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Project MUSE - A Jewish Feminine Mystique? Jewish Women in ... With the question mark of their title, the editors of A Jewish Feminine Mystique? engage this scholarly debate, but from a different angle. In addition to questioning the existence and importance of a "feminine mystique" in postwar America, contributors also consider how Jewishness complicated women's experiences. A Jewish feminine mystique? : Jewish women in postwar ... In The Feminine Mystique, Jewish-raised Betty Friedan struck out against a postwar American culture that pressured women to play the role of subservient housewives. However, Friedan never acknowledged that many American women refused to retreat from public life during these years. A Jewish Feminine Mystique?: Jewish Women in Postwar America. been organized thematically to include Jewish women activists, immigrant Jewish women's experiences, and representations of Jewish women. A pair of concluding chapters anchors this collection through astute analyses of the postwar period as a catalyst for the extensive involvement of Jewish women in the second-wave feminist movement.