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AMERICA'S FIRST FEMALE  
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Benedict's idea that a "culture" is not a random collection of traits, but a unique organization of these traits, has been a major contribution to the world's understanding of cultural diversity, personality, and human behaviour. She also refuted current theories of racial superiority.

**"The purpose of Anthropology is to make the world safe for human difference."**