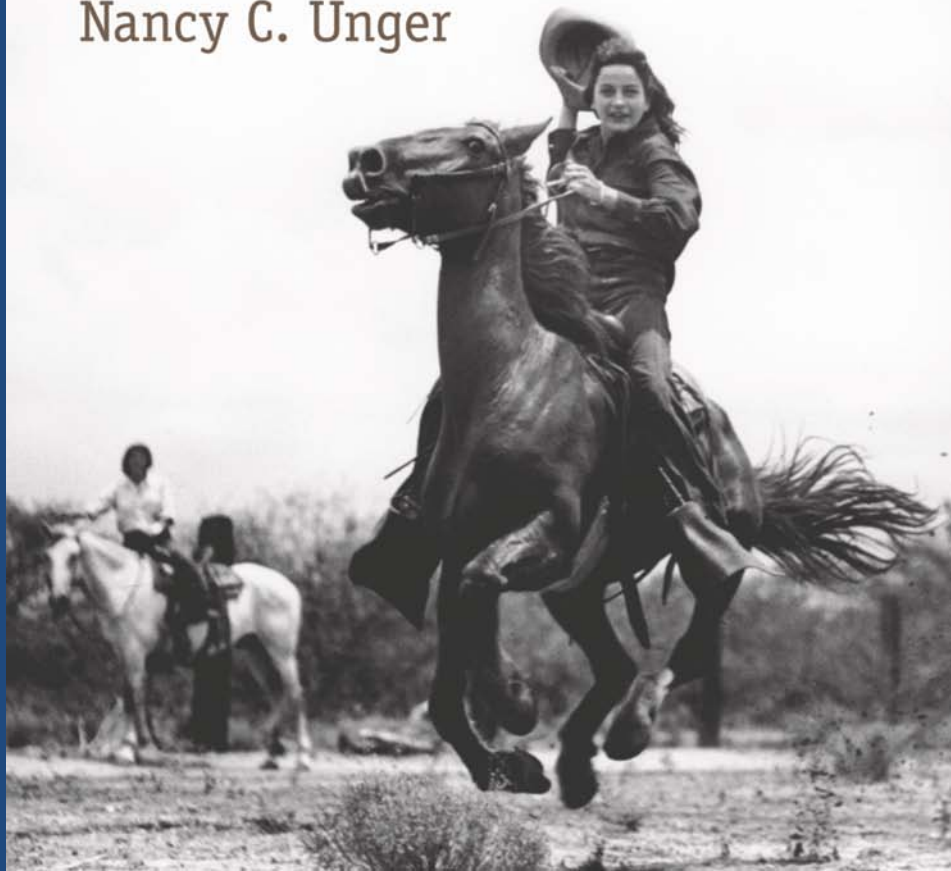
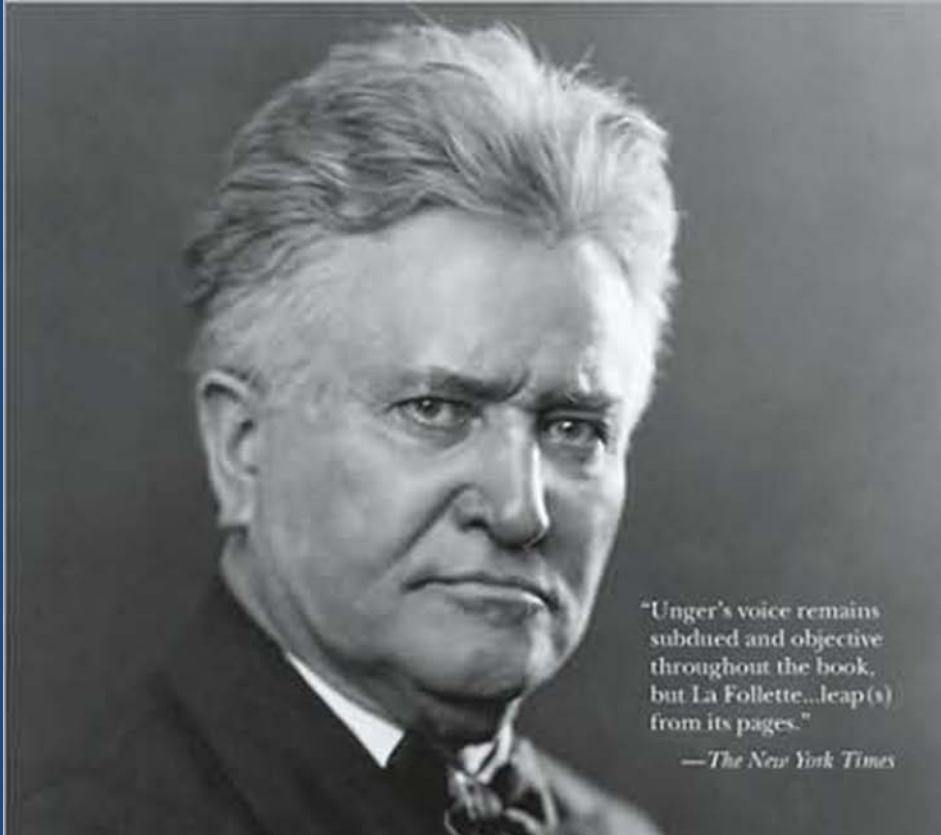


