

COLLEGE AND ACADEMY LIBRARIES

Place	Name of Library	Librarian	Volumes added in 1921	Total Number of Volumes
Cedar Rapids	Coe College	Betty H. Pritchett	1,307	18,814
Clinton	Warburg College	Wm. J. H. Knapp	000	7,500
Davenport	St. Ambrose College	Carl H. Menberg	670	23,177
Des Moines	Other College	Karl T. Jacobson	500	18,280
Des Moines	Des Moines University	Mrs. Eva M. Page	1,294	36,250
Des Moines	Drake University	Irene Engle	1,000	10,000
Dubuque	Columbia College	L. Kozmial	21	3,471
Epworth	Epworth Seminary	Mrs. Jessie G. Fogg	899	12,075
Fairfield	Parsons College	Alice Kirk	81	9,419
Fayette	Upper Iowa University	Dora F. Carter	2,480	69,021
Forest City	Waldorf College	James H. Duesman	30	7,338
Grinnell	Grinnell College	Isabelle Clark	1,049	12,000
Hopkinton	Lenox College	Anna Maud Earhart	260	7,140
Indianola	Stinson College	Ellen Crook	1,137	51,038
Iowa Falls	Ellsworth College	Della Crook	405	9,322
Lamoni	Graceland College	Lyla Eberson	213	8,865
Le Mars	Western Union College	W. F. Foy	638	23,501
Mt. Pleasant	Iowa Wesleyan College	Mrs. Florence McKibbin	699	13,200
Mt. Vernon	Cornell College	May L. Faulstich	405	9,322
Oskaloosa	Penn College	May Hunt	213	8,865
Paoli	Central College	Maris Gray	638	23,501
Sauk City	Morningside College	Mrs. Jennie H. Jackson	699	13,200
Storm Lake	Buena Vista College			

MISCELLANEOUS LIBRARIES

Cedar Rapids	Bohemian Reading Society			
Cedar Rapids	Iowa Mercantile Library	Newton R. Parvin	1,496	31,487
Davenport	Academy of Science	J. H. Paarmann	1,360	72,059

STATE SUPPORTED LIBRARIES

Ames	Iowa State College	Charles H. Brown	7,812	88,732
Cedar Falls	Iowa State Teachers College	Anne Stuart Duncan	3,855	62,898
Des Moines	Historical Department	Alice Marple	926	27,729
Des Moines	State Library (including Law and Medical Library)	Johnson Brigham	7,038	176,955
Des Moines	Traveling Library	Dorothea Hunt	2,473	35,800
Iowa City	State Historical Society	Ruth A. Galsbiter	2,242	56,879
Iowa City	State University	Grace Werner	11,540	179,079
Iowa City	B. U. I. Law Library	Heleen S. Moylan	3,845	26,458

LIBRARIES IN STATE INSTITUTIONS UNDER BOARD OF CONTROL

Place	Name of Library Librarian—Position vacant	Volumes added from June 29, 1920, to July 1, 1921	Total Number of volumes
Anamosa	State Reformatory	280	7,211
Cherokee	State Hospital		2,369
Clarinda	State Hospital		1,018
Davenport	Soldiers Orphan Home	318	2,556
Elford	Training School for Boys	130	3,345
Fort Madison	State Penitentiary	99	6,561
Glenwood	Institution for Feeble Minded Children		800
Independence	State Hospital		1,836
Marshalltown	Iowa Soldiers' Home	185	1,711
Mitchellville	Training School for Girls		1,809
Mount Pleasant	State Hospital	8	2,056
Oakdale	State Sanatorium for Treatment of Tuberculosis	1,257	2,803
Rockwell City	Woman's Reformatory	14	719
Taleb	Juvenile Home	1,468	1,468
Woodward	State Hospital and Colony for Epileptics	1,100	1,300

Erratum: Cedar College and Academy Libraries the following (received after the list was made) should be included
 Dubuque: University of Dubuque; Leroy E. Loemker, Librarian; 217 volumes added in 1921; 11,917, total number volumes

STATE OF IOWA

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CURATORS

OF THE

STATE HISTORICAL
SOCIETY
OF IOWA

FOR THE

Biennial Period Ending June 30, 1922

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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Iowa City, Iowa, October 3, 1922.

Hon. N. E. Kendall, Governor of Iowa:

Pursuant to the provisions of law, the Board of Curators of The State Historical Society of Iowa submit herewith their thirty-fourth biennial report for the period ending June 30, 1922.

MARVIN H. DEY,
President.

STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF IOWA

ESTABLISHMENT AND LEGAL STATUS

The State Historical Society of Iowa was established pursuant to an act of the Sixth General Assembly entitled "An Act to provide for an annual appropriation for the benefit of a State Historical Society" and approved on January 28, 1857. On February 7, 1857, organization of the Society was fully effected by the adoption of a constitution. In 1872 the Society was brought into closer relations with the State by "An Act to Reorganize the State Historical Society", which was passed by the Fourteenth General Assembly and approved on April 23rd. The Society was first incorporated in December, 1867. Its present incorporation dates from the year 1892.

The present organization of The State Historical Society of Iowa is based upon the provisions of the Code of 1897, Title XIII, Chapter 18, Sections 2882-2888.

PUBLIC SUPPORT

For a period of sixty-five years the public support of The State Historical Society of Iowa has taken the form chiefly of permanent annual appropriations. In 1857 the sum of \$250 was voted by the General Assembly as a permanent annual allowance for the use of the Society. This permanent annual support was increased to \$500 in 1860; to \$1,000 in 1880; to \$2,500 in 1902; to \$7,500 in 1904; to \$12,000 in 1907; to \$16,000 in 1911; to \$20,000 in 1913; to \$24,000 in 1917; and to \$44,500 in 1921.

In addition to the permanent annual support the following special appropriations have been voted by the General Assembly: \$6,000 in 1868; \$1,000 in 1892; \$2,000 in 1900; \$9,500 in 1902; and \$750 in 1906.

The present support of The State Historical Society of Iowa is provided for by three separate acts; an act of the Thirty-fifth General Assembly entitled "An Act making appropriations to the State Historical Society of Iowa", approved on April 16, 1913; an act of the Thirty-seventh General Assembly entitled "An Act making an additional appropriation to the State Historical Society of Iowa", approved on April 14, 1917; and an act of the Thirty-ninth General Assembly entitled "An Act making an additional appropriation to the State Historical Society of Iowa", approved on April 4, 1921.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The following is a summary* of the finances of The State Historical Society of Iowa from July 1, 1920, to June 30, 1922.

RECEIPTS

General Support Fund of 1913 (Act of 35th G. A.), including balance on hand July 1, 1920.....	\$40,074.34
General Support Fund of 1917 (Act of 37th G. A.), including balance on hand July 1, 1920.....	9,708.34
General Support Fund of 1921 (Act of 39th G. A.).....	20,590.90
Publication and Membership Fund (derived from membership dues and sale of publications), including balance on hand July 1, 1920.....	10,570.65
Interest Fund (derived from interest on bank account).....	617.32
Total receipts.....	\$81,520.45

EXPENDITURES

	Amount	Balance
General Support Fund of 1913.....	\$36,268.63	\$ 3,805.71
General Support Fund of 1917.....	8,789.67	968.87
General Support Fund of 1921.....	17,619.11	2,880.59
Publication and Membership Fund.....	9,822.54	747.21
Interest Fund.....		617.32
Total expenditures all funds.....	\$72,499.95	\$ 9,020.30
Total balance all funds.....	9,020.50	

Expenditures and balance equal total receipts. \$81,520.45

*For a detailed and itemized financial statement see 1922 report of the Board of Curators to the Executive Council, published in Expense Report for 1922.

CURATORS AND OFFICERS

The Board of Curators as now constituted consists of the following persons:

Appointed by the Governor—Mrs. Lillian Clark Cary, Dubuque; Mrs. Mary E. Coon, Estherville; John M. Grimm, Cedar Rapids; Mrs. Mary H. S. Johnston, Humboldt; William G. Kerr, Grundy Center; Chas. E. Pickett, Waterloo; Alfred C. Smith, Clinton; Mrs. Helen S. Taylor, Bloomfield; H. O. Weaver, Wapello.

Elected by the Society—Arthur J. Cox, Marvin H. Dey, Henry G. Walker, S. A. Swisher, Charles M. Dutcher, Morton C. Mumma, W. O. Coast, W. L. Bywater, Thomas Farrell, all of Iowa City.

The officers of The State Historical Society of Iowa as elected by the Board of Curators in 1922 are as follows:

Marvin H. Dey, President; P. A. Korah, Treasurer.

SALARIED STAFF

The following constituted the salaried staff of the Society, as provided for by action of the Board of Curators, from July 1, 1920, to June 30, 1921: Superintendent and Editor, \$3,500; Associate Editor, \$3,000; Executive Clerk and Secretary to Superintendent, \$2,400; Clerk and Stenographer, \$840; Clerk and Stenographer, \$780; Library Research Associate, \$2,100; Library Assistant, \$720; General Assistant, \$720.

