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HIGHER EDUCATION FOR WOMEN IN POSTWAR AMERICA, 1945-1965

JHU Press Publisher description

BEST-SELLERS AND THEIR FILM ADAPTATIONS IN POSTWAR AMERICA

FROM HERE TO ETERNITY, SAYONARA, GIANT, AUNTIE MAME, PEYTON PLACE

Peter Lang Pub Incorporated Working with the claim that gender identity emerged as a primary signifier of national identity within Cold War ideology, Jane Hendler provides a detailed, illuminating analysis of how five best-sellers and their film adaptations address a range of intersecting historical issues, including communist containment, corporate culture, family life, and race relations, all of which were integrally linked to gender and key issues of American identity.

EMPIRE OF CONSPIRACY

THE CULTURE OF PARANOIA IN POSTWAR AMERICA

Why, Timothy Melley asks, have paranoia and conspiracy theory become such prominent features of postwar American culture? In Empire of Conspiracy, Melley explores the recent growth of anxieties about thought-control, assassination, political indoctrination, stalking, surveillance, and corporate and government plots. At the heart of these developments, he believes, lies a widespread sense of crisis in the way Americans think about human autonomy and individuality. Nothing reveals this crisis more than the remarkably consistent form of expression that Melley calls "agency panic"—an intense fear that individuals can be shaped or controlled by powerful external forces. Drawing on a broad range of forms that manifest this fear—including fiction, film, television, sociology, political writing, self-help literature, and cultural theory—Melley provides a new understanding of the relation between postwar American literature, popular culture, and cultural theory. Empire of Conspiracy offers insightful new readings of texts ranging from Joseph Heller's Catch-22 to the Unabomber Manifesto, from Vance Packard's Hidden Persuaders to recent addiction discourse, and from the "stalker" novels of Margaret Atwood and Diane Johnson to the conspiracy fictions of Thomas Pynchon, William Burroughs, Don DeLillo, and Kathy Acker. Throughout, Melley finds recurrent anxieties about the power of large organizations to control human beings. These fears, he contends, indicate the continuing appeal of a form of individualism that is no longer wholly accurate or useful, but that still underpins a national fantasy of freedom from social control.

A HISTORY OF THE BOOK IN AMERICA

VOLUME 5: THE ENDURING BOOK: PRINT CULTURE IN POSTWAR AMERICA

UNC Press Books The fifth volume of A History of the Book in America addresses the economic, social, and cultural shifts affecting print culture from World War II to the present. During this period factors such as the expansion of government, the growth of higher education, the climate of the Cold War, globalization, and the development of multimedia and digital technologies influenced the patterns of consolidation and diversification established earlier. The thirty-three contributors to the volume explore the evolution of the publishing industry and the business of bookselling. The histories of government

publishing, law and policy, the periodical press, literary criticism, and reading--in settings such as schools, libraries, book clubs, self-help programs, and collectors' societies--receive imaginative scrutiny as well. The Enduring Book demonstrates that the corporate consolidations of the last half-century have left space for the independent publisher, that multiplicity continues to define American print culture, and that even in the digital age, the book endures. Contributors: David Abrahamson, Northwestern University James L. Baughman, University of Wisconsin-Madison Kenneth Cmiel (d. 2006) James Danky, University of Wisconsin-Madison Robert DeMaria Jr., Vassar College Donald A. Downs, University of Wisconsin-Madison Robert W. Frase (d. 2003) Paul C. Gutjahr, Indiana University David D. Hall, Harvard Divinity School John B. Hench, American Antiquarian Society Patrick Henry, New York City College of Technology Dan Lacy (d. 2001) Marshall Leaffer, Indiana University Bruce Lewenstein, Cornell University Elizabeth Long, Rice University Beth Luey, Arizona State University Tom McCarthy, Beirut, Lebanon Laura J. Miller, Brandeis University Priscilla Coit Murphy, Chapel Hill, N.C. David Paul Nord, Indiana University Carol Polsgrove, Indiana University David Reinking, Clemson University Jane Rhodes, Macalester College John V. Richardson Jr., University of California, Los Angeles Joan Shelley Rubin, University of Rochester Michael Schudson, University of California, San Diego, and Columbia University Linda Scott, University of Oxford Dan Simon, Seven Stories Press Ilan Stavans, Amherst College Harvey M. Teres, Syracuse University John B. Thompson, University of Cambridge Trysh Travis, University of Florida Jonathan Zimmerman, New York University

