

Prohibitionist on the liquor question. It is not proper in this review to examine the reasons for this career further than to say that this is the principal theme in the biography. He was a radical, as that term is popularly understood and on all political issues was a generation ahead of the voters. No student of present day politics in the United States but will enjoy this study of the life of General Weaver. In many ways he was the forerunner of Bryan and Wilson.

*Legal and Political Status of Women in Iowa. An Historical Account of the Rights of Women in Iowa from 1838 to 1918.* By RUTH A. GALLAHER. State Historical Society of Iowa, Iowa City, pp. 300. 1918.

The volume is divided into two parts. In part I the gradual enlargement of the civil rights of women is traced while in part II the growth of political right has been discussed. In this evolution Iowa stands somewhere near midway, not so radical as the states farther west and not so conservative as those farther east. It may be regarded therefore as following closely the public opinion of the nation as a whole. Beginning with the status of women in the common law the author has followed through the legislation of the state on her personal rights, in education, in the professions, in the criminal and divorce laws, property rights and rights in industry. The political rights sought by women are those of voting and holding office, or the broad right of suffrage. This history of the contest in a typical state, coming now when the fight is almost won in the nation is timely and interesting. As in most of the states women are still without the power of the ballot principally because of the difficulty in amending the constitutions. For the same reason Iowa like most of the states will default its duty and thus again the nation will have to supplement the weakening powers of the state.

*Switzerland County Days and Ways*, by the class of 1920 of Vevay high school is a pamphlet of eight pages, containing a dozen short local sketches and traditions.

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No. 4, *The National Road in Indiana*. By LEE BURNS, a 28 page pamphlet is a well written account. The writer has