

## SOME PUBLICATIONS

*A Check List of Manuscripts in the Edward E. Ayer Collection.* Compiled by Ruth Lapham Butler. Chicago: The Newberry Library. 1937. This valuable compilation will make the content of the manuscript sources of the Ayer Collection in the Newberry Library readily known to the student of Iowa and Upper Mississippi Valley history. About fifty years ago Mr. Ayer began collecting material on the archaeology and ethnology of the American Indian. This was later expanded to such fields as early American cartography and phases of exploration and colonial and frontier history. The papers of such men as H. L. Dousman, H. H. Sibley, Russell Farnham, and William Clark reveal men who played a leading rôle in the fur trade and on the Indian frontier of the Upper Mississippi.

*The West in American History.* By Dan Elbert Clark. New York: Thomas Y. Crowell Company. 1937. Pp. xi, 682. Maps. This well-written history of the West begins with the coming of the first European explorers and continues to the close of the frontier era about 1890. The volume is divided into three almost equal parts. Part one is entitled "The West Under Spain, France, and England"; part two deals with "The Frontier of the Middle West", and part three treats of "The Frontier of the Far West". Although written mainly to serve as basic reading in college and university courses the book will prove extremely interesting to the general reader. Iowans will naturally scrutinize the second part which covers the region between the Appalachian Mountains and the western border of the first tier of States west of the Mississippi. Dr. Clark is a native Iowan, and was formerly Associate Editor of the State Historical Society of Iowa.

*The Civil War and Reconstruction.* By J. G. Randall. Boston: D. C. Heath and Company. 1937. Pp. 959. Plates. This volume is the product of many years of research by a careful student of

history. The story opens with a view of the Old South, an analysis of the slavery problem, and a glimpse of the Yankee world. The next six chapters — Wedges of Separation, A House Divided, Secession of the Lower South, Buchanan's Dilemma, Lincoln and the Appeal to Arms, The Plight of the Upper South — carry the story slowly forward to the outbreak of the titanic struggle. The Civil War itself, with its many ramifications, requires fully twenty chapters or about one-half of the book. Eight chapters carry the story through the so-called "Reconstruction Period" to its final débâcle. Throughout his story the author gives ample evidence of his knowledge of the field under survey. While not neglecting the military and political factors, he has focused more light on the social and economic factors. The book is footnoted, contains an extensive bibliography, an adequate index, and many maps and charts. It is well written and will doubtless be ranked as one of the outstanding single volumes in its field.

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The Vermont Historical Society has published *Vermonters*, a list of prominent persons born in Vermont, with a few pertinent facts about them. The compilation is the work of Dorman B. E. Kent.

Volume XXVII of the *Collections of the Illinois State Historical Library* is entitled *Anglo-French Boundary Disputes in the West 1749-1763*. It is edited, with an introduction and notes, by Theodore Calvin Pease.

*Indiana Imprints 1804-1849 A Supplement to Mary Alden Walker's "Beginnings of Printing in the State of Indiana," published in 1934*, by Douglas C. McMurtrie, has been printed as Number 5 of Volume XI of the *Indiana Historical Society Publications*.

The H. W. Wilson Company has recently published a volume entitled *American Newspapers 1821-1936 A Union List of Files Available in the United States and Canada*. The work was edited by Winifred Gregory, under the auspices of the Bibliographical Society of America.

*Insurgent Democrats of Indiana and Illinois in 1854*, by Mildred



C. Stoler; *Early Science in the Ohio Valley*, by Arthur Deen; and *The Story of Consumer Co-operation in Indiana*, by Elsie C. Sinclair, are three of the articles in the *Indiana Magazine of History* for March.

The *Indiana History Bulletin* for February includes: *Notes on Early History of Taxation in Indiana*, by William C. Harrison; *Taxation in Indiana During the Last Forty-five Years*, by Philip Zoercher; and *Preliminary Notes on the Siouan Family*, by Paul Weer. The last named article was also reprinted.

*Rediscovering Illinois Archaeological Explorations in and Around Fulton County*, by Fay-Cooper Cole and Thorne Deuel, has been published by the University of Chicago Press. This is the first of a proposed series dealing with the archaeology of Illinois. The field work was done under the direction of the Department of Anthropology of the University of Chicago.

Peter Lawrence Scanlan is the author of *Prairie du Chien: French. British. American*. The introduction is by Louise Phelps Kellogg. The volume is in two parts — the first dealing with Prairie du Chien before 1800; part two with the period since that time. The material on military and Indian affairs is especially interesting to students of Iowa history.

