

Chapter 26: Triumph of the Middle Class
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I. Introduction

A. **Kitchen debates** – define

B. Successes and troubles of postwar years – discuss

II. Postwar Prosperity and the Affluent Society

A. Economy: From Recovery to Dominance – define **Bretton Woods**, **World Bank**, and **International Monetary Fund**

B. **Military-industrial complex** – define; significance of defense spending

C. *Sputnik* and **National Defense Education Act** – define

D. *The Affluent Society* and *The Other America* – define

E. A Nation of Consumers – discuss significance of the GI Bill

F. **Veterans Administration (VA)** – define

G. **Collective bargaining** – define

H. "Consumer republic" – discuss consumption and how it drove the economy

I. Television – discuss its influence on daily life

J. Youth Culture – define **teenager**; discuss Hollywood and Rock 'n' Roll

K. **Beats** – define

L. Religion and the Middle Class – discuss trends and causes of trends; Billy Graham

III. The American Family in the Era of Containment

A. The Baby Boom – define **baby boom**

B. Health and Education – significance of Dr. Jonas Salk and Albert Sabin; changes in education

C. Women, Work, and Family – discuss two main forces that affected women's lives

D. Challenging Middle-Class Morality – discuss Alfred Kinsey, Homophiles, Hugh Hefner

IV. A Suburban Nation

A. The Postwar Housing Boom – discuss significance of William J. Levitt and FHA

B. *Shelley v. Kraemer* – define

C. **National Interstate and Defense Highways Act** – define; motivations/consequences

D. Rise of the Sunbelt – define **sunbelt**

E. Two Societies: Urban and Suburban – define **Kerner Commission**

F. Urban Immigrants – discuss changes in immigration policies