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 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

Aldrich, Charles and Thirza (Briggs). Papers, ca. 1854–1906. ½ ft. Correspondence, miscellaneous documentation, and photographs of this couple, primarily consisting of letters generated through Charles Aldrich’s work as an Iowa newspaperman, state legislator, and first curator of the Iowa State Historical Department. This collection, from a descendant of Thirza Briggs, supplements a substantial collection of Aldrich papers already held by the State Historical Society. DM.

Eckroate, John. Papers, 1862–1865. ¼ ft. More than 150 Civil War letters of Private John Eckroate of Mahaska County, who served with Company C of the 33rd Iowa Volunteer Infantry. Letters are accompanied by 1862 diary entries and miscellaneous military documents and ephemera. DM.

Iowa Suffrage Memorial Commission. Architectural drawings, ca. 1925. Two drawings of a proposed suffrage memorial for the state capitol grounds submitted to, but unused by, the commission, which eventually installed a bas relief inside the statehouse to commemorate the work of suffragists. DM.

Refugees, Political (1970s). Papers, 1983. 1 vol. Compilation of papers written by Cambodian, Laotian, and Vietnamese students for their “English as Second Language” class at Hoover High School (Des Moines). The students describe life in their homelands before and after the Communist takeover, the transition through Thai refugee camps, and relocation to the United States. DM.

Rus, Claus. Correspondence, 1898. Two detailed letters written by Corporal Claus Rus of Council Bluffs while serving with Company L of the 51st Iowa Volunteer Infantry during the Spanish-American War. Letters include descriptions of travel on the transport ship *Pennsylvania* and observations about Spanish soldiers and prisoners in Manila. DM.

Walton, Mary Elizabeth (Barrows). Papers, 1856–1858. 1 vol. Journal kept by this pioneer schoolteacher while she held positions at Muscatine, Iowa, and Lyndon, Illinois; returned to her family home in Clayville, New York, for a brief period; and permanently resettled in Muscatine as the wife of prominent citizen Josiah P. Walton. DM.

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Audio-Visual

Bedford, Iowa. Four lithographic postcards, ca. 1910. Views of this community's First Baptist Church, Christian Church, Main Street, and Dunning residence. DM.

Churches and religion. Black-and-white panoramic photograph, 1922. Group photo showing attendees of the 134th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States, Des Moines, Iowa, May 18–25, 1922. DM.

Churches and religion. Two 35mm color slides, October 4, 1979. Close-up candid of Pope John Paul II taken during his visit to Living History Farms. DM.

Iowa State University. One black-and-white photograph, 1932. Group photo of the university’s Cossacks, a stunt horse riding organization open to members of the campus ROTC and students of the college of veterinary medicine. DM.

Peterson, Richard W. Digital video disk (94 mins.), September 21, 2004. Oral history interview of this retired U.S. Judge Magistrate in which he discusses his life and career as a lawyer and federal judicial officer at Council Bluffs; his service with the 342nd Infantry in World War II; and his historical research and publications. DM.

Reynoldson, W. Ward. Digital video disk (90 mins.), November 16, 2004. Oral history interview of this lawyer and former Iowa Supreme Court Justice in which he discusses his private practice in Osceola; memorable cases he heard while on the Iowa bench; and changes witnessed in the state court systems. DM.

War Camp Community Service (Des Moines). Four black-and-white photographs, ca. 1918. Views of girls' recreational activities sponsored by this community program, including group photos of the African American drill team and Dutch folk dancing troupe. DM.

Webster City, Iowa. Six lithographic postcards, ca. 1910. Views of this community's central fire station, First National Bank, Kendall Young Library, Second Street, new high school, and Catholic church. DM.

Published Materials


An Address Delivered at the Annual Commencement of the State University of Iowa, June 21st, 1867, by Thos. H. Benton Jr. Davenport: Gazette Co., 1877. 99 pp. Historical sketch of the State University of Iowa. DM, IC.


Against the Odds: Women Pioneers in the First Hundred Years of Photography, by Martin W. Sandler. New York: Rizzoli, 2002. x, 188 pp. IC.

Agriculture’s Interests in Wartime Production of Essential Chemicals, by R. E. Buchanan. Des Moines: Iowa Industrial and Defense Commission, 1941. 29 pp. IC.


