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Tony Hillerman

*A Life*

By James McGrath Morris

The author of eighteen spellbinding detective novels set on the Navajo Nation, Tony Hillerman simultaneously transformed a traditional genre and unlocked the mysteries of the Navajo culture to an audience of millions. His best-selling novels added Navajo Tribal Police detectives Joe Leaphorn and Jim Chee to the pantheon of American fictional detectives.

Morris offers a balanced portrait of Hillerman's personal and professional life and provides a timely appreciation of his work. In intimate detail, Morris captures the author's early years in Depression-era Oklahoma; his near-death experience in World War II; his sixty-year marriage to Marie; his family life, including six children, five of them adopted; his work in the trenches of journalism; his affliction with PTSD and its connection to his enchantment with Navajo spirituality; and his ascension as one of America's best-known authors of mysteries. Further, Morris uncovers the almost accidental invention of Hillerman's iconic detective Joe Leaphorn and the circumstances that led to the addition of Jim Chee as his partner.

Hillerman's novels were not without controversy. Morris examines the charges of cultural appropriation leveled at the author toward the end of his life. Yet, for many readers, including many Native Americans, Hillerman deserves critical acclaim for his knowledgeable and sensitive portrayal of Diné (Navajo) history, culture, and identity.

At the time of Hillerman's death, more than 20 million copies of his books were in print, and his novels inspired Robert Redford to adapt several of them to film. In weaving together all the elements of the author's life, Morris drew on the untapped collection of the author's papers, extensive archival research, interviews with friends, colleagues, and family, as well as travel in the Navajo Nation. Filled with never-before-told anecdotes and fresh insights, *Tony Hillerman* will thrill the author's fans and awaken new interest in his life and literary legacy.

*James McGrath Morris* is an award-winning and *New York Times* best-selling author. His books include *The Ambulance Drivers: Hemingway, Dos Pasos, and a Friendship Made and Lost in War*; *Eye on the Struggle: Ethel Payne, the First Lady of the Black Press*; and *Pulitzer: A Life in Politics, Print, and Power*. He lives in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Learn more about his work at jamesmcgrathmorris.com.
A Life on Fire

Oklahoma’s Kate Barnard
By Connie Cronley

“How can women wear diamonds when babies cry for bread?” Kate Barnard demanded in one of the incendiary stump speeches for which she was well known. In *A Life on Fire*, Connie Cronley tells the story of Catherine Ann “Kate” Barnard (1875–1930), a fiery political reformer and the first woman elected to state office in Oklahoma, as commissioner of charities and corrections in 1907—almost fifteen years before women won the right to vote in the United States. Born to hardscrabble settlers on the Nebraska prairie, Barnard committed her energy, courage, and charismatic oratory to the cause of Progressive reform and became a political powerhouse and national celebrity.

As a champion of the poor, workers, children, the imprisoned, and the mentally ill, Barnard advocated for compulsory education, prison reform, improved mental health treatment, and laws against child labor. Before statehood, she stumped across the Twin Territories to unite farmers and miners into a powerful political alliance. She also helped write Oklahoma’s Progressive constitution, creating what some heralded as “a new kind of state.”

But then she took on the so-called “Indian Question.” Defending Native orphans against a conspiracy of graft that reached from Oklahoma to Washington, D.C., she uncovered corrupt authorities and legal guardians stealing oil, gas, and timber rights from Native Americans’ federal allotments. In retaliation, legislators and grafters closed ranks and defunded her state office. Broken in health and heart, she left public office and died a recluse. She remains, however, a riveting figure in Oklahoma history, a fearless activist on behalf of the weak and the helpless.

Connie Cronley is the author of three books of essays—*Sometimes a Wheel Falls Off*, *Light and Variable*, and *Poke a Stick at It*—and coauthor with the late Edward Perkins of *Mr. Ambassador: Warrior for Peace*. She is an enrolled citizen of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma and lives in Tulsa.
Bud Wilkinson and the Rise of Oklahoma Football

By John Scott

Foreword by Joseph Harroz Jr.

At the end of World War II, the top ten college football teams were largely the same as they are today—with one exception: Oklahoma.

In 1947, Bud Wilkinson was named OU’s head football coach and became the architect of Oklahoma’s meteoric rise from mediocrity to its present status as a perennial powerhouse. Based on interviews with Wilkinson, former OU president George Lynn Cross, and numerous former players, author John Scott gives us the behind-the-scenes story of Wilkinson’s years at the University of Oklahoma.

