

Review Notices*

Women's History: Resources at the State Historical Society of Wisconsin. By James P. Danky and Eleanor McKay. Second edition. (Madison: The State Historical Society of Wisconsin, 1975. Pp. 23. Illustrations. Pamphlet, \$1.00.) This mimeographed item is difficult to describe and classify. Although in some ways it serves as a guide to material which concerns women and which is held by the State Historical Society of Wisconsin, for the most part it offers information and clues concerning collections in which material about women can be found. Much of what is indicated, not surprisingly, would serve equally well for those interested in the study of men—notably federal and territorial census records, genealogical materials, newspaper files, and governmental publications at state as well as federal levels. Other clues and suggestions, such as comments about holdings regarding suffrage movements and a variety of clubs and organizations composed of (or at least dominated by) women, are presumably mainly useful as regards the history of women.

Manuscript Sources in the Library of Congress for Research on the American Revolution. Compiled by John R. Sellers *et al.* (Washington: Library of Congress, 1975. Pp. iii, 372. Subject index. \$8.70.) The content of this guide for researchers is well described by its title. Moreover, its table of contents spells out the variety of manuscript holdings referred to and indicates items which are reproductions from sources in other countries. Information is offered about copy in microfilm, transcript, and photostat as well as that in the original. The book's usefulness may be illustrated by the suggestion that its index lists various references to collections containing manuscript material about George Rogers Clark. The Library of Congress merits commendation for having published so valuable a guide as one of its enduring contributions to the American Revolution Bicentennial. This volume can be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, United States Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402.

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Revolutionary War Soldiers of Harrison County, Indiana. By Arville L. Funk. (Corydon, Ind.: ALFCO Publications, published in cooperation with the Harrison County Bicentennial Committee, 1975. Pp. 37. Maps, illustrations, index. Booklet, \$1.75.) Funk lists Revolutionary War veterans "either pensioned or buried in Harrison County" according to records he has used. His count includes seventy-one such veterans, but he lists an additional fourteen men about whom he views the evidence as incomplete. This booklet also includes summary historical information about Corydon and Harrison County as well as a descriptive listing of local historical and scenic places accompanied by a map of the county. The booklet can be purchased from the Harrison County Bicentennial Committee, P.O. Box 66, Corydon, Indiana 47112.

Preliminary Guide to the Special Collections of Indiana State University Evansville. Compiled by Josephine M. Elliott. (Evansville: Indiana State University Evansville, 1975. Pp. 42. Booklet, \$.25.) In 1972 the Lilly Endowment gave Indiana State University, Evansville, seed money to further its acquisition, preservation, and use of archival material regarding the region it serves. This publication is both a report of progress achieved and a guide to manuscripts, tapes, and other items acquired. The results have evidently been quite favorable to date.

Levi Coffin and the Underground Railroad. By Charles Ludwig. (Scottsdale, Pa.: Herald Press, 1975. Pp. 184. \$4.95.) There is a need for a brief, well prepared, and readable account of Levi Coffin and his role in the Underground Railroad. Unfortunately Ludwig's work does not serve this purpose. Its invented conversations, its manufactured facts, and its superficial conclusions are much too evident. The book is more novel than history, but even as a novel it would be of marginal value.

John Hunt Morgan and His Raiders. By Edison H. Thomas. (Lexington: The University Press of Kentucky, 1975. Pp. xii, 119. Maps, illustrations, bibliographical essay. \$3.95.) Thomas presents a concise, readable, and informative account of the part played by John Hunt Morgan and his

Confederate raiders during the Civil War. A volume in the Kentucky Bicentennial Bookshelf, this book is quite useful in placing Morgan and his raiders in historical context and perspective. One chapter considers "The Big Raid" into Indiana and Ohio in 1863 and gives emphasis to the destructiveness of Morgan's men as they foraged through these states. "The Raiders found Indiana to be a land of milk and honey. The countryside to which they had been accustomed had been foraged time and time again, but here were farms untouched by war; where families fled before the Raiders arrived, the food and supplies were there for the taking" (p. 78). Basil W. Duke, who rode with Morgan on various raids, later commented that the " 'wholesale plunder exceeded anything that any of us had ever seen before' " (p. 81).

Documents of United States Indian Policy. Edited by Francis Paul Prucha. (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 1975. Pp. ix, 278. Bibliography, index. Clothbound, \$14.95; paperbound, \$4.95.) The content, scope, and purpose of this collection of 161 documents regarding Indians of the United States is succinctly stated in its preface. "These documents," Father Prucha avers, "illustrate the history of the relations between the United States government and the American Indians from the founding of the nation to the present time" (p. ix). The emphasis is on selected "official and quasi-official records" which reflect "significant formulations of policy" concerning Indian relations by the United States (p. ix). Thus, the documents are not intended "to show Indian contributions to American society, to indicate wrongs done to the Indians, or to make some other particular point" (p. ix). This excellent volume, made more useful by concise introductions to each document and a selective bibliography, measures up to the high standards that many scholars have come to appreciate and expect from Francis Paul Prucha.

The Education of a Public Man: My Life and Politics. By Hubert H. Humphrey. Edited by Norman Sherman. (New York: Doubleday & Company, 1976. Pp. xiii, 513. Illustrations, notes, index. \$12.50.) Senator Hubert Humphrey's book is much more than the usual kind of autobiog-

raphy. It also is a wide ranging commentary on American politics from about the 1930s to the present. A very personal and often quite revealing account, this volume is frequently amazingly forthright and explicit in indicating the basis for evaluations and views expressed. It will doubtless be poured over as well as pawed and clawed over by historians. *The Education of A Public Man* is also worthy of careful study by those who seek an increased understanding of how the political system works as well as how politicians function within the system. The citations and explanatory notes are an important part of the book, even though placed at the end of the last chapter. "I wanted most of the footnotes in the body of the book," Humphrey explains, "but the publisher said, 'No'" (facing p. 440).

Indiana Newspaper History: An Annotated Bibliography. Compiled by Ronald Beathard, Cyndi Lach, and Mark Popovich. (Muncie, Ind.: Sigma Delta Chi, Department of Journalism, Ball State University, 1975. Pp. 55. Indexes. Pamphlet, \$2.00.) This annotated bibliography is an extremely useful introduction or guide to publications about Indiana newspapers. Its more than four hundred entries embrace bibliographies, articles, general histories of Indiana, county histories, gazetteers, and similar sources. The annotated comments are, as might be expected, mainly helpful in indicating the content of items listed rather than in an evaluation of their significance. As the introduction appropriately suggests, Indiana has unfortunately neglected its newspaper history. The Sigma Delta Chi chapter of the Department of Journalism, Ball State University, merits commendation for pointing out this defect but even more for offering aid to those who are interested in research and writing about Indiana newspapers. Copies of *Indiana Newspaper History* are available from Sigma Delta Chi, Department of Journalism, Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana 47306.

Humor In The American Pulpit: From George Whitefield through Henry Ward Beecher. By Doug Adams. (North Aurora, Ill.: Sharing Company, 1975. Pp. xvi, 257. Notes, appendixes, bibliography. Paperbound, \$6.95.) Adams essays to study "the dynamics of humor in the Christian wor-

ship" as used by American ministers in the pulpit from George Whitefield of colonial times to Henry Ward Beecher of the nineteenth century (p. iv). The resulting book is principally a compilation of extracts which illustrate the variety and nature of such humor.