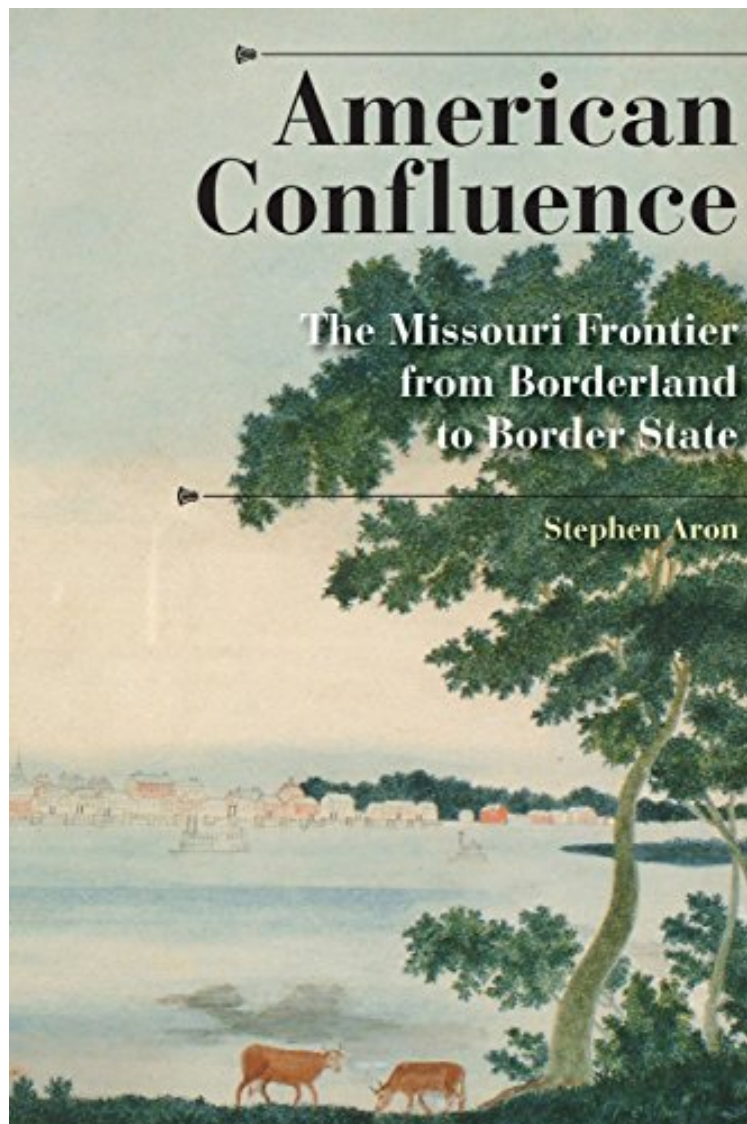


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5 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Well WrittenBy Mark SutterThis is the fourth book I've read in the History of the Trans-Appalachian Frontier series and the one I enjoyed most. The others were The Ohio Frontier, Frontier Indiana, and Frontier Illinois. All were very well written histories of frontier life in those states. All of the books showed explicitly how rigorous life was for the pioneers as well as the American Indians. This book about Missouri, however, showed how shamefully the Indians were treated by the American government as well as the pioneers who were settling the area. After statehood in 1821, the Missouri government continued this treatment. Thomas Hart Benton had an explanation for why the ouster of Missouri's Indians was imperative: "To remove the Indians would make room for the spread of slaves." Calls for ridding Missouri of its Indian population were not new, but the demands gained greater force in the 1820s when newly arriving Americans objected to any Indian presence in their environs. During and after the War of 1812, the clamor for "slaying every Indian from here to the Rocky Mountains" grew louder.Overall, if you have an interest in frontier history I think you'll enjoy this book.3 of 4 people found the following review helpful. I keep thinking of the poor students required to read this book for one of ...By Kathel Miller SmithI wanted to learn more about MO history bought a book which listed as supposed to cover the evolution of the state, "American Confluence" by Stephan Aron. However...the author starts off by saying while that's what he was contracted to write about, he decided instead to look at the area where all the rivers come together. OK...I'll let that be see. THEN there are sentences which pop up from time to time where I'm thinking "what the heck did he mean by that?!?!" Where's the editor when you want one? He may be a professor but he needs a writing tutor to whip his writing into shape. Not to mention the choice of words he uses at times to turn an interesting topic into an academic secret society discussion...I keep thinking of the poor students required to read this book for one of his courses at the TWO schools where he holds professorships can only hope he is a better lecturer than author. AND, to top it off, the printing quality is so poor that the words are just readable, perhaps in order to save ink? tho it looks like in embarrassment at being mistreated so. That's the news from chapter 1. I'll let you know if I survive to the end. On the other hand, I do appreciate the broad look at the cultures present arriving in the area where their expectations of one another were preformed in other regions, a confluence of peoples as well as waters as the author intends. The ideas are very interesting looking at the area without surveyor's arbitrary borders does make for a well rounded understanding of the events to come. Still hopeful for an excellent book.0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Purchase was easy and without delayBy michael hepler-smithBook meets my needs and expectations. Purchase was easy and without delay. I am fully satisfied.

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