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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 materials, and published materials 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 and Records

American Association of University Women, Des Moines Branch. Records, 1927–2003. 12 ft. Includes minutes, photo albums, scrapbooks, yearbooks, directories, newsletters, board meetings, etc. IC.

Brown, Robert C. Manuscripts, 1993–2003. ½ ft. Writings on the history of railroads in Iowa. IC.

Coulter, C. E. Account book, 1876–1904. Includes costs of numerous household items and medical services. IC.

Iowa Federation of Labor. Records, 1930–2000. 12 ft. Miscellaneous records, including organization material, broadsides, and videos. IC.

Iowa Society of Colonial Wars. Records, 1959–2000. 3 scrapbooks. Illustrated history and activities of the organization. IC.


Klapp, Michael. Papers, 1960s–1980s. 1 ft. Documentation related to Klapp's civil engineering career with the City of Des Moines, with special emphasis on his work as civil defense coordinator. Includes local civil defense plans, manuals and maps, and educational course materials prepared by Klapp, a specialist in fallout shelter design. DM.

L. Fowler and Son (Des Moines). Records, 1922–1996. 9 ft. Records of funeral home that served a primarily African American clientele in Des Moines. DM.

Leffingwell Family. Manuscript, 1838–1940. 16 pp. Account by Marguerite Hess Morrow McClain about her ancestors, particularly the lives and activities of her parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents in Iowa. IC.

Matill, Henry. 7 scrapbooks, 1930s–1950s. Scrapbooks documenting the lives of the University of Iowa professor and his wife, Helen Ishram, in college and at various teaching posts throughout the U.S. Includes two volumes documenting their tour of Europe in 1938. IC.
Pitkin, Roy M. Manuscript, 2003. "Letters to Pauline: A Love Story from the early 1900s." Book manuscript and 60 original letters upon which the book is based. IC.

Pixler, King Oliver. Papers, 1929–1945. ¾ ft. Papers related to the military career of Pixler (of Pierson and Spencer), who served in the Navy (1929–1933), Marines (1934–1938), and Army (70th Tank Battalion, 1941–1945). DM.

Riggs, Charles R., and Frank Caulum. Manuscripts, 1861–1880s. 10 items. Discharge papers, GAR application, pension papers, and handwritten list of military service and battles engaged in by Charles R. Riggs, 2nd Iowa Cavalry. Documents of Frank Caulum include Norwegian smallpox vaccination certificate, transportation contract from Norway to Nevada, Iowa, and naturalization papers. IC.

Sunoida Club (Clinton). Records, 1898–1929. 1 ft. First minute book of this women’s study club, which has been in continuous operation since 1898. DM.

Young Family. Manuscript, 1840s–1910. 60 pp. Recollections by William Young of his parents, James Young and Amanda Printz, and their large family, with many details of nineteenth-century farm life in Jones County. IC.

Audio-Visual

Andera, Charles. Photographs, 1875–1929. Glass plate negatives and information relating to Spillville photographer. IC.

Boone County Historical Society. 1 videocassette, 2003. Two programs on coal mining: The History of Coal Mining in Boone County and Martin Burke: A Miner’s Story. DM.

Cedar Rapids. 1 black-and-white photograph, July 1911. Panoramic view showing men’s drill team event during Sokol festival and tournament (Sokols are Bohemian fitness and gymnastic clubs). DM.

Des Moines. 4 black-and-white photographs, ca. 1910. Interior and exterior views of Fred F. Butler’s restaurant, including employees and clientele. DM.

Garcia, Teresa. Broadside, photographs, 1926–1930s. ¼ ft. Poster for Mexican Independence Day celebration, September 16, 1929, in Fort Madison; contract for housing ca. 1926; 6 contact prints of images created by Pedro “Antonio” Diaz; pamphlet with family information; certificate for Jessie Sanchez, rodeo queen contestant; and additional photos and material. IC.