*Howard High School, The Outstanding Pioneer Coeducational High School in Missouri*, by Dorothy B. Dorsey; *Cadet Chouteau, An Identification*, by John Francis McDermott; *Plank Roads in Missouri*, by North Todd Gentry; and *The Career of James Proctor Knott in Missouri*, by Edwin W. Mills, are the articles in *The Missouri Historical Review* for April. Under *Missouriana* there is a short account of the founding of Liberal, a free thought community, in 1880.

*The Reverend Richard Fish Cadle*, by Howard Greene, contains the story of a missionary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Territories of Michigan and Wisconsin in the early nineteenth century. The scene of most of Reverend Cadle's labors was at Detroit, at Green Bay, and at Prairie du Chien. The missionary also con-

ducted services in the mineral region and even crossed the Mississippi to preach at Dubuque in 1838.

*Kansas City, Mo., a Famous Freighter Capital*, by Walker D. Wyman; a continuation of *Ferries in Kansas*, by George A. Root; *The Emigrant Aid Company in the Kansas Conflict*, by Samuel A. Johnson; *An Old Play on John Brown* (by Mrs. J. C. Swayze); and *Exploring the Solomon River Valley in 1869*, from the Journal of Robert McBratney, edited by Martha B. Caldwell, and *Some Southwest Kansas Pioneers*, an address by E. E. Kelley, are contributions in the February number of *The Kansas Historical Quarterly*.

*Glimpses of Pioneer Mid-West Social and Cultural History*, by R. Carlyle Buley; *Hermann Eduard Von Holst: Plumed Knight of Historiography*, by Eric Goldman; and *The Swedish-American Press and the Election of 1892*, by O. Fritiof Ander, are the three articles in *The Mississippi Valley Historical Review* for March. The June issue includes the following: *The Cow Country in Transition*, by Edward E. Dale; *The Diary of George Duffield*, by L. G. Vander Velde; *An Analysis of the Secession Controversy in Mississippi, 1854-61*, by P. L. Rainwater; and *Was the Presidential Election of 1900 a Mandate on Imperialism?* by Thomas A. Bailey.

Volume IX of the *Norwegian-American Studies and Records* contains a number of articles, several of which relate to Iowa. The titles are as follows: *Immigration and Puritanism*, by Marcus L. Hansen; *Svein Nilsson, Pioneer Norwegian-American Historian*, by D. G. Ristad; *The Sugar Creek Settlement in Iowa*, by H. F. Swansen; *Pioneer Town Building in the West: An American Letter Written by Frithjof Meidell at Springfield, Illinois, in 1855*, translated by Clarence A. Clausen; *A Typical Norwegian Settlement: Spring Grove, Minnesota*, by Carlton C. Qualey; *Marcus Thrane in America: Some Unpublished Letters from 1880-1884*, translated by Waldemar Westergaard; *The Missouri Flood of 1881*, by Halvor B. Hustvedt, translated by Katherine Hustvedt; and *The Collection and Preservation of Sources*, by Laurence M. Larson.



## IOWANA

The March issue of *The Iowa Transit* contains a *History of Mecca Week*, by Raymond A. Boyd.

*Old Home Town Tales*, dedicated to Keosauqua, has been recently published by the author, Mark M. Baker, now of Chicago.

The April issue of the *Annals of Iowa* contains two articles, both by David C. Mott — *Pioneer Lawmakers Association* and *Benjamin F. Gue*.

The first installment of *Historical Sketches Regarding the College of Medicine*, by John T. McClintock, appears in *The Bulletin of the Linn County Medical Society* for May.

*Historic Sketch of Medicine in Dubuque County Where Iowa State History First Began*, by Henry G. Langworthy, is an historical article in *The Journal of the Iowa State Medical Society* for March and April.

The March number of the *Bulletin of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, A. F. & A. M.*, contains a biography of Buren Robinson Sherman, by Earl B. Delzell. This is one of the series of *Iowa Governors Who Were Masons*.

The City of Dubuque and the Dubuque Chamber of Commerce have sponsored the publication of *A Guide to Dubuque*, compiled and written by the Federal Writers' Project of the Works Progress Administration of Iowa. The pamphlet includes some excellent illustrations in black and white and several valuable maps, prepared by Robert J. Sharp.

*The Pacific Historical Review* for June contains a document of interest to students of Iowa history. It is the *History of the Sacramento Mining Company of 1849*, written by Jacob Y. Stover, and describes the trip of a group of men from Iowa City to California in the summer of 1849. Among the gold seekers was Chauncey Swan who had been one of the commissioners to select the site of Iowa City.

