Davenport IA Public Works – Photographic Images
Part of the Davenport IA City Archive Collection
Photographic prints 1930-1950
1 archive box = 0.2 linear feet

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Collection Overview

Acquisition: The images were donated by Dee Bruemmer, Director of Public Works in 2008.
Access: The collection is open for research.
Copyright: The copyright held by the donor has been transferred to Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Center, Davenport Public Library.
Photographs: Davenport IA
Location: SC Compact Shelving Range 37 Section 6
Processed by: K. O’Connor  2008

History
Provide history of the organization/source of the collection. A timeline may be appropriate here.

Scope and Content Note
This collection appears to date from the 1930’s – 1950 and measures 0.2 linear feet. The collection is arranged in five folders. The processor attempted to place images of like projects in sequence based on image content. Images were given unique numbers beginning with accession number, followed by decimal and numeral. EX: 2008-20.1. Duplicates of the same image were extended alphabetically. EX: 2008-20.1a.

3-ring binder containing 112 black & white print images pertaining to the City of Davenport which had been in the possession of Dee Bruemmer, Director of Public Works. Images are in good condition and were in clear “Archival Plus” sleeve protectors. Images were removed, assigned unique numbers and foldered. Some of the prints were scanned by Public Works and reprints were made for display purposes. Two of the images are enlarged reprints of originals. Very few prints were dated or identified and appeared in no particular order.

8 x 10” 40 images
5 x 7” 63 images
3.5 x 5.75” 3 images dated July 1937
6.5 x 8.5” 2 images
Odd sizes 4 images

The only photography studio identified was Fromader. Several images had newspaper photographer markings on the back.

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Container List - General

Folder 1: PWA [Public Works Administration] Projects 1930's

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Folder 3: City of Davenport heavy equipment
- Garbage trucks
- Snow removal
- Street sweepers

Folder 4: Third Street looking east from one block west of Brady - three images taken at three different time periods, showing changes
- City dump?
- Snow removal downtown
- City garbage truck and workers
- Street cleaners in front of Davenport High School [nka Davenport Central High School]
- City road grader
- 1941 “National Defense Program” Aluminum Drive
- Municipal Toolhouse and employees circa 1939
  - Exteriors and interiors
  - Office workers and crews
  - crews washing equipment

Folder 5: 1949 Christmas – interiors with office employees
- City vehicle at work

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