishes featured on her current TV series.		1
12	ROBERT KENNEDY AND HIS TIMES, by Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr. (Houghton Mifflin, \$19.95.) The politician and the forces that shaped him.	14	12
13	THE ANN LANDERS ENCYCLOPEDIA A TO Z, by Ann Landers. (Doubleday, \$17.50.) Advice on everyday problems by the syndicated columnist.		2
14	A TIME FOR TRUTH, by William E. Simon. (McGraw-Hill/Reader's Digest Press, \$12.50.) The former Treasury Secretary calls for a return to free-enterprise economics.	12	20
15	TUTANKHAMUN: The Untold Story, by Thomas Hoving. (Simon & Schuster, \$12.95.) Howard Carter's relations with the Metropolitan Museum.		1