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than being an early progressive victory, workers' compensation succeeded because all relevant parties-labor and management, insurance companies, lawyers, and legislators-benefited from the legislation. Thorough, rigorous, and convincing, *A Prelude to the Welfare State: The Origins of Workers' Compensation* is a major reappraisal of the causes and consequences of a movement that ultimately transformed the nature of social insurance and the American workplace.