Scott takes us through the teams Wilkinson directed from 1947 to 1963, revealing the philosophies and tactics Wilkinson used to turn OU into one of college football’s elite programs. A close-up view of games—from strategy to execution—brings OU football and its cast of colorful characters to life. Scott details the Sooners’ 47-game winning streak as well as thrilling games against Notre Dame, Army, USC, and others. He also provides details of Wilkinson’s breaking of the color line in OU athletics and the infamous food-poisoning incident in Chicago in 1959.

Before his death in 1994, Wilkinson reviewed the first draft of the book and wrote in a letter to the author, “The explanations of football strategies are concise and clear. They rank among the best I have ever read.” Including vignettes of Wilkinson’s closest coaching friends (Royal, Bryant, Leahy, Sanders, Blaik, Tatum), Bud Wilkinson and the Rise of Oklahoma Football captures all the drama of Oklahoma’s ascendance and serves as an authoritative and entertaining history of the sport that will appeal to all college football fans.

John Scott is a freelance writer and former sportswriter for the Chicago Sun-Times and Tulsa Tribune. Joseph Harroz Jr. is President of the University of Oklahoma.

A comprehensive history of Oklahoma football’s first golden age
A masterwork of fiction highlighting the experiences of urban Native Americans

Watermelon Nights
By Greg Sarris
Afterword by Reginald Dyck

In *Watermelon Nights*, Greg Sarris tells a powerful tale about the love and forgiveness that keep a modern Native American family together in Santa Rosa, California. Told from the points of view of a twenty-year-old Pomo man named Johnny Severe, his grandmother Elba, and his mother, Iris, this intergenerational saga uncovers the secrets—and traumatic events—that inform each of these characters’ extraordinary powers of perception. First published in 1998, *Watermelon Nights* remains one of the few works of fiction to illuminate the experiences of urban Native Americans and is the only one to depict the historical conditions that shape a tribe’s rural-to-urban migration.

As the novel opens, Johnny is trying to organize the remaining members of his displaced California tribe. At the same time, he is struggling with his own sexuality and thinking about leaving his grandmother’s home for the big city. As the novel shifts perspective, tracing the controversial history of the Pomo people, we learn how the tragic events of Elba’s childhood, as well as Iris’s attempts to separate herself from her cultural roots, make Johnny’s dilemma all the more difficult. In the end, what binds both family and tribe together is a respect—albeit at times reluctant—for the traditions that have withstood so many challenges.

This new edition of the novel features a revised preface by the author and an afterword by Reginald Dyck, who identifies broader contexts important to our understanding of the novel, including tribal sovereignty, federal Indian policy, and the effects of historical trauma. Gritty yet rich in emotion, *Watermelon Nights* stands beside the works of Louise Erdrich, Stephen Graham Jones, and Tommy Orange.

Greg Sarris is the author of *Keeping Slug Woman Alive: A Holistic Approach to American Indian Texts* and *Grand Avenue: A Novel in Stories*, which was made into an HBO miniseries. He serves as the chairman of his tribe, the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria, in Sonoma County, California, and is Graton Rancheria Endowed Chair in Writing and Native American Studies at Sonoma State University. Reginald Dyck is Professor of English at Capital University and coeditor of *Crisscrossing Borders in Literature of the American West*. 
This Land Is Herland

Gendered Activism in Oklahoma from the 1870s to the 2010s

Edited by Sarah Eppler Janda and Patricia Loughlin

Since well before ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment in 1920 secured their right to vote, women in Oklahoma have sought to change and uplift their communities through political activism. *This Land Is Herland* brings together the stories of thirteen women activists and explores their varied experiences from the territorial period to the present. Organized chronologically, the essays discuss Progressive reformer Kate Barnard, educator and civil rights leader Clara Luper, and Comanche leader and activist LaDonna Harris, as well as lesser-known individuals such as Cherokee historian and educator Rachel Caroline Eaton, entrepreneur and NAACP organizer California M. Taylor, and Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) champion Wanda Jo Peltier Stapleton.

Edited by Sarah Eppler Janda and Patricia Loughlin, the collection connects Oklahoma women's individual and collective endeavors to the larger themes of intersectionality, suffrage, politics, motherhood, and civil rights in the American West and the United States. The historians explore how race, ethnicity, social class, gender, and political power shaped—and were shaped by—these women’s efforts to improve their local, state, and national communities.

Underscoring the diversity of women’s experiences, the editors and contributors provide fresh and engaging perspectives on the western roots of gendered activism in Oklahoma. This volume expands and enhances our understanding of the complexities of western women’s history.

