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Nat Brandt, Nathan H Brandt : The Town That Started the Civil War before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Town That Started the Civil War:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Anti Salvery in Oberlin, OhioBy GILHeard about this book during Black history month. Visited a historical site in Columbus, Ohio who mentioned the building was stop on the underground railroad. The curator talked about how the town of Oberlin in Ohio and how it was instrumental in providing refuge for run away slaves.She spoke of the rescue of an escaped slave, John Price, who had been recaptured. As he was being held in a nearby jail, the "entire" town of Oberlin came to his aid. This fascinating story is told by Nate Brandt in this book. The book itself is written at the college level and is well researched and documented. It is a great insight to the interactions between the north and the south and the prevailing thoughts about slavery, both for and against, in the pivotal time before the Civil War.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. I just recommended this book for the umpteenth time to someone interested ...By MOI just recommended this book for the umpteenth time to someone interested in antebellum history, and then went and read my copy AGAIN.I got my MA in History. My "specialty" area is pre-American Revolution, up to the Civil War. My thesis was on the contributions of lesser-known, wealthy men of faith in support of ending slavery. They felt "guilty" for their wealth and felt that God's *Higher Law* superseded man's law and did what they could to assist more militant abolitionists without getting caught.The book that started me on this trek was The Town that Started the Civil War by Nat Brandt. Brandt was a newspaper/TV journalist along with his book writing, so his writing style is very reader-friendly. Through this book I learned about the little town (Oberlin, Ohio) and how the Oberlin/Wellington Rescue was connected to John Brown's

Harpers Ferry revolt, and the earlier cases of Anthony Burns (runaway slave living in freedom in Boston, but kidnapped by slave catchers) and the Amistad (ship) Slave Revolt. All of these events are connected through the finances of this small group of men. All of those connections are what intrigued me and led to my thesis topic, and led me to fall in love with Oberlin. In my research - then, now, and in the future - I am always intrigued by the little stories behind the big story. This is one of those stories. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Pretty good book about Oberlin, Oh. By Kindle Customer I read it years ago and decided to read it again (from the library) recently after starting a Facebook page about old Oberlin. Bought this copy for my son and he says it's pretty interesting.

No community better reflected the growing passion against slavery than Oberlin College. In September 1858 the sudden kidnapping of a runaway slave who was living in Oberlin caused the entire community and its college students to rush to his rescue. The slave was rescued, but 37 of his rescuers were identified and put on trial for violating federal law, the Fugitive Slave Act of 1850. The case became a cause célèbre throughout the North.