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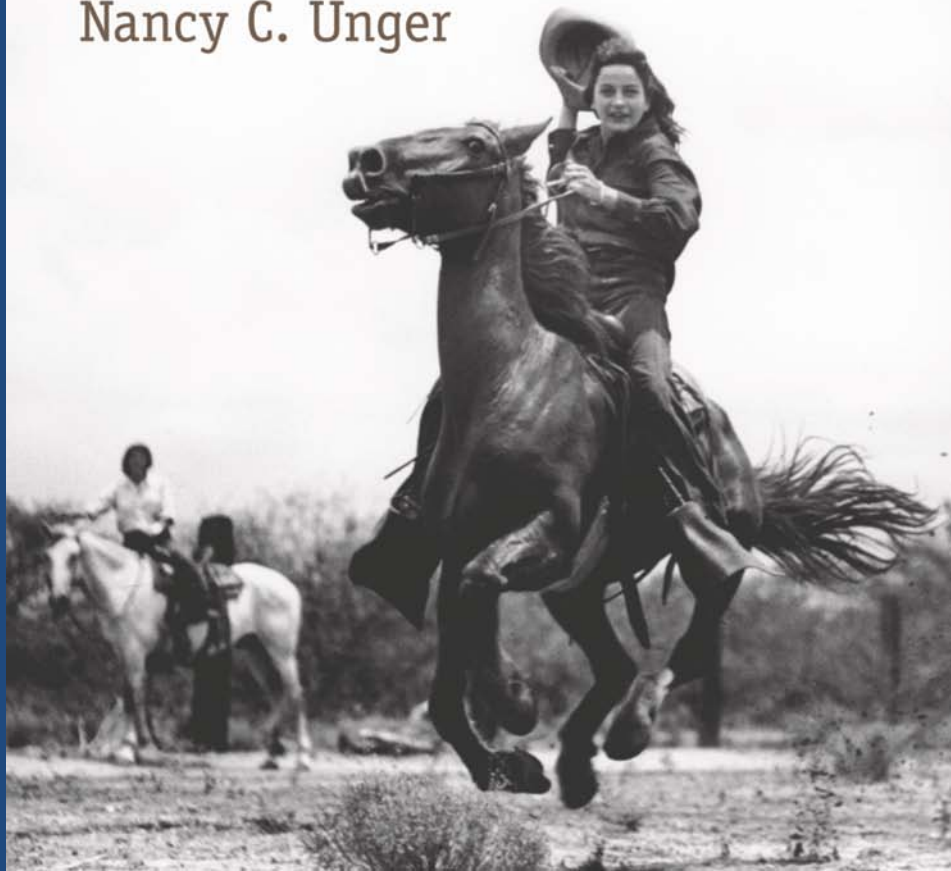
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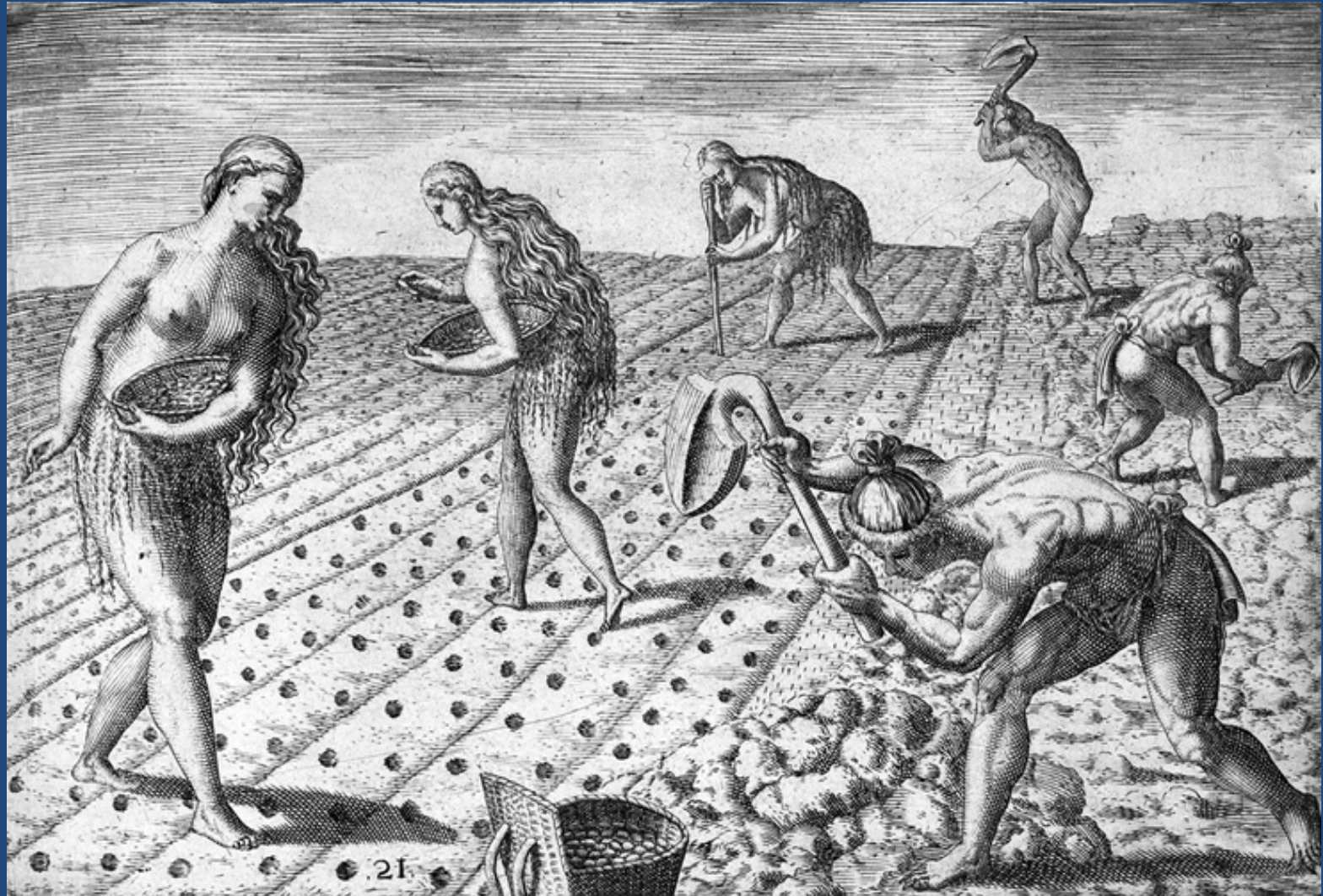
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# Progress or Folly?



# Pre-Columbian Native Americans



# Felling trees in Western Maine in the 1700s (artist unknown)

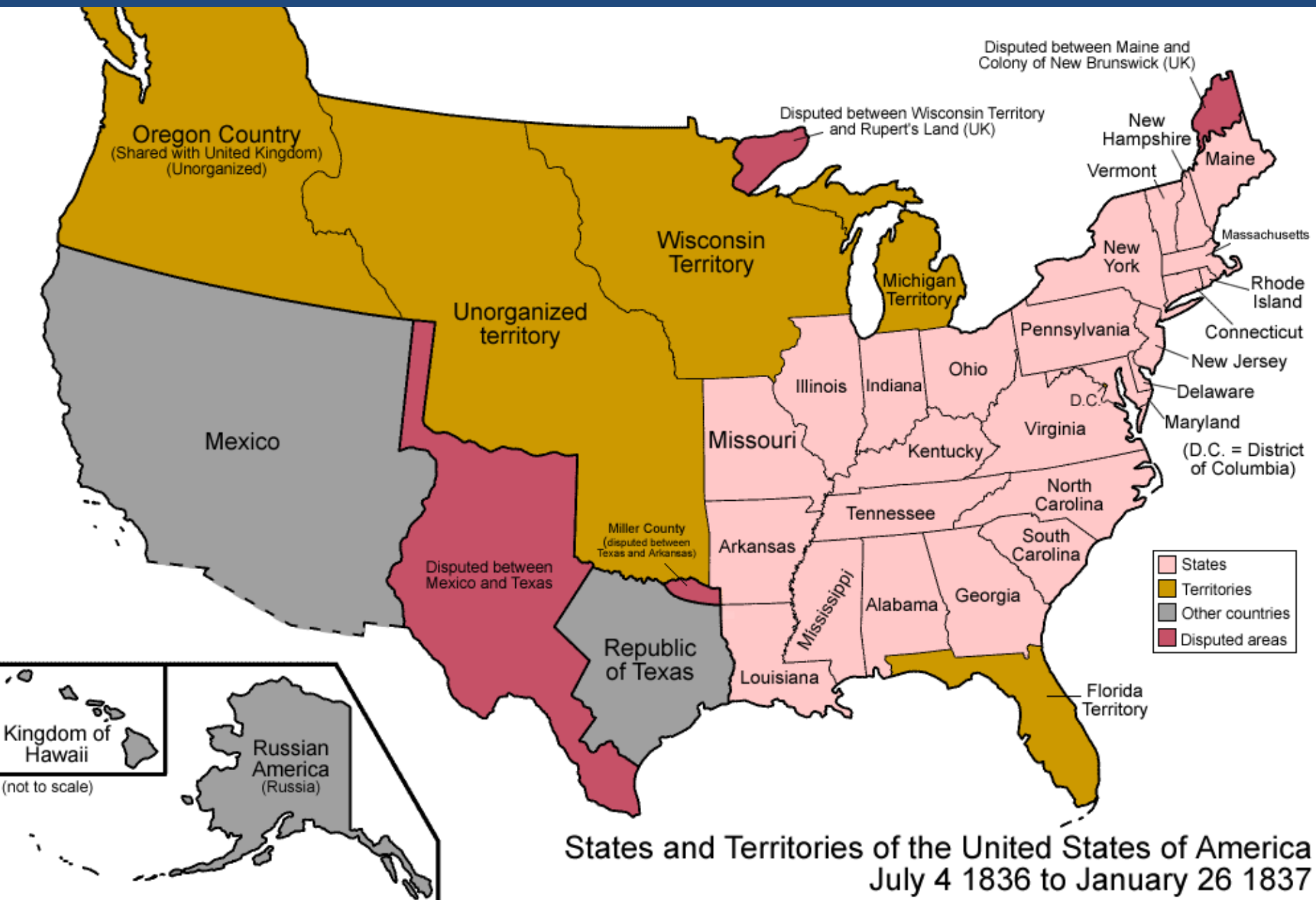


# Enslaved Women



[1960.108.1.3.21] An Overseer Doing His Duty, near Fredericksburg, Virginia. Watercolor on paper by Benjamin Henry Latrobe, ca. 1798.