A CONSUMERS' REPUBLIC

THE POLITICS OF MASS CONSUMPTION IN POSTWAR AMERICA

Vintage In this signal work of history, Bancroft Prize winner and Pulitzer Prize finalist Lizabeth Cohen shows how the pursuit of prosperity after World War II fueled our pervasive consumer mentality and transformed American life. Trumpeted as a means to promote the general welfare, mass consumption quickly outgrew its economic objectives and became synonymous with patriotism, social equality, and the American Dream. Material goods came to embody the promise of America, and the power of consumers to purchase everything from vacuum cleaners to convertibles gave rise to the power of citizens to purchase political influence and effect social change. Yet despite undeniable successes and unprecedented affluence, mass consumption also fostered economic inequality and the fracturing of society along gender, class, and racial lines. In charting the complex legacy of our "Consumers' Republic" Lizabeth Cohen has written a bold, encompassing, and profoundly influential book.

PARTY DECLINE IN AMERICA

POLICY, POLITICS, AND THE FISCAL STATE

As the influence of political parties diminished in postwar America, scholars argued about whether their decline was caused by transformations in voter behavior, new styles of campaigning, or trust-shattering events such as Vietnam and Watergate. To some of these writers, parties were the relics of a technologically less sophisticated era. Today, however, many experts believe that these institutions have an inevitable tendency to adapt and survive. John Coleman thinks the reality is more complicated than this. In his view neither party decline nor adaptation is inevitable. His state-centered approach shows that the condition of political parties depends critically on the state's major policy concerns and on its institutional policy-making structure.

KENNEDY & NIXON

THE RIVALRY THAT SHAPED POSTWAR AMERICA

One of Washington's top journalists traces the rivalry between John Kennedy and Richard Nixon, whose 1960 presidential contest set America's Cold War political course, showing how their initial friendship degenerated into distrust and paranoia. 50,000 first printing. Tour.

POSTWAR AMERICA

AN ENCYCLOPEDIA OF SOCIAL, POLITICAL, CULTURAL, AND ECONOMIC HISTORY

Routledge From the outbreak of the Cold War to the rise of the United States as the last remaining superpower, the years following World War II were filled with momentous events and rapid change. Diplomatically, economically, politically, and culturally, the United States became a major influence around the globe. On the domestic front, this period witnessed some of the most turbulent and prosperous years in American history. "Postwar America: An Encyclopedia of Social, Political, Cultural, and Economic History" provides detailed coverage of all the remarkable developments within the United States during this period, as well as their dramatic impact on the rest of the world. A-Z entries address specific persons, groups, concepts, events, geographical locations, organizations, and cultural and technological phenomena. Sidebars highlight primary source materials, items of special interest, statistical data, and other information; and Cultural Landmark entries chronologically detail the music,

literature, arts, and cultural history of the era. Bibliographies covering literature from the postwar era and about the era are also included, as are illustrations and specialized indexes.

EUGENE MCCARTHY

THE RISE AND FALL OF POSTWAR AMERICAN LIBERALISM

Knopf A portrait of Eugene McCarthy traces his rise to power, his work with the anti-Vietnam War movement, elections to the House of Representatives and Senate, efforts as a New Deal and Cold War moderate liberal, and contributions to the 1968 Democratic Conven

IN COLD FEAR

THE CATCHER IN THE RYE CENSORSHIP CONTROVERSIES AND POSTWAR AMERICAN CHARACTER

Ohio University Press Attempts to remove Catcher from high schools as an "un-American" text have generated continuous and extensive controversy, distinguishing it as one of the most frequently taught postwar novels - and the most frequently censored."--BOOK JACKET.