General Assembly. 1 black-and-white photograph, 1888. Composite portrait of senators of the 22nd General Assembly. DM.


Iowa National Guard. 5 black-and-white photographs, 1895–1897. Views of the 4th Regiment, Iowa National Guard, during training at Fort Dodge and Spirit Lake. DM.

Witt, Bill. Photographs, 1992–2002. 15 photographs of Iowa legislators’ activities at the state capitol and at home. IC.
Published Materials

Note: Once per year, in the Fall issue, we list separately in this section all of the books processed in the past year about specific locales (towns or counties), churches, and schools, listed alphabetically by town or county. We include full publication data for local and school histories; only the names of churches and the years covered are included for church histories.

Town and County Histories


Buckeye. Buckeye. [Buckeye: Buckeye Centennial Book Committee], 2003. IC, DM.


Calliope. See Hawarden.


Cedar Falls. See Waterloo/Cedar Falls.


Corning. Souvenir of the Corning Flood, August 27, 1903. [Corning, 1903]. 10 pp. DM.


Forest City. *Centennial Sketches: A Historical Booklet Marking the One Hundredth Anniversary of Forest City, Winnebago County, Iowa, in 1855*. [Forest City]: Forest City Centennial, Inc., 1955. 79 pp. IC, DM.


Fort Dodge. *Fort Dodge's Yesterdays*, by Lotty Jo Fawkes. [Fort Dodge, 1950]. 80 pp. DM.


Greene County. *Brief History of Greene County*, by R. A. Morris. N.p., 1940. 52 pp. DM, IC.

Guthrie County. *A Record: History, Biography, Memory, Pioneer Times and Peoples: Guthrie Center, Iowa*, by Elbert Wright Weeks. [Guthrie Center: The Guthrian Press], 1932. 96 pp. IC, DM.

Guthrie County. *Guthrie County Centennial: 100 Years of Progress, 1851–1951*. [Guthrie Center]: The Times & Guthrian, 1951. 80 pp. DM, IC.

Hardin County. *Memories: The First 150 Years in Hardin County*. [Iowa Falls]: Times Citizen Communications, [2001]. 239 pp. IC, DM.


LaMoille. *Memory Book Honoring LaMoille Military, Church, School and Community.* [LaMoille: LaMoille Alumni Committee, 2000?]. DM, IC.


Linn County. *Linn County, Iowa Historic Back Roads Tour.* [Cedar Rapids: Linn County Sesquicentennial Commission, [1996 or 1997?]]. IC.


New Hampton. New Hampton: The Judicial Seat of Chickasaw County, a Thriving City of 2,500 Inhabitants with Brilliant Promises for the Future. Dubuque: Putnam & Moyor, 1890. 16 pp. IC.


Osceola County. Osceola County History, Iowa, compiled by the Iowa Writers’ Program of the Work Projects Administration in the State of Iowa. Sibley, 1942. 56 pp. DM, IC.

Oskaloosa. Oskaloosa, or, the First One Hundred Years in a Mid-Western Town, by Phil Hoppmann. Cedar Rapids: Torch Press, 1942. viii, 192 pp. DM, IC.


Polk County. The Climatic History of Polk County, Iowa, by Paul J. Waite. [Des Moines?]: Polk County Historical Society, 1964. 11 p. IC.


Primghar. 75th Anniversary of the Primghar Community. [Primghar: History Committee, 1963]. 235 pp. DM, IC.


Scotch Grove. Scotch Grove Pioneers: The Story of Those Hardy Scotchmen Who Made an Overland Journey from the Red River of the North to Jones County, Iowa, in 1837 and Formed the Settlement Now Known as Scotch Grove, by Josephine Sutherland et al. [Monticello: Monticello Express], 1937. 30 pp. IC, DM.


Sioux City. Historical Souvenir of the Golden Jubilee of Catholicity in Sioux City, September 8th, 1907, by L. McCarty. [Sioux City, 1907]. 89 pp. IC.

