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Missouri Conference on History

Welcome to the 59th Annual Conference!

A nickname like the “Queen City of the Ozarks” seems a little passé, a mite Victorian, by twenty-first-century standards. And “The Home of Bass Pro Shops” may be a little too reductionist or corporate for our crowd. However you want to describe Springfield, it is my honor to welcome you to southern Missouri’s largest city. We have a terrific 2017 program featuring a diverse array of topics ranging across Missouri, US, and world history. This year’s program is large enough to appeal to everyone’s interest, yet intimate enough to maintain the Missouri Conference’s traditional informal, family atmosphere—a conference befitting the “metropolis of the Ozarks.”

Our special presentations have a decidedly southern Missouri flavor. Conevery Bolton Valencius, award-winning historian from Boston College (and formerly of Washington University), will deliver the Thursday luncheon keynote. Her talk, titled after her 2013 book *The Lost History of the New Madrid Earthquakes*, will highlight one of the great natural phenomena of the American story.

In the ensuing years, it was usually the feet of dancers and the rhythm of the fiddle that rattled the puncheon floors of the Show-Me State. Beginning in 1955, Americans got to watch a twentieth-century version of a country shindig when ABC television brought Springfield’s *Ozark Jubilee* to the airwaves. Thanks to Missouri State University’s Ozarks Studies Institute, on Thursday night we will have the rare opportunity to watch a newly digitized episode from the show’s first season, followed by a roundtable discussion featuring three local historians who have delved into the fascinating story of the nation’s first network-broadcast country music television show.

We thank the History Museum on the Square for hosting our Welcome Reception and the Missouri Humanities Council, the Missouri State University College of Humanities and Public Affairs, and the MSU History Department for sponsoring the Thursday luncheon keynote. Special thanks also go to the State Historical Society of Missouri, our administrative sponsor.

Thank you all for taking part in the 2017 conference and supporting the scholarship of our state’s historians.

Best regards,

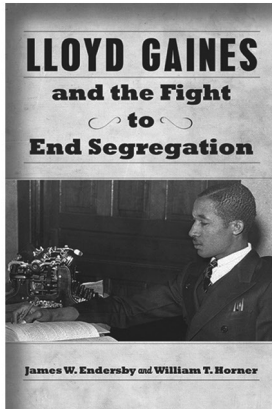
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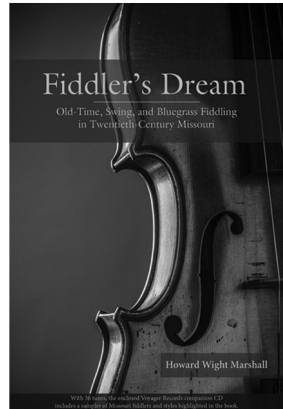
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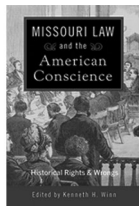
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Howard Wight Marshall

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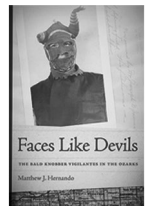
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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22

5:30 p.m. –7:30 p.m.

Welcome Reception

History Museum on the Square

155 Park Central Square, Springfield

Join us at the History Museum on the Square to kick off the fifty-ninth annual Missouri Conference on History! While you are in Springfield, be sure to explore the current exhibitions on display, including an exhibit exploring Greene County's role in World War I.

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Exhibitor Displays *Ballroom Lobby*

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Steering Committee Meeting *Board Room*

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Sessions

Law, Murder, and the Press: Perspectives on the Nineteenth-Century United States *Arkansas*

Chair and Comments

Jeremy Neely, Missouri State University, jeremyneely@missouristate.edu

Papers

F. Thornton Miller, Missouri State University, “*Craig v. Missouri* and *Briscoe v. Bank of Kentucky*: The State Paper Money Cases”

Nancy M. Ehrlich, “Murder on the Steamboat Paragon”

Armin Mattes, University of Missouri–Columbia, “‘The Terror of Public Men’: Francis J. Grund and the Nature of Mid-Nineteenth-Century Newspaper Politics”

