#### The U.S. Women's Movement

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## Week One: Precursors

## feminism

# feminism (n.)

Advocacy of equality of the sexes and the establishment of the political, social, and economic rights of the female sex; the movement associated with this.



#### second wave feminism

## first wave feminism

## Suffragists



## Women's Suffrage Parade, New York City, 1912



## Ceremony ratifying the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment, Tennessee, 1920



# Flappers







## "Rosie the Riveter," 1942



#### "WOW" Poster, 1943



#### Wartime Work



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## The Domestic Ideal





#### **Domestic Service**



#### Black Women and Work





#### Division of Labor



#### 1950s housewife



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#### Folger's advertisement



## The Honeymooners



## Bettye Naomi Goldstein, Smith College, Class of 1942



BETTYE NAOMI GOLDSTEIN

## Betty Friedan, c. 1965



### The New York Times Book Review, 1963

This full page advertisement appeared in The New York Times Book Review June 30, 1963



family life, or who care about the future

LONDON OBSERVER: "Betty Friedan

shows how the mystique of femininity has failed to deliver the goods in prac-

tice; she also kicks some penetrating

holes in the theory.... It is not the drive to independence that has done

harm to American women but the in-

creasing compulsion to concentrate on

getting a man rather than on becoming

of our society."

MARYA MANNES: "A damning indictment of the social, educational and commercial pressures which have caused a harmful discrepancy between what women really are and what they are told they should be.".--Page-one review, N. Y. Henuld Tribume Book Review

CUF Meganines: "Mrs. Priedan swings a cool and sharp-olgod ase at the dolls houses that all loo many of beer countrybuy and the second second second second loop and a second second second second alammed the door on here. . . In its randor and wit, Mrs. Priedan's book is immonsely refronking, in its augustions for improving the situation, it is hopeful and inspecience."

FRED HECHINGER, N. Y. Times: "Confirms and drives home with editorial passion many dangers that educators themselves often warn against privately."

WASHINGTON POST: "Deserves cheers for daring women to take a more intelligent approach to life and work."

PHILADELPHIA BULLETIN: "Mrs. Friedan will have fur flying, hackles riningquite possibly more women's than men's; the book may well win more enemies than friends, but it will be read - and it deserves to be."

a human being." ESTHER PETERSON, Asst. Secretary of Labor, Women's Burcows "Mrs. Friedam's intelligent and sympathetic approach is refreshing. She has made a real contribution."

VIRGILIA PETERSON: "Absorbingly interesting, pertinent, relevant to my own problems and those of every woman I know."

LILLIAN SMITH: "Filled with startling and significant facts about modern women and the homes they are destroying through no fault of their own."

LIFE Megazine: "An angry, thoroughly documented book that in one way or another is going to provoke the daylights out of everyone who reads it."

PROFESSOR WILLIAM A. OWENS, Celombia balversity: "Written about women, for women, but should be required reading for men. Directly or indirectly, it touches on the contributions of American men to the problems of American women." **Feminine Mystique** 

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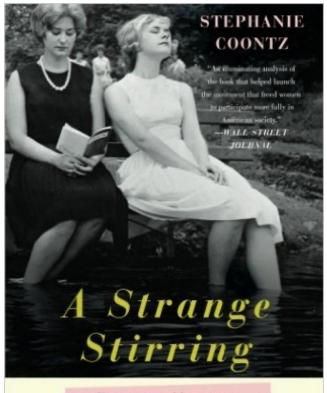
### By BETTY FRIEDAN

7th BIG PRINTING + \$5.95 at all bookstores + W. W. NORTON & COMPANY, INC.

### The Feminine Mystique, 1963

THE YEAR'S MOST CONTROVERSIAL BESTSELLER \* The The book we have been waiting for

"The book we have been waiting for ... the wisest, sanest, soundest, most understanding and compassionate treatment of contemporary American woman's greatest problem...a triumph."