Sioux City. Sioux City History: For Fourth Grade Students. Sioux City: Sioux City Community School District, 1971. 185 pp. IC.

Sioux City. A Story of Today: Sioux City, its Commerce and Manufactures. [Sioux City?]: Jobbers and Manufacturers Assoc., 1892. 32 pp. IC.

Spencer. Here Is Yesterday . . . ?, by Don Buchan. [Spencer], 1965. 210 pp. IC.


Underwood. Once Every Hundred Years: Underwood 100 Proof. [Underwood?]: Memory Book Committee, [1982?]. 48 pp. IC.


**School Histories**


Iowa State University. *History and Addresses of I. A. C. Alumni*, by Jennie McElyen Beyer. [Ames?: Iowa Agricultural College], 1895. 20 pp. IC.


University of Iowa. *Annals of a University of Iowa Department: From Natural Philosophy to Physics and Astronomy*, by James P. Wells. Iowa City: Dept. of Physics and Astronomy, University of Iowa, 1980. vi, 246 pp. DM, IC.

University of Iowa. “The State University of Iowa: ‘Pearl of the Prairie,’” by Floyd A. Nagler and Charles G. Laird. From *Engineering Education* 16 (1926), 459–74. IC.

University of Iowa. *Extension and Continuing Education: The University of Iowa in Service to Iowa: A Report Prepared for Hon. William B. Quarton, Regent*, by Robert F. Ray. [Iowa City]: Division of Extension and University Services, University of Iowa, 1970. 72 pp. IC.


Church Histories

Akron. St. John’s American Lutheran Church, 1889–1949. IC.
Akron. St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1889–1964. DM, IC.
Akron. St. John Lutheran Church, 1889–1979. IC.
Akron. Trinity American Lutheran Church, 1894–1969. IC.
Akron. Wesley United Methodist Church, 1871–1971. IC.
Cedar Rapids. St. Paul’s United Methodist Church, visitor’s guide. IC.
Chatsworth. St. Matthew’s Lutheran Church, 1905–1980. IC.
Clinton. St. Boniface Parish, 1861–1936. IC.
Council Bluffs. Our Savior’s Scandinavian Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1876–1926. IC.
Craig. St. John’s Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1911–1986. IC.
Davenport. Zion Lutheran Church, 1862–1962. DM.
Decorah. Decorah Lutheran Church, 1960–1977. IC.
Des Moines. Grace United Methodist Church, 1885–2000. DM, IC.
Des Moines. Union Park United Methodist Church, 1874–1974. DM, IC.
Donnellson. Zion–St. Paul’s–St. Peter’s United Church of Christ. IC.
Elk Horn. Elk Horn Lutheran Church, 1875–1975. DM, IC.
Hawarden. Trinity Lutheran Church, 1900–2000. IC.
Ireton. St. John’s Lutheran Church, 1875–1965. IC.
Iowa City/Coralville. First Christian Church, building process, 1994–2002. IC.
Jacksonville. Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1877–1977. IC.
Lyons. Grace Episcopal Church, 1889–1904. IC.
Marcus. Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1879–1979. IC.
Mechanicsville. St. Mary’s Church, 1872–1972. IC.
Monticello. St. Peter and Paul’s Lutheran Church, 1879–1954. IC.
Morning Sun. United Methodist Church, 1924–2003. IC.
Newell. First Baptist Church, 1884–1949. IC.
Persia. Trinity Lutheran Church, 1960–1985. IC.
Sioux Center. Faith Christian Reformed Church, Dedication, 1981. IC.
Spirit Lake. Saint Mary’s Catholic Church, windows. IC.
Tripoli. Faith United Church of Christ (formerly St. Peter’s Evangelical and Reformed Church and First Congregational Church), 1880–1980. IC.
Tripoli (Crane Creek). St. John American Lutheran Church, 1866–1966. IC.
Washington Prairie, WI. Norwegian Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1853–1903. IC.