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.com A breed of woman once existed who made their lives by marrying powerful men and polishing themselves to patrician perfection. These women would not think twice about traveling around the world with Truman Capote or going shooting with Ernest Hemingway. Slim Keith was one of the most successful of these women, and she'll charm your pants off with this book. Be careful. Howard Hawks and Leland Hayward couldn't resist her. What makes you think YOU can?From Publishers WeeklyThe recently deceased Keith, born Nancy Gross in Salinas, Calif., in 1916, invented her persona as a teenager, growing into a chic woman who became known among the socially elite as Slim.

Film director Howard Hawks and Broadway entrepreneur Leland Hayward divorced their wives to marry her; and although she was pursued by the likes of Clark Gable and Ernest Hemingway, the one love of her life, she writes, remained Hayward, who in turn left her for another woman. Her next and last husband was British banker Kenneth Keith, who provided her with a title and whom she left in 1972 after a 10-year marriage. Her "memoirs of a rich and imperfect life," written with freelancer Tapert, is compulsively readable, an account of a determined striving up from the middle class to join the Beautiful People. Keith, a woman of style, is revealed also as boastful and betraying, as a gossip who spared few friends--the real-life Lady Coolbirth of Truman Capote's infamous Answered Prayers . Photos not seen by PW . First serial to Vanity Fair; Literary Guild alternate. Copyright 1990 Reed Business Information, Inc.