HOW TV CHANGED AMERICA'S MIND

iUniverse Tells the story of how television worked to change the minds of Americans in the categories of confrontation, politics, war, heroes and villains, and eye-openers, from the 1950s through the 1990s.

SOULS OF THE CITY

RELIGION AND THE SEARCH FOR COMMUNITY IN POSTWAR AMERICA

A story of postwar community building through religious congregations.

THE LIFE, CRIME, AND CAPTURE OF JOHN WILKES BOOTH

Good Press "The Life, Crime, and Capture of John Wilkes Booth" by George Alfred Townsend. Published by Good Press. Good Press publishes a wide range of titles that encompasses every genre. From well-known classics & literary fiction and non-fiction to forgotten—or yet undiscovered gems—of world literature, we issue the books that need to be read. Each Good Press edition has been meticulously edited and formatted to boost readability for all e-readers and devices. Our goal is to produce eBooks that are user-friendly and accessible to everyone in a high-quality digital format.

THE BEAT GENERATION

A BIBLIOGRAPHICAL TEACHING GUIDE

Magill Bibliographies Discusses the appropriate place for the Beats in the literary canon and curriculum and provides an overview of teaching practices at schools and universities throughout the United States. Individual chapters on general Beat literature, Burroughs, Ginsberg, and Kerouac provide the substance of the bibliography. Annotated references for primary and secondary materials include audio tapes, videos, CD-ROMs, and web sites, as well as standard printed sources. Besides the famous triumvirate of Beat writers, The Beat Generation features a section entitled Other Beats which includes bibliographical paragraphs on seventy-five authors and editors associated with the Beat movement.

AMERICAN FUEHRER

GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL AND THE AMERICAN NAZI PARTY

University of Illinois Press The founder of the American Nazi party and its leader until he was murdered in 1967, George Lincoln Rockwell was one of the most significant extremist strategists and ideologists of the postwar period. His influence has only increased since his death. A powerful catalyst and innovator, Rockwell broadened his constituency beyond the core Radical Right by articulating White Power

politics in terms that were subsequently appropriated by the one-time klansman David Duke. He played a major role in developing Holocaust revisionism, now an orthodoxy of the Far Right. He also helped politicize Christian Identity, America's most influential right-wing religious movement, and welded together an international organization of neo-Nazis. All of these extremist movements continue to thrive today. Frederick Simonelli's biography of this powerful and enigmatic figure draws on primary sources of extraordinary depth, including declassified FBI files and manuscripts and other materials held by Rockwell's family and associates. The first objective assessment of the American Nazi party and an authoritative study of the roots of neo-nazism, neo-fascism, and White Power extremism in postwar America, *American Fuehrer* is shocking and absorbing reading.

EXPLORING AMERICA

AMERICAN HISTORY, ENGLISH, AND BIBLE FOR HIGH SCHOOL

THE AMERICANS, GRADES 9-12 WORKBOOK

MCDUGAL LITTELL THE AMERICANS

McDougal Littell/Houghton Mifflin

THE BOP APOCALYPSE

THE RELIGIOUS VISIONS OF KEROUAC, GINSBERG, AND BURROUGHS

University of Illinois Press Lardas examines the new visions of the three artists and their Beat religiosity, wherein they lived their "religion" of real-life experience rather than faith. By rejecting the cultural tenets of postwar America, each man took on the discourse of the public theology, created physical enactments of a religious representation of the world, and through literature changed the interpretation of modern religion.