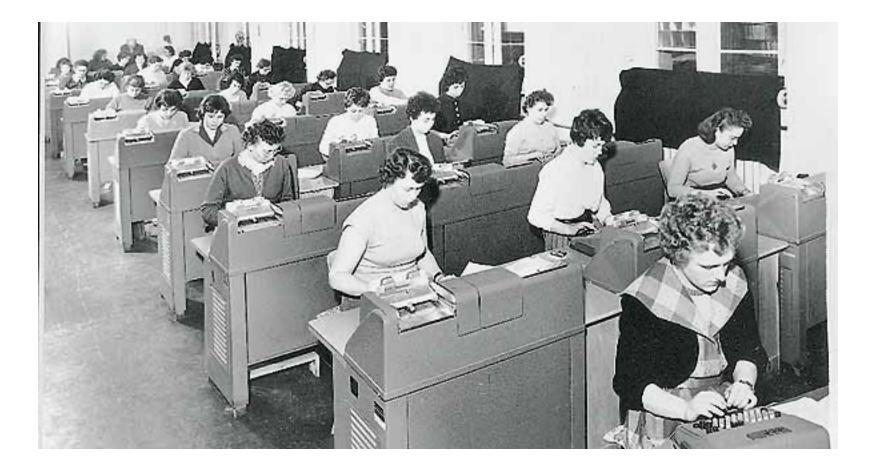


The Feminine Mystique and AMERICAN WOMEN at the DAWN of the 1960s

## Stephanie Coontz



## Key Punch Operators



### **Telephone Operators**



# Nursing



### Secretarial Work



### Clerical Work



## Teaching



### Segregated Want Ads

### WANTED-MALE HELP.

### Bookkeepers and Clerks.

WANTED-A YOUNG MAN WHO IS A THOR-ough bookkeeper and competent correspond-ent; one living with his parents preferred; must come well recommended. Address, giving refer-ences, experience, and salary expected, R 130, Tribune office,

WANTED-AT ONCE, A COMPETENT JOB clerk in jewelry factory: state experience and give references. Address R 166, Tribune office.

WANTED-A FIRST-CLASS BILL CLERK WHO is accurate and rapid and has had experience in billing in wholesale drug line. Address 0 47, Tribune office.

WANTED-A COMPETENT INVOICE CLERK; ences, and salary. Address T 44, Tribune office.

WANTED - YOUNG MAN WITH COMMON are now earning \$15 to \$35 at this line of office work; taught by expert employed during day. Address P 162, Tribune office.

### Trades.

WANTED-FOREMAN IN MACHINE SHOP (40 hands), must be expert and well up in latest practice in manufacture of the steam engine, and energetic and pushing; address, with full particulars as to experience, age, expectations, etc., S 85, Tribune office.

WANTED-200 CAR BUILDERS. APPLY TO Madison Car Company, Madison, Ill.

WANTED-A MAN WHO UNDERSTANDS THE ornamental papier mache business. Address O 23, Tribune office.

WANTED-BAKER-MAN ON BREAD AND cakes. 6820 Wentworth-av., Englewood.

WANTED-PRINTER TO TAKE CHARGE OF A small office in connection with a general insur-ance agency; steady employment to right party. Ad-dress, stating wages expected, T 114, Tribune office.

### Salesmen.

WANTED-A MAN TO SELL A SPECIALTY; one who has experience in the wholesale gro-cery line preferred. Address T 110, Tribune office.

WANTED-AFIRST-CLASS CITY CIGAR SALES-man: a good opening for the right man. Ad-dress T 101, Tribune office.

ANTED-EXPERIENCED COFFEE AND SPICE VV salesmen in Wisconsin. Indiana, Illinois, Michi-gan, and Ohio. Address, with full particulars, T 104, Tribune office.

### WANTED-FEMALE HELP.

### Bookkeepers and Clerks.

WANTED - A YOUNG LADY WHO IS I'A thorough and expert bookkeeper and account-ant; no attention paid to answers that do not give full particulars and salary expected. Address O 68, Tribune office.

WANTED-BRIGHT. INTELLIGENT YOUNG lady who writes well and rapidly: work is most-ly copying: state age and salary expected. Address T17. Tribune office.

WANTED-IN MACHINE STORE, A BRIGHT worth-av.

WANTED - AN EXPERIENCED LADY BOOK-keeper; permanent position; small salary; state experience and salary required. P 90, Tribune.

WANTED-LADY (D. E.) BOOKKEEPER AND stenographer; must be competent and willing to work for low salary to start; answer in own handwriting. Address S 164, Tribune office.

### Stenographers.

WANTED-A COMPETENT LADY STENOGRA-lumber of good business capacity for position in lumber office in pleasantly located lumber manu-facturing town in Missouri; one who can and is willing to help in bookkeeping and general office work; must be a dignified, moral, quiet, and sensible lady, always able to do a day's work, and who can give references; brains and business tact prized above organt speed as stenographer; steady nosition above great speed as stenographer; steady position and good salary to right party. Address, giving age, experience, and salary expected, D C 27, Tribune office.

WANTED-LADY REMINGTON OPERATOR: give age, experience, full particulars, and low-est salary acceptable at start. P 150, Tribune.

WANTED-THREE GOOD LADY STENOGRAPH-ers: Remington, Caligraph; \$12, \$15, 72, 143 La Salle-st.

WANTED-LADY STENOGRAPHER IN AN IN-surance office; state references and salary. Ad-dress R 103, Tribune office.

W ANTED-LADY STENOGRAPHER AND TYPE. Wwiter part of each day; must be neat and bright. Address S 163, Tribune office.

WANTED-BY WHOLESALE HOUSE AN EX-pert lady stenographer, Remington, and must be a fine penman. Address, stating salary, etc., R 154, Tribune office.

WANTED-YOUNG LADY STENOGRAPHER: experience not so important a consideration as education and ability. Apply after 9 o'clock Monday

## sex segregation