The following constituted the salaried staff of the Society, as provided for by action of the Board of Curators, from July 1, 1921, to June 30, 1922: Superintendent and Editor, \$3,500; Associate Editor, \$3,000; Executive Clerk and Secretary to Superintendent, \$2,400; Clerk and Stenographer, \$780; Clerk and Stenographer, \$780; Library Research Associate, \$2,100; Library Assistant, \$720; Library Assistant, \$660; Library Assistant, \$200; General Assistant, \$720.

All other services are paid for by the hour or by the week by the order of the Board of Curators upon the recommendation of the Superintendent.

MEMBERSHIP

Persons are admitted to membership in The State Historical Society of Iowa upon election by the Board of Curators and the payment of an initial fee of \$3.00. Membership in the Society may be retained upon the payment of \$3.00 annually. Members of the Society are entitled to receive all the publications issued by the Society during the period of their membership.

Persons are admitted to life membership in the Society upon election by the Board of Curators and the payment of \$50.00; members having paid \$50.00 in annual dues are enrolled as life members. Life members are entitled to all the privileges of members without the payment of annual dues.

On July 1, 1922, there were on the rolls of the Society the names of 1,220 active members, of whom 67 were life members.

AUXILIARY MEMBERS

Local historical societies (such as county historical societies, city or town historical societies, and old settlers' associations) may be enrolled as auxiliary members of The State Historical Society of Iowa upon application by such local historical societies and the approval of the Board of Curators.

Patriotic organizations within the State of Iowa (such as the Iowa Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Iowa Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Iowa Society of Colonial Wars) may be enrolled as auxiliary members of The State Historical Society of Iowa upon application of such organizations and upon approval by the Board of Curators.

Auxiliary societies or organizations receive all of the publications of The State Historical Society of Iowa issued during the period of their affiliation without the payment of any fees or dues. Each auxiliary society or organization is entitled to one vote at the business meetings of the Society.

On July 1, 1922, the auxiliary members of the Society numbered 26.

OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES

In accordance with a resolution of the Board of Curators, certain public and college libraries within the State have been designated as official depositories. These official depositories receive all the publications of the Society as issued without the payment of any fees or dues whatsoever. Thus the Historical Society aims to make its publications accessible to the greatest possible number of citizens of the Commonwealth. Within the State there are now 166 official depositories, which may be regarded as branch libraries of the Society.

It is the policy of the State Historical Society to maintain exchange relations with certain libraries and institutions throughout the United States—an arrangement which results in the acquisition of valuable materials for the library of the Society. Sixty libraries and institutions have been designated as official exchange depositories outside the State.

HISTORICAL RESEARCH

In most States the principal function of the State Historical Society has been that of collection and exhibition, historical research having been left for the most part to individual initiative. But with The State Historical Society of Iowa historical research and publication have become the dominant activity. Through its organization and institutional activities the materials of State and local history are discovered, critically studied by specialists, compiled, edited, and published. Thus, instead of attempting to make the largest possible collection of historical

materials in one place, the Society endeavors to compile, publish, and distribute the greatest amount of accurate, scientific historical information. Instead of hoarding books and manuscripts for the use of a few, the Society aims to make the history of the State accessible to the many.

The work of historical research and investigation is done largely by trained specialists under the direction of the Superintendent. Neither partisan bias nor personal prejudice is knowingly allowed to enter into the work of those who are engaged in research for the Society.

Continuity of the researches which was considerably disturbed during the World War has been largely restored during the biennium under review. The scope of the researches is indicated by the series of historical publications listed below.

THE RESEARCH WORKERS

During the period under review the following persons, outside of the regular salaried staff of the Society, have been engaged in research work for the Society: John E. Briggs, John E. Brindley, Earl S. Fullbrook, Marcus L. Hansen, Charles R. Keyes, Bruce E. Mahan, N. D. Mereness, O. K. Patton, Ivan L. Pollock, Kirk H. Porter, H. H. Preston, Geo. F. Robeson, Alan Rockwood, L. B. Schmidt, Heman Hale Smith, Jacob Van Ek, and Jacob Van der Zee.