TASTEMAKER

ELIZABETH GORDON, HOUSE BEAUTIFUL, AND THE POSTWAR AMERICAN HOME

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TRANSMISSION IMPOSSIBLE

AMERICAN JOURNALISM AS CULTURAL DIPLOMACY IN POSTWAR GERMANY, 1945-1955

"In this study, Jessica C. E. Gienow-Hecht challenges long-standing analyses of the United States' "cultural imperialism" that emphasize the policy makers' determination to export U.S. culture in order to spread capitalism and gain access to overseas markets and raw materials. She also contests the claims by scholars of reception theory that foreign audiences deliberately condition the reception of U.S. culture abroad. Studying the example of the U.S. Army newspaper the *Neue Zeitung* - published for the German population from 1945 to 1955 - she convincingly demonstrates that U.S. officials actually exerted very little direct influence on their cultural and information programs in postwar Germany, leaving the initiative to binational midlevel agents. *Transmission Impossible* reveals that the selection of agents who transmit political and cultural values to the foreign world is as crucial to the success of the enterprise as the package of values itself."--BOOK JACKET. "Containing a wealth of fresh information on the use of propaganda in the Cold War, the administrative structure of the U.S. occupation, Soviet-American conflicts, and Jewish biography, this book will be of interest to scholars of U.S. foreign relations, German history, occupation history, ethnicity, sociology, and culture."--BOOK JACKET.

CINEMATIC IDENTITY

ANATOMY OF A PROBLEM FILM

U of Minnesota Press Though largely forgotten today, the 1949 film *Pinky* had a significant impact on the world of cinema. Directed by Elia Kazan, the film was a box office success despite dealing with the era's most taboo subjects--miscegenation and racial passing--and garnered an Academy Award nomination for its African American star, Ethel Waters. It was also historically important: when a Texas movie theater owner showing the film was arrested for violating local censorship laws, his case went to the U.S. Supreme Court, which ruled the censorship ordinance unconstitutional. In *Cinematic Identity*, Cindy Patton takes *Pinky* as a starting point to meditate on the critical reception of this and other "problem films" of the period and to explore the larger issues they raise about race, gender, and sexuality. It was films like *Pinky*, Patton contends, that helped lay the groundwork for a shift in popular understanding of social identity that was essential to white America's ability to accept the legitimacy of the civil rights movement. The production of these films, beginning with 1949's *Gentleman's Agreement*, coincided with the arrival of the Method school of acting in Hollywood, which demanded that performers inhabit their characters' lives. Patton historicizes these twin developments, demonstrating how they paralleled, reflected, and helped popularize the emerging concept of the liberal citizen in postwar America, and in doing so illustrates how the reception of projected identities offer new perspectives on contemporary identity politics, from feminism to the gay rights movement. Cindy Patton holds the Canadian Research Chair in Community Culture and Health at Simon Fraser University, where she is professor of women's studies and sociology. Her books include *Inventing AIDS*, *Fatal Advice: How Safe-Sex Education Went Wrong*, and *Globalizing AIDS* (Minnesota, 2002).

THE POSTWAR DECLINE OF AMERICAN NEWSPAPERS, 1945-1965

Greenwood In the years following World War II, the newspaper industry faced overwhelming threats to its dominance of the media marketplace; while the industry as a whole remained profitable, it failed to adjust to television and other challenges and began a decline that continues today.