*The Ninetieth Anniversary of the State University of Iowa*, re-

cently published by the State University, includes an account of the program celebrating the ninetieth anniversary of the University. In the afternoon of February 24, 1937, three addresses were delivered at the Conference on Higher Education: *Institutions of Higher Education: Government and Objectives*, by President Eugene A. Gilmore; *Problems of Higher Education*, by President Lotus D. Coffman of Minnesota; and *The Selective Principle in Education in a Democracy*, by President James B. Conant of Harvard. The volume also includes the following addresses, delivered at the dinner in the evening: *The Old Stone Capitol Remembers*, by Benj. F. Shambaugh; and *The Iowa State Board of Education*, by President Eugene A. Gilmore; *Democracy and Education*, by James B. Weaver, presenting the portrait of William R. Boyd, by Sidney E. Dickinson; and *George T. Baker*, by Walter A. Jessup, presenting Mr. Baker's portrait, also painted by Mr. Dickinson.

SOME RECENT HISTORICAL ITEMS IN IOWA NEWSPAPERS

Maytag's success, by Harvey Ingham, in the *Des Moines Register*, December 19, 1936.

Fred O. Thompson has collection of plant fossils, in the *Des Moines Register*, December 20, 1936.

Elkader is only town in United States so named, in the *Cedar Rapids Gazette*, December 20, 1936.

How Maquoketa was named, by Bessie Boyle, in the *Cedar Rapids Gazette*, December 27, 1936.

Sketch of the life of Frank (Kokomo) Jones, oldest A. E. F. enlisted man, in the *Cedar Rapids Gazette* and the *Waterloo Courier*, December 27, 1936.

The Glaspell family came to Davenport in 1835, by Marie Meyer, in the *Davenport Democrat*, December 27, 1936.

Iowa was admitted to the Union ninety years ago, in the *Des Moines Register*, the *Davenport Democrat*, the *Vinton Times*, and the *Newton News*, December 28, and the *Perry Chief* and *Dubuque Telegraph-Herald*, December 29, 1936.



The cost of Iowa government, by C. C. Clifton, in the *Des Moines Register*, December 28, 1936.

Monument to the Latter Day Saints (Mormons) at Mt. Pisgah, in the *Creston News-Advertiser*, December 29, 1936.

Admiral W. D. Leahy is native Iowan, in the *Sioux City Journal*, January 3, 1937.

Truman Davis came to Greene County in 1849, in the *Jefferson Bee*, January 5, 1937.

Trees and the pioneers, by Mrs. Harriet Bonebright Carmichael, in the *Webster City Freeman-Journal*, January 5, 6, 8, 1937.

Iowa in 1846, in the *West Union Union*, January 7, 1937.

Story of Farmer Burns, in the *Davenport Democrat*, January 10, 1937.

Sketch of the life of R. H. Harned, in the *Davenport Democrat*, January 11, 12, 1937.

Sketch of the life of B. F. Tillinghast, former editor of the *Davenport Democrat*, in the *Davenport Times*, January 12, and the *Davenport Democrat*, January 12, 13, 24, 1937.

The Columbia Museum has drawings of early Dubuque, in the *Dubuque Tribune*, January 13, 1937.

Sketch of the life of Judge Joseph J. Clark, in the *Mason City Globe-Gazette*, January 15, and the *Des Moines Register* and *Charles City Press*, January 16, 1937.

Early papers of north Iowa, in the *Mason City Globe-Gazette*, January 15, 16, 25, 28, 29, February 3, 4, 1937.

Eagle Point in 1900, in the *Dubuque Telegraph-Herald*, January 17, 1937.

J. M. Toms is ninety years old, by Grace C. Koppenhaver, in the *Cedar Rapids Gazette*, January 17, 1937.

When Boone County lost the capital, in the *Webster City Freeman-Journal*, January 19, 1937.

Early days in Mt. Pleasant, in the *Mt. Pleasant News*, January 19, 1937.

Judge F. O. Ellison has served thirty years on Linn County district court bench, in the *Tipton Advertiser*, January 21, 1937.

Judges of the Twelfth Iowa Judicial District, in the *Forest City Summit*, January 21, 1937.

Curious namings of Des Moines River, by Harvey Ingham, in the *Des Moines Register*, January 23, 1937.

Reminiscences of B. F. Tillinghast, by J. E. Calkins, in the *Davenport Democrat*, January 24, 1937.

Sketch of the life of Mrs. Alex Miller, in the *Washington Journal*, January 25, 1937.

Proposed removal of monument marking site of old Fort Madison, by Mrs. Dale Bullard, in the *Burlington Hawk-Eye Gazette*, January 25, 1937.

Quakers of Iowa, by Harvey Ingham, in the *Des Moines Register*, January 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 1937.

