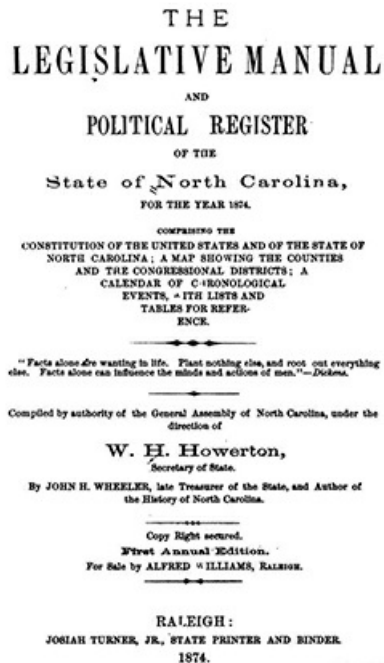


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Although always intended to provide information for state legislators, the manual also has been useful to the general public, especially the news media, historians, and government officials. With the exception of the three editions between 1903 and 1907, the manual has contained biographical sketches of North Carolina's members of Congress, state legislators ^[6], state executive and administrative officials, and state and federal court judges. Most of the early volumes included retrospective material; the 1905 issue, for example, listed the governors ^[7] since 1663 and the secretaries of state since 1777. The 1913 edition, compiled by R. D. W. Connor, secretary of the North Carolina Historical Commission ^[8], contained more than 1,000 pages and for the first time presented a substantial amount of information about North Carolina's political history in one volume. This edition also gave election returns for presidents and governors from 1836 to 1912, as well as the votes on various conventions and constitutional amendments. Information found in the 1913 *Manual* was verified, updated, extended, and expanded in *North Carolina Government, 1585-1974*, edited by John L. Cheney Jr.

Subsequent editions of the *North Carolina Manual* have been expanded to include state symbols ^[9], election statistics, maps and charts, information on higher education, historical perspectives of the counties ^[10], photographs (both color and black and white), census figures, and other information.

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