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# The Spirit of Manifest Destiny Guides Men Across the Country



# Major Routes







# Bumpy terrain the overland trail





A Journey through the Navajo Country. The halt.

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# Homes on the frontier



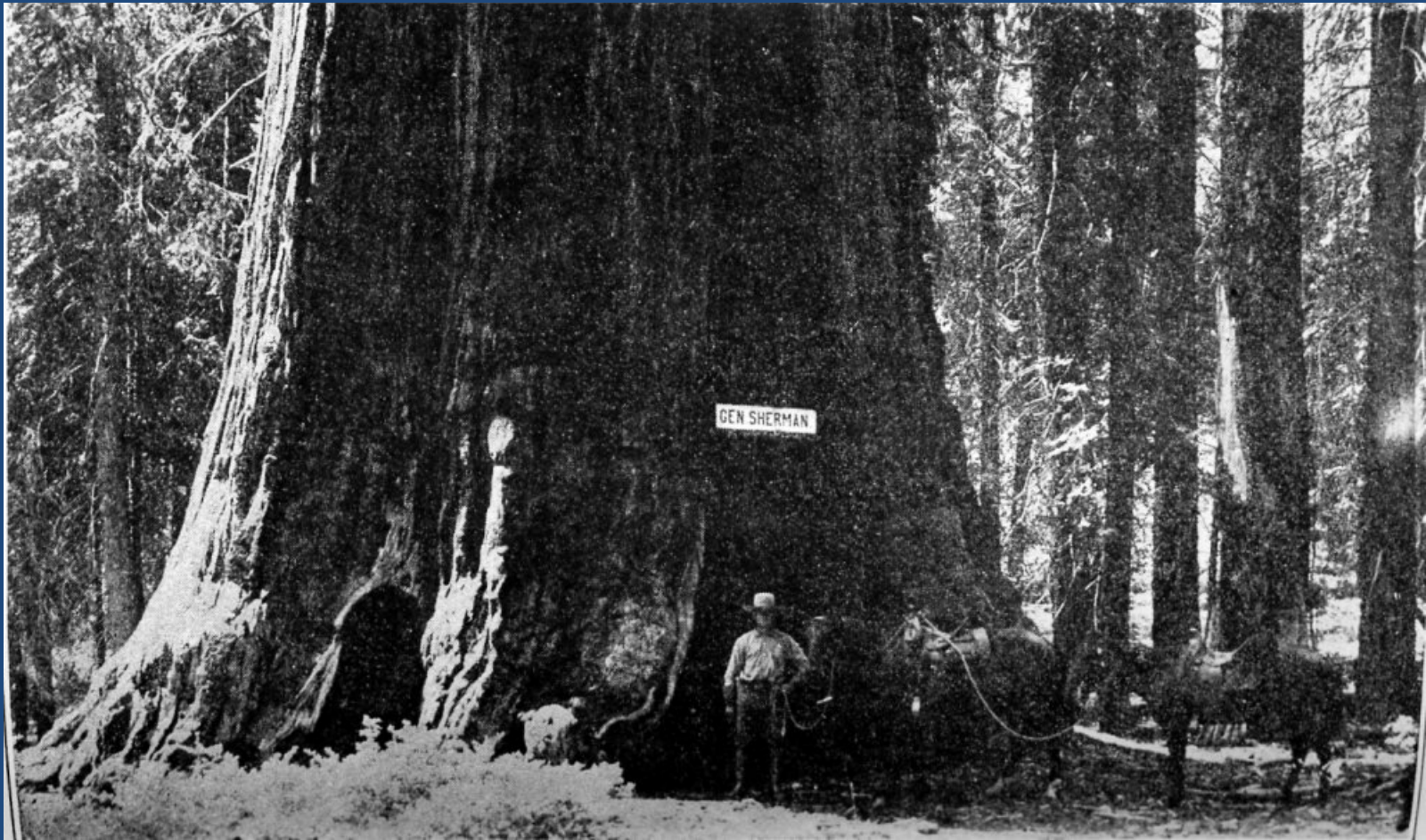


### **Nature's Housekeepers at a logging camp in Pennsylvania**

By William T. Clarke, Lois Barden Collection. Originally published in Ronald Ostman and Harry Littell, *William T. Clarke, Photographer: The Epic Transformation of North Central Pennsylvania from "Black Forest to Bleak Desert,"* Circa 1878-1917.