HISTORICAL PUBLICATIONS

Publication is an essential feature of the activities of The State Historical Society of Iowa, since its purpose is not alone to investigate, to discover, to collect, and to preserve, but also to make accessible the materials of Iowa history. The established series of publications of the Society are:

- The Iowa Journal of History—a quarterly magazine
- The Palimpsest—a monthly magazine
- The Public Archives Series
- The Iowa Biographical Series
- The Iowa Economic History Series

- The Iowa Social History Series
- The Iowa Applied History Series
- The Iowa Chronicles of the World War
- The Miscellaneous Publications
- The Bulletins of Information

THE QUARTERLY

During the period under review *The Iowa Journal of History and Politics*, the quarterly publication of the Society, has been continued. With the close of the year 1922 twenty volumes of this publication will have been completed. The principal contributions to the *Iowa Journal* during the period from July 1, 1920, to June 30, 1922, are as follows:

- The Soldier Vote in Iowa in the Election of 1888. By Donald L. McMurry.
- Some Materials for the Study of Iowa Archeology. By Charles R. Keyes.
- Some Significant Aspects of the Agrarian Revolution in the United States. By Louis Bernard Schmidt.
- The Westward Movement of the Wheat Growing Industry in the United States. By Louis Bernard Schmidt.
- Historical Survey of the Militia in Iowa, 1898-1916. By Cyril B. Upham.
- A Review of the Work of the Iowa Code Commission. By Jacob Van der Zee.
- Indexing the Compiled Code. By Jacob Van der Zee.
- Providing for a State Constitutional Convention. By John F. Sly.
- History of Taxation in Iowa 1910-1920. By John E. Brindley.
- The Operation of the Primary Election Law in Iowa. By Frank Edward Horack.
- Official Encouragement of Immigration to Iowa. By Marcus Lee Hansen.
- The Internal Grain Trade of the United States 1860-1890 (I). By Louis Bernard Schmidt.
- Letters of Governor John Chambers on Indian Affairs, 1845.

Iowa and the Diplomatic Service. By John E. Briggs.
Kasson and the First International Postal Conference.
By John E. Briggs.

Mechanics' Institutions. By Clarence Ray Aurner.

The Internal Grain Trade of the United States 1860-1890
(II). By Louis Bernard Schmidt.

The Legislation of the Thirty-ninth General Assembly of
Iowa. By John E. Briggs.

Letters from the West in 1845. By Stephen H. Hayes.

The Internal Grain Trade of the United States 1860-1890
(III). By Louis Bernard Schmidt.

A Trip Across the Plains in 1857. By William Clark.

The Judiciary of the Territory of Iowa. By Jacob A.
Swisher.

Sioux City and the Black Hills Gold Rush 1874-1877. By
Erik McKinley Eriksson.

A Typical Iowa Pioneer Community. By George F.
Parker.

Iowa Troops in the Sully Campaigns.

THE MONTHLY

In July, 1920, the Society began the publication of a
monthly magazine entitled *The Palimpsest* for the more
widespread dissemination of Iowa history. Supplementing
the other publications of the Society, this new monthly
magazine aims to present the materials of Iowa history
in a form that is attractive and a style that is popular in
the best sense. The scope and character of *The Palimpsest*
are indicated by the articles which have appeared in the
twenty-four numbers issued between July, 1920, and July,
1922:

VOLUME I

No. 1, July, 1920

The Vision. By Benj. F. Shambaugh.

Palimpsests. By John C. Parish.

White Beans for Hanging. By John C. Parish.

No. 2, August, 1920

Newspaper History. By Bertha M. H. Shambaugh.

An Editorial Dialogue. By John C. Parish.

Three Men and a Press. By John C. Parish.

No. 3, September, 1920

A Romance of the Forties. By William S. Johnson.

Benjamin Stone Roberts. By Ruth A. Gallaher.

The Execution of Patrick O'Connor. By Eliphalet
Price.

No. 4, October, 1920

Father Mazzuchelli. By John C. Parish.

A Few Martial Memories. By Clinton Parkhurst.

No. 5, November, 1920

A Geological Palimpsest. By John E. Briggs.

The Iowa Home Note. By Bertha M. H. Shambaugh.

Through European Eyes. By Giacomo Constantino

Beltrami, Charles Augustus Murray, Fredrika
Bremer, and Robert Louis Stevenson.

No. 6, December, 1920

Crossing the Mississippi. By William S. Johnson.

Clint Parkhurst. By Aug. P. Richter.

VOLUME II

No. 1, January, 1921

Lost in an Iowa Blizzard. By Ira A. Williams.

Early Cabins in Iowa. By Mildred J. Sharp.

No. 2, February, 1921

The Old Military Road. By John C. Parish.

Phantoms on the Old Road. By Marcus L. Hansen.

Along the Military Road. By John E. Briggs.

No. 3, March, 1921

A Prairie Village. By H. Clark Brown.

The Little Brown Church. By Charlton G. Laird.

The English Community. By Ruth A. Gallaher.

No. 4, April, 1921

Icaria and the Icarians. By Ruth A. Gallaher.

The Ripple. By John C. Parish.

A Reminiscence. By John P. Irish.

