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 and Records**

Gamsey, Cyrus, Jr. Records, 1918–1919. 1 vol. Typed reports of the U.S. Fuel Administration’s Engineers Committee that belonged to member Gamsey (an Iowan), with indexing for segments pertinent to the state of Iowa. DM.

Historical Society of the U.S. Courts in the 8th Circuit: Southern District of Iowa. 2 DVDs, 2004. “George ‘Lefty’ Mills” contains commentary by this journalist and author on the history of Iowa’s Southern District courts; “We Have No Regrets” contains interviews with Richard F. Stageman and Russell J. Hill, who served on the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Iowa. DM.

Iowa Museum Association. Records, 1980–1993. 1 ft. Correspondence, minutes, annual meeting packets, and miscellaneous documentation. DM.

Iowa Veterinary Medical Association. Records, 1911–1958. 2 ft. Minutes, reports, and correspondence of this organization; miscellaneous material of the Central Iowa Veterinary Association; and documentation related to the U.S. War Department’s Veterinary Division in World War II. DM.

Noun, Louise Rosenfield. 2 audiocassettes, one transcript, 1999. Oral history interview with this political and civil rights activist, feminist, and author in which she gives her perspectives on growing up Jewish in Des Moines and comments on her involvement in such organizations as the Iowa League of Women Voters, the Iowa Civil Liberties Union, and the Des Moines Chapter of the National Organization of Women. DM.

Powers, Ambrose R. 3 hand-scripted and illustrated volumes, 1963–1964. Powers’s account of his life experiences, 1907–1964, in Shelby, Minburn, and Des Moines, written as a story in the third person, with manuscript text blocks and graphics reflecting his skills as a printer and cartoonist. DM.

**Audio-Visual Materials**

Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America: Local Division 441 (Des Moines). 12 black-and-white photographs, ca. 1890–1925. Views of Des Moines Railway Company streetcars and employees and group photos of organization’s members. DM.

Bedford/James/Aitken Family Collection. 1 photo album, 21 black-and-white photographs, 1910–1930s. Photos related to these families and their involvement in coal mining in Monroe and Lucas County, Iowa. DM.

Floods. 6 black-and-white photographs, 1938. Views of Clinton, Iowa, after flood of 1938. DM.

KDPS Television (Des Moines). 1 black-and-white 16mm motion picture film with audio, ca. 1963. “Home of Iowa’s History,” a 20-minute film produced by the Des Moines Public Schools’ media department, featuring exhibits and artifacts at the State Historical Building in Des Moines. DM.


Published Materials


* Alix, Queen of the Turf*, by Roy Marshall. N.p., 2002. 36 pp. Account of “the greatest trotting horse of her time” (the 1890s), owned by Morris J. Jones of Red Oak. IC.


A Biography of Eli Potter Conser (1832-1894) and His Son Louis Agassiz Conser (1869-1945), by Peter E. Potter. N.p., 2004. 46 pp. IC.


Des Moines Pre-Vocational School: For the Adjustment of Educational Difficulties and the Selection of Proper Vocations for Boys and Young Men Who Have Been Irregular or Unfortunate in School; Hull Bradley School: For the Mental Guidance and Education of Slowly Developing, Physically Hampered and Nervous Children. [Des Moines?): Home and Public School Psychological Service, [1923]. 30 pp. IC.

Detroit en 1880, by Olivier Zunz. 2 vols. Ann Arbor, MI: Center for Research on Social Organization of the University of Michigan, 1977. IC.

Diary: 1863-’64–’65, by Adam Gurowski. Washington, DC: W. H. & O. H. Morrison, 1866. 413 pp. Civil War diary by a Polish count who immigrated to the U.S. in 1949 and became a translator for the State Department during the war. IC.


A Dutch Boy Fifty Years After, by Edward Bok. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1921. xxii, 213 pp. Fiction, adapted from The Americanization of Edward Bok. DM.


Fiftieth Anniversary Iowa Schoolmasters Walt Whitman Club. [Des Moines?: Walt Whitman Club, 1945]. 5 pp. IC.


George Wallace Jones, by John Carl Parish. Iowa City: State Historical Society of Iowa, 1912. xii, 354 pp. DM, IC.


History of Fort Leavenworth, 1827–1937, by Elvid Hunt. 2nd ed. [Fort Leavenworth, KS?]: Fort Leavenworth Historical Society, 1981. xv, 301 pp. DM.
History of Senatorial Elections in Iowa, by Dan Elbert Clark. Iowa City: State Historical Society of Iowa, 1912. 331 pp. DM, IC.


Life and Distinguished Services of William McKinley: Our Martyr President, by Murat Halstead. [Chicago]: Memorial Association, [1901]. 577 pp. DM.

The Life and Public Services of James G. Blaine: With Incidents, Anecdotes, and Romantic Events Connected with His Early Life; Containing Also His Speeches and


The New Iowans, by Mark A. Grey et al. [Cedar Falls]: University of Northern Iowa New Iowans Program, in collaboration with Iowa Public Television, 2003. 32 pp. DM.


Only the Least of Me Is Hostage: Midwest POWs in Nazi Germany, edited by Michael Luick-Thrams, with an introduction, text, and illustrations by Pat Schultz. 2 vols. N.p., 2004. DM, IC.

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A Student of Catalogues, by Vincent Starrett. [Cedar Rapids: Torch Press], 1921. 24 pp. Reflections on what can be learned from booksellers’ catalogs. DM, IC.


A Synopsis of Iowa Railroads, by B. M. Richardson. [Des Moines: Iowa Railroad Commission, 1926.] 5 pp. IC.


Ten years = Deset godina. [Des Moines?]: Organizational-Committee for “Ten Years of Bosnians in Iowa,” [2003 or 2004]. 31 pp. DM.


When the West Was Young, by Frederick R. Bechdolt. New York: The Century Co., 1922. 309 pp. Fiction. DM, IC.


Young Settler, by Phil Stong. Eau Claire, WI: Hale, 1938. 80 pp. Juvenile fiction. IC.