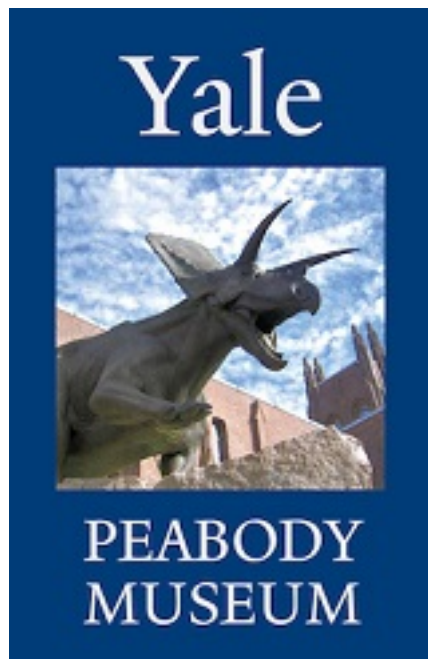


# Thomas W. Amsden Archives

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## Collection Overview

**REPOSITORY:** Yale Peabody Museum of Natural History  
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**CALL NUMBER:** IPAR.001050

**CREATOR:** Amsden, Thomas William

**TITLE:** Thomas W. Amsden Archives

**DATES:** 1942-1947

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 5 linear feet

**LANGUAGE:** In English.

**SUMMARY:** The archives of Thomas W. Amsden including maps, field notes and photographs. These focus on his 1947 Yale dissertation, "Stratigraphy and paleontology of the Brownsport Silurian of western Tennessee."

**ONLINE FINDING AID:** To cite or bookmark this finding aid, please use the following link: <https://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/ypm.ipar.001050>

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## Administrative Information

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### Cite As

Thomas W. Amsden Archives, Invertebrate Paleontology, Yale Peabody Museum

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## Biographical Sketch

Thomas W Amsden was born January 31, 1915 in Wichita, KS. After getting a B.S. from Wichita State University in 1939, Tom went on to the University of Iowa and studied under Arthur K. Miller. He received his M.S. in 1941. In 1940 Amsden married Virginia McCoy. He has two children, Thomas and Kathy (although he reportedly wished to name them 'Pentamerus siluricus' and 'Dictyonella devonica'). He worked under Carl Dunbar and studied the Brownsport Formation of western Tennessee. He received his PhD in Geology from Yale University in 1947. He taught paleontology at Johns Hopkins University from 1947-1955, and spent much of this time collaborating with G. Arthur Cooper at the U.S. National Museum. From 1955 to 1985, Amsden worked for the Oklahoma Geological Survey out of Norman, OK. He received the Paleontological Society Medal in 1989. He passed away in February 2000.

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## Description of the Material

Includes Amsden's 1942 field notebooks, in addition to a number of topographic maps, planimetric maps, geologic maps, stratigraphic sections, and photographs of specimens.

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## Collection Contents

### Series I: Maps

Topographic, Geologic and Planimetric maps.

Geologic Maps. Geologic maps of Tennessee.  
001056

Geologic map. Waynesboro, TN 7.5 Quad., Geology of (1 : 125000). U.S. Geological Survey: Geologic.  
001586

Planimetric Maps. Planimetric maps of Tennessee.  
001055

Planimetric map. Index Map of Planimetric Maps - Tennessee (1 : 1000000). U.S. Geological Survey: Planimetric. 1937  
001552

Planimetric map. Gilbertsville Reservoir - Tennessee (1 : 63420). Tennessee Valley Authority: Planimetric. 1938  
001553

Planimetric map. Gilbertsville Reservoir - Tennessee (1 : 63420). Tennessee Valley Authority: Planimetric. 1938  
001554

Topographic Maps. Topographic Maps of Tennessee, a few including bordering states.  
001054

Topographic map. Decatur County [TN] (1 : 63420). Tennessee Geological Survey: County. 1918  
001545

Topographic map. Bath Springs, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 1937  
001555

Topographic map. Chesnut Grove, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 1937  
001556

Topographic map. Clifton 7.5, TN Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 1937  
001557

Topographic map. Counce 7.5, TN Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 1937  
001558

Topographic map. Daniels Landing, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 1937  
001559

Topographic map. Eagle Creek, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 1937  
001560

## 001054 Topographic Maps. Topographic Maps of Tennessee, a few inc [...] (continued)

Topographic map. Hookers Bend, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001561	1937
Topographic map. Hurricane Mills, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001562	1937
Topographic map. Hustburg, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001563	1937
Topographic map. Jeannette, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001564	1937
Topographic map. Leatherwood, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001565	1937
Topographic map. Linden, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001566	1937
Topographic map. Lobelville, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001567	1937
Topographic map. Lowryville, TN-Al 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001568	1937
Topographic map. Martins Mills, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001569	1937
Topographic map. Olive Hill, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001570	1937
Topographic map. Parsons, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001571	1937
Topographic map. Perryville, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001572	1937
Topographic map. Waynesboro, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001573	1937
Topographic map. Wolf Pit Ridge, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001574	1937
Topographic map. Pine View, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001575	1937

## 001054 Topographic Maps. Topographic Maps of Tennessee, a few inc [...] (continued)

Topographic map. Pickwick, TN-AL 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001576	1937
Topographic map. Pittsburg Landing, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001577	1937
Topographic map. Pope, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001579	1937
Topographic map. Rockport, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001580	1937
Topographic map. Savannah, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001581	1937
Topographic map. Scotts Hills, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001582	1937
Topographic map. Seventeen Creek, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001583	1937
Topographic map. Sugar Tree, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001584	1937
Topographic map. Thurman, TN 7.5 Quad. (1 : 24000). U.S. Geological Survey: Topographic. 001585	1937

## Series II: Photographs

Black & White Photographs and negatives.

Specimens.  
001057

Photographs & Negatives. Black and white negatives from Amsden's dissertation including Anthozoa Black and white negatives. ca 1949 1949  
000610

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Photographs & Negatives. Black and white negatives from Amsden's dissertation including brachiopods. Black and white negatives  
000608

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Photographs & Negatives. Black and white negatives from Amsden's dissertation including crinoids, cystoids and blastoids Black and white negatives  
000609

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**Series III: Miscellaneous**

Field Notes. Copies of field notes and notebooks.  
001058

Notebook. Field Notebook: Tennessee. 000147	1942
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Notebook. Field Notebook: Tennessee. 000148	1942
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Notes on Miser