Record Nr. UNINA9910483520503321 Letters to the Editor: Comparative and Historical Perspectives / / edited **Titolo** by Allison Cavanagh, John Steel Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Palgrave Macmillan, , 2019 **ISBN** 3-030-26480-7 Edizione [1st ed. 2019.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (193 pages): illustrations Disciplina 302.23 070.442 Soggetti Journalism Communication Media and Communication Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and indexes. Chapter 1: Introduction -- Chapter 2: Regular letters-writers: meanings Nota di contenuto and perceptions of public debate -- Chapter 3: Speaking as citizens: women's political correspondence to Scottish newspapers 1918-28 --Chapter 4: Letters to the Editor in the Chicago Defender, 1929-1930: The Voice of a Voiceless People -- Chapter 5: Letters to the Editor in Colombia: a Sanctuary of Public Emotions Marta -- Chapter 6: Letters to the Editor as a tool of citizenship -- Chapter 7: The Struggles and Economic Hardship of Women Working Class Activists, 1918-1923 --Chapter 8: Readers' letters to Victorian local newspapers as journalistic genre -- Chapter 9: The possibilities and limits of 'open journalism': Journalist engagement below the line at the Guardian 2006-2017. Sommario/riassunto This book provides an account of current work on letters to the editor from a range of different national, cultural, conceptual and methodological perspectives. Letters to the editor provide a window on the reflexive relationship between editorial and readership identities in historical and international contexts. They are a forum through which the personal and the political intersect, a space wherein the implications of contemporaneous events are worked out by citizens and public figures alike, and in which the meaning and significance of

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