

extremely unlikely for Earhart to have flown two thousand miles out of her way unless there was a deeper meaning to the action.

The last theory examined is Army Sargent Thomas E Devine's "capture theory". After arriving on the newly liberated island of Saipan, Devine recalls the Electra flying around the island and then being destroyed by US soldiers (41). After witnessing such a tragedy, Devine determined that Earhart flew over the area on accident and, in turn, were captured and executed as spies. Variations of the theory explain that Earhart was secretly instructed to spy or that she in fact survived and lived out her life under the name of Irene Bolam (41). Witnesses support Devine's idea by claiming that "Earhart and her navigator did go down in the Marshalls and were picked up by the Japanese" (41). In any conspiracy, it would be highly unlikely for Earhart to have survived a crash or a capture, thus "Irene Bolam" was probably just a normal civilian. Saipan is geographically out of the way; Earhart would have to have had a pretty good reason to fly that far north (of the map shown on page 39).

In *PSEOP World Civilizations II*, the topic of women's role in the workforce is covered. Beginning in the Industrial Revolution, women transformed the concept of domestic gender-determined roles. Chapter 21 covers the rise of political feminism, which wasn't completely successful in the United States, comparatively. As early as the days of Mary Wollstonecraft, the idea of men and women being equal (to an extent) circulated around yet was rejected. Women were always in inferior roles- economically, politically, and socially- until the late nineteenth to early twentieth centuries. After securing the right to vote and elevating the chance to be educated, women invaded the workforce. While most know Earhart as a female pilot who set record after record, she was also a feminist on the side, completely ahead of her time. In addition to wanting to take on the world, she also put relationships with men second and her passion for aviation first. This article was particularly interesting because it explored not only the success of Earhart, but the mystery behind her downfall. I was particularly eager to choose this article because in third grade, I completed a biographical presentation on Earhart. At the time, I believed that her accomplishments in aviation were so phenomenal. Now, I know that she will forever remain an anomaly not only with her strange disappearance, but how she acted beforehand: fierce, independent, and confident in a society that usually looked down upon such views.