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"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, and government records recently acquired or newly processed that we think might be of particular 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

Anderson Family. Papers, 1856–1999. 4 ft. Correspondence, photographs, and histories documenting several generations of a Swedish immigrant family who lived in Sioux City, Council Bluffs, and Onawa. DM.

Carss, James. Diaries, 1865–1929. 44 vols. Diaries kept by an early Des Moines civil engineer, containing notes related to a variety of work projects, including railroad surveys, bridge construction, platting of city additions, and street improvements. Carss also mentions leisure pursuits (horticulture, hunting, fishing), and cancer treatments. DM.

Cochran Family. Papers, 1930s–1978. 4 folders. Addition to collection: ledger related to Robert Cochran’s Johnson County farm, correspondence of Iowa City Shipping Association (a local farm cooperative), and reminiscences of Lee Cochran on growing up on the farm. IC.


Douglas, Bill. Papers, 1982–1990. 1 ft. Addition to Iowa Social History Collection: photocopies of articles describing protests against CIA recruiting in Iowa and U.S. intervention in Central America; and ephemera related to Iowa Socialist Party activity. IC.

Drake Family. Papers, 1839–1853. 5 documents. Letters written to John and Mary Drake in Wapello from family members living in Maquoketa. DM.

Farwell, Walter. Papers, 1950s–1990s. 1 folder. Notes and photocopies of newspaper articles related to African Americans in Fremont County from the 1840s to 1880. IC.

Madison Township (Johnson County) School Board. Records, 1887–1898. 1 vol. Teachers’ classification register for Madison Township, showing students’ enrollment, performance, and attendance. IC.

Penn Township (Johnson County). Records, 1865, 1875–1878. 5 vols. Tax records for Penn Township, showing land ownership, real property, and tax assessments. IC.
Rosenbaum, Rebecca. Papers, 1990–1991. 4 folders. Additions to Iowa Social History Collection, including materials on Iowa New Jewish Agenda, protests against the Gulf War in Iowa City and Des Moines, and nonviolent direct action against Rockwell. IC.

United Rubber Workers Local 164. Records, 1970s–1998. 5 ft. Records include memos and correspondence, grievance filings, contracts and notes on negotiations between the local and Firelli, Armstrong, and Titan companies. Materials primarily generated by Earl Seymour, past president of URW-164. IC.


**Audio-Visual**

Cochran, Lee. 36 glass lantern slides, 1900–1920s; 2 reels of 16 mm film, ca. 1930s; framed photograph of entrance to University of Iowa hospital, 1941. Lantern slides include 19th-century views of Iowa City and the University of Iowa. Films include movies of Lee Cochran’s family life in Iowa City. IC.

Crane, Frederick. Sound recordings, 1941. 5 acetate 12-inch disks. Additions to collection: sound recordings of Eldon Obrecht’s master’s thesis, 1940–1941. IC.

Dan Hunter Creative Services. 1 VHS videotape, 90 min., 1997. They Made the Earth Tremble: Coal Mining in Marion County. Oral history interviews with 20 Marion County residents discussing coal mining heritage. IC.

Eck-Casper Family. 32 original photographs, 1880s–1925. Include portraits of Dora Eck, Julia Eck, and Kathleen Casper; also images of family grocery store in Waverly and camping trips. IC.

Felton, William. 47 glass plate negatives, 1920–1925. Images of store fronts, shop interiors, street scenes, and individuals from small towns in Iowa. IC.


Iowa General Assembly. Composite photograph of members of the 17th General Assembly, House of Representatives, 1878. DM


Iowa views. 5 color-tinted photographic postcards, 1910–1918, and 7 original mounted photographs, 1905. Photographic postcards show Amana scenes and buildings; photographs show wreck of passenger train near Homestead, Iowa. IC.

Iowa views. 15 original photographs and 15 negatives, 1999. Views of interior and exterior of Iowa City’s historic Harmon building shortly before its demolition. IC.

