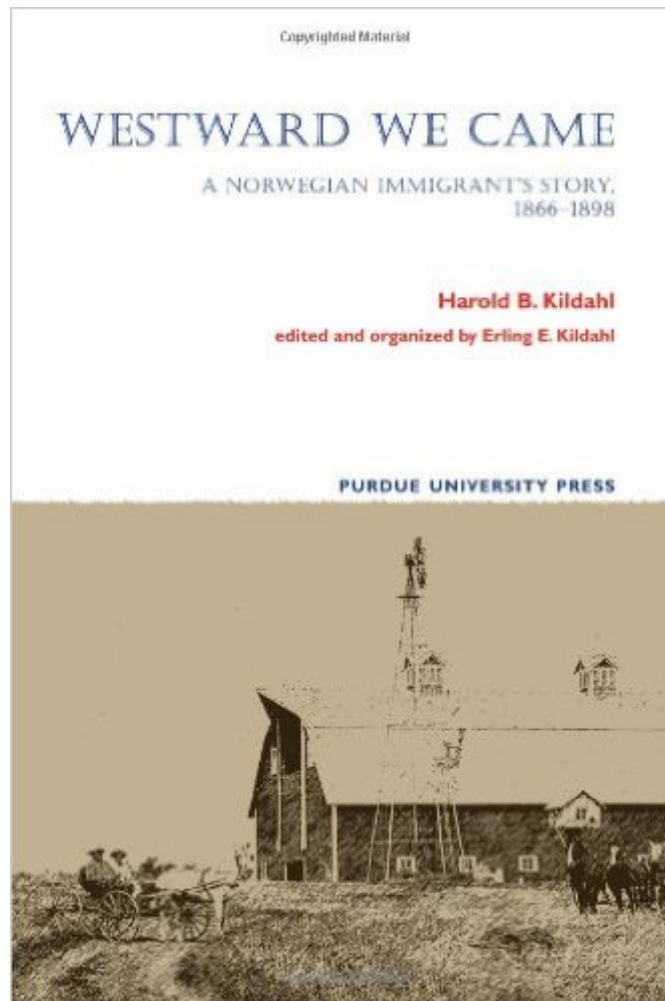


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# Westward We Came: A Norwegian Immigrant's Story, 1866-1898



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What a charming, loving story. The author points out the obvious hardships to be expected, but the love of family prevail. It flows nicely. I am interested in my Norwegian genealogy and my relatives experienced many of what happened in this precious book.

This interesting narrative takes the reader to a time when even the simple things in life were all but

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