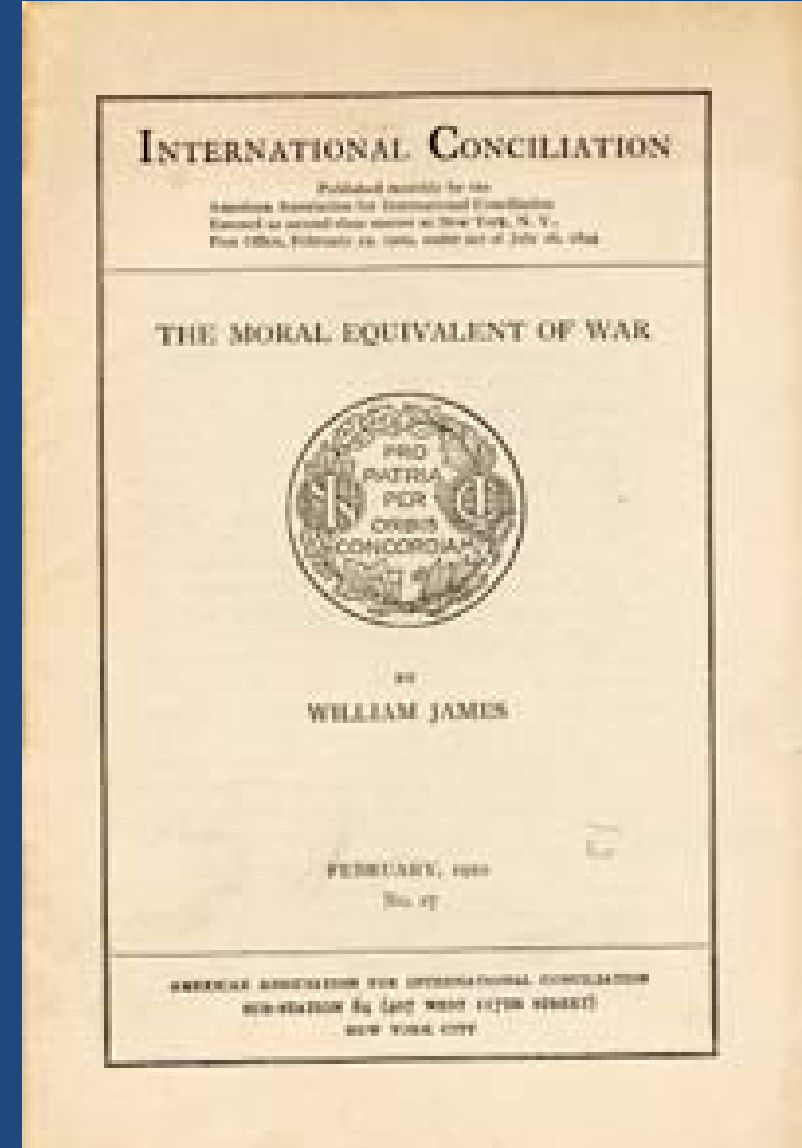
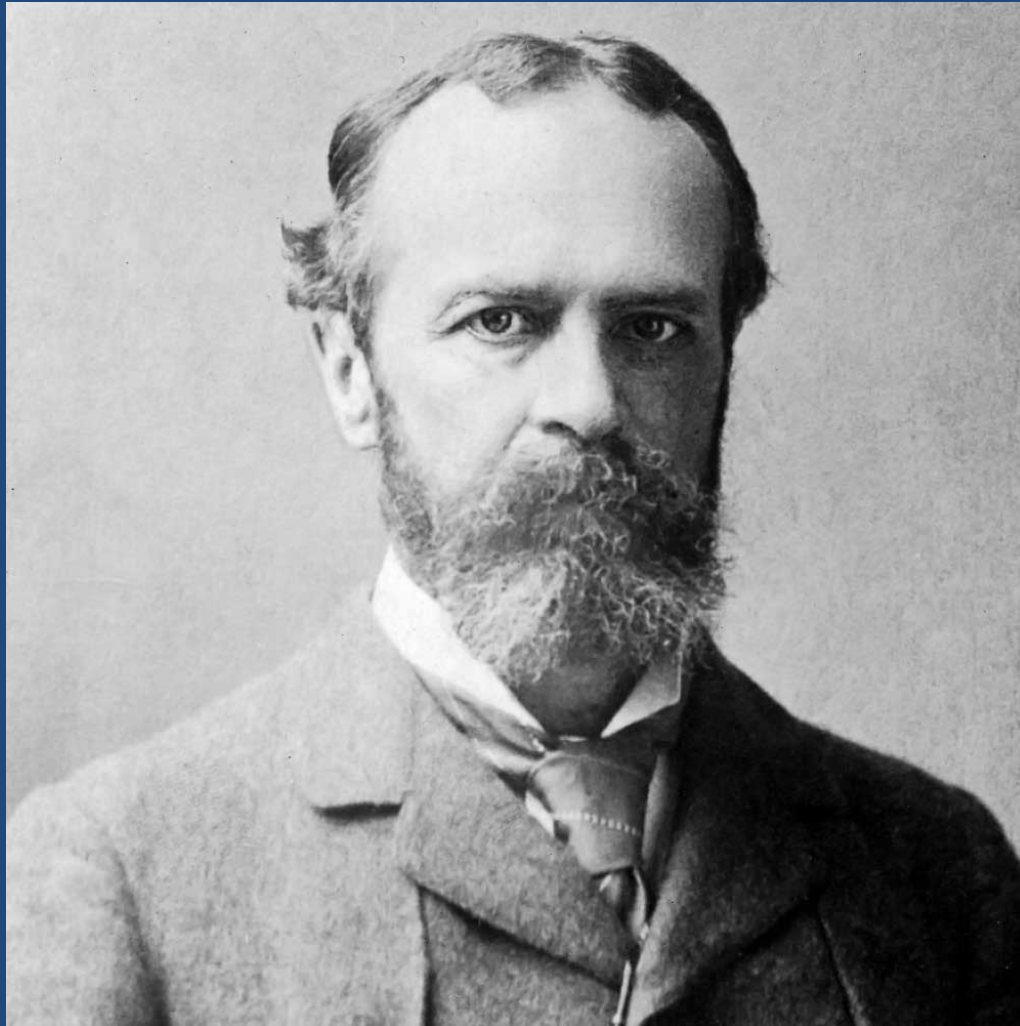
# The tree “General Sherman” in Sequoia National Park



# Sweeping Back the Flood



# William James “Moral Equivalent of War”



# Clara Burdette and the California Federation of Women's Clubs







# Shooting passenger pigeons



# Passenger pigeon slaughter, 1894

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# Carolina Parakeet



# Senator James Reed, D-Missouri



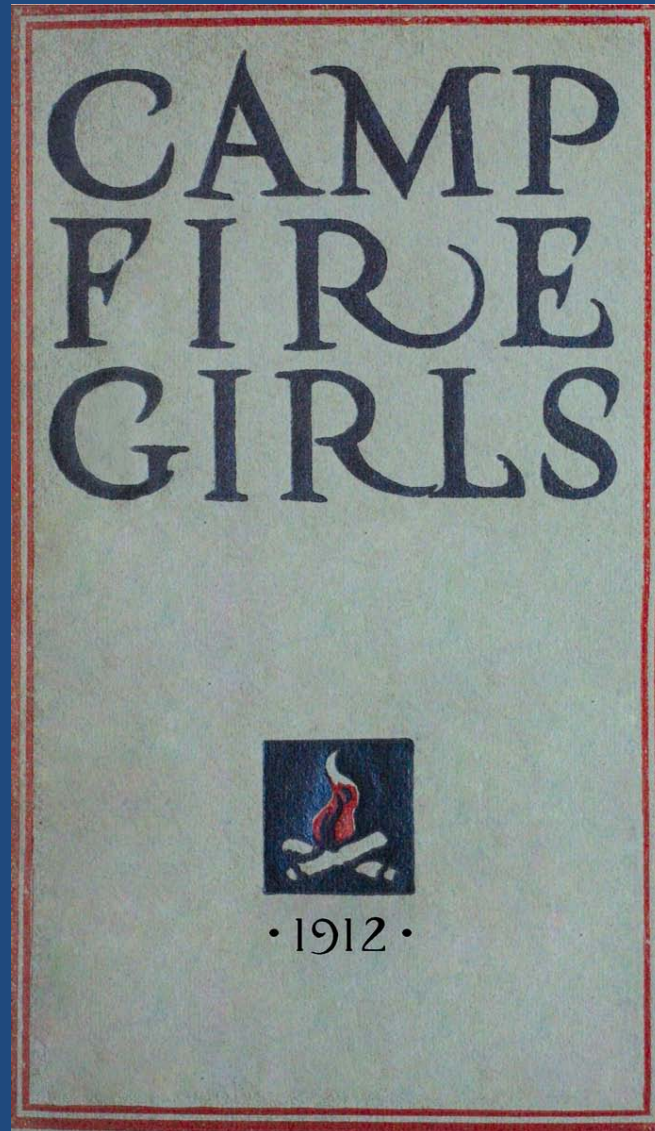


THE CRUELTY OF FASHION. "FINE FEATHERS MAKE FINE BIRDS."  
SEE PAGE 162.

# Urban schoolchildren on field trip



# First handbook



# Campfire Girls in Hetch Hetchy Valley, 1919



*This part of the Valley will soon be a reservoir for  
San Francisco water supply.*



