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“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**

Brown, Marcia. Papers. 3 ft., 1978–2000. Brown’s documentation of the Register’s Annual Great Bicycle Ride Across Iowa (RAGBRAI), in which she participated, including scrapbooks, commemorative issues of the *Des Moines Register*, route maps, and assorted ephemera. DM.

Castle and Plaza Theatres (Manchester). ½ ft., 1930–1944. Calendars of movies and promotional events for these two motion picture theatres. DM.

Cylinder Women’s Club. 1 scrapbook, 1959. Cylinder community heritage scrapbook compiled by this women’s club. DM.

Des Moines Women’s Rotary Club. ½ ft., 1950–1979. Annual programs of this organization. DM.

Farquharson, Joyce Hilliard. 1 scrapbook, ca. 1977. Scrapbook on the community of Montgomery (Dickinson County), including some original Montgomery Methodist Church records. DM.

Hamilton, Charles. 1 document (28 pages), November 27, 1928. Address of Judge Hamilton before the Academy of Science and Letters, Sioux City Iowa, regarding his trip to the Black Hills in spring 1877, which included visits to the Red Cloud and Spotted Tail Sioux agencies with his father, photographer James Hamilton. DM.

Jesse Jackson ’88 Iowa Campaign Headquarters (Greenfield). Records. 6 ft., 1987–1988. Collection of records of the state (and temporarily national) campaign headquarters for presidential candidate Rev. Jesse Jackson. It includes documentation related to the campaign exploratory committee and establishment of the Greenfield headquarters; campaign administrative materials (manuals, instructions to staff and volunteers, contact lists); informational files on Jackson, including platform, position materials, and speeches; files on other 1988 presidential candidates; documentation on Jackson’s Iowa visits and appearances; correspondence; campaign publicity materials and political literature; ephemera; photographs; publications; clipping files; and several video and audio cassettes. DM.
Kimbel, George Adam. 1 document (4 pages), June 24, 1963, and 7 black-and-white photographs. Typescript reminiscences of George Adam (“Captain”) Kimbel (1876–1966) relating his experiences piloting ferries and steamers on the Mississippi River at Bellevue and Dubuque. Accompanied by a portrait and several family snapshots. DM.

Mainquist, Nettie. 3 letters, 1934. Letters of Nettie Mainquist (1884–1967), daughter of Swedish immigrants and lifelong resident of rural Red Oak, describing aspects of life during the Great Depression. DM.

Orr, Ellison. 9 leaflets, 1929–1931 and undated. Reprinted articles of this Iowa archaeologist and geologist on such subject matter as prehistoric mounds and caves of northeastern Iowa, the drift sheets of Iowa, Indian Cave, and the Yellow River (Allamakee County). DM.

Seeburger, Merze. 9 documents, 1934–1935. Biographical information and seismograph recordings of Merze Seeburger, creator and director of a residential seismological station at Des Moines. Includes timeline of Iowa earthquakes, technical specifications of the station, and recordings from December 1934 through 1935. DM.

Audio-Visual Materials

Klotz, Ruth (Hon.). One DVD (1 hr., 12 min.), October 27, 2010. Video oral history interview of Klotz (b. 1922), a Drake University law school graduate and district associate probate judge for Iowa’s Fifth District, 1978–2013. DM.


Rose, Stephanie M. (Hon.) One DVD (58 min.), November 13, 2012. Footage from Rose’s investiture as U.S. District Court Judge for the Southern District of Iowa. DM.

Published Materials


An Interpretation Manual for Silos & Smokestacks National Heritage Area, designed by Ben Rendall in collaboration with Angi Reid and Phil Flass. Waterloo: Silos & Smokestacks National Heritage Area, 2012. 61 pages. IC.


Meskwaki along the Upper South Skunk River: Pioneer References to Their Presence in Hamilton, Story, and Polk Counties, compiled by Arlen Twedt. Ankeny, 2012. 59 pp. IC.