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change wedding rites to meet the needs of their members. The goal of most seem to be to align their choice of rites that express their commitment to each other and to the hope for long and lasting faithfulness in the life of a marriage.

This book demonstrates in-depth research on the topic of wedding marital rites and is of value to theological seminaries, public libraries, church libraries, and historical societies. It has a section of Notes, Bibliography, and an Index. Graphs and Figures are identified by page number.

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Mary McLeod Bethune: Village of God



Yahya Jongintaba Knoxville: University of Tennessee Press, 2021 ISBN: 9781621906216 327 p. \$60.00 (Hbk)

Yahya Jongintaba author of Mary McLeod Bethune: Village of God, currently serves as a

member of the academic community of Bethune-Cookman University. Having access to the extensive collection of papers, letters, lectures, and related priceless treasures in the archives at Bethune -Cookman University, Jongintaba became entranced by the larger than life spiritual being, Mary McLeod Bethune. Jongintaba brings in his biography of Mary the woman who once wanted to be a missionary in Africa but instead became a teacher and leader of education for girls in Daytona Beach, Florida.

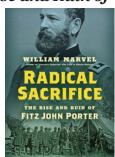
Beginning with Mary's birth in a little town in South Carolina, the reader learns about Mary--the child of slave parents, in a family of 17 brothers and sisters, education in a rural school where she walked miles to attend, a seminary education, marriage, birth of her first child, followed by founding and opening of a school for girls in Florida (Daytona Educational and Industrial School for Negro Girls). Later we learn the school became the Bethune-Cookman University in Daytona Beach, Florida. There Mary spent significant portions of her life as an educator and spiritual leader. Later in life Mary was appointed Administrator of Minority Affairs by President Franklin Roosevelt. She returned to Daytona for the later days of her life.

Jongintaba frames his biographical research within the spiritual and intellectual life Mary lived. He explains she chose to focus on her beliefs in the importance of lives centered on the concept of a Village of God. Collecting the important stages of Marv's life within the concept of the Lord's Prayer, he presents each chapter with a line of the prayer. This biography presents extensive research from the Archives at Cookman-Bethune University. Jongintaba shares that he attempts with this volume to write Mary's biography as he believes she wanted to write it herself but didn't. See pages 187 to 327 for Notes and Bibliography in this 327 page biography. There are no illustrations. Recommended for archival libraries, theological libraries, church libraries, HCBU University and College libraries, and academic libraries.

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William Marvel Chapel Hill: The University of North Carolina Press, 2021 ISBN: 9781469661858 496 p. \$35.00 (Hbk)



From the opening of William Marvel's book, the reader is

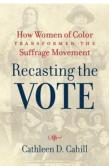
drawn to Marvel's collection of fascinating photographs featuring Fitz John Porter's home where he was born in Portsmouth, New Hampshire in 1824, to scenes during his war days with his staff in the fields of battles, and to a memorial statue on his horse in Portsmouth, in Hazen Park, erected to honor his service (Photos, p. 141-155). These photos draw the reader into the narrative of the biography. Porter was well prepared and led an exemplary military career until the politics arose between General McClellan, his commanding officer, and the military men who surrounded the events leading up to the battles in the late days of the Civil War.

According to Marvel in his writings of the tragedies of the loss of Porter's commission and

and military career, the reader learns that political accusations and believed untruths led to the tragic demise of Porter's distinguished career. Marvel is known as an outstanding military writer and biographer. The book contains 472 pages, with Maps, Illustrations, and Sections on Notes, Bibliography, and Index. The book is filled with details and facts for the military historian. Recommended for academic libraries and historical documents repositories.

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Recasting the Vote: How Women of Color Transformed the Suffrage Movement



Cathleen D. Cahill Chapel Hill: The University of North Carolina Press, 2020 ISBN: 9781469659329 376 p. \$32.50 (Hbk)

In this well researched book by Cathleen D. Cahill, Recasting the Vote: How Women of Color transformed the Suffrage Movement, the reader learns the

depth of the struggles beyond the 19th Amendment of 1920 to guarantee suffrage to all women. Cahill shares the stories of many women-- black, Latina, Native American, and Chinese American women who were challenged to continue the struggle.

The book is organized into 4 chronological parts: Part 1. Prelude and Parades, 1890-1913; Part II. At the Crossroads of Suffrage and Citizenship, 1913-1917; Part III. The War Comes, 1917-1920; Part IV. Our Women Take Part, 1920-1928; and Epilogue, Remembering and Forgetting. There are many interesting illustrations.

Of great interest is the author's ability to collect stories from women of color that demonstrate their passion for pressing their rights and engaging fellow citizens to support those rights to citizenship and suffrage. The book challenges readers to see the impact of so many women in our country who worked steadfastly for citizenship and suffrage rights for women of color.

This book is recommended for academic, public, and law libraires. There are helpful sec-

tions: Notes, Bibliography, and Index.

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Shelter in a time of Storm: How Black Colleges Fostered Generations of Leadership and Activism

Jelani M. Favors Chapel Hill: The University of North Carolina Press, 2020 IBSN: 9781469661445 368 p. \$24.95 (Pbk)



Jelani M. Favors, a graduate of AT&T, an historically Black college, speaks through his writing of the impact Black colleges and

universities, and their graduates had upon American social, cultural, and political life in America.

In Shelter in a Time of Storm: How Black Colleges Fostered Generations of Leadership and Activism, Favors explains how the Black college begun in 1837 structured its academic program to allow for "an unwritten second curriculum beyond the written course of study." The aim of a second curriculum was to encourage bonding between faculty and students. Students were encouraged to speak boldly of their freedom dreams as they shared stories in the classrooms and in living spaces.

Favors says the HBCU gave rise to a kind of Communitas or a building of social relationships that lifted the students beyond the "closed society" outside their classrooms and to where their dreams of freedom might go. The environments of the HBCUs nurtured and endowed activists with idealism, racial consciousness, cultural pride, and honor. Throughout the Jim Crow era, the civil rights, and Black Power movements, Favors says the HBCUs became a "seedbed" for politicians, community leaders, reformers, and activists.

The structure of Favors' book provides a spotlight on HBCUs. His writing reveals the rise and decline of student and graduate activism upon the waves of political and economic periods in the United States. Dedication to the former values of activism and reform took different paths as gov-