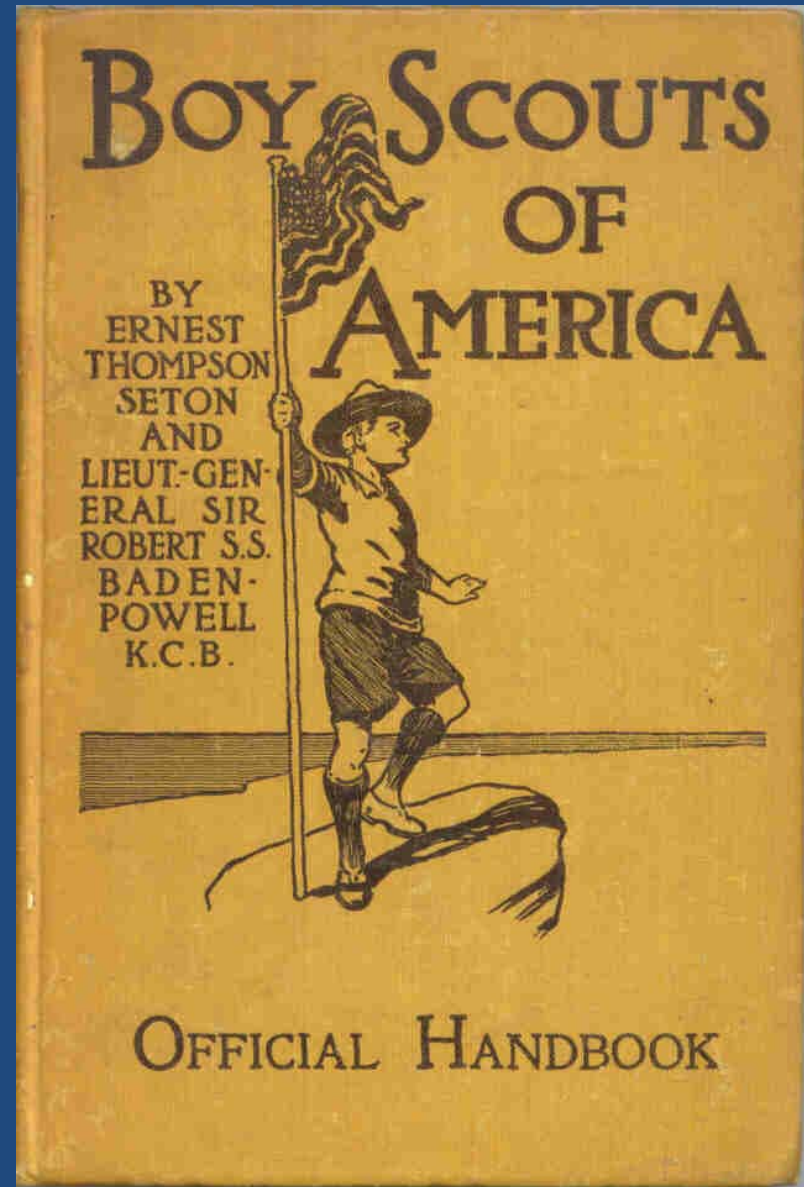
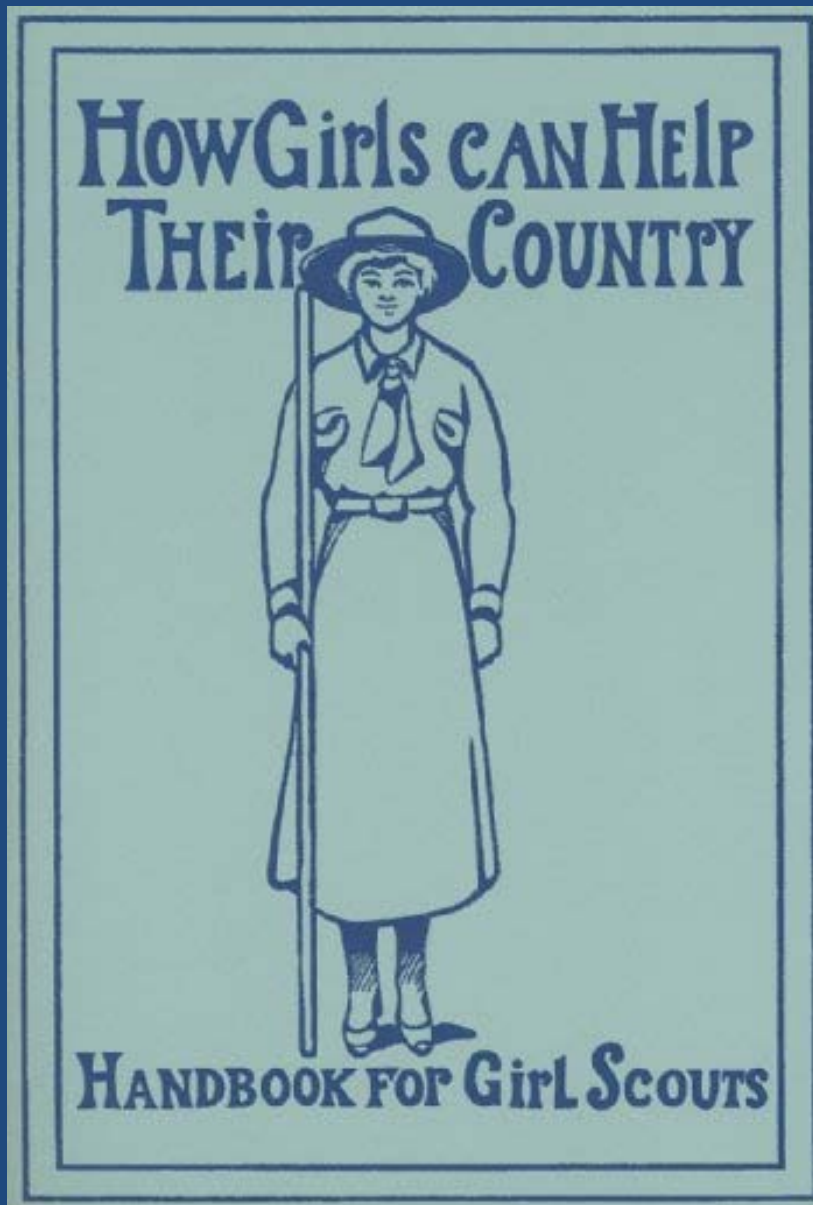
# Charlotte and Luther Gulick