WINNERS IN PEACE

MACARTHUR, YOSHIDA, AND POSTWAR JAPAN

Univ of California Press Singular for its breadth and balance, *Winners in Peace* chronicles the American Occupation of Japan, an episode that profoundly shaped the postwar world. Richard B. Finn, who participated in the Occupation as a young naval officer and diplomat, tells the full story of the activities from 1945 to 1952. He focuses on the two main actors, General Douglas MacArthur and Japanese Prime Minister Shigeru Yoshida, and details the era's major events, programs, and personalities, both American and Japanese. Finn draws on an impressive range of sources--American, Japanese, British, and Australian--including interviews with nearly one hundred participants in the Occupation. He describes the war crimes trials, constitutional reforms, and American efforts to rebuild Japan. The work of George Kennan in making political stability and economic recovery the top goals of the United States became critical in the face of the developing Cold War. *Winners in Peace* will aid our understanding of Japan today--its economic growth, its style of government, and the strong pacifist spirit of its people. Singular for its breadth and balance, *Winners in Peace* chronicles the American Occupation of Japan, an episode that profoundly shaped the postwar world. Richard B. Finn, who participated in the Occupation as a young naval officer and diplomat, tells the full story of the activities from 1945 to 1952. He focuses on the two main actors, General Douglas MacArthur and Japanese Prime Minister Shigeru Yoshida, and details the era's major events, programs, and personalities, both American and Japanese. Finn draws on an impressive range of sources--American, Japanese, British, and Australian--including interviews with nearly one hundred participants in the Occupation. He describes the war crimes trials, constitutional reforms, and American efforts to rebuild Japan. The work of George Kennan in making political stability and economic recovery the top goals of the United States became critical in the face of the developing Cold War. *Winners in Peace* will aid our understanding of Japan today--its economic growth, its style of government, and the strong pacifist spirit of its people.

POSTWAR

A HISTORY OF EUROPE SINCE 1945

Penguin Finalist for the Pulitzer Prize • Winner of the Council on Foreign Relations Arthur Ross Book Award • One of the *New York Times*' Ten Best Books of the Year "Impressive . . . Mr. Judt writes with enormous authority." —*The Wall Street Journal* "Magisterial . . . It is, without a doubt, the most comprehensive, authoritative, and yes, readable postwar history." —*The Boston Globe* Almost a decade in the making, this much-anticipated grand history of postwar Europe from one of the world's most esteemed historians and intellectuals is a singular achievement. *Postwar* is the first modern history that covers all of Europe, both east and west, drawing on research in six languages to sweep readers through thirty-four nations and sixty years of political and cultural change—all in one integrated, enthralling

narrative. Both intellectually ambitious and compelling to read, thrilling in its scope and delightful in its small details, *Postwar* is a rare joy. Judt's book, *Ill Fares the Land*, republished in 2021 featuring a new preface by bestselling author of *Between the World and Me* and *The Water Dancer*, Ta-Nehisi Coates.

COLORED PROPERTY

STATE POLICY AND WHITE RACIAL POLITICS IN SUBURBAN AMERICA

University of Chicago Press Northern whites in the post-World War II era began to support the principle of civil rights, so why did many of them continue to oppose racial integration in their communities? Challenging conventional wisdom about the growth, prosperity, and racial exclusivity of American suburbs, David M. P. Freund argues that previous attempts to answer this question have overlooked a change in the racial thinking of whites and the role of suburban politics in effecting this change. In *Colored Property*, he shows how federal intervention spurred a dramatic shift in the language and logic of residential exclusion—away from invocations of a mythical racial hierarchy and toward talk of markets, property, and citizenship. Freund begins his exploration by tracing the emergence of a powerful public-private alliance that facilitated postwar suburban growth across the nation with federal programs that significantly favored whites. Then, showing how this national story played out in metropolitan Detroit, he visits zoning board and city council meetings, details the efforts of neighborhood “property improvement” associations, and reconstructs battles over race and housing to demonstrate how whites learned to view discrimination not as an act of racism but as a legitimate response to the needs of the market. Illuminating government’s powerful yet still-hidden role in the segregation of U.S. cities, *Colored Property* presents a dramatic new vision of metropolitan growth, segregation, and white identity in modern America.

THE UNITED STATES AND THE THIRD WORLD

THE ORIGINS OF POSTWAR RELATIONS AND THE POINT FOUR PROGRAM

Nova Science Pub Incorporated U.S. President Harry Truman reportedly hoped that he would be remembered after fifty years for the Point Four Program. Truman is remembered for many things but the Point Four Program does not raise to the top of most lists. What was it and why is it significant? This new book examines the details of this active instrument of American foreign policy. It provides a thorough study of the methods and means employed in developing this now largely -- forgotten program which was instrumental in helping extend American power abroad.