KRNT Radio (Des Moines). 3 78 r.p.m. sound discs, 1949. Recorded program, “Feed Men Interviews,” which aired on KRNT Radio, March 18, 1949. DM.
McGregor, Iowa. 17 postcards, ca. 1910, 1916. Lithographic and photographic postcards, including aerial perspectives and views of the area’s geological features. DM.

McKee Family Collection. 24 black-and-white photographs, ca. 1880–ca. 1905. Photos related to immediate family and descendants of John and Madeline McKee, former slaves who settled in Dallas County. Includes portraits, views of residences, and church activities. DM.

McMillan Family. 18 reels of 16mm film, 1925–1935. Home movies (totaling 3 hours) showing McMillan family of Mount Pleasant, Iowa. Includes footage of local events, county fair, visiting circus, street scenes, and parades. IC.

Medicine-Education. 52 black-and-white photographs, 1903 and 1907. Photos showing students, faculty, and graduates of Keokuk Medical College, Keokuk Dental College, and Drake University Medical College. DM.

Monarch Machine & Stamping Company (Des Moines). 199 black-and-white photographs, 1 8mm motion picture film, ca. 1942. Views of the company plant and employees when the company was operating as an ordnance plant. DM.

Polk, Jefferson S. 61 black-and-white photographs. Addition to Pioneer Club collection. Photos related to the family of Des Moines pioneer resident, Jefferson S. Polk, used in the 1901 book, Shadows and Memories of Herndon Hall. DM.

Radley, Marjorie Meeker. 5 black-and-white photographs, ca. 1930. Photos showing Radley’s student activities while attending the Iowa National Training School, an academy for professional training in Christian leadership located in Des Moines. DM.

Roslein, Neis L. 7 photographic postcards and 4 original photographs, ca. 1890–1915. Additions to collection, include images of teams, horses, and buggies, houses and people, school exteriors and students. IC.

Transportation—Buses. 52 color 35mm slides, 1974–1985. Interior and exterior views of the Des Moines Metro Transit Authority bus garage, including views of various makes and models of buses, plus one view of a horse-drawn school bus that served the Steamboat Rock Consolidated School, ca. 1930. DM.

Wickersham, Jacob. 14 black-and-white photographs, ca. 1890. Photos showing Des Moines firehouses, fire department employees, and wagons. DM.


Published Materials


Esse Quam Videri: Iowa’s Presidential Hope, an Address, by Liston McMillen. [Oskaloosa?]. 1892. 10 pp. Delivered at the Masonic Opera House, Oskaloosa, Iowa, April 24th, 1892. IC.


H.R. 640: A Bill Supplemental to the Bill for the Admission of the States of Iowa and Florida into the Union. U.S. Congress, 1845. 5 pp. IC.

Hartwick and Vicinity: History and Storybook, by Barbara Verdeck. N.p., [1967?]. 110 pp. IC.


History and Roster of the Engineers Club of Des Moines: 25th Anniversary, 1918–1943. N.p., [1943?]. 63 pp. IC.


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History of Howard County, Iowa, by A. O. Amundson. N.p., [1905?]. 80 pp. IC.


A History of St. John's Episcopal Church, Dubuque, Iowa, by Maurine Collins Schmitz. N.p., 1966. 84 pp. IC.


Let There Be Sight: We Serve Through Iowa Lions Sight Conservation Foundation, Lions of Iowa. [Ames?, 1975?]. 48 pp. DM.


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A Listing of Towns (Existing and Abandoned) in the State of Iowa, by Scharlott Goettsch Blevins. N.p., 1996. 54 pp. IC.

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This Old Farm: A Treasury of Family Farm Memories, by Michael Dregni. Stillwater, MN: Voyageur Press, 1999. 160 pp. IC.

A Walk Through History: Candlelight Tours of Steamboat Rock's Historic Cemetery, by Kay Roelfsema. [Steamboat Rock]: Walk Through History Committee, [1998?]. 59 pp. IC.

Warren County's Communities: There Were Eighty-two of Them, by Edith Conn. Indianola: Warren County Historical Society and Three Rivers Questers, 1996. 36 pp. IC.


