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

Byers, Samuel H. M.  Document, 1908. Manuscript of Byers’s poem memorializing Charles Aldrich and his role in establishing Iowa’s State Historical Department. DM.

Gibson, Lemuel E.  Papers, 1925–1946. 1.5 feet. Drafts, prospectus, set design and costuming resources, and publicity materials for Gibson’s religious drama, A Broken Idol, which explored questions about the afterlife and contrasted tenets of Christianity and paganism. DM.

Keyes, Margaret. Papers, ca. 1960–1980. 8 ft. Research files relating to her book Nineteenth Century Home Architecture in Iowa City. There are many photographs of houses in eastern Iowa, including Iowa City, Cedar Rapids, the Amanas, Burlington, and Clinton. IC.

Lee, Robert. Papers, 1940–1945. 1 ft. Items collected while in service in Europe during World War II, including soldier’s manuals (medical, unarmed defense, physical training, ordnance, reading maps and aerial photographs, rationing, and going back to civilian life), guidebooks to sites in France, booklets (some in German), and maps. IC.

Newhall, John Bailey. Papers, 1841–1849. 3 documents, 1 publication. Three letters written by this Burlington resident who authored two notable emigrant guides promoting settlement in Iowa; and one copy of his publication, A Glimpse of Iowa in 1846, or the Emigrant’s Guide and State Directory (Burlington, Iowa, 1846), inscribed to David Newhall. Letters provide an account of his travels in England submitted for publication in the Iowa State Gazette, and report on religious activity and gold rush preparations in Burlington. DM.

Stewart, Duncan. Election Day Democratic Precinct Leader Kit, 2006. ¾ ft. From Stewart’s role as precinct leader in the general election held in Johnson County, Iowa. Includes voter lists of who votes in the district, campaign literature, notes, walking map and scripts, voter list, door hangers, and other miscellaneous items. IC.

Throckmorton, Thomas Bentley (Dr.). Typescript, ca. 1945. 424 pp. Memoirs of this Iowa neurologist (1885–1961) discussing his youth in Derby and Chariton, Iowa; the rural medical practice of his father, Dr. Thomas Morford Throck-
morton; his medical education and career; involvement in local and regional medical societies; and activities as a Freemason. DM.


Woman’s Christian Temperance Union of Scott County. Records, 1923–1954. ½ ft. Records of this organization, including minute books, resolutions, programs, news clippings, and annual reports from local unions at Adel, Dallas Center, Linden, Perry, and Redfield. DM.

### Audio-Visual Materials

**All Roads Lead to a Tallgrass Revival.** 1 DVD, 2005. Black-and-white, 30 minutes. Program produced by Mark Muller details Iowa’s roadside seeding projects designed to bring back native tallgrass prairie to 750,000 acres of roadsides in Iowa. IC.

Anschutz, Herman M. 9 black-and-white photographs, 1912. Views of U.S. Lock and Dam #19 (Keokuk, Iowa) during construction, taken by Anschutz, who was the official photographer for the project. DM.

**Black Des Moines: Voices Seldom Heard.** 1 DVD, 1985. 60 minutes. Documentary produced by Verda L. Williams examines Des Moines’s African American history and community. Among residents interviewed are Judge Luther Glanton Jr., James B. Morris III, local NAACP president Larry Carter, and civil rights activist Edna Griffin. DM.

Brinton, Calvin. 17 black-and-white photographic postcards, 1916. Brinton’s photos, taken around McGregor and Turkey River, Iowa, include a series of views documenting damage to the Milwaukee Railroad caused by the flood of June 1, 1916. DM.

Koser, George D. 1 political broadside when Koser was the Republican candidate for Johnson County Attorney, ca. 1905, and 5 original oval portraits of child, Christmas 1904. IC.

Long, Richard S. 1 reproduction of portrait of Richard S. Long, ca. 1895. Also biographical information. IC.

Postcards. 86 printed postcard views of various Iowa towns, ca. 1900–1960. IC.

### Maps

Iowa towns. 29 maps and brochures of towns around Iowa, ca. 1950–1979 and 2007, collected by Bob McDonald. Includes maps of Sioux City, Waterloo, Cedar Rapids, and Dubuque; and brochures relating to Des Moines, DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge, Iowa’s “Little Switzerland” and “Golden Southwest,” and the upper Mississippi River channel. IC.
Published Materials


*Books that Travel: State Traveling Library*. Des Moines: Iowa Library Commission, [1917?]. 4 pp. IC.


*Camping in Iowa*. [Des Moines: Iowa Development Commission, 1968.] 14 pp. IC.


My Mother’s Fort: A Photographic Tribute to Fort Des Moines, First Home of the Women’s Army Corps, by Penelope A. Blake. [North Charleston, SC: Book-Surge], 2005. ix, 227 pp. DM, IC.


The Neighborhood Cooperative: Economic Democracy in Low-Income Communities, by Rodney S. Wead. [New York]: National Program Division, General Board of Global Ministries, United Methodist Church, 1983. 95 pp. IC.


Reading List for Fourth Grade. Reading List for Fifth and Sixth Grades. Reading List for Seventh and Eighth Grades. Des Moines: Iowa Library Commission, 190-? IC.