THE WRITINGS OF ROBERT MOTHERWELL

Univ of California Press "Robert Motherwell was not just a great painter, he was a brilliant thinker. As the founding editor of *The Documents of Twentieth-Century of Art*, he decisively shaped our understanding of modernism. This new and expanded selection of Motherwell's criticism provides an essential guide to the art of the high modern period, both American and European."--Pepe Karmel, author of *Picasso and the Invention of Cubism* "In the past two decades Abstract Expressionism has become one of the most dynamic subjects in art history; sometimes the reading is so dense it is like swimming through peanut butter. But, cutting through to the essential questions that generated the movement, the writings of Robert Motherwell are a treasure. Written at the same time he was painting, Motherwell's texts make me feel like a witness to the philosophical curiosity that generated one of the most powerful art movements of the twentieth century."--Michael Auping, author of *Abstract Expressionism: The Critical Developments* "This book is essential reading for anyone thinking about the uneasy clash of modernism and postmodernism in postwar America; Motherwell's writing played a decisive role and this volume is an admirably full account of it."--Jonathan Fineberg, author of *When We Were Young: New Perspectives on the Art of the Child*

EL-HI TEXTBOOKS IN PRINT

THE PSYCHOLOGIZING OF MODERNITY

ART, ARCHITECTURE AND HISTORY

Cambridge University Press In *The Psychologizing of Modernity*, Mark Jarzombek examines the impact of psychology on twentieth-century aesthetics. Analyzing the interface among psychology, art history and avant-gardist practices, he also reflects on the longevity of the myth of aesthetic individuality as it infiltrated not only avant-garde art, but also history writing. The principle focus of this study is pre-World War II Germany, where theories of empathy and Entartung emerged; and postwar America, where artists, critics and historians gradually shifted from their reliance on psychology to philosophy, and most recently, to theory.

AN ILLUSTRATED GUIDE TO THE AMERICAN ECONOMY

American Enterprise Institute Press Too often we lack the basic facts we need to understand and judge what we learn about the U.S. economy. The New Illustrated Guide to the American Economy is a valuable asset for anyone seeking to make sense of economic news or -- more important -- to place it in a broader context. The book consists of straightforward, objective statements about the United States, each one explained in a page of text and a page of bold, four-color charts. At the same time it deals with the uncertainties of the data and the interpretations based on them. Listening to TV or reading newspapers raises a long list of questions whose answers would be relevant to the national discussion but are commonly unknown, ignored, or misunderstood, such as - How rich is the American economy compared with other times and other countries? - What is the extent of poverty in America? - What has happened to productivity and real earnings? - What is happening to the relative earnings of women or blacks compared with white males? - How heavy are American tax burdens today compared with earlier times and other countries? - What caused the large increase of the U.S. trade deficit? This thoroughly revised second edition brings the information up to date and expands the treatment of many subjects, including - the economics of health - problems in measuring changes in the quality of life - government capital and infrastructure, natural resources, and research and development - small business, multinational corporations, and trade unions - the distribution of income and its change

TEXAS CONTEMPORARY WORLD STUDIES

PEOPLE, PLACES, AND SOCIETIES: GUIDED READING

THE AFFLUENT SOCIETY

Signet Galbraith's classic on the "economics of abundance" is, in the words of the New York Times, "a compelling challenge to conventional thought." With customary clarity, eloquence, and humor, Galbraith cuts to the heart of what economic security means (and doesn't mean) in today's world and lays bare the hazards of individual and societal complacency about economic inequity. While "affluent society" and "conventional wisdom" (first used in this book) have entered the vernacular, the message of the book has not been so widely embraced--reason enough to rediscover The Affluent Society. Copyright © Libri GmbH. All rights reserved.

