

piled biographical sketches of the major individuals mentioned in the accounts. The prologue and introductions to sections provide invaluable continuity to the many narratives, so that all the prison experiences of the 12th Iowa Infantry may be read as one.

Colonel Heg and His Boys: A Norwegian Regiment in the American Civil War, by Waldemar Ager, translated by Della Kittleson Catuna and Clarence A. Clausen. Travel and Description Series 13. Northfield, MN: Norwegian-American Historical Association, 2000. vii, 262 pp. Illustrations, tables, notes, appendix, index. \$24.95 cloth.

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Waldemar Ager's *Colonel Heg and His Boys* provides invaluable material on the role of the Norwegian Fifteenth Wisconsin Volunteer Regiment's involvement in the Civil War. It is not, however, a history of the regiment. More than half of the volume is taken up by the diary of Colonel Hans Christian Heg, detailing the role he and his regiment played in the war and the battles in which his unit was engaged. Colonel Heg and his boys fought mainly in the war's western theater, participating in the battles of Chickamauga and Stone's River. The latter portion of the volume includes short essays and incidental observations by Heg on particular battles and the Norwegian Regiment's losses. He also includes letters from other Norwegian soldiers in the 15th Wisconsin, detailing their experiences and impressions of the war.

Students of the Civil War will find this a welcome addition to the growing body of literature focusing on the ethnic dimensions of the conflict and how midwestern ethnic groups contributed to the effort to preserve the Union.

The Civil War's Last Campaign: James B. Weaver, The Greenback-Labor Party and the Politics of Race and Section, by Mark A. Lause. Lanham, MD: University Press of America, 2001. viii, 256 pp. Illustrations, notes, appendix, index. \$33.00 cloth.

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