

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 manuscript, audio-visual, and government records recently acquired or newly processed that we think might be of particular interest to readers of the *Annals of Iowa*. The list also includes published materials added to either library that are not reviewed elsewhere in some issue of the *Annals*. The "DM" or "IC" at the end of each entry denotes whether the item is held in Des Moines or Iowa City.

Manuscripts

Allen, Bertram. Scrapbook plus 22 ephemeral items, ca. 1910–1920. Materials related to Allen's automobile engineering school in Des Moines, and the steam tire vulcanizer he invented. Includes 8 photographs. DM.

Bassett, William. Correspondence, 1844. Document containing two letters from E. F. Bailey, New York, to William Bassett of the Iowa Pioneer Phalanx, a settlement established near Oskaloosa governed by the social philosophy of Charles Fourier. DM.

Brown, Robert C. Papers, 1886–1947. ½ ft. Addition to collection. Railroad materials, mostly pertaining to the Chicago, Burlington, & Quincy Railroad, including 4 vols. of scrapbooks with index, dispatchers' log books from Ottumwa, a manuscript about the Red Oak depot, miscellaneous reports, depot drawings, timetables, and photos. IC.

Busby, Lelia. Scrapbook, Iowa City, ca. 1905–1940. News clippings, poetry, historical articles, etc. IC.

Cohea, Matthew. "The Early History of Television in Iowa." Student paper, University of Iowa, 1997. 56 pp. IC.

Foley, John. Papers, ca. 1885–1919. Addition to collection. 1 ft. Business and political correspondence, personal and business account books, and miscellaneous documents pertaining to land transactions in South Dakota of New Hampton businessman and one-term Iowa senator. IC.

Heinsius, Gene. Records, 1858–1882. 2 vols. Account books from Solon, Iowa, store: a paperboard bound sales journal, 1858–1865, and a leatherbound sales journal and account book, 1865–1882. IC.

Hoehnle, Peter. "The Most Difficult Job in the Cabinet: The Administration of Samuel J. Kirkwood as Secretary of the Interior, 1881–1882." Student paper, Iowa State University, 1997. 26 pp. IC.

Iowa City, Criminal Activity. Scrapbook, Iowa City, Iowa, ca. 1928–1931. Newspaper clippings, photographs, and programs concerning cases brought before the Johnson County Attorney, many dealing with Prohibition. IC.

Iowa Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO. Addition to collection. 11-page typescript and 94-page scrapbook (photocopies), 1997. Copy of a scrapbook of news clippings presented to James J. Wengert and a copy of a speech given on the occasion of his retirement as president of the Iowa Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO, June 4, 1997. IC.

Iowa Federation of Labor AFL-CIO. Additions to collection. 28 ft. Files of union officials James Wengert and Mark Smith, reports, surveys, film and videotapes, convention tapes, books, and misc. IC.

Linn County Historical Society. Sheet music. 1 ft. Collection of sheet music, mostly popular titles from pre-World War II. IC.

Mathis, Adoniram J. Papers, 1908-1910. 3½ ft. Official correspondence and miscellaneous records of the first mayor of Des Moines installed under the "Des Moines Plan" for city government by commission. Most of the correspondence addresses the new municipal plan and recent public works improvements. DM

Metz, Christian. Papers, 1860-1862. Five testimonials written by Christian Metz of Amana and sent to the president of the United States, the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, and governors of the states of the Union, asking for a peaceful resolution to the conflicts dividing the North and South. IC.

Morrill, True. Diary, 1862-1863. 1 vol. Civil War diary from a member of the 38th Iowa Volunteer Infantry. A typed transcript accompanies the diary, which was recorded in Graham shorthand. DM

Nash, Jan. "Phase II Historic Resources Evaluation—U.S. Highway 34: West Burlington to Mount Pleasant." Iowa City, 1994. 48 pp. plus 12 maps. IC.

Semerjian, Tamar Z. "The Crone's Body: A First Glance at the Writings of Old Women in Turn-of-the-Century Iowa." Student paper, University of Iowa, 1997. 32 pp. IC.

UPWA Local 46. Records, ca. 1943-1985. Addition to collection. 4 ft. Contracts, meeting minutes, correspondence, photographs, news clippings, etc. Includes charter for Waterloo Teamsters and Iowa-Nebraska Industrial Union. IC.

Audio-Visual

Associated General Contractors of Iowa. "Seasons of Change." VHS videocassette. 75th anniversary video, containing history and reminiscences of the organization. IC.

Bright, Jesse S. Two scrapbooks and a rolled photo of Camp Dodge, 1917-1918. Scrapbooks from a member of the 313th Field Signal Battalion during World War I containing photos, news clippings, etc. IC.

Cerro Gordo County. "Sights and Sounds of Clear Lake." Audio cassette tape and booklet, 1996. Driving tour cassette tape and booklet produced by the Cerro Gordo Sesquicentennial Commission. IC.

Corning, Iowa. 8 photographic postcards and one political campaign advertising card, ca. 1900-1910. IC.

Decorah, Iowa. 14 photographic postcards, ca. 1915–1920. Scenes of Decorah buildings. IC.

"Iowa State Parks and Preserves, ca. 1970–1995: Six Perspectives." 14 audio cassettes, 142 pages of typescript transcriptions. Oral history interviews conducted in 1995 by Rebecca Conard. IC.

Mesquakie. 28 copy negatives and 28 5 × 7-inch prints, ca. 1900. Reproductions and copy negatives of informal views of Mesquakies. IC.

Music and musicians. 6 photographs and one glass plate negative. Photos of musicians and music groups, Waterloo area, early twentieth century. IC.

Railroads. Photo of Des Moines Railway trolley car hauling bricks, ca. 1895; and photo of Omaha-Council Bluffs Spécial, ca. 1900. DM.

Ray, Robert. Eight wire recordings and seven audio cassette dubs, 1950. Recordings of speeches at commencement, June 1, 1950, Mason City, Iowa (1 tape), Democratic Day (2 tapes), and Republican Day (4 tapes). IC.

Thede, George F. 15 photographs, ca. 1920s. Photos of "Sunny Side Stock Farm" near Durant and some of the stock and employees. IC.

Walnut Creek National Wildlife Refuge. One VHS videocassette. Monterey, CA, 1996. Audio/visual program produced for use in the Prairie Learning Center of the Walnut Creek National Wildlife Refuge. IC.

Wilcox, Ida Wetzel. Scrapbook and photo album (97 photographs), ca. 1877–1903. Materials related to Wilcox's studies and activities in the music school at Vassar College in New York, along with news clippings and one tintype image of Vassar students canoeing on a lake. The photo album includes portraits of family and friends, houses, and the Wetzel and Magnus Brewery, Cedar Rapids. IC.

Zarnow, Ralph. 10 photographs, 1940s–ca. 1960. Images related to the career of the noted orchestra leader and entertainment producer from Des Moines. DM.

Maps

Iowa maps. Map of Iowa, 33.6 × 49.6 cm, 1872. Shows land for sale by the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad. Published by Mills and Company, Des Moines. IC.

U.S. Geological Survey for the Public Roads Administration. 8 sheets, in covers, 1941 (revised edition). Iowa transportation map, showing highways, railroads, canals, air lanes, and dredged channels. IC.

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