The George N. Sherburne family, in the *Spirit Lake Beacon*, January 28, 1937.

Sketch of the life of Captain Joseph M. Hawthorne, oldest licensed river pilot, in the *Davenport Democrat*, January 29, 1937.

Founding of William Penn College, by Harvey Ingham, in the *Des Moines Register*, January 30, 1937.

The powder cave of old Fort Crawford, in the *Dubuque Telegraph-Herald*, January 31, 1937.

Mrs. Hattie Hough came to Iowa in 1866, by Mrs. P. M. Lawrence, in the *Sioux City Tribune*, February 2, 1937.

Sketch of the life of David Patterson, in the *What Cheer Patriot*, February 3, 1937.

The county seat contest in Howard County, in the *Cresco Plain Dealer*, February 4, 11, 1937.



- Did the James brothers participate in Corydon bank robbery, in the *Corydon Times-Republican*, February 4, 1937.
- Early pioneer history of Dickinson County, in the *Spirit Lake Beacon*, February 4, 1937.
- First log cabin in Fort Des Moines, in the *Des Moines Plain Talk*, February 4, 1937.
- New chapter in the story of Black Hawk, by W. N. Kueneman, in the *Des Moines Register*, February 7, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of John A. Woods, Rock Branch pioneer, in the *Sioux City Tribune*, February 8, 1937.
- The prehistoric past of Pella, by Ray E. Colton, in the *Pella Press*, February 10, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of Frank D. Jackson, in the *Des Moines Register*, February 12, 20, 1937.
- The press of Cerro Gordo County, by Charles H. Gelo, in the *Mason City Globe-Gazette*, February 13, 1937.
- C. B. Campbell of Knoxville assembles bones of pre-historic lizard, in the *Des Moines Register*, February 14, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of John L. Blanchard, in the *Council Bluffs Nonpareil*, February 16, 1937.
- First capitol building in Des Moines, in the *Des Moines Plain Talk*, February 18, 1937.
- Tools and pioneer handicraft in the museum at Decorah, by G. W. Ess, in the *New Hampton Tribune-Gazette*, February 18, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of Mrs. Hetty Shiras, widow of former Judge O. P. Shiras, in the *Dubuque Telegraph-Herald*, February 18, 1937.
- The story of bonds issued by Sioux County, from a letter by Henry Hospers, in the *Alton Democrat*, February 18, 1937.
- Former Governor Frank D. Jackson is 83 years old, by Harvey Ingham, in the *Des Moines Register*, February 20, 1937.

- The Scotch pioneered in Tama County, in the *Guthrie Center Guthrian*, February 23, and the *Postville Herald*, February 25, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of Otto F. Lange, in the *Dubuque Telegraph-Herald*, February 23, 1937.
- Statesmen who have made Iowa famous, by A. B. Funk, in the *Spirit Lake Beacon*, February 25, 1937.
- Fort Des Moines in 1843, in the *Knoxville Express*, February 25, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of William O. Coast, in the *Des Moines Register*, February 28, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of W. C. Marsh, by Harriet Gordon, in the *Sioux City Journal*, February 28, and the *Cherokee Times*, March 31, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of U. G. Whitney, in the *Waterloo Courier*, February 28, and the *Sioux City Journal*, March 14, 1937.
- The flood of 1851 in the Missouri River, in the *Tabor Beacon*, March 3, 1937.
- Early days in Davis City, by Idavee Crouse, in the *Leon Journal Reporter*, March 4, 1937.
- The Swiss Colony in Fayette County, in the *West Union Union*, March 4, 1937.
- Maquoketa is only town so named, by Lester Petersen, in the *Sabula Gazette*, March 4, 1937.
- Des Moines River had many names, in the *Waverly Journal*, March 4, 1937.
- How Manchester was named, in the *Cedar Rapids Gazette*, March 7, 1937.
- Wm. Phillips, an early judge in Greene County, in the *Jefferson Bee*, March 9, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of Albert C. Willford, in the *Des Moines Tribune*, March 10, and the *Des Moines Register*, March 11, 1937.



