

New on the Shelves

"New on the Shelves" is a list of recent additions to the collections of the State Historical Society of Iowa. It includes manuscripts, audio-visual materials, and published materials recently acquired or newly processed that we think might be of interest to the readers of the *Annals of Iowa*. The "DM" or "IC" at the end of each entry denotes whether the item is held in Des Moines or Iowa City.

Manuscripts

Bailey, Gideon S. Papers, 1840-1880. 2½ ft. Papers of this physician and pioneer lawmaker of Van Buren County, who also served as U.S. Marshal for the District of the Iowa Territory (1845-1847). Included among the materials are a set of 11 letters from Henry Clay Dean—prominent Iowa Copperhead—some referencing the Lecompton Constitution and Dean's 1863 incarceration at Keokuk for orations and writings perceived as treasonous. DM.

Celia Cogswell Theatre Collection. Records, 1909-1930. 3½ ft. Collection of theatre documentation compiled by Celia Cogswell, an actress with the Princess Theatre stock company of Des Moines, ca. 1912-1916. Includes newsletters issued by the Princess and other local theaters, scrapbooks of national stage performers who appeared in local productions, and some photographs of Cogswell and other members of the stock company. DM.

Fleming, William H. Papers, 1850s-1923. 2½ ft. Correspondence, letter copy books, and drafts of articles and speeches of this Iowa newspaper editor (*Davenport Gazette* and *Iowa Weekly Capitol*), who also served as private secretary to a series of the state's Republican governors from Samuel Merrill (1868-1872) through Leslie M. Shaw (1898-1902) and was a state officer for the Ancient Order of United Workmen and Independent Order of Good Templars. Fleming's interest in local history is reflected in the manuscript drafts in the collection, which include such titles as "Early Schools and School Legislation in Iowa" and "Governor Shaw's Argument Against Government Ownership and Operation of Railroads." DM.

Icarian Community (Adams County). Papers, 1850s-1920s. 1 document file. Papers related to the disposition of property belonging to this French utopian colony, including a contract signed by members on January 13, 1879, prescribing the terms of dissolution, and copies of relevant records from the Adams County district court and recorder's office. DM.

Iowa State Bar Association (ISBA). Records, 1946-1968. 5½ ft. Collection includes press clippings and news releases (1958-1968) and materials compiled for submission to the American Bar Association's Award of Merit competitions (1946-1962), with special emphasis given to the ISBA's role in securing

passage of the twenty-first amendment to Iowa's constitution, a revision that replaced the partisan election of judges with the American Bar Association's plan for non-political selection and tenure. Iowa was the first state to adopt the plan for all trial courts of general jurisdiction as well as for its supreme court. DM.

Kasson, John Adam. Papers, ca. 1844–1910. 7½ ft. Papers of this prominent Iowa Republican congressman, diplomat, and authority on foreign trade agreements. Included are correspondence; speeches and essays; documentation related to his appointments as first assistant U.S. postmaster general (1861), minister to Austria (1877–1881), minister to Germany (1884–1885), envoy to the Berlin Conference on the Congo (1884), envoy to the Conference on Samoa (1889), and special plenipotentiary for negotiating U.S. reciprocity treaties; and lecture notes and book chapter drafts on the history of diplomacy, the evolution of the U.S. Constitution, the Monroe Doctrine, and international trade. Of note among his early political papers are a draft of the 1860 Republican Party platform, which he was largely responsible for authoring, and his speeches before Congress on universal suffrage and the abolition of slavery. DM.

Latchaw, John Roland Harris. Papers, 1881–ca. 1915. 1 ft. Papers of this theologian, psychology professor, and author who also served as president of Wilton College (Wilton Junction) from 1907 to ca. 1912. Materials include correspondence, articles of incorporation and by-laws for the "Christian Community at Wilton, Iowa"; draft versions of publications: "The Christian Community," "Inductive Psychology: A Guide to Self-Study," "The Kosmos," and "The Bride Unveiled: The Revelation of Jesus Christ Made Plain"; and ephemera, including several broadsides and programs related to Wilton College. DM.

United States Food Administration (USFA)—Iowa Division. Records, 1917–1919. 2 ft. Material documenting the Iowa Library Publicity Director's efforts to provide outreach and marketing for the government's food conservation program. Includes planning materials and reports; newsletters, pamphlets, and handbills circulated on behalf of the USFA; and promotional display components, including a handmade diorama. DM.

Published Materials

Barbed Wire Identification Handbook, by V. L. Grant. Dallas, TX, 1966. 18 pp. IC.

Barbed Wire: Handbook & Price Guide, by Thomas Edward Turner. San Angelo, TX: Educator Books, 1969. 102 pp. IC.

Brief Biographies of Some of the Most Prominent People Who Helped Develop Iowa Horticulture, by Harry E. Nichols. Ames: Sigler, 2012. 107 pp. IC.

Friends for a Lifetime: The Saga of a Sixty-three-year Quaker Love Affair, by Don and Lois Laughlin. Iowa City: Springdale Press, 2011. x, 211 pp. IC.

From Ruby Ridge to Freedom: The Sara Weaver Story, by Sara Weaver. N.p.: Overboard Books, 2012. 159 pp. IC.

Golden Rule Foods – The Golden Rule Way. Columbus, OH: Citizens' Wholesale Supply Co., [ca. 1930]. 123 pp. IC.

Immigration to America: A Journey in Time, by Rüdiger Lentz; edited by Lars Lierow and Elisabeth Hancock. Washington, DC: German-American Heritage Museum of the USA, [2010?]. 28 pp. IC.

J. J. *Catechetischer Unterricht von der Lehre des Heils: Dargestellt nach den Aussprüchen der heil. Schrift, auf den evangelisch-apostolischen Sinn des Geistes Gottes gegründet, zum gesegneten Gebrauch für die Jugend der wahren Inspirations-Gemeinden*. Amana: [Amana Society], 1905-1909. 2 vols. IC.

Kinder-Stimme, oder, Anleitung zum kindlichen Lob und Jugend-Uebung der Kinder, durch Trieb des Geistes verfasst von Einigen, die nach dem kindlichen Geist Christi in Ausrichtung des Herzens sich sehnen. Amana: [Amana Society], 1890. 203 pp. IC.

Murphy's Pets: Fifty Recipes for Cooking Potatoes, compiled by Mrs. De Witt C. Owen. Dixon, IL, [189-?]. 16 pp. IC.