THE COLOR OF LAW: A FORGOTTEN HISTORY OF HOW OUR GOVERNMENT SEGREGATED AMERICA

Liveright Publishing New York Times Bestseller • Notable Book of the Year • Editors' Choice Selection One of Bill Gates' "Amazing Books" of the Year One of Publishers Weekly's 10 Best Books of the Year Longlisted for the National Book Award for Nonfiction An NPR Best Book of the Year Winner of the Hillman Prize for Nonfiction Gold Winner • California Book Award (Nonfiction) Finalist • Los Angeles Times Book Prize (History) Finalist • Brooklyn Public Library Literary Prize This "powerful and disturbing history" exposes how American governments deliberately imposed racial segregation on metropolitan areas nationwide (New York Times Book Review). Widely heralded as a "masterful" (Washington Post) and "essential" (Slate) history of the modern American metropolis, Richard Rothstein's The Color of Law offers "the most forceful argument ever published on how federal, state, and local governments gave rise to and reinforced neighborhood segregation" (William Julius Wilson). Exploding the myth of de facto segregation arising from private prejudice or the unintended consequences of economic forces, Rothstein describes how the American government systematically imposed residential segregation: with undisguised racial zoning; public housing that purposefully segregated previously mixed communities; subsidies for builders to create whites-only suburbs; tax exemptions for institutions that enforced segregation; and support for violent resistance to African Americans in white neighborhoods. A groundbreaking, "virtually indispensable" study that has already transformed our understanding of twentieth-century urban history (Chicago Daily Observer), The Color of Law forces us to face the obligation to remedy our unconstitutional past.

READERS' ADVISORY SERVICE IN NORTH AMERICAN PUBLIC LIBRARIES, 1870_2005

A HISTORY AND CRITICAL ANALYSIS

McFarland Beginning in the early 1980s, readers' advisory services were a widely discussed topic in North American public libraries. By 2005, almost every public library in the United States and Canada offered some form of readers' advisory service. The services offered have changed significantly, in ways perhaps disadvantageous to adult North American library patrons. This book provides a critical history of readers' advisory philosophy and offers a new perspective on the evolution of the service. The book analyzes the debate that shaped readers' advisory and discusses how the service has assumed its present form. The study follows readers' advisory through its three prominent stages of development, beginning with the period 1870 to 1916, when the service was still a subject of much crucial debate about its meaning and purpose. During the second phase (1917 to 1962), readers' advisory systematically committed itself to meaningful adult education through serious and purposeful reading. The book argues, however, that during the most recent phase of readers' advisory, from 1963 until the present, contemporary public libraries have turned their backs on the rich heritage of

readers' advisory services by valorizing the reading of entertainment-oriented and commodified genre titles and bestsellers. Historical analysis, case studies and statistical charts augment the book's central argument.

ASHES OF THE MIND

WAR AND MEMORY IN NORTHERN LITERATURE, 1865-1900

Univ of Massachusetts Press The memory of the American Civil War took many forms over the decades after the conflict ended: personal, social, religious, and political. It was also remembered and commemorated by poets and fiction writers who understood that the war had bequeathed both historical and symbolic meanings to American culture. Although the defeated Confederacy became best known for producing a literature of nostalgia and an ideological defensiveness intended to protect the South's own version of history, authors loyal to the Union also confronted the question of what the memory of the war signified, and how to shape the literary response to that individual and collective experience. In *Ashes of the Mind*, Martin Griffin examines the work of five Northerners—three poets and two fiction writers—who over a period of four decades tried to understand and articulate the landscape of memory in postwar America, and in particular in that part of the nation that could, with most justification, claim the victory of its beliefs and values. The book begins with an examination of the rhetorical grandeur of James Russell Lowell's Harvard Commemoration Ode, ranges across Herman Melville's ironic war poetry, Henry James's novel of North-South reconciliation, *The Bostonians*, and Ambrose Bierce's short stories, and ends with the bitter meditation on race and nation presented by Paul Laurence Dunbar's elegy "Robert Gould Shaw." Together these texts reveal how a group of representative Northern writers were haunted in different ways by the memory of the conflict and its fraught legacy. Griffin traces a concern with individual and community loss, ambivalence toward victory, and a changing politics of commemoration in the writings of Lowell, Melville, James, Bierce, and Dunbar. What links these very different authors is a Northern memory of the war that became more complex and more compromised as the century went on, often replacing a sense of justification and achievement with a perception of irony and failed promise.