- Adel people once operated a railroad, in the *Adel News*, March 10, 31, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of W. T. Hornaday, in the *Knoxville Express*, March 11, 1937.
- The "Claims Club" at Boone Forks settlement, by C. L. Lucas, in the *Madrid Register-News*, March 11, 1937.
- Harlan and Shelby County, by Don Hollenbeck, in the *Harlan Tribune*, March 11, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of James W. Willett, in the *Marshalltown Times-Republican*, March 11, 1937.
- The story of the Spirit Lake Massacre, in the *Sioux City Journal*, March 14, and the *Spencer Reporter*, March 17, 1937.
- When Theodore Vail taught a country school, by Ellis E. Wilson, in the *Waterloo Courier*, March 15, 1937.
- The old lime kiln near Bonaparte, in the *Fort Madison Democrat*, March 18, 1937.
- Facts about Tama County and Iowa, by Mrs. J. D. Thomas, in the *Toledo Chronicle*, March 18, 1937.
- The start of Iowa City, in the *Knoxville Express*, March 18, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of John Springer, in the *Davenport Democrat*, March 23, 1937.
- Pre-historic Indian occupancy along the Big and Little Cedar rivers, by Otho R. Laird, in the *Nashua Reporter*, March 24, and the *New Hampton Tribune*, April 1, 1937.
- Early township in Polk County, in the *Des Moines Plain Talk*, March 25, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of W. F. Oehmke, in the *Lyon County (Rock Rapids) Reporter*, March 25, 1937.
- Some early history of Toolesboro (Black Hawk), by Mrs. Hettie M. Crow, in the *Wapello Republican*, March 25, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of F. L. Maytag, in the *Newton News*, March 26, 30, and the *Newton Record*, April 1, 1937.

- When H. G. Wheeler sold his Iowa "ranch" to W. P. Adams, in the *Council Bluffs Nonpareil*, March 28, and the *Boone News-Republican*, March 30, 1937.
- Mrs. Robert T. Lincoln, daughter of James Harlan, is dead, in the *Clinton Herald*, March 31, and the *Cedar Rapids Gazette*, April 1, 1937.
- The cigar store Indian at Denison, in the *Denison Review*, April 1, 1937.
- When a meteor fell near Marengo, in the *Blairstown Press*, April 2, 1937.
- History of the Union Mills Christian Church, by Hugh C. Guy, in the *Oskaloosa Herald*, April 3, 1937.
- Charles Philip Hexom studies Winnebago Indians, by E. C. Bailey, in the *Cedar Rapids Gazette*, April 4, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of Mrs. O. P. Shiras, in the *Dubuque Telegraph-Herald* and the *Dubuque Tribune*, April 6, 1937.
- Early days in Douglas Township, Madison County, by Frank Peed and S. A. Hays, in the *Winterset News*, April 8, 1937.
- The early settlement of Iowa County, in the *Williamsburg Journal-Tribune*, April 8, 1937.
- Pioneer days in Scott Township, Madison County, by Mrs. C. A. Robbins, in the *Winterset News*, April 8, 1937.
- Edgar R. Harlan's thirty years as Curator of the Historical Department, in the *Des Moines Register*, April 9, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of Atherton B. Clark, in the *Cedar Rapids Gazette*, April 13, 1937.
- Early pioneer priests in Iowa, in the *Monona Leader*, April 15, 1937.
- A short history of Wright County, by H. C. Simerson, in the *Belmond Independent*, April 15, 1937.
- Scotch Grove early history, by Mrs. D. O. Sinclair, in the *Monticello Express*, April 15, 1937.



- Stagecoach days in Leon, by Idavec Crouse, in the *Leon Journal Reporter*, April 22, 1937.
- A century ago in Muscatine, in the *Muscatine Journal*, April 23, 1937.
- The Grindstone War, by Remley J. Glass, in the *Mason City Globe-Gazette*, April 24, 1937.
- New London 100 years ago, in the *Mt. Pleasant News*, April 26, 1937.
- First judicial records of Fremont County found at Sidney, in the *Shenandoah Gazette*, April 27, and the *Tabor Beacon*, May 5, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of Robert T. St. John, in the *Riceville Recorder*, April 28, 1937.
- Burlington was incorporated 100 years ago, by Tracy Garrett, in the *Burlington Hawkeye-Gazette*, April 29, 1937.
- Genealogical records of Marion County, in the *Knoxville Journal*, April 29, 1937.
- Ed S. Merritt was first white child born in Fort Dodge, by Harvey Ingham, in the *Des Moines Register*, April 30, 1937.
- Who were the first settlers in Woodbury County, by Gertrude Henderson, in the *Sioux City Journal*, May 4, 1937.
- Legend of John Ester and Ester's Point, by C. C. Barnett, in the *Elkader Register*, May 5, 1937.
- Early records of Mahaska County, in the *Oskaloosa Herald*, May 5, 1937.
- Sketch of the life of John Campbell, by Harvey Ingham, in the *Des Moines Register*, May 5, 1937.
- Development of government, by William G. Kerr, in the *Grundy Center Register*, May 13, 1937.
- Early days in Crawford County, in the *Denison Bulletin*, May 13, 1937.