Sarah Eppler Janda is Professor of History at Cameron University in Lawton, Oklahoma, and the author of *Beloved Women: The Political Lives of LaDonna Harris and Wilma Mankiller* and *Prairie Power: Student Activism, counterculture, and backlash in Oklahoma, 1962–1972*. Patricia Loughlin is Professor of History at the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond and the author of *Hidden Treasures of the American West: Muriel H. Wright, Angie Debo, and Alice Marriott*. Renée M. Laegreid, series editor, is Professor of History at the University of Wyoming.

*Examines the experiences and achievements of women activists in Oklahoma*
At War with Corruption

A Biography of Bill Price, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Oklahoma

By Michael J. Hightower

Foreword by Frank Keating

At War with Corruption began as a biography of Bill Price, the U.S. attorney and Republican candidate for high office who spearheaded prosecutions in the most pervasive public corruption spectacle in American history: the Oklahoma county commissioner scandal. Price’s determination to root out the rascals and restore faith in governance branded him as the biggest corruption buster in the state’s history.

Price’s career in law and politics serves as a portal into corruption in Oklahoma. Episodes in that narrative include land swindles (soonerism) at the dawn of Oklahoma history; theft of Native Americans’ property and steamrolling of their cultures that reached a nadir in the Osage murders; the Supreme Court scandal of 1964–65; Leo Winters’ alleged misuse of state taxes (what was the treasurer doing with the people’s money?); Governor David Hall’s trial and conviction on charges of extortion; prosecutions of drug syndicates, Penn Square Bank insiders, and Oklahoma Corporation Commissioners on the take; and the systemic bribery in county governance that inspired this book.

Price shatters the myth that Oklahomans have been uniquely tolerant of, and susceptible to, corruption. He blames structural flaws and inadequate legislation for tempting law-abiding citizens to heed the call of their darker angels. Although Price failed in his gubernatorial and congressional campaigns, he has influenced policy through philanthropies that set a high bar for civic engagement.

At War with Corruption reveals the sinister side of human nature. Yet its intention is not to depress, but rather to uplift and to show what is possible when public servants work together to frame effective laws and promote justice.

Michael J. Hightower is an independent historian and the author of the two-volume chronicle Banking in Oklahoma. He has taught sociology at the University of Virginia and Washington and Lee University. Frank Keating, a former U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Oklahoma, served as the state’s twenty-fifth governor (1995–2003).
George Hearst
Silver King of the Gilded Age
By Matthew Bernstein

Rising from a Missouri boyhood and meager prospecting success to owning the most productive copper, silver, and gold mines in the world and being elected a United States senator, George Hearst (1820–91) spent decades veering between the heights of prosperity and the depths of financial ruin. In *George Hearst: Silver King of the Gilded Age*, Matthew Bernstein captures Hearst’s ascent, casting light on his actions during the Civil War, his tempestuous marriage to his cousin Phoebe, his role as disciplinarian and doting father to future media magnate William Randolph Hearst, and his devious methods of building the greatest mining empire in the West.

Whether driving a pack of mules laden with silver from the Comstock Lode to San Francisco, bribing jurors in Pioche and Deadwood, or unearthing bonanzas in Utah and Montana Territories, Hearst’s cunning, energy, and industry were always evident, along with occasional glimmers of the villainy ascribed to him in the television series *Deadwood*.

In this first full-length biography, George Hearst emerges in all his human dimensions and historical significance—an ambitious, complex, flawed, and quintessentially American character.

Matthew Bernstein is an adjunct professor of English at Los Angeles City College and a frequent magazine contributor.

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In a career in public office spanning five decades, Mark Odom Hatfield (1922–2011) never lost an election. First elected to the Oregon House of Representatives in 1950, he retired from political office in 1997 after serving as Oregon state senator, secretary of state, and governor and as United States senator for five terms. He was arguably the state’s most important politician, but his brand of liberal-to-moderate Republicanism has long since vanished from the political stage. *Mark O. Hatfield: Oregon Statesman* tells Hatfield’s story—as an Oregonian, a politician, and a man of practical vision, deep convictions, and far-reaching consequence in the civic life of the state and the nation.

A lifelong evangelical Christian and Republican—per his mother’s fondest wishes—and politically inclined from a young age, Hatfield came to office after studying and teaching political science and observing firsthand the ravages of war in the Pacific and the cruelty of segregation at home. Historian Richard W. Etulain portrays Hatfield as an energetic young Republican legislator in a state becoming increasingly Democratic. He pushed civil rights legislation, supported laborers as well as business interests, and struck a balance that would align him with moderates even as the party’s conservative wing became ascendant. Elected in 1958 as Oregon’s youngest-ever governor, Hatfield went on to become the first in the twentieth century to hold that office for two terms, using his tenure to streamline the state’s executive branch and promote Oregon as a prime destination for business and tourism—efforts that quickly earned him a place on the national stage. Etulain focuses on Hatfield as a force in Oregon state politics but also examines his long tenure as a U.S. senator, garnering attention early for his stance against the Vietnam War and later for his antinuclear position.

