

*Small Town America: A Narrative History, 1620-the Present.* By Richard Lingeman. (New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons, 1980. Pp. 547. Bibliography, notes, index. \$15.95.) This large book surveys the history of small towns from colonial New England through the trans-Appalachian pioneer villages and the trans-Mississippi cow towns and mining camps to the small towns that survive in late twentieth-century America. Indiana readers will doubtless be especially interested in the author's several chapters on the late-nineteenth and early-twentieth centuries, when the small town reached its apotheosis in the Midwest. As have other authors, Richard Lingeman makes extensive use of literary sources, including the work of Meredith Nicholson, Booth Tarkington, Sherwood Anderson, and Sinclair Lewis. Some other kinds of sources are less ably handled, but this history provides a good introduction to a most important subject. *James H. Madison, Indiana University, Bloomington.*

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