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Delivering Primary Source Materials Via the World Wide Web: The American Memory Project (An Overview of the Traveling Culture Project at The University of Iowa Libraries)

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An Overview of the Traveling Culture Project at The University of Iowa Libraries

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http://sdrc.lib.uiowa.edu/traveling-culture
Description of the Collection

Chautauqua Collection
(648 linear ft)
1169 containers

Talent (132 ft)
Cities (195 ft)
Employees (126 ft)
Photographs (5 ft)
Miscellaneous (5 ft)

Business Records (183 ft)
Journals (12 ft)

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The Workflow

Talent List (8,186 names)

Talent without Brochures (3,732 names)

- Correspondence
  - Original
  - Photocopy
    - Refile with Other Talent & Brochures
  - Discard

Talent with Brochures (4,454 names)

- Brochures (7,807)
  - Photocopy
    - To Vendor
      - Encode & Transcribe
        - Encoded Text Returned on CD
    - To Cataloging
  - Original
    - To Scanning
      - Refile with Correspondence

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The Scanned Image

Original image scanned at 600 dpi, 32-bit color

ARCHIVAL TIFF
600 dpi, 32-bit color

WORKING TEMPORARY
300 dpi, 32-bit color

ARCHIVAL TIFF
pressed to CD-R and shelved

PDF
300 dpi, 1-bit B/W

JPG
150 dpi, 32-bit color

GIF
75 dpi, 8-bit color

THUMBNAIL
6 dpi, 8-bit color

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Intellectual Access

CATALOGING INPUT
In home-brewed FileMaker database

SGML DOCUMENT
Search bibliographic information in TEI header
or search full text of document

MARC RECORD
Search bibliographic information; URL listed in 856 field
The Navigational Interface

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Status Report

Sent to Vendor for Encoding

Cataloged

Scanned

100% = 93 boxes = 4,454 performers = 7,807 flyers = 29,488 images

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Important URLs

Traveling Culture: Circuit Chautauqua in the Twentieth Century Home Page
http://sdrc.lib.uiowa.edu/traveling-culture

The University of Iowa Libraries Scholarly Digital Resources Center (SDRC) Home Page
http://sdrc.lib.uiowa.edu

American Memory Home Page:
http://memory.loc.gov

American Memory Learning Page
http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/ndlpedu

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