# Juliette Low on far left, with Girls Scouts



# First Scouting handbooks





# Girls canoeing at Camp Moy Mo Da Yo, Maine



# 16-year-old Chicagoan Virginia Remy at ranch camp: Bisbee, Arizona











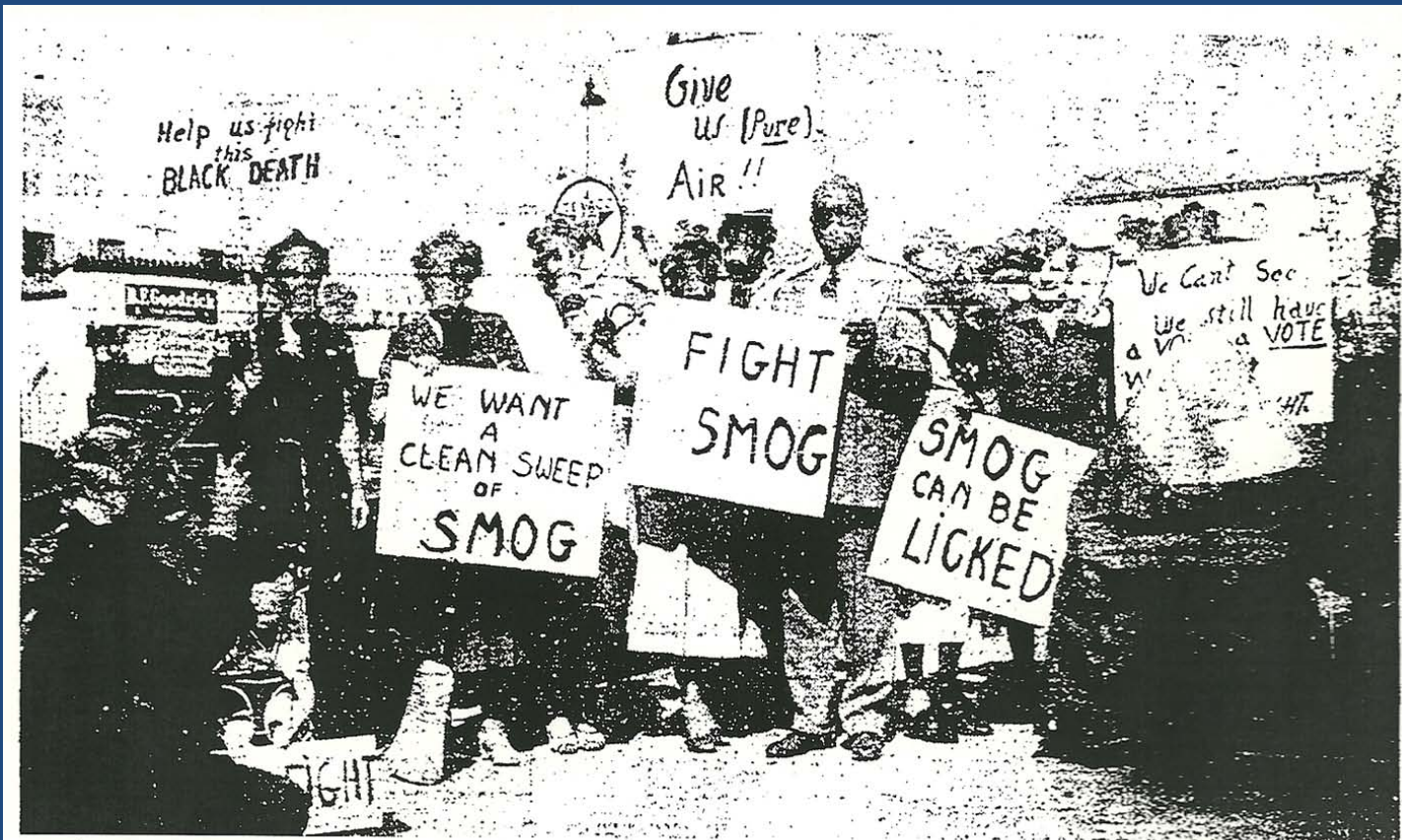
BETSY COWLES PARTRIDGE  
MOUNTAINEER

*Janet Robertson*





# Pasadena's Smog-a-Tears, 1954



**WOMEN PROTEST SMOG**—Wearing gas masks and carrying protest banners Pasadena housewives calling themselves the Smog-A-Tears

parade through downtown Pasadena streets. If you're curious about the man with the mask in their midst, he's a newspaper photographer.

Times photo



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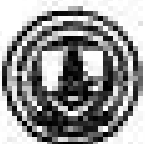
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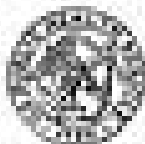




# DIDIT... FOR CONTROL OF HOUSEHOLD PESTS



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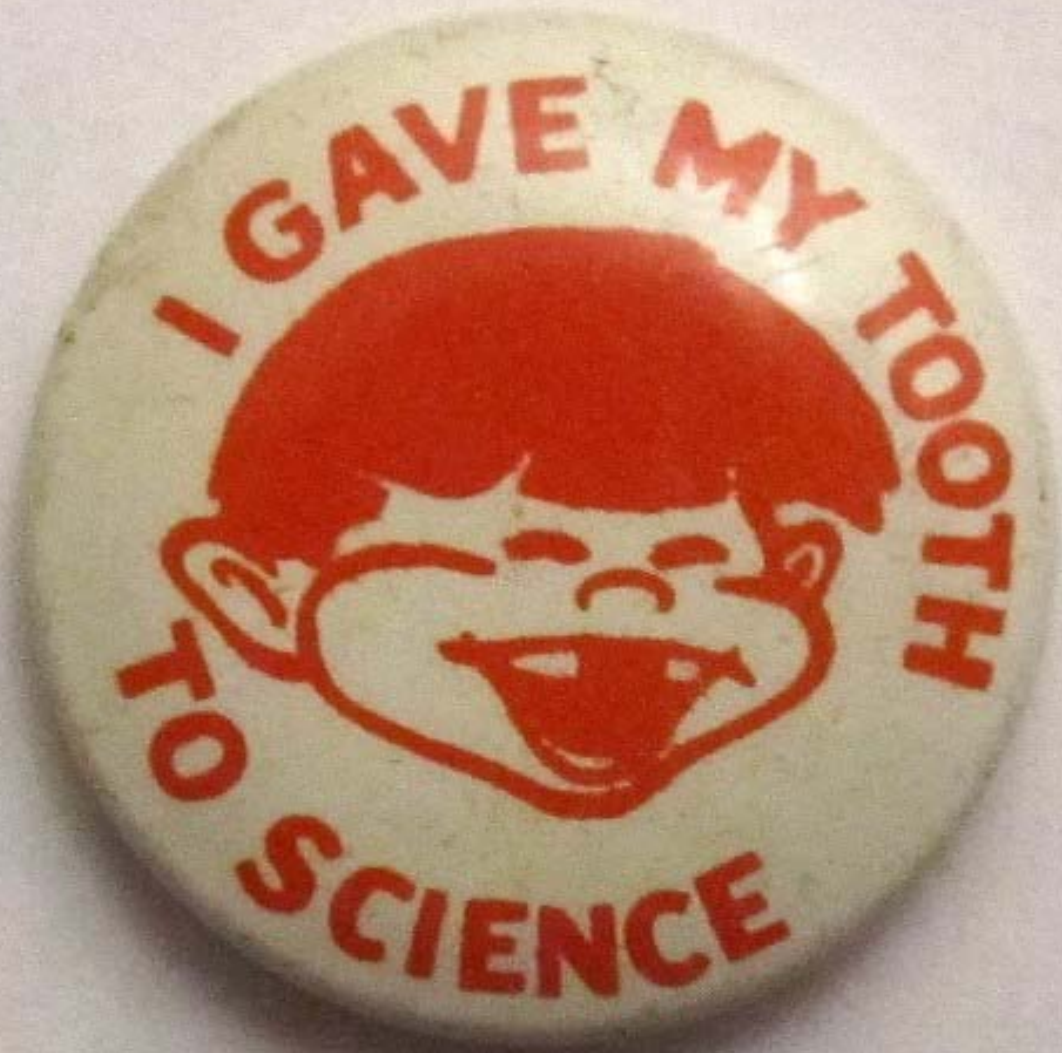
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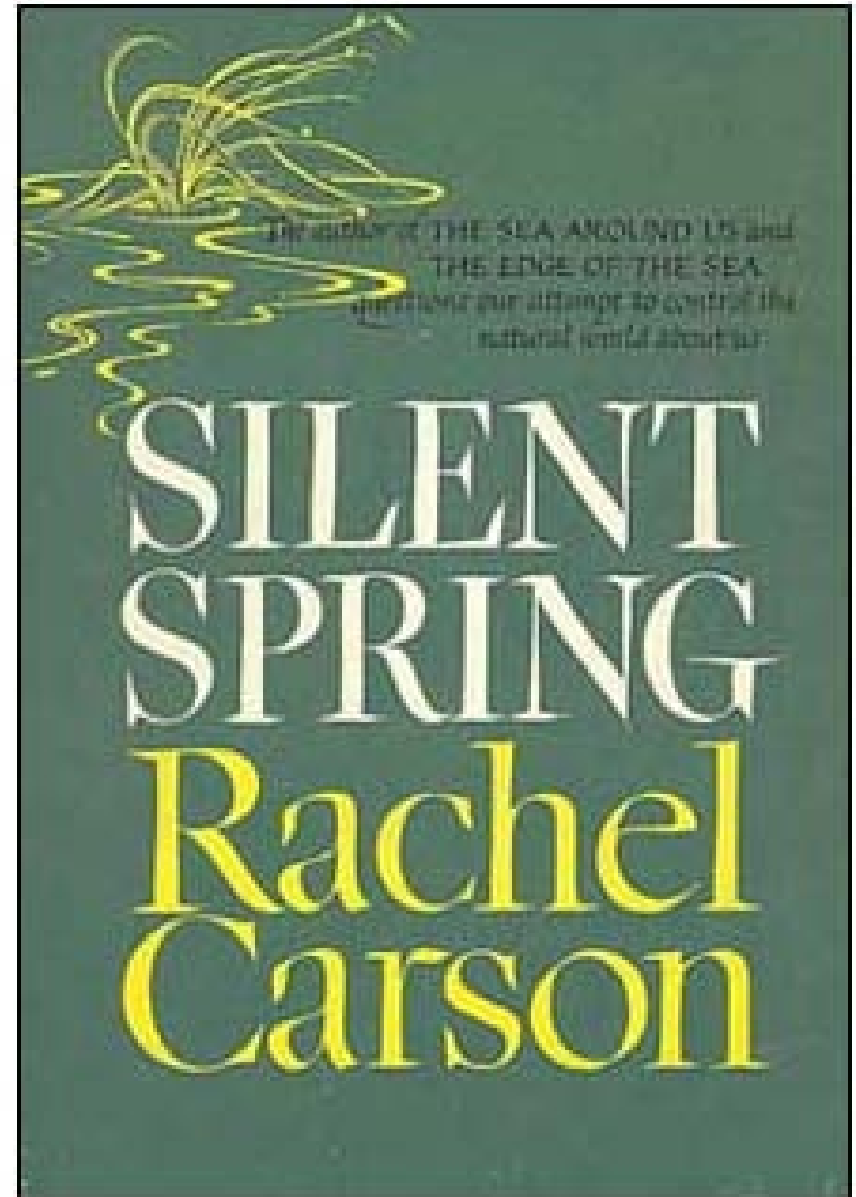
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# 'Silent Spring' Is Now Noisy Summer

