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Comment:

I have been trying to track down the copyright for Eilley Orrum, Queen of the Comstock by Swift Paine. It was published in 1929 and there is a second edition that came out in 1939 but only copyrights the new material but there is no renewal of copyright listed anywhere. Also, the publishers of either edition are no longer in existence and I can't find out if the copyright has been assigned. The University of Nevada is a government repository and has all of these books with the current status of copyrights for each year and I have looked in everyone and talked to all of the helpful people here and NOBODY can tell me anything about this book. I would like to make it available to the public again on a small scale locally (I live in Reno, Nevada, near where the book takes place) but can't because I don't have the money to pay for a potentially useless search. Normal people should be able to access the records of the government in order to find concrete information without having to depend on lawyers or researchers to do it for us.