The private life, the public figure, the man of faith and family, of an older West and the new: this biography, while compact, captures Mark Hatfield in full, as a major western politician of the twentieth century.

**Mark O. Hatfield**

*Oregon Statesman*

By Richard W. Etulain

Richard W. Etulain is Professor Emeritus of History and former Director of the Center for the American West at the University of New Mexico. He is the author or editor of more than 60 books, including *Beyond the Missouri: The Story of the American West* and *Presidents and the American West* (coauthored with Glenda Riley).
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By Jerome A. Greene
Foreword by Thomas Powers

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Jerome A. Greene is retired as a Research Historian for the National Park Service. He is author of numerous books, including Beyond Bear’s Paw: The Nez Perce Indians in Canada and Stricken Field: The Little Bighorn since 1876.

Thomas Powers is a Pulitzer Prize–winning journalist. His most recent book is The Killing of Crazy Horse.

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Merline Pitre is Professor of History and former Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Behavioral Science at Texas Southern University. A former President of the Texas State Historical Association, she is author of Through Many Dangers, Toils, and Snares: The Black Leadership of Texas, 1868–1898, Revised Edition, and In Struggle against Jim Crow: Lulu B. White and the NAACP, 1900–1957.
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**Robert K. DeArment** (1925–2021) was a University of Toledo, Ohio, graduate whose research and writing focused on nineteenth-century American history, especially outlaws and law enforcement in the frontier West. He is the author of *Bat Masterson: The Man and the Legend* and the three-volume *Deadly Dozen: Forgotten Gunfighters of the Old West*.

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**Rudolfo Anaya** (1937–2020) was Professor of English at the University of New Mexico and is the author of numerous books, including, most recently, *Poems from the Río Grande* and *Randy Lopez Goes Home*. His work received multiple literary awards, including the Premio Quinto Sol and a National Medal of Arts.

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By Frances Barton and John K. Novak
Foreword by James P. Leary

On any weekend in Texas, Czech polka music enlivens dance halls and drinking establishments as well as outdoor church picnics and festivals. The songs heard at these venues are the living music of an ethnic community created by immigrants who started arriving in Central Texas in the mid-nineteenth century from what is now the Czech Republic. Today, the members of this community speak English but their songs are still sung in Czech.

*Czech Songs in Texas* includes sixty-one songs, mostly polkas and waltzes. The songs themselves are beloved heirlooms ranging from ceremonial music with origins in Moravian wedding traditions to exuberant polkas celebrating the pleasures of life. For each song, the book provides music notation, and the Czech lyrics are set side-by-side with English translation. Then, an essay explores the song’s European roots, its American evolution, and the meaning of its lyrics and lists notable performances and recordings. In addition to the songs and essays, Frances Barton provides a chapter on the role of music in the Texas Czech ethnic community, and John K. Novok surveys Czech folk and popular music in its European home.

The book both documents a specific musical inheritance and serves as a handbook for learning about a culture through its songs. As folklorist and polka historian James P. Leary writes in his foreword, “Barton and Novak take us on a poetic, historical, and ethnographic excursion deep into a community’s expressive heartland. Their *Czech Songs in Texas* just might be the finest extant annotated anthology of any American immigrant/ethnic group’s regional song tradition.”

Frances Barton, a musician and independent ethnomusicologist, plays accordion in a Texas Czech polka band and is descended from Moravian immigrants to Central Texas. She studied music and journalism at the University of Texas at Austin. John K. Novak is Professor of Music Theory at Northern Illinois University, the grandson of Czech immigrants to Texas, and a specialist in the music of Czech composers Leoš Janáček, Antonín Dvořák, and Josef Suk. James P. Leary is a folklorist and Professor of Scandinavian Studies at the University of Wisconsin–Madison and author of Grammy-nominated *Folksongs of Another America: Field Recordings from the Upper Midwest, 1936–1946*. 

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*A collection of songs preserving a rich ethnic heritage from the heart of Texas*
Making Minimum Wage

Elsie Parrish versus the West Coast Hotel Company

By Helen J. Knowles

The U.S. Supreme Court’s 1937 decision in *West Coast Hotel v. Parrish*, upholding the constitutionality of Washington State’s minimum wage law for women, had monumental consequences for all American workers. It also marked a major shift in the Court’s response to President Franklin D. Roosevelt’s New Deal agenda. In *Making Minimum Wage*, Helen J. Knowles tells the human story behind this historic case.

