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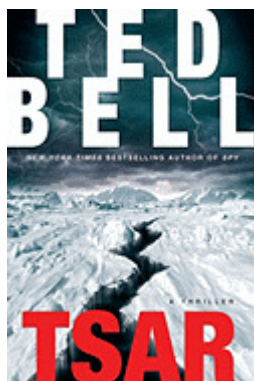
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By Ted Bell

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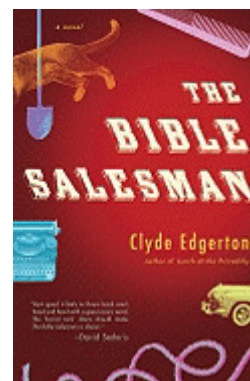
Swashbuckling counter spy Alex Hawke is the only man, both Americans and the Brits agree, who can stop the madness created by the new Russia and its new Tsar, who is pulling strings and pulling them hard. In Bell's fifth thriller starring Alexander Hawke, the British lord and spy has recovered from his last mission (*Spy*).



Grift
By Debra Ginsberg

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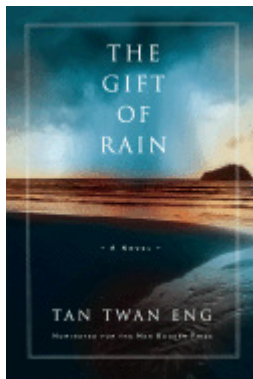
A sharp, psychologically tense novel about a fake psychic who is suddenly able to truly see the future. After predicting the murder of her lover exactly as it happens, she becomes the sole suspect and is desperate to clear her name. An entertaining who-done-it and Ginsberg's second novel after the acclaimed **Blind Submission**.



The Bible Salesman
By Clyde Edgerton

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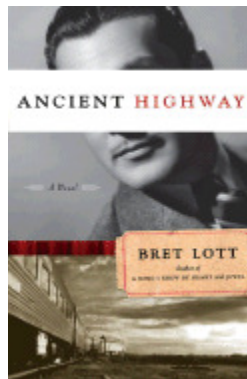
Bright, innocent, and naive, 20-year-old Henry Dampier embarks on a career as an itinerant Bible salesman. On the road in rural North Carolina, he encounters car thief Preston Clearwater, who convinces Henry that he is an undercover FBI agent who steals stolen cars back from car thieves and he offers Henry a job as his assistant. Another great comic novel from Edgerton, a master of comic timing.



The Gift of Rain
By Tan Twan Eng

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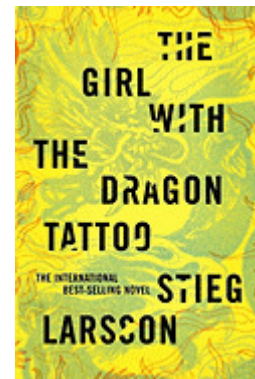
An epic debut novel nominated for the Man Booker Prize, tells the story of a young man's perilous journey through the betrayals of war and into manhood. Set in the darkly opulent WWII-era Malaya, Philip's personal drama unfolds against the backdrop of fascinating glimpses into Chinese culture, British imperialism, and the Japanese occupation that eventually claims the lives of everyone around him. Strong characters and page-turning action make this a top pick for historical fiction.



Ancient Highway
By Brett Lott

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The bestselling author of **Jewel** and **A Song I Knew by Heart** offers a haunting novel about a family whose lives are shaded by a dream of stardom. Lott is at his best writing about ordinary working people whose lives fall short of their expectations, and here he describes three members of a multigenerational family with issues of truth and illusion.



The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo
By Stieg Larsson

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