Complicating History’s Narratives: From Slave Fatherhood to Middle America’s Reaction to the Great War *Kansas B*

Chair and Comments

Kathleen Kennedy, Missouri State University,
kathleenkennedy@missouristate.edu

Papers

Michael Price, Springfield-Greene County Library, “A Community at War: Springfield and the First World War”

Kathleen Kennedy, Missouri State University, “Fatherhood, Slavery, and Hunger in Charles Ball’s Narrative of Slavery”

Phi Alpha Theta Panel—Western Occupation and Eastern Autonomy *Kansas C*

Chair and Comments

Djene Bajalan, Missouri State University, drbajalan@missouristate.edu

Papers

Melissa Churchill, Lewis University, “Concepts of Power in Iran during the Cold War”

Andrew Avery, University of Kansas, “The World Made Two: Sectarian Violence and British Roles in Indian Decolonization”

10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Refreshments *Ballroom Lobby*

10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Sessions

Historical Archaeology in Missouri: Contact Period to the Civil War *Arkansas*

Chair

Michael Meyer, Missouri Department of Transportation,
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Papers

Laura Bruns, Elizabeth Sobel, F. Scott Worman, and Jack Ray, Missouri State University, “Osage Cultural Continuity and Change in the Contact Era: Evidence from the Flaked Stone Assemblages at the Brown and Carrington Sites”

Elizabeth Sobel, Missouri State University, and James Halpern, United States Forest Service, “The Historical Archaeology of Slavery in Missouri: Current Status and Future Prospects”

Christopher Dukes and F. Scott Worman, Missouri State University, “‘Shot Down before Taking a Dozen Steps’: Archaeological Evidence of the Massacre at Rader Farm”

Comments

Meredith Hawkins Trautt, Archaeological Research Center of St. Louis, Inc., meredithm.hawkins@gmail.com

THURSDAY, MARCH 23

Enlightenment Thought and Self-Interest in the Eighteenth-Century Americas *Kansas B*

Chair and Comments

Christopher Childers, Pittsburg State University, rchilders@pittstate.edu

Papers

Cho-Chien Feng, Saint Louis University, “Historical Memory and New York Loyalists’ Interpretation of the American Revolution”

Daniel Ferrell, Southeast Missouri State University, “Inherent Vice? Human Nature and the American Constitution, 1780–1789”

The Center for Missouri Studies 2016 Fellows *Kansas C*

Chair

John Brenner, State Historical Society of Missouri, brennerj@shsmo.org

Papers

Sarah Lirley McCune, University of Missouri–Columbia, “Not a Crime of Passion but a Pattern of Abuse: Domestic Violence, Murder, and Suicide in Late Nineteenth-Century St. Louis”

Luke Ritter, Troy University, “St. Louis Women during the Atomic Age and the Baby Tooth Survey”

Diane Everman, St. Louis Jewish Community Archives, “Camp Fee Fee: The St. Louis Jewish Anti-Tubercular Preventorium”

Comments

Virginia Laas, emerita, Missouri Southern State University

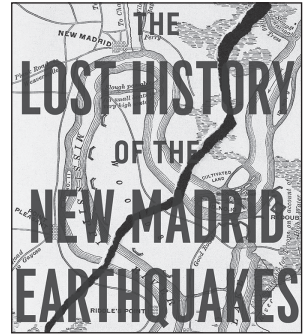


12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Keynote Luncheon *Oklahoma*

Network with other professionals in the field of history and hear from distinguished historian, professor, and author Conevery Bolton Valencius. Currently a professor of history at Boston College, Valencius will present *The Lost History of the New Madrid Earthquakes*, which explores the impact and continuing scientific importance of the great nineteenth-century quakes in the Mississippi Valley.

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2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Sessions

Historical Archaeology in Missouri: Civil War Era to the Great Depression *Arkansas*

Chair

Michael Meyer, Missouri Department of Transportation,
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Papers

Michael Meyer, Missouri Department of Transportation, “Comfort and Satisfaction to All: Excavation of a Nineteenth-Century Coffee House”
Grace Gronniger, Missouri State University, “Setting the Table in Nineteenth-Century St. Louis: Glass Tableware and the Archaeology of Domesticity and Consumerism”

Sarah Reid, Missouri State University, “A Ghost of Idealistic Reform: Documenting a 1930s Federal Transient Camp in Springfield, Missouri”

Comments

Meredith Hawkins Trautt, Archaeological Research Center of St. Louis, Inc., meredithm.hawkins@gmail.com

From the Gridiron to the Grave: Movements of the Progressive Era

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Chair and Comments

John R. Gram, Missouri State University, johnrgram@missouristate.edu

Papers

Jeffrey Smith, Lindenwood University, “Here Lies [Famous Name Here]:
Burying the Famous to Market Nineteenth-Century Cemeteries”

Clint McDuffie, University of Missouri–Kansas City, “Clark W.
Hetherington: Athletic Advocate in an Era of Reform”

Courtney Kisat, Southeast Missouri State University, “From County Poor
Farm to State Hospital: Changing Practices of Poor Relief in Missouri”

Understudied Individuals of the European Middle Ages *Kansas C*

Chair and Comments

Nina Verbanaz, Drury University, nverbanaz@drury.edu

Papers

Colby S. Turberville, University of Missouri–Columbia, “Lothar I:
Co-Emperor, Rebel, and King (817–855)”

Joseph Genens, University of Missouri–Columbia, “‘Brightest Father
Anselm’: Anselm of Bury’s Importance to the Twelfth-Century Political
and Ecclesiastical World”

Lois L. Huneycutt, University of Missouri–Columbia, “Her Majesty King
Tamar of Georgia (d. 1213) and the Apogee of Medieval Queenship”

Military History and Historical Memory *Texas*

Chair

Angela Firkus, Cotter College, afirkus@cotter.edu

Papers

Ellen Long, Cotter College, “Women in the US Military”

Sallie Proudfoot, Cotter College, “The 10th Mountain Division”

Amy Fluker, University of Mississippi, “Peace, Good Fellowship,
Fraternity, and Cigar Smoke’: The St. Louis Veterans of the Blue and Gray
and the Prospect of Reconciliation in Post–Civil War Missouri”

Comments

Steven Wagner, Missouri Southern State University, wagner-s@mssu.edu

THURSDAY, MARCH 23

3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Refreshments *Ballroom Lobby*

3:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Sessions

Kansas City Stories across the Twentieth Century *Arkansas*
Chair and Comments

Jason Roe, Kansas City Public Library, jasonroe@kclibrary.org

Papers

Timothy Westcott, Park University, “Demography of Death: The 1918 Influenza in Kansas City”

Michael Sweeney, American Jazz Museum, “The Educational Leadership of Hugh Oliver Cook”

Kevin Bailey, University of Missouri–Kansas City, “The Spark to Start the Prairie Fire: The New Communist Movement in the Midwest and the Experience of the Kansas City Revolutionary Workers Collective”

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Time	Arkansas	Kansas B	Kansas C	Texas
Wednesday, March 22				
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Welcome Reception (History Museum on the Square) <i>Sponsored by the State Historical Society of Missouri</i>			
Thursday, March 23				
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8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Exhibitor Displays (Ballroom Lobby)			
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3:15 - 3:30 p.m.	Refreshments (Ballroom Lobby)			
3:30 - 4:45 p.m.	Kansas City Stories across the Twentieth Century	Music in Missouri: St. Louis Blues and the Ozark Jubilee	The Rise of Nationalism before World War I	
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	<i>Ozark Jubilee (Oklahoma)</i> <i>Sponsored by Missouri State University's Ozarks Studies Institute and the State Historical Society of Missouri</i>			
Friday, March 24				
8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Conference Registration (Ballroom Lobby)			
8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Exhibitor Displays (Ballroom Lobby)			
9:00 - 10:15 a.m.	Toward a More Abundant History of Religious Movements	Missouri Landscapes: Economics, Ecology, and Art in the Subjugation of Nature	Social Justice and Economic Reform from the View of the White House	St. Louis Race Riots
10:15 - 10:30 a.m.	Refreshments (Ballroom Lobby)			
10:30 - 11:45 a.m.	Experiencing Movement in St. Louis and Wider Louisiana	Expanding Visions and Maintaining Family in the Antebellum United States	Remonstrance and Remembrance: Fighting Communists and Preserving the Past in the 1960s	
12:00 - 1:30 p.m.	Awards Luncheon and Business Meeting (Oklahoma)			
1:45 - 3:30 p.m.	Visualizing the Abolition of the African Slave Trade	Recent Digitization Projects Funded by the Missouri State Library	Race, Class, and St. Louis's Urban Landscape	Immigrant Integration and Privileged Ethnicities

Save the dates of March 15-16, 2018, for the 60th Annual Missouri Conference on History in Jefferson City, hosted by the Missouri State Archives.

Music in Missouri: St. Louis Blues and the Ozark Jubilee *Kansas B*
Chair and Comments

Robert Cochran, University of Arkansas, rcochran@uark.edu

Papers

Cara Moore, Southern Illinois University–Edwardsville, “St. Louis: Community Growth and Blues Music, 1940–1965”

Nathaniel Lucy, University of Kentucky, “Ozark Jubilee’s Legacy and the Emergence of Country Music Tourism in the Ozarks”

The Rise of Nationalism before World War I *Kansas C*
Chair and Comments

Brad Lookingbill, Columbia College, bdlookingbill@ccis.edu

Papers

Richard Maska, Lewis University, “Canadian Soldiers and the Nascent Nationalism of the 1885 North-West Rebellion”

Thomas Renna, Saginaw Valley State University, “National Identity: Germany and America Compared, 1869–1914”

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Ozark Jubilee *Oklahoma*

Join Tom Peters, Missouri State University Dean of Library Services;

Wayne Glenn, local historian and radio host; and Kaitlyn McConnell, founder of the popular *Ozarks Alive*

blog, for a viewing and discussion of an episode of *Ozark Jubilee*, a

live, nationally broadcast 1950s

television program from Springfield,

Missouri. Learn about the show’s meaning

and significance for Missouri, the Ozarks

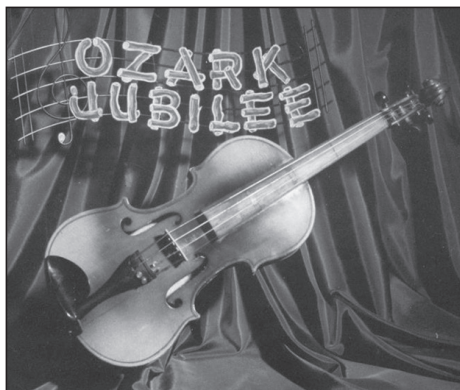
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both country and western music and network

television variety shows.

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8:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Conference Registration *Ballroom Lobby*

8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Exhibitor Displays *Ballroom Lobby*

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Sessions

St. Louis Race Riots *Texas*

Chair and Comments

Marlin Barber, Missouri State University, mbarber@missouristate.edu

Papers

Mehnaz Ahmad, University of Missouri–St. Louis, “More Than Meets the Eye: Uncovering the Layers to the East St. Louis Race Riot”

Annelise Leonard, University of Missouri–St. Louis, “Fairgrounds Park Race Riot of 1949: Responses from the Criminal Justice System”

Toward a More Abundant History of Religious Movements

Arkansas

Chair and Comments

Lucas Volkman, Moberly Area Community College, lucasv@macc.edu

Papers

Brad Pardue, College of the Ozarks, “Luther’s Protégé’: Did William Tyndale Spend Time in Cambridge and Wittenberg?”

Tanya L. Jones, Lindenwood University, “The Impact of Jewish American Identity and Assimilation in the Reform Movement”

Samuel Klee, Saint Louis University, “Toward Abundant History”

Missouri Landscapes: Economics, Ecology, and Art in the Subjugation of Nature *Kansas B*

Chair and Comments

Tom Dicke, Missouri State University, tomdicke@missouristate.edu

Papers

Sharon Person, St. Louis Community College, “The St. Louis–Based Fur Trade, 1766–1774: ‘Considering the Accidents That Happen’”

Joan E. Stack, State Historical Society of Missouri, “‘Deer Season’: Exploring the Environmental and Social Implications of George Caleb Bingham’s Deer Landscapes”

Social Justice and Economic Reform from the View of the White House *Kansas C*

Chair and Comments

Jason McCollom, Missouri State University–West Plains, jasonmccollom@missouristate.edu

Papers

Vincent Montoro, College of the Ozarks, “Theodore Roosevelt: A Man of True Equality”

Peter Tsahiridis, Missouri State University, “President Hoover’s Economic Policy”

Elisabeth Goodrich, College of the Ozarks, “From Hostess to Political Activist: How the White House Changed Eleanor Roosevelt”

10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Refreshments *Ballroom Lobby*

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Sessions

Experiencing Movement in St. Louis and Wider Louisiana

Arkansas

Chair and Comments

Sharon Person, St. Louis Community College, sperson@stlcc.edu

Papers

Emily Jaycox, Missouri History Museum, “Looking for American Indians in the St. Louis Landscape”

Kristin Condotta Lee, Washington University, St. Louis, “‘The Only Property I Could Dispose of to Any Advantage’: Textiles as Mediators in Early Irish Louisiana”

Daniel J. Gonzales, St. Louis County Parks and Recreation Historic Sites, “Gateway to the East: Mexican Immigration and the St. Louis Region, 1900–1935”

Expanding Visions and Maintaining Family in the Antebellum

United States *Kansas B*

Chair and Comments

Ken Winn, former state archivist, Missouri State Archives

Papers

Idolina Hernandez, Saint Louis University, “‘I Think I Had Never Felt so Happy That I Was Born in America’: Transcendentalists and the West”

Carey Kelley, University of Missouri–Columbia, “Gold Dust: The Family Ties of Missouri Argonauts”

Remonstrance and Remembrance: Fighting Communists and Preserving the Past in the 1960s

Kansas C

Chair and Comments

Thomas Gubbels, Lincoln University, gubbelst@lincolnu.edu

Papers

Amanda Izzo, Saint Louis University, “Speaking as a Housewife and a Mother’: Phyllis Schlafly, Women’s Clubs, and the Cold War”

Lydia Prebish, University of Tulsa, “The National Historic Preservation Act and the Pioneer America Society”

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Awards Luncheon and Business Meeting

Oklahoma

Join the Missouri Conference on History in celebrating exceptional scholarship on and in the Show-Me State. **Please note this luncheon is not included in the registration fee.**



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1:45 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Sessions

Visualizing the Abolition of the African Slave Trade *Arkansas*
Chair

Daniel Domingues da Silva, University of Missouri–Columbia,
dominguesd@missouri.edu

Papers

Katelyn Ziegler, University of Missouri–Columbia, “Connecting the Dots: The Suppression of the African Slave Trade Mapped”

Humera Lodhi and Kelsey Rogers, University of Missouri–Columbia, “Building Visualizing Abolition: A Digital Approach to the History of the Suppression of the African Slave Trade”

Sam Mosher, University of Missouri–Columbia, “The Suppression of the African Slave Trade in the Illustrated London News”

Matt Orf, University of Missouri–Columbia, “The Suppression of the African Slave Trade: Local Politics and Imperial Interests, Lagos, Luanda, and Zanzibar, 1840s to 1890s”

Comments

Theodore Koditschek, emeritus, University of Missouri–Columbia,
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Emily Jaycox, Missouri History Museum, emily@mohistory.org

Papers

Jason Roe, Kansas City Public Library, “The Pendergast Era: Kansas City in the Jazz Age and Great Depression, 1918–1941”

Porsche Schlapper, St. Louis Mercantile Library, “John Mason Peck and Missouri’s Pacific Railroad”

Haiying Qian, Lincoln University, “150 Years of Lincoln University in Photos and Documents”

Gary Larsen, Springfield-Greene County Public Library, “From the Darkroom—Springfield’s Historic Newspaper Photographs”

Race, Class, and St. Louis’s Urban Landscape *Kansas C*

Chair and Comments

David E. Goldberg, Drury University, dgoldberg@drury.edu

Papers

Andrew Olden, University of Missouri–Columbia, “The People against the Poor: The Perceptions of Pruitt-Igoe”

Benjamin Looker, Saint Louis University, “A New Kind of In-Town Home Life’: Integration as Civic Showpiece at 1960s LaCledde Town, St. Louis”

Chris Freeland, Washington University, St. Louis, “From Eames and Young to Pruitt-Igoe: A Brief History of the Crunden Branch Library”

Immigrant Integration and Privileged Ethnicities *Texas*

Chair and Comments

Matthew J. Hernando, Ozarks Technical College, hernanma@otc.edu

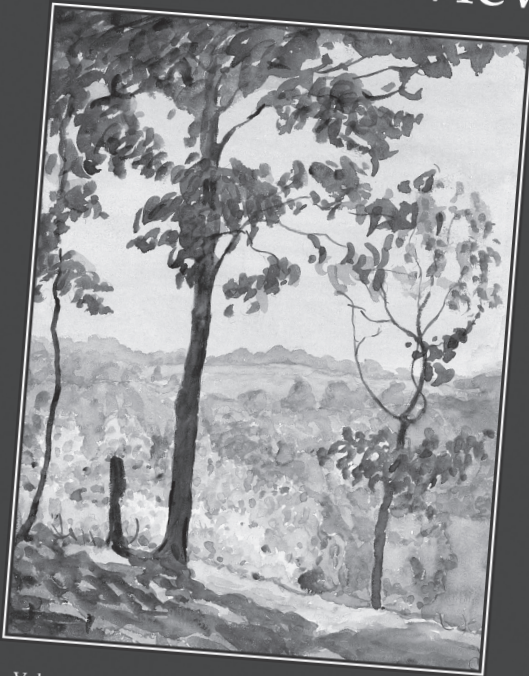
Papers

Liana Kirillova, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, “When Affirmative Action Is White: Italian Americans in the City University of New York, 1976–Present”

Mehnaz Ahmad, University of Missouri–St. Louis, “Mullanphy Emigrant Home”

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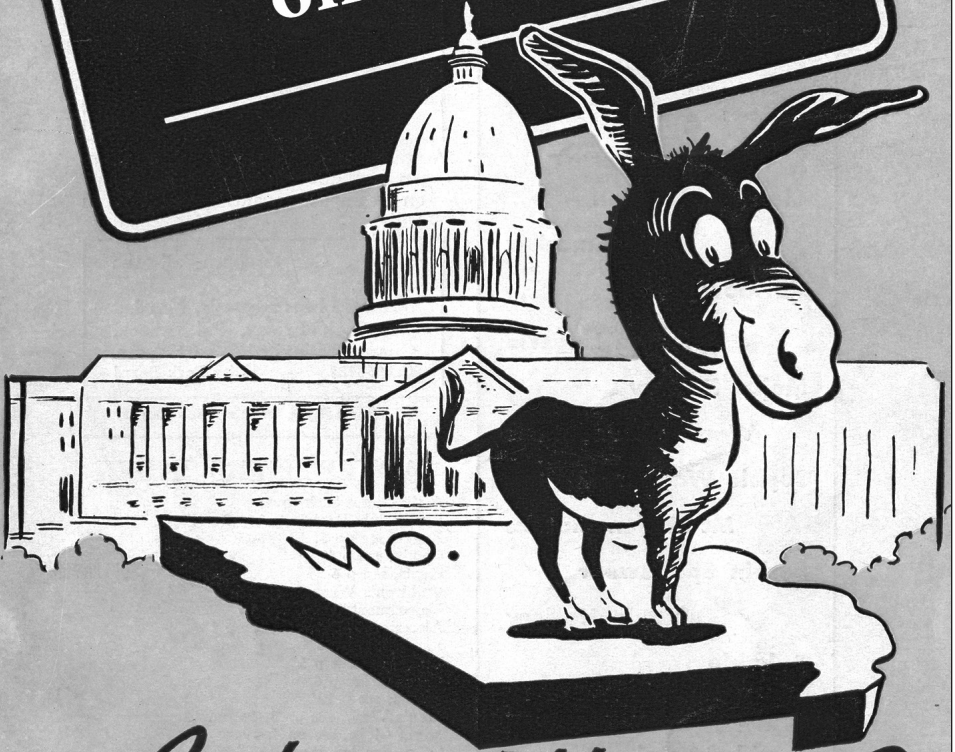
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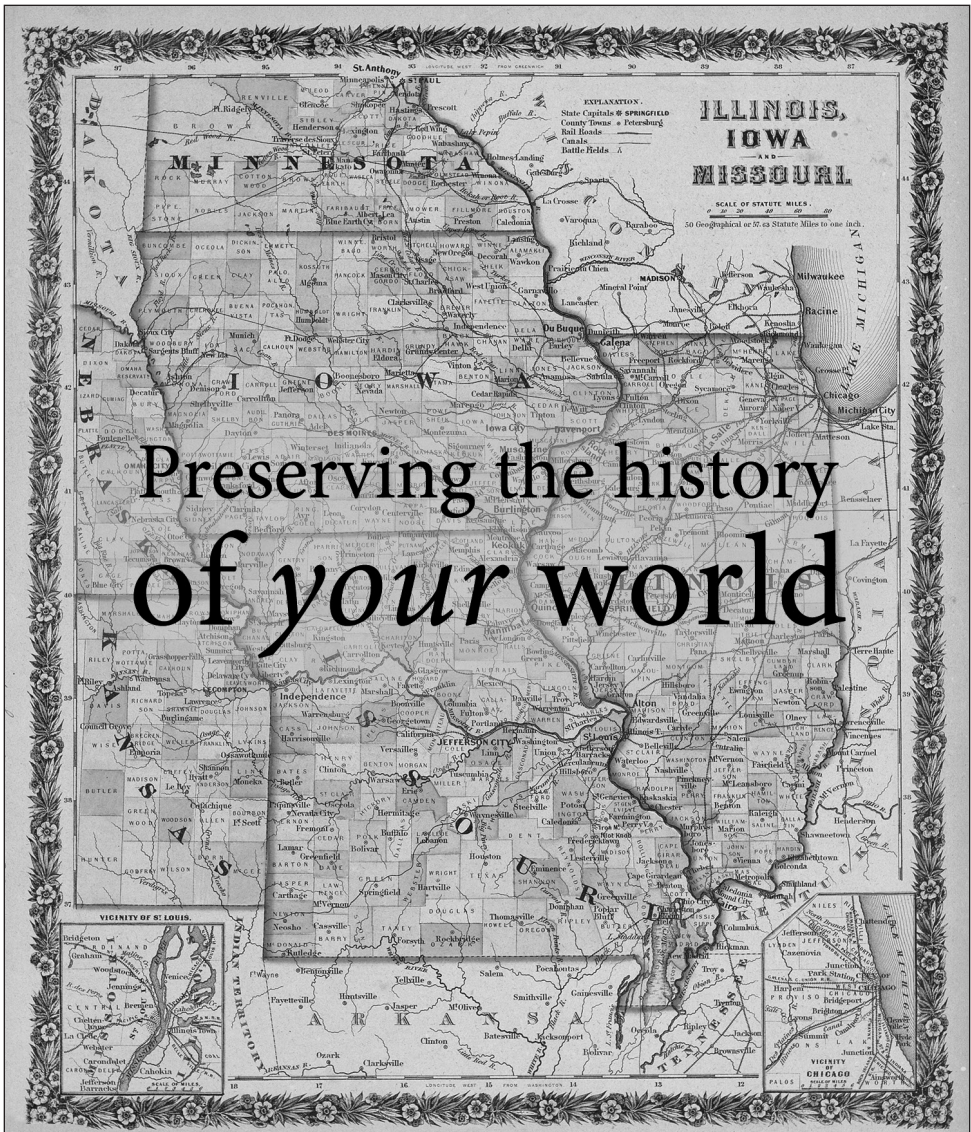
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