*West Coast Hotel v. Parrish* pitted a Washington State hotel against a chambermaid, Elsie Parrish, who claimed that she was owed the state’s minimum wage. The hotel argued that under the concept of “freedom of contract,” the U.S. Constitution allowed it to pay its female workers whatever low wages they were willing to accept. Knowles unpacks the legal complexities of the case while telling the litigants’ stories. Drawing on archival and private materials, including the unpublished memoir of Elsie’s lawyer, C. B. Conner, Knowles exposes the profound courage and resolve of the former chambermaid. Her book reveals why Elsie—who, in her mid-thirties was already a grandmother—was fired from her job at the Cascadian Hotel in Wenatchee, and why she undertook the outsized risk of suing the hotel for back wages.

Minimum wage laws are “not an academic question or even a legal one,” Elinore Morehouse Herrick, the New York director of the National Labor Relations Board, said in 1936. Rather, they are “a human problem.” A pioneering analysis that illuminates the life stories behind *West Coast Hotel v. Parrish* as well as the case’s impact on local, state, and national levels, *Making Minimum Wage* vividly demonstrates the fundamental truth of Morehouse Herrick’s statement.

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Recovering Sanora Babb

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Thanks in part to the Ken Burns documentary The Dust Bowl, Sanora Babb is perhaps best known today for her novel Whose Names Are Unknown (2004), which might have been published in 1939 had her publisher not thought the market too small for two Dust Bowl novels, hers and Steinbeck’s The Grapes of Wrath. Into the twenty-first century, Babb wrote and published lyrical prose and poetry that revealed her prescient ideas about gender, race, and the environment. The essays collected in Unknown No More recover and analyze her previously unrecognized contributions to American letters.

Editors Joanne Dearcopp and Christine Hill Smith have assembled a group of distinguished scholars who, for the first time in book-length form, explore the life and work of Sanora Babb. This collection of pathbreaking essays addresses Babb’s position within the literature of the Great Plains and American West, her leftist political odyssey as a card-carrying Communist who ultimately broke with the Party, and her ecofeminist leanings as reflected in the environmental themes she explored in her fiction and nonfiction.

With literary sensibilities reminiscent of Willa Cather, Ralph Ellison, and Meridel LeSueur, Babb’s work revealed gender-based, environmental, and working-class injustices from the Depression era to the late twentieth century. No longer unknown, Sanora Babb’s life and work form a prism through which the peril and promise of twentieth-century America may be seen.

Joanne Dearcopp, Sanora Babb’s literary executor and agent, is an author, writing coach, and publisher. She has worked at Simon & Schuster, McCall Books, and Grolier Publishing. Christine Hill Smith is Professor of Humanities/Communication at Colorado Mountain College and the author of Social Class in the Writings of Mary Hallock Foote and coeditor of Sites of Insight: Colorado Sacred Places. David M. Wrobel is Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Oklahoma and the author of numerous articles and books, including America’s West: A History, 1890–1950.
Hugh Lenox Scott, 1853–1934

Reluctant Warrior

By Armand S. La Potin

A newly minted second lieutenant fresh from West Point, Hugh Lenox Scott arrived on the northern Great Plains in the wake of the Little Bighorn debacle. The Seventh Cavalry was seeking to subdue the Plains tribes and confine them to reservations, and Scott adopted the role of negotiator and advocate for the Indian “adversaries.” He thus embarked on a career unique in the history of the U.S. military and the western frontier. Hugh Lenox Scott, 1853–1934: Reluctant Warrior is the first book to tell the full story of this unlikely, self-avowed “soldier of peace,” whose career, stretching from Little Bighorn until after World War I, reflected profound historical changes.

The taste for adventure that drew Scott to the military also piqued his interest in the tenacity of Native cultures in an environment rife with danger and uncertainty. Armand S. La Potin describes how Scott embraced the lifeways of the Northern Plains peoples, making a study of their cultures, their symbols, and most notably, their use of an intertribal sign language to facilitate trade. Negotiating with dissident bands of Indians whose lands were threatened by Anglo settlers and commercial interests, he increasingly found himself advocating federal responsibility for tribal welfare and assuming the role of “Indian reformer.”

La Potin makes clear that “reform” was understood within the context of Scott’s own culture, which scaled “civilization” to the so-called Anglo race. Accordingly, Scott promoted the “civilization” of Native Americans through assimilation into Anglo-American society—an approach he continued in his later interactions with the Moro Muslims of the southern Philippines, where he served as a military governor.

