



California Women and Politics: From the Gold Rush to the Great Depression

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University of Nebraska Press, United States, 2011. Paperback. Book Condition: New. New ed.. 226 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. In 1911 as progressivism moved toward its zenith, the state of California granted women the right to vote. However, women's political involvement in California's public life did not begin with suffrage, nor did it end there. Across the state, women had been deeply involved in politics long before suffrage, and—although their tactics and objectives changed—they remained deeply involved thereafter. California Women and Politics examines the wide array of women's public activism from the 1850s to 1929—including the temperance movement, moral reform, conservation, trade unionism, settlement work, philanthropy, wartime volunteerism, and more—and reveals unexpected contours to women's politics in California. The contributors consider not only white middle-class women's organizing but also the politics of working-class women and women of color, emphasizing that there was not one monolithic women's agenda, but rather a multiplicity of women's voices demanding recognition for a variety of causes.



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