Americanism: Chapel Address, Iowa State Teachers College, October 22, 1919, by Frank Ivan Merchant. Cedar Falls: Iowa State Teachers College, 1919. 4 pp. IC.


A Bibliography of the Writings of Carl Van Vechten, by Scott Cunningham. Philadelphia: Centaur Book Shop, 1924. 52 pp. DM.


The Blue and Gray: A History of the Conflicts During Lee's Invasion and Battle of Gettysburg, Containing Complete Roster of the Two Armies, Replete with Incidents and Maps; Being for the Most Part Contributions by Union and Confederate Officers Condensed and Arranged for Popular Reading, by J. Warren Gilbert. People's pictorial ed. [Harrisburg, PA: Evangelical Press], 1922. 166 pp. DM, IC.


Children on the Farm: A Postcard Book of Photographs by Pete Wettach, selected by Leslie A. Loveless. Iowa City: University of Iowa Press for the State Historical Society of Iowa, 2004. 30 pp. IC.


Dolls, by Esther Singleton. New York: Payson & Clarke, 1927. xvi, 167 pp. DM.


English and American Ideals in Education: A Comparison, by Forest Chester Ensign. Davenport: The Contemporary Club, 1929. 20 pp. IC.


Free the Political Prisoners!: Here Are All the Essential Facts Briefly and Accurately Put. Washington, DC: Joint Amnesty Committee, 1921. 4 pp. IC.


From the Heartland: A Postcard Book of Photographs by Pete Wettach, selected by Leslie A. Loveless. Iowa City: University of Iowa Press for the State Historical Society of Iowa, 2004. 30 pp. IC.
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Honoring the Civil War Dead: Commemoration and the Problem of Reconciliation, by John R. Neff. Lawrence: University Press of Kansas, 2005. xiv, 328 pp. DM.


In memoriam, Samuel Irwin Williams, Grand Commander, 1905–1906, [by A. Raymond Grant]. Waterloo: Grand Commander, Knights Templar of Iowa, [1928]. 4 pp. IC.


The Iowa Centennial Committee Presents Iowa, the Open Door, by Claudine Humble. N.p., 1938. 79 pp. DM, IC.


Lead on Japan! and Two Other Songs [Scat! and Du bist mir lieb!], by Jacob Closz. Saint Ansgar: Enterprise Print, 1904. 4 pp. IC.


**My Story of the War: A Woman's Narrative of Four Years Personal Experience as Nurse in the Union Army, and in Relief Work at Home, in Hospitals, Camps, and at the Front, During the War of Rebellion**, by Mary A. Livermore. Hartford, CT: A. D. Worthington, 1889. 700 pp. DM, IC.


**The Owen and Leone Elliott Collection: Inaugurating the Opening of the University of Iowa Museum of Art in Iowa City.** Iowa City: Museum of Art, 1969. 79 pp. DM.


**Play Fair, Mr. Farmer**, by Louis Albert Lamb. Chicago: Liberty Loan Campaign Committee, Federal Reserve District Number Seven, [1918]. 6 pp. IC.


A Preliminary Report of Progress, by Iowa State Planning Board. [Detroit], 1934. vi, 507 pp. DM, IC.


Program: The Citizens Party National Nominating Convention. [Iowa City?: Citizens Party?], 1910. 4 pp. IC.


The Report of the Olmsted Brothers Outlining Plans for the Future Arrangement of the Grounds and Buildings of the State University of Iowa. Iowa City: State University of Iowa, 1905. 16 pp. DM, IC.


Road Legislation and Administration in Iowa, by John E. Brindley. Ames: Iowa State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, 1912. 112 pp. DM.


Subsistence Menus and Recipes for Feeding 100 Men for One Month. Chicago: Quartermaster Corps Subsistence School, 1933. 60 pp. IC.


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To Be a Person, by Jennifer Kate Olson. Bloomington, IN: AuthorHouse, 2004. xii, 122 pp. A woman with cerebral palsy recalls her experiences growing up in Ottumwa and as an adult in Iowa City. IC.


The Tribune Almanac and Political Register for 1869. New York: Tribune Association, 1869. 108 pp. IC.


Udtog af Dr. Erik Pontoppidans forklaring til de enfoldiges nytte, by Erik Pontoppidan. Decorah: Norske Synodes bogtrykker, 1880. 103 pp. IC.


Why We Are at War, Why You Must Help, What You Can Do. [New York]: National Security League, [1917?]. 12 pp. IC.