Although he eventually rose to the rank of army chief of staff, over time Scott the peacemaker and Indian reformer saw his career stall as Native tribes ceased to be seen as a military threat and military merit was increasingly defined by battlefield experience. From these pages the picture emerges of an uncommon figure in American military history, at once at odds with and defined by his times.

Armand S. La Potin is Professor Emeritus of History at the State University of New York College at Oneonta and the author of Native American Voluntary Organizations.
Explores the role and meaning of judicial space in a democracy

The U.S. Supreme Court’s Democratic Spaces
By Jocelyn J. Evans and Keith Gaddie

Atop broad stone stairs flanked by statues of ancient lawgivers, the U.S. Supreme Court building stands as a shining temple to the American idea of justice. As solidly as the building occupies a physical space in the nation’s capital, its architecture defines a cultural, social, and political space in the public imagination. Through these spaces, this book explores the home of the most revered institution of U.S. politics—its origin, history, and meaning as an expression of democratic principles.

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All the Water the Law Allows

Las Vegas and Colorado River Politics

By Christian S. Harrison

As the population of the greater Las Vegas area grows and the climate warms, the threat of a water shortage looms over southern Nevada. But as Christian S. Harrison demonstrates in *All the Water the Law Allows*, the threat of shortage arises not from the local environment but from the American legal system, specifically the Law of the River that governs water allocation from the Colorado River. In this political and legal history of the Las Vegas water supply, Harrison focuses on the creation and actions of the Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA) to tell a story with profound implications and important lessons for water politics and natural resource policy in the twenty-first century.

In the state with the smallest allocation of the Colorado’s water supply, Las Vegas faces the twin challenges of aridity and federal law to obtain water for its ever-expanding population. *All the Water the Law Allows* describes how the impending threat of shortage in the 1980s compelled the five metropolitan water agencies of greater Las Vegas to unify into a single entity. Harrison relates the circumstances of the SNWA’s evolution and reveals how the unification of local, county, and state interests allowed the compact to address regional water policy with greater force and focus than any of its peers in the Colorado River Basin. Most notably, the SNWA has mapped conservation plans that have drastically reduced local water consumption rates; and, in the interstate realm, it has been at the center of groundbreaking water-sharing agreements.

Yet these achievements do not challenge the fundamental primacy of the Law of the River. If current trends continue and the Basin States are compelled to reassess the river’s distribution, the SNWA will be a force and a model for the Basin as a whole.

*Christian S. Harrison* teaches government at Coronado High School in Henderson, Nevada, and is a board member of the nonprofit Preserve Nevada, where he works to engage public school teachers in historic preservation efforts throughout the state.
In Pursuit of Utopia

Los Angeles in the Great Depression

By Errol Wayne Stevens

During the Great Depression, the Los Angeles area was rife with radical movements. Although many observers thought their ideas unworkable, even dangerous, Southern Californians voted for them by the tens of thousands. This book asks why.

To find answers, author Errol Wayne Stevens takes readers through the history of such movements as the Utopian Society, Dr. Francis Townsend’s old-age revolving pension plan, Upton Sinclair’s End Poverty in California gubernatorial campaign, and Retirement Life Payments, known as Ham and Eggs. The book also examines the Los Angeles Communists and the free-market capitalists, both quasi-religious movements with large followings, as well as the self-help cooperatives, a spontaneous upsurge of neighbors who came together to help one another in a time of desperate need.

As to these movements’ extraordinary popularity, Stevens finds the standard explanations unpersuasive. He debunks the idea that naïve, unsophisticated Southern Californians, living aimless, empty lives, suffering from ennui, and longing for community, readily supported charismatic leaders who promised a way out of the Great Depression. In Stevens’s telling, Southern Californians supported these movements because they spoke to their needs. Fearful or desperate, some elderly and hopeless, Angelenos cared less about the programs’ feasibility than about the programs’ promise of relief. As one Ham and Eggs supporter succinctly explained: “It may be a racket and maybe it won’t work more than a couple of weeks, but that will be $60 more than I ever got before for one vote.”

Finding parallels between past and present, readers might wonder why people remain loyal to programs that prove unrealistic, or why voters continue to support leaders who reveal, time and again, their ignorance or dishonesty. In its illumination of a troubled time in American history not so long ago, this book offers insight into our own.

Erroll Wayne Stevens (1944–2020) served as Special Collections Librarian at Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, and as a curator for western history research at the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County. He is the author of Radical L.A.: From Coxey’s Army to the Watts Riots, 1894–1965.

