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# How Illinois Women Won the Vote



Few states witnessed a livelier or more dynamic campaign to win women's suffrage than Illinois. Illinois suffragists amassed an impressive record. In 1913, Illinois was the first state east of the Mississippi to grant women presidential suffrage and later, the first state to ratify the Nineteenth Amendment. Who were the women behind these victories and how did they achieve them? In this program, done partly in first-person and partly in lecture format, meet five of Illinois' most famous suffragists, including Frances Willard, Ida B. Wells-Barnett, and Grace Wilbur Trout. Learn about the petitions, lectures, conventions, and parades they organized. Sometimes conventional and sometimes audacious, their struggle is full of colorful stories and poignant lessons for today.

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