- No. 5, May, 1921
The Underground Railroad. By Jacob Van Ek.
Big Game Hunting in Iowa. By Charles Augustus Murray.
- No. 6, June, 1921
Michel Aco—Squaw-Man. By John C. Parish.
A Colored Convention. By Ruth A. Gallaher.
The Pacific City Fight. By Donald L. McMurry.
- No. 7, July, 1921
Amana. By Bertha M. H. Shambaugh.
- No. 8, August, 1921
Perils of a Pioneer Editor. By John C. Parish.
The Coming of the Railroad. By Sarah Ellen Graves.
A River Trip in 1833. By Charles Joseph Latrobe.
- No. 9, September, 1921
The Cardiff Giant. By Ruth A. Gallaher.
Pike's Hill. By Bruce E. Mahan.
Magnolia. By Blanche C. Sly.
- No. 10, October, 1921
The Way to Iowa. By Bruce E. Mahan.
From New York to Iowa. By Lydia Arnold Titus.
A Study in Heads. By John C. Parish.
- No. 11, November, 1921
Old Fort Atkinson. By Bruce E. Mahan.
The Beginnings of Burlington.
- No. 12, December, 1921
Race Riot on the Mississippi. By Ruth A. Gallaher.
An Indian Ceremony.
Augustus Caesar Dodge. By John P. Irish.
- No. 1, January, 1922
The M. and M. Railroad. By Mildred J. Sharp.
Letters of a Railroad Builder. By Isaac Lane Usher.

VOLUME III

- No. 2, February, 1922
Moving the Winnebago. By Bruce E. Mahan.
With the First Iowa Infantry. By Henry O'Connor.
Paying the First Iowa. By Hiram Price.
- No. 3, March, 1922
Our First View of Vicksburg. By Clint Parkhurst.
The Lake of the Taensa. By John C. Parish.
- No. 4, April, 1922
The Wedding of James Harlan. By Johnson Brigham.
In the Neutral Ground. By Willard Barrows.
A Visit to Dubuque's Grave.
- No. 5, May, 1922
The First Mississippi Bridge. By John C. Parish.
Lincoln and the Bridge Case.
Hummer's Bell. By Ruth A. Gallaher.
- No. 6, June, 1922
The Attack on Corinth. By Clint Parkhurst.
A Letter. By Theodore N. Vail.

IOWA CHRONICLES OF THE WORLD WAR

Two volumes in the *Iowa Chronicles of the World War* series were published and distributed during the biennium: *Welfare Campaigns in Iowa*, a book of 320 pages, and *Welfare Work in Iowa*, a book of 321 pages. Both of these volumes were compiled by Marcus L. Hansen.

The history of *The Red Cross in Iowa*, compiled by Earl S. Fullbrook, in two volumes, is in press.

IOWA ECONOMIC HISTORY SERIES

To the *Iowa Economic History Series* there has been added a volume of 458 pages entitled *History of Banking in Iowa*, by Howard H. Preston.

LIBRARY

Since its establishment in 1857, The State Historical Society of Iowa has maintained a library of books, pamphlets,

and manuscripts for the use of those interested in the study of Iowa history as well as for the benefit of those who either upon their own initiative or under the direction of the Society are engaged in scientific historical research. It was not, however, until the removal of the Library to the Hall of Liberal Arts in 1901 that the entire collection was completely classified, accessioned, and shelf-listed according to modern library methods. The inventory of the Library taken in July, 1922, records the following statistics:

Number of accessioned titles.....	53,882
Number of unaccessioned pamphlets.....	4,714
Number of bound newspapers.....	3,769
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Total number of titles in the library.....	62,353
Approximate number of miscellaneous duplicates.....	3,950
Approximate number of duplicates of Iowa documents.....	4,200
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Total number of duplicates.....	8,150
Total number of titles and duplicates.....	70,503

Besides the large collection of miscellaneous titles bearing upon the general and local history of Iowa, the Mississippi Valley, and the United States, the Library contains the various official and scientific publications of the United States Government, publications issued under the authority of the State of Iowa, the laws of the Territories and States of the Mississippi Valley, and the publications of the various historical, scientific, and learned institutions of the country. In recent years an effort has been made to collect the writings of Iowa authors and to compile a card index of such authors and their writings.

ACTIVITIES AND POLICIES TO BE CONTINUED

It is the purpose of The State Historical Society of Iowa to continue its activities in (1) discovering, (2) collecting, (3) preserving, (4) investigating, and (5) publishing the materials of Iowa history along lines already laid down and policies already established—to the end that the heritage of the pioneers and the achievements of succeeding generations may not perish.