CONSPIRACY THEORIES

SECRECY AND POWER IN AMERICAN CULTURE

U of Minnesota Press JFK, Karl Marx, the Pope, Aristotle Onassis, Queen Elizabeth II, Howard Hughes, Fox Mulder, Bill Clinton -- all have been linked to vastly complicated global (or even galactic) intrigues. In this enlightening tour of conspiracy theories, Mark Fenster guides readers through this shadowy world and analyzes its complex role in American culture and politics. Fenster argues that conspiracy theories are a form of popular political interpretation and contends that understanding how they circulate through mass culture helps us better understand our society as a whole. To that end, he discusses Richard Hofstadter's *The Paranoid Style in American Politics*, the militia movement, *The X-Files*, popular Christian apocalyptic thought, and such artifacts of suspicion as *The Turner Diaries*, the *Illuminatus!* trilogy, and the novels of Richard Condon. Fenster analyzes the "conspiracy community" of radio shows, magazine and book publishers, Internet resources, and role-playing games that promote these theories. In this world, the very denial of a conspiracy's existence becomes proof that it exists, and the truth is always "out there." He believes conspiracy theory has become a thrill for a bored subculture, one characterized by its members' reinterpretation of "accepted" history, their deep cynicism about contemporary politics, and their longing for a utopian future. Fenster's progressive critique of conspiracy theories both recognizes the secrecy and inequities of power in contemporary politics and economics and works toward effective political engagement. Probing conspiracy theory's tendencies toward scapegoating, racism, and fascism, as well as Hofstadter's centrist acceptance of a postwar American "consensus," he advocates what conspiracy theory wants but cannot articulate: a more inclusive, engaging political culture.

A BRILLIANT SOLUTION

INVENTING THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Shares the story of the Constitutional Convention in 1787 Philadelphia, detailing the human side of the considerable ideas, arguments, issues, and compromises that shaped the formation of the U.S. Constitution and government. Reprint. 20,000 first printing.

THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION

"Peter Knight has done the impossible—he has written a very interesting and readable book on the Kennedy Assassination. [The book] will prove indispensable not only to students and researchers of American politics and culture over the last half century, but also to the general reader." —Richard H. King, author of *Race, Culture, and the Intellectuals, 1940-1970* As a seminal event in late twentieth-

century American history, the assassination of President John F. Kennedy has permeated the American consciousness in a wide variety of ways. His death has long fascinated American writers, filmmakers, and artists. *The Kennedy Assassination* offers an authoritative, critical exploration of the many ways the event has been constructed in a range of discourses. The book looks at a variety of historical, political, and cultural attempts to understand Kennedy's death. Representations include journalism from the time; historical accounts and memoirs; official investigations, government reports, and sociological inquiries; numerous conspiracy theories; novels, plays, and other works of literature; the Zapruder footage; and photography, avant-garde art, and Hollywood films. "Peter Knight's book on the Kennedy assassination is the best available source we have on the most symptomatic event of post-war American history," Patrick O'Donnell, author of *Latent Destinies: Cultural Paranoia and Contemporary U.S. Narrative*, says. "Encyclopedic in scope, elegant and clear in its execution, wide-ranging in its assessment of the history and representational aftermath of that dark day in Dallas, this will be the 'go-to' book on the Kennedy assassination for some time to come." Peter Knight is senior lecturer in American studies at the University of Manchester. He is author of *Conspiracy Culture: From Kennedy to "The X-Files"* and editor of *Conspiracy Nation: The Politics of Paranoia in Postwar America*, *Conspiracy Theories in American History: An Encyclopedia*, and *Fakes and Forgeries*.

MAKING MEXICAN CHICAGO

FROM POSTWAR SETTLEMENT TO THE AGE OF GENTRIFICATION

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