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Grey House Publishing announces *This is Who We Were: In the 1910s*

Grey House Publishing is proud to announce the publication of *This is Who We Were: In the 1910s*. This new title provides the reader with a deeper understanding of day to day life in America in 1910. It represents various economic classes, dozens of occupations, and all regions of the country, and is a comprehensive look at the decade that was shaped by the automobile, electricity, immigration, and World War I, through the eyes and ears of everyday Americans, not the words of historians or politicians.

Section One, **Personal Profiles**: Each of the 28 profiles begins with a brief introduction that anchors the text to the decade. Then, each profile is arranged in three categories: Life at Home, Life at Work, Life in the Community. The detailed Table of Contents gives specifics about jobs and geographic region.

Section Two is **Historical Snapshots**, made up of three long, bulleted lists of significant events and milestones. In chronological order—Early 1910s, Mid 1910s and Late 1910s—these offer an amazing range of firsts and turning points in American history, including a few “can you believe it?” facts, such as:

- \$700 tuition at Harvard University
- adoption of the 19th Amendment, granting women suffrage
- Orville Wright’s record breaking airplane flight
- discovery of the ozone layer
- linkage of high-cholesterol diets to heart problems
- introduction of a test measuring intelligence, and the term IQ
- first successful blood transfusion using stored blood
- adoption of daylight savings time

One of the most interesting things about researching an earlier time is learning how much things cost and what people earned. Section three, **Economy of the Times**, looks at a wide range of economic data, in three categories- Consumer Expenditures, Annual Income of Standard Jobs, and Selected Prices. These categories offer actual figures from three years- 1910, 1911 and 1916 for easy comparison and study. At the end of section three is a *Value of Dollar* Index that compares the buying power of \$1.00 in

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2013 to the buying power of \$1.00 in every prior year, back to 1860, helping to put the economic data into context.

Section four, **All Around Us – What We Saw, Wrote, Read & Listened To**, includes 60 original articles, book excerpts, speeches, and advertising copy that influenced American thought in the 1910s. With articles declaring “Why Girls Go Wrong,” “Our Responsibility in the War,” “The Darker Side of Driving,” and “Meeting the Child Labor Problem,” this section is the eyes and ears of America in the 1910s.

Finally is the section, **1910 Census Summary & Comparison Data**: This section includes two elements, both invaluable in helping to define the decade of the 1910s. First, 10 State-by-State comparative tables that rank data from the 1910, 1920, and 2010 Census. Topics include Population, Foreign-Born, and Homeownership Rate. Second, actual reprints from the 1920 Census of Population, including a United States Summary and detailed statistics on various topics, such as Color or Race, Marital Condition, Mother Tongue of the Foreign-Born White Population, Inability to Speak English, and Dwellings and Families. *This Is Who We Were: In The 1910s* ends with a comprehensive Bibliography, arranged by 13 topics from African Americans to World War I, and a detailed Index.

This dynamic new title, *This is Who We Were: In the 1910s*, will benefit a wide range of academic and personal research and curriculum needs. This comprehensive look at the decade in America when demonstrations were commonplace and traditional values were questioned, presents American history through the eyes and ears of everyday Americans not the word of historians or politicians.

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