Record Nr. UNINA9910789137603321 Statebuilding from the outside in : between reconstruction and the new **Titolo** deal / / edited by Carol Nackenoff and Julie Novkov Pubbl/distr/stampa Philadelphia, Pennsylvania:,: University of Pennsylvania Press,, 2014 ©2014 0-8122-0907-9 **ISBN** Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (320 p.) Collana American Governance: Politics, Policy, and Public Law Altri autori (Persone) NackenoffCarol NovkovJulie <1966-> Disciplina 973.8 Soggetti Progressivism (United States politics) United States Politics and government 1865-1933 United States Social policy United States History 1865-1921 United States History 1919-1933 Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Front matter -- Contents -- Introduction. State building in the Progressive Era: A Continuing Dilemma in American Political Development -- 1. Making Citizens of Freedmen and Polygamists -- 2. Demagogues and the Demon Drink: Newspapers and the Revival of Prohibition in Georgia -- 3. State building Through Corruption: Graft and Trash in Pittsburgh and New Orleans -- 4. Developing the Animal Welfare State -- 5. Wildlife Protection and the Development of Centralized Governance in the Progressive Era -- 6. The House That Julia (and Friends) Built: Networking Chicago's Juvenile Court -- 7. The Better Homes Movement and the Origins of Mortgage Redlining in the United States -- Notes -- List of Contributors -- Index --Acknowledgments The period between the Civil War and the New Deal was particularly rich Sommario/riassunto and formative for political development. Beyond the sweeping changes and national reforms for which the era is known, State building from the Margins examines often-overlooked cases of political engagement that expanded the capacities and agendas of the developing American

state. With particular attention to gendered, classed, and racialized dimensions of civic action, the chapters explore points in history where the boundaries between public and private spheres shifted, including the legal formulation of black citizenship and monogamy in the postbellum years; the racial politics of Georgia's adoption of prohibition; the rise of public waste management; the incorporation of domestic animal and wildlife management into the welfare state; the creation of public juvenile courts; and the involvement of women's groups in the creation of U.S. housing policy. In many of these cases, private citizens or organizations initiated political action by framing their concerns as problems in which the state should take direct interest to benefit and improve society. State building from the Margins depicts a republic in progress, accruing policy agendas and the institutional ability to carry them out in a nonlinear fashion, often prompted and powered by the creative techniques of policy entrepreneurs and organizations that worked alongside and outside formal boundaries to get results. These Progressive Era initiatives established models for the way states could create, intervene in, and regulate new policy areas—innovations that remain relevant for growth and change in contemporary American governance. Contributors: James Greer, Carol Nackenoff, Julie Novkov, Susan Pearson, Kimberly Smith, Marek D. Steedman, Patricia Strach, Kathleen Sullivan, Ann-Marie Szymanski.