**Pesticides Industry  
Up in Arms Over  
a New Book**

By JOHN M. LEE

The \$300,000,000 pesticides industry has been highly irritated by a quiet woman author whose previous works on science have been praised for the beauty and precision of the writing.

The author is Rachel Carson, whose "The Sea Around Us" and "The Edge of the Sea" were best sellers in 1951 and 1955. Miss Carson, trained as a marine biologist, wrote gracefully of sea and sky.



**Rachel Carson Stirs  
Conflict—Producers  
Are Crying 'Foul'**

defending the use of their products. Meetings have been held in Washington and New York. Statements are being drafted and counter-attacks plotted.

A drowsy midsummer has suddenly been enlivened by the greatest uproar in the pesticides industry since the cranberry scare of 1959.

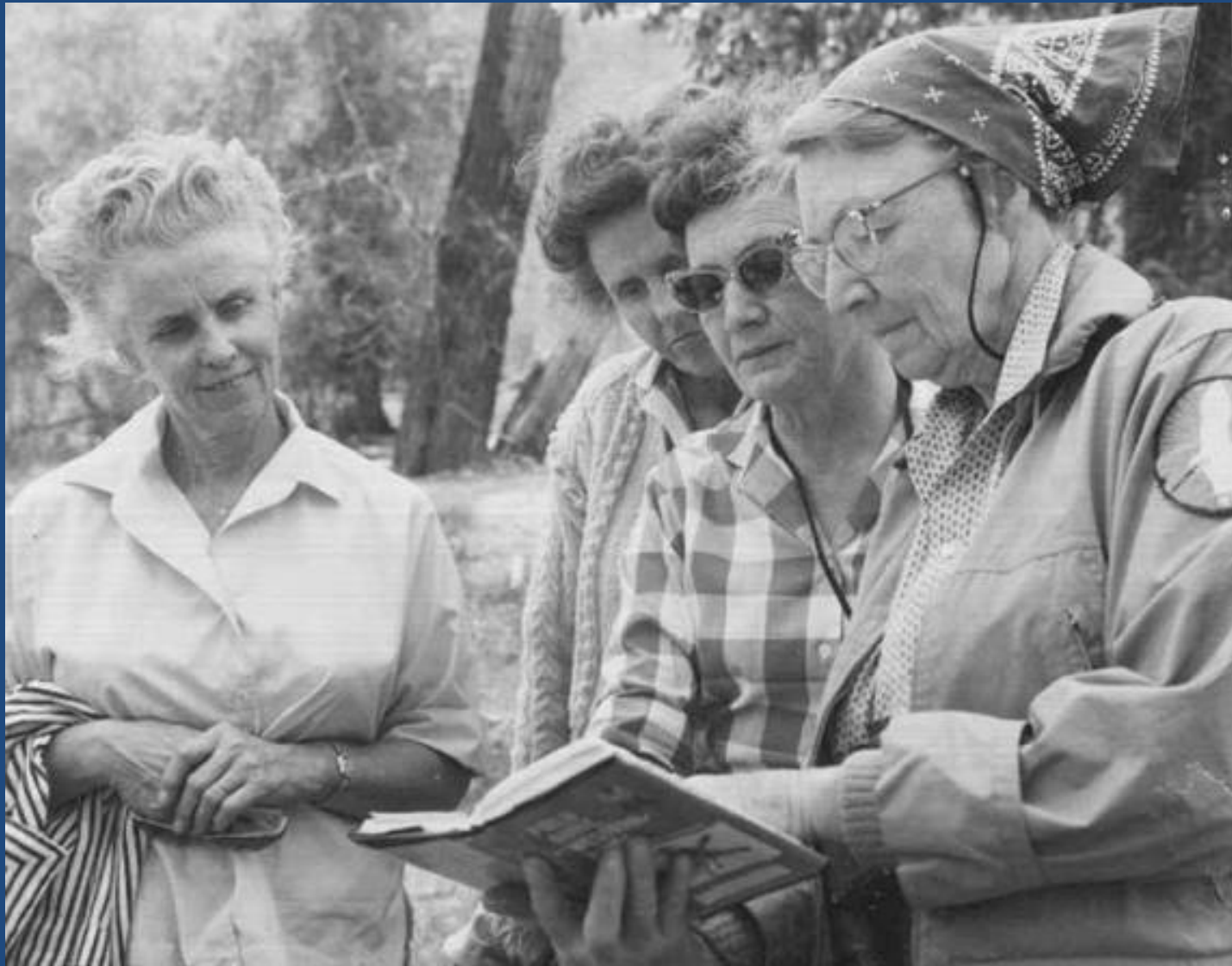
Miss Carson's new book, entitled "Silent Spring,"



# Carson Testifying Before Congress in 1963



# Environmental activists 1960s



Women's Pentagon Action, puppets by Amy Trompetter,  
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A black and white photograph of a hand, palm facing up, with fingers slightly spread. A bright red rectangular box is superimposed over the center of the hand. Inside the red box, the text "I shop therefore I am" is written in a bold, white, sans-serif font. The words "I shop" and "I am" are larger and more prominent, while "therefore" is smaller and positioned between them.

**I shop**  
therefore  
**I am**



no  
more  
shopping  
days 'til  
peace



UNITED NUCLEAR OPPONENTS

Are opposed to nuclear power plants anywhere in Wisconsin. Balloons like this one have been released from four potential nuclear plant sites in this state.