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The Search for the First Americans

Science, Power, Politics

By Robert V. Davis

Who were the First Americans? Where did they come from? When did they get here? Are they the ancestors of modern Native Americans? These questions might seem straightforward, but scientists in competing fields have failed to convince one another with their theories and evidence, much less Native American peoples. The practice of science in its search for the First Americans is a flawed endeavor, Robert V. Davis tells us. His book is an effort to explain why.

Most American history textbooks today teach that the First Americans migrated to North America on foot from East Asia over a land bridge during the last ice age, 12,000 to 13,000 years ago. In fact, that theory hardly represents the scientific consensus, and it has never won many Native adherents. In many ways, attempts to identify the first Americans embody the conflicts in American society between accepting the practical usefulness of science and honoring cultural values. Davis explores how the contested definition of “First Americans” reflects the unsettled status of Native traditional knowledge, scientific theories, research methodologies, and public policy as they vie with one another for legitimacy in modern America. In this light he considers the traditional beliefs of Native Americans about their origins; the struggle for primacy—or even recognition as science—between the disciplines of anthropology and archaeology; and the mediating, interacting, and sometimes opposing influences of external authorities such as government agencies, universities, museums, and the press.

Fossil remains from Mesa Verde, Clovis, and other sites testify to the presence of First Americans. What remains unsettled, as The Search for the First Americans makes clear, is not only who these people were, where they came from, and when, but also the very nature and practice of the science searching for answers.

Robert V. Davis Jr. holds a PhD in science and technology studies from Virginia Tech University. Since his retirement from public service with the federal government, he has focused his research and writing on the interactions between science and public policy.
Lost Tribes Found

Israelite Indians and Religious Nationalism in Early America

By Matthew W. Dougherty

The belief that Native Americans might belong to the fabled “lost tribes of Israel”—Israelites driven from their homeland around 740 BCE—took hold among Anglo-Americans and Indigenous peoples in the United States during its first half century. In *Lost Tribes Found*, Matthew W. Dougherty explores what this idea can tell us about religious nationalism in early America.

Some white Protestants, Mormons, American Jews, and Indigenous people constructed nationalist narratives around then-popular idea of “Israelite Indians.” Although these were minority viewpoints, they reveal that the story of religion and nationalism in the early United States was more complicated and wide-ranging than studies of American “chosen-ness” or “manifest destiny” suggest. Telling stories about Israelite Indians, Dougherty argues, allowed members of specific communities to understand the expanding United States, to envision its transformation, and to propose competing forms of sovereignty. In these stories both settler and Indigenous intellectuals found biblical explanations for the American empire and its stark racial hierarchy.

Lost Tribes Found goes beyond the legal and political structure of the nineteenth-century U.S. empire. In showing how the trope of the Israelite Indian appealed to the emotions that bound together both nations and religious groups, the book adds a new dimension and complexity to our understanding of the history and underlying narratives of early America.

Matthew W. Dougherty is Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream, in the history of Christianity at Emmanuel College of Victoria University in the University of Toronto.
Records of the Moravians Among the Cherokees

Volume Ten: March to Removal, Part 5:
“This Is Not My Home Any More,” 1834–1838

Edited by Richard W. Starbuck

Volume 10 of *Records of the Moravians Among the Cherokees, 1834-1838*, concludes the subtitle series *March to Removal* leading up to the Trail of Tears.

The state of Georgia and the United States press forward toward their common goal: Georgia for white citizens only and America east of the Mississippi swept clean of Indians. After years of negotiations, treaties, enactments, and lawsuits, the Treaty of New Echota, signed in late December 1835 by a handful of Cherokee head men, seals the fate of the Cherokee Nation east of the Mississippi.

The Cherokees are now a homeless people in their ancient homeland. And the Moravian Church’s missionaries, through mission diaries, reports, and letters, record the events as they hear, read, and watch them, “heart freezing scenes of injustice, deception, oppression, & force, of which this Nation is the victim,” missionary Henry Clauder writes in April 1837. As forced removal increases, “forts” are built to hold up to 200 Indians each, even at the Moravians’ beloved Springplace mission. Herded into the forts like cattle, many succumb to camp diseases.

As the deadline for departure approaches, John Ross, president of the Cherokee Nation, wins a concession from the Army’s Gen. Winfield Scott. Instead of soldiers, Cherokees will conduct the 13 “detachments” of about 1,000 Indians each.

And the Moravian missionaries make their own hard decision. With winter coming on, they depart on the 800-mile journey to Arkansas before Br. George Hicks can start his detachment with a number of Moravian mission families.

