"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**

Dallas–Guthrie County Medical Society. Records, 1899–1905. ¼ ft. Materials of this professional organization, including membership records, reports, ephemera, and documentation related to a 1903 survey on the issue of raising medical fees. DM.

Dallas–Guthrie County Medical Society, Women’s Auxiliary. Records, 1928–1987. ¼ ft. Secretary’s books, clippings, and ephemera maintained by this organization. DM.

Doolittle, Hezekiah G. Diaries, 1861–1863 and 1867. Two Civil War diaries kept by Doolittle while serving as sergeant with the Fifth Iowa Volunteer Infantry, and a diary he maintained in 1867 while working as a surveyor in Delaware County. DM.

Harlan, Edgar R. Papers, ca. 1900-1929. ¼ ft. Research materials on Mormons in Iowa compiled by this former curator of the Iowa State Historical Department. Documentation includes correspondence (including a set of letters from Joseph Smith Jr.), research notes, drafts of articles, and Harlan’s monograph, *The Location and Name of the Mormon Trail* (1913). DM.

Huguenot Society of Iowa. Records, 1972–2003. 1 ft. Historian books and program materials for this Iowa chapter of the National Huguenot Society, an organization for descendants of sixteenth- and seventeenth-century French Protestants, established to commemorate the deeds and principles of this persecuted religious group. DM.

Iowa Museum Association. Records, 2003–2007. Addition to this organization’s archives, including executive correspondence, minutes, newsletters, membership materials, and special project files. DM.

McCaull, Robert. Papers, 1870–1876. ¼ ft. Primarily correspondence, circulars, and ephemera received by McCaull while secretary of Iowa’s Pleasant Ridge Grange No. 22 of the Patrons of Husbandry, which drew membership from Decatur, Wayne, and Ringgold counties. Materials address such topics as organization of new Iowa granges, cooperative agreements with farm implement manufacturers, and issues related to the Greenback political movement. DM.
Monroe Theatre (Monroe, Iowa). Scrapbook, 1930s. News clippings, advertisements, handbills, and other ephemera related to this motion picture establishment. DM.

Perry Women’s Club (Perry, Iowa). Records, 1928–1987. 1 ft. Materials of this study club and community service organization, including secretary’s books, scrapbooks, photographs, yearbooks, and ephemera. DM.

Shimanek, Charles Frances (Frank). Papers, 1939–1944. 2 ft. Legislative materials of this state representative from Monticello who served in the 48th–50th General Assemblies. Includes correspondence and bill study materials, as well as documentation related to assignments with the Council of State Governments focused on defense and homefront economics issues. DM.

Wilson, J. I. Papers, 1939. 2 folders. Planning materials for WHO-Radio’s first annual Corn Belt Plowing Match and the Iowa District Corn Husking Contest. Wilson was the secretary for both events held at Mitchellville in 1939. DM.

**Audio-Visual**

Bollhoefer, Albert. 16 photograph albums (ca. 2,600 images), ca. 1960–1976. 8 ft. Black-and-white images of rural and small-town churches taken by Bollhoefer, an amateur photographer who began documenting such structures as a hobby with the intent of completing a statewide photo survey. Although he was unable to complete the project, churches from more than 700 Iowa communities are represented in the collection. DM.

Cass, Joseph F. 122 lantern slides, ca. 1915. Photography associated with the Iowa family of Joseph F. Cass, whose father, Stephen Cass, was founder of Cassville (Bremer County) and a prominent banker and property owner in Sumner. The collection contains views of downtown Sumner, including the bank built and operated by Stephen and Joseph and currently on the National Register of Historic Places. DM.

Cleven Family (Carl, Karin, et al.). 6 photograph albums, 1920s–ca. 1950. Albums connected with this Boone County Swedish American family, some of which contain photos of the Lutheran Home for the Aged in Madrid, where two family members were employed, and snapshots of various Lutheran clergy and outdoor retreats in the Midwest. DM.

Des Moines. 4 black-and-white photo negatives and 1 black-and-white photograph, 1947. Views of flooding in the state capital. DM.

Fairchild Aerial Surveys, Inc. 48 black-and-white photo negatives, 1951. Oblique, low-altitude aerial views of the following Iowa manufacturing companies: Cherry Burrell Manufacturing, Collins Radio, Penick & Ford, Quaker Oats, and Wilson Foods (Cedar Rapids); Alcoa and J. I. Case (Davenport); and Rath Packing (Waterloo). DM.

Phillips, Earl L. 24 black-and-white photographs. June 1953. Views of flood damage in and around Sioux City taken by Phillips, a civil engineer and flood control specialist for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. DM.
Postcards. 13 photographic postcards, 1910–1940. Views of Iowa communities: Hampton (high school, Beed’s Mill, Baptist church, Congregational church, West Side School; Lansing (bird’s-eye view); Marcus (Illinois Central Depot, Merchants Bank, bird’s-eye view); Waukon (German Reformed church, high school, main street); West Point (jewelry store). DM.

Schwieder, Dorothy. 158 black-and-white photographs, 69 35mm color slides, 17 photo negatives, ca. 1888-ca. 1980. Historic and contemporary images of Buxton community, residents, and architectural remains compiled by Dr. Schwieder during research on this Iowa coal mining town, which was notable for its integrated and relatively prosperous African American population. DM.

Sites and Sounds. 1 DVD, ca. 2007. Color, 45 mins. Documentary produced by the Mason City Public Library and Blind Dog Productions providing an overview of Mason City and Cerro Gordo County history, and examining local preservation projects involving the Cannon House, St. John’s Church area, and downtown development. DM.

Steward-Shields-Coggshall Families. 3 photograph albums, 1921–1924. Photography related to these associated families of Story County, including views of farming, social activities, and the millinery at Maxwell where a family member was employed. DM.

Published Materials

Note: Once per year, in the Fall issue, we list separately in this section all of the books processed since the last such listing about specific locales (towns or counties), schools, and churches, listed alphabetically by town or school name. Full publication data will be included for local and school histories; only the names of churches and the years covered will be included for church histories.

Local Histories


Blue Grass. 150 Years in Blue Grass, Iowa, by Catherine Guy. Durant, 2003. 92 pp. DM, IC.


Humboldt County. *Humboldt County as it Was*. Humboldt: Humboldt County Genealogical Society, [1995?]. 24 pp. IC.


Mitchell County. *See Little Cedar*.

Monroe County. *See Albia*.


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Spencer. *Brief History of Spencer*. N.p., n.d. 7 pp. IC.


Webster County. See Fort Dodge.


**Church Histories**


Cedar Falls. First United Methodist Church, 1853–2003. IC.

Cresco. First Congregational Church, 1856-1956 Iowa. DM.

Hazleton. Saint Mary’s Catholic Church, 1881–2005. IC.

Hills. St. Joseph Church, 1903–2003. IC.

Iowa County. Champion Hill Methodist Church, 1961–2005. DM, IC.

Morning Sun. Centenary United Methodist Church, 1996-2006. IC.

North English. Christian Church, Disciples of Christ, 1856–2006. DM, IC.

Riverside. St. Mary’s Parish, 1877–1902. IC.


**School Histories**


Muscatine County. *Muscatine County Normal Institute, Muscatine, Iowa*. [N.p., 1913.] 1 folded sheet. IC.