We would like to know how far this balloon went before you found it. PLEASE FILL IN THE CARD AND MAIL IT BACK. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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CITY COUNTY STATE

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Dec. 22, 1973  
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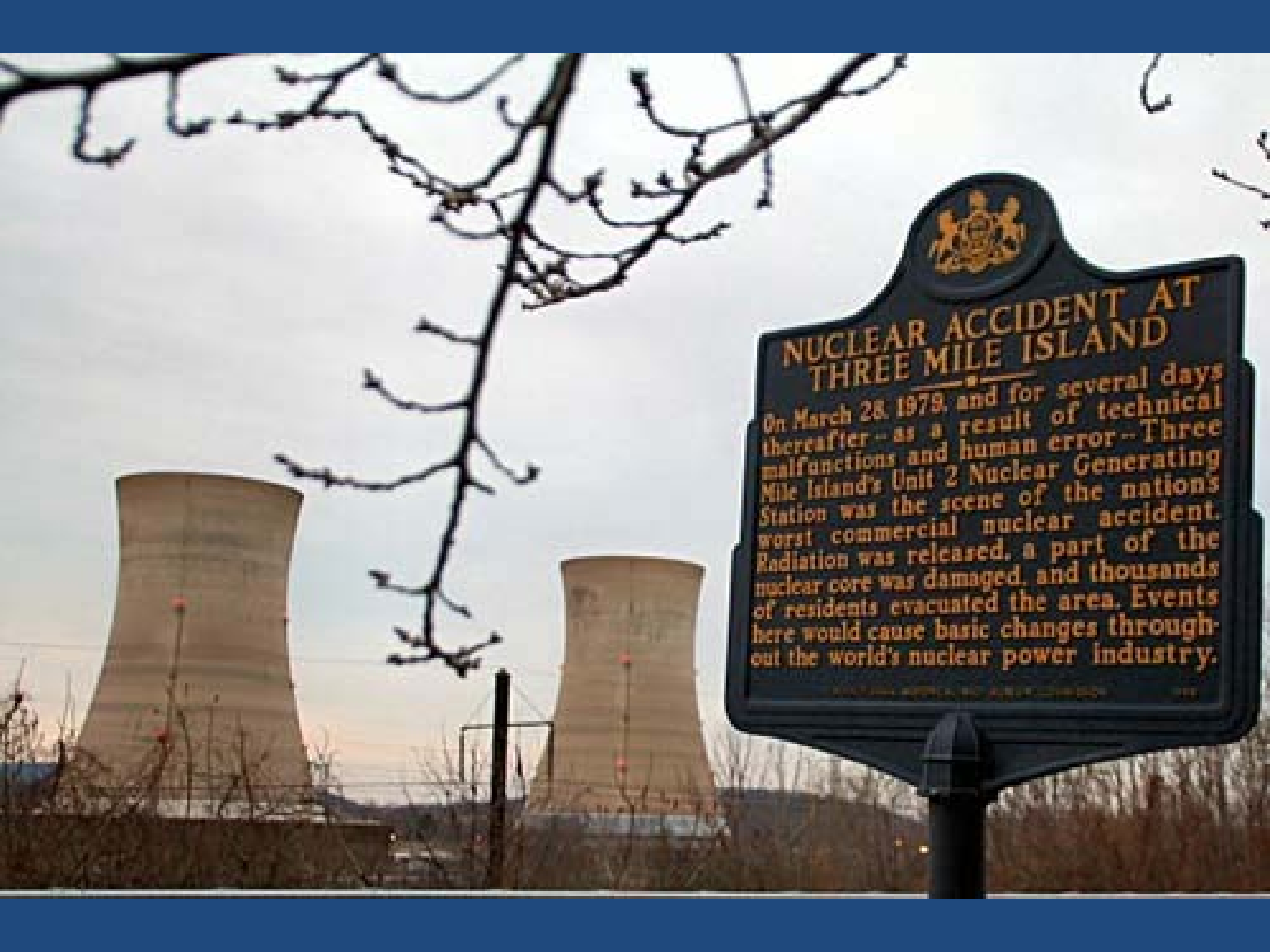
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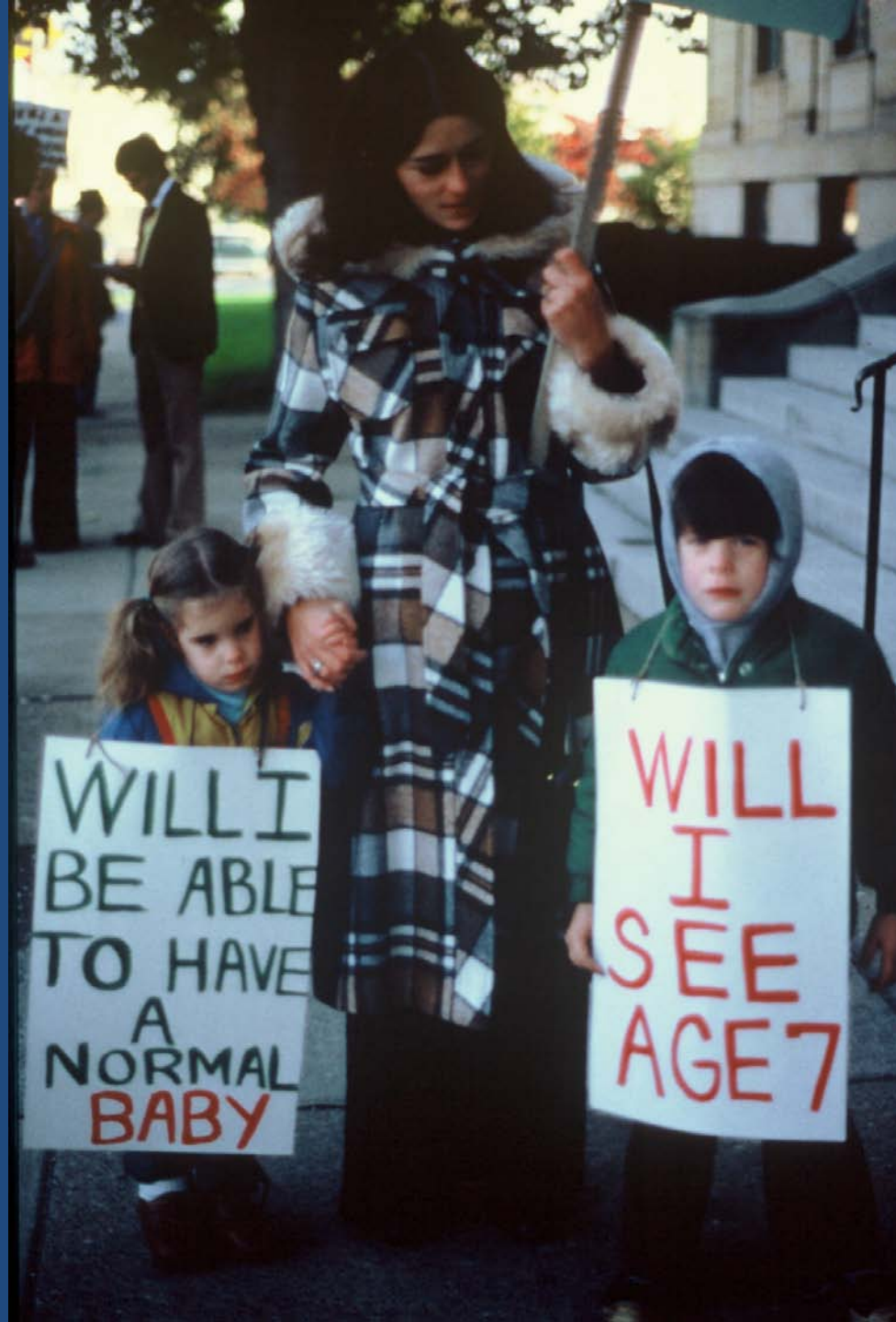






## NUCLEAR ACCIDENT AT THREE MILE ISLAND

On March 28, 1979, and for several days thereafter - as a result of technical malfunctions and human error - Three Mile Island's Unit 2 Nuclear Generating Station was the scene of the nation's worst commercial nuclear accident. Radiation was released, a part of the nuclear core was damaged, and thousands of residents evacuated the area. Events here would cause basic changes throughout the world's nuclear power industry.



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