**Richard W. Starbuck** was born and raised in the Moravian Church. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Williams College and worked for twelve years as a writer and editor for the *Winston-Salem Journal* and *Sentinel* newspapers. In 1986 he joined the Moravian Archives, where he has been instrumental in editing numerous works for publication in print and online. He is the coauthor of *With Courage for the Future: The Story of the Moravian Church, Southern Province* and editor of eight volumes of *Records of the Moravians among the Cherokees*. Starbuck was appointed and briefly served as the Archivist of the Moravian Church, Southern Province, before retiring in 2017.
A student reader on African resistance in Panama

African Maroons in Sixteenth-Century Panama

A History in Documents

Edited by Robert C. Schwaller

From the 1520s through the 1580s, thousands of African slaves fled captivity in Spanish Panama and formed their own communities in the interior of the isthmus. African Maroons in Sixteenth-Century Panama, a primary source reader edited by Robert C. Schwaller, documents this marronage in the context of five decades of African resistance to slavery.

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Schwaller has translated all the documents into English and presents each with a short introduction, thorough annotations, and full historical, cultural, and geographical context, making this volume accessible to undergraduate students while remaining a unique document collection for scholars.

Robert C. Schwaller is Associate Professor of History at the University of Kansas. He is the author of Géneros de Gente in Early Colonial Mexico: Defining Racial Difference and coeditor of History of the World: Benzoni’s Historia del Mondo Nuovo.
How the Franciscans shaped Mexico over time

Materiality

Making Spanish America

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This volume collects the work of nine scholars who shared their research at the 2018 symposium presented by the Frederick and Jan Mayer Center for Ancient and Latin American Art at the Denver Art Museum. This international group of scholars assembled to explore theme of materiality in the Americas. The chapters consider materiality from a wide variety of angles, including hagiographic martyr portraiture, arms and armor in Spanish America, religious sculpture, the interpretation of the tocapu in post-conquest Peru, and collections assembled both in the Americas and of goods sent back to Europe.

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Generations of scholars have studied the multifaceted experiences of the Franciscans in Mexico and how the Franciscan order shaped New Spain and the early Mexican republic. Recent scholarship has given long-overdue attention to the evangelized natives. Most of these works focus on a specific region or period, or on a particular aspect of Franciscan ministries in New Spain. A comprehensive account of the Franciscans in Mexico over the long term has been missing, until now.

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Paul Roche is Associate Professor of Latin at the University of Sydney. He is the editor of Lucan: De Bello Civili, Book 1; Lucan: De Bello Civili, Book vii; and Pliny’s Praise: The Panegyricus in the Roman World.
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Gary Zellar holds a Ph.D. in history from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville. The author of several articles and numerous presentations on the African Creeks, he lives and teaches in Southeast Texas.

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Jack D. Forbes was Professor in the Department of Native American Studies at the University of California, Davis. He authored Native Americans of California and Nevada; Warriors of the Colorado: The Yumas of the Quechan Nation and Their Neighbors; and Africans and Native American. He was of Powhatan and Delaware descent.

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Mark van de Logt is Assistant Professor of Liberal Arts at Texas A&M University of Qatar and author of Monsters of Contact: Historical Trauma in Caddoan Oral Traditions. Walter R. Echo-Hawk, formerly an attorney for the Native American Rights Fund, currently practices law in Oklahoma City. He is a member of the Pawnee Nation.

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_Vernon E. Kniptash_ was the grandson of German immigrants who—unlike most of their German American contemporaries—did not support Germany in the years before the Great War. After the Armistice, he returned to his job as a draftsman with an Indianapolis architectural firm. _E. Bruce Geelhoed_, Professor of History at Ball State University, is coauthor (with Anthony O. Edmonds) of _Eisenhower, Macmillan, and Allied Unity, 1957–1961_ and coeditor (with Edmonds) of _The Macmillan-Eisenhower Correspondence, 1957–1969_.

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Robert M. Utley is a retired National Park Service historian and prolific writer on the history of the American West. His many books include *Cavalier in Buckskin: George Armstrong Custer and the Western Military Frontier*, Revised Edition; *Billy the Kid: A Short and Violent Life*; *Lone Star Lawmen: The Second Century of the Texas Rangers*; and *The Commanders: Civil War Generals Who Shaped the American West*.

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Shirley Boteler Mock is Research Fellow at the Mesoamerican Archaeological Research Laboratory, University of Texas, Austin. She is the editor of *The Sowing and the Dawning: Termination, Dedication, and Transformation in the Archaeological and Ethnographic Record of Mesoamerica*.

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