

Exciting Discoveries in the BYU Special Collections Library

UVPAFUG
April 11, 2009
Roger C. Flick

DIGITAL COLLECTIONS

(www.lib.byu.edu/online.html)

Multimedia & Images

- **BYU Campus Photographs**
- **Civilization Collection** – selected images from around the world.
- **Clark County, Idaho Historical Photographs** (5,000 images of people, events and locations from early history of Clark County)
- **Historical Photographs** – Collections of C.R. Savage, Edith Irvine, Walter Mason Camp, George Edward Anderson, Huntington Bagley, William Henry Jackson and Paul R. Cheesman.
- **Museum of Art** – 8,900 selected images from the BYU Museum of Art Collection.
- **Overland Trails** – Trails of Hope: overland diaries and letters, 1846-1869 of original pioneer writings.
- **Religious Education Image Archive**

Theses and Dissertations

- BYU Master's Theses on Mormonism
- Electronic Theses and Dissertations

Scholarly Periodicals (selected list). Can search individually or all at once:

- *BYU Family Historian* – Assisting in finding ancestors and discovering the world in which they lived.
- *BYU Studies*
- *Mormon Pacific Historical Society*
- *Pacific Studies*

Text Collections

 (selected list).

- Family History Archive (Note participating libraries; there are **31,729** items in this online collection.)
- Historic Ricks College
- Mormon Missionary Diaries (over 220+ diaries)
- Mormon Publications 19th & 20th Century

- Upper Snake River Valley Idaho Histories (BYU Idaho's collection of historical sketches of Upper Snake River Valley settlers from 1883 to 1893)
- Utah Digital Newspapers (Utah Academic Library Consortium)

Newspapers

- (Provo) Daily Enquirer
- Deseret News
- Deseret News Extra
- The Evening and the Morning Star (Kirtland)
- The Evening and the Morning Star Extra (Kirtland)
- Evening and the Morning Star (Reprint)
- Rigby Star
- Utah Digital Newspapers
- The Women's Exponent

All Digital Collections listed alphabetically:

<http://www.lib.byu.edu/online.html>

Most Digital Collections searched at once:

<http://contentdm.lib.byu.edu/cdm4/search.php>

Other Digital Collections

- Electronic Exhibits such as "Into the Western Country"
- Mormons and Their Neighbors (100,000 sketches appearing in 236 published volumes)
- Mountain West Digital Library – aggregation of digital collections from hosting institutions such as universities, colleges, public libraries, museums, and historical societies in Utah, Nevada, and Idaho.
- Relief Society Magazine Index 1914-1970. The magazine is not in digital form.

Utah Local History Bibliography

- Approximately 8,000 printed and published local history titles which includes newspapers, oral histories, diaries, autobiographies, family histories, government publications, environmental studies, sociological studies.
- Seven libraries involved: BYU, FHL, SUU, UU, Utah State Historical Society, Utah State University, Weber State University, Dixie College, selected public libraries.
- RELATED LINKS:
 - [Mountain West Digital Library](#)
 - [Utah Burials Database](#)
 - [Utah Digital Map Library](#)
 - [Utah Digital Newspapers](#)
 - [Utah Genealogical Association](#)
 - [Utah Heritage Foundation](#)
 - [Utah Historic Markers and Monuments Database](#)
 - [Utah Historic Photographs \(BYU\)](#)
 - [Utah Historic Photographs \(USHS\)](#)
 - [Utah Humanities Council](#)
 - [Utah Newspapers at the Lee Library](#)
 - [Utah Oral History Consortium](#)
 - [Utah State Archives](#)
 - [Utah State Historical Society](#)
 - [UTGENWEB Project](#)

- Items in the boxed collections are inventoried; but most items do not appear in the BYU online catalog.
- The microfilm collection is a rich source of Mormon material which includes such things as: diaries, Mormon historical literature, anti-Mormon literature, biographies, histories of branches, districts, missions and wards.
- Estimated 30,000 items.
- Inventory is in progress and a partial list will be available in the BYU Special Collections Library this summer (2009).

Acronym Primer

- The Primer is available on the Special Collections Library home page.
- The Primer lists terms used for cataloging Special Collections archival material.
- Examples:
 - EAD – Encoded Archival Description (a standard for encoding archival finding aids using XML)
 - UALC – Utah Academic Library Consortium

Guide to Utah Newspapers at the Lee Library

Maps

- List of Newspapers by Title
- List of Newspapers by Cities
- List of Newspapers by Counties

Manuscript Registers for BYU Special Collections

- Search for finding aids (Registers) for selected manuscript collections.
- Registers are in digital format.

Inventory of Items on Microfilms in BYU Special Collections Library

- Manuscript Registers list the contents of boxed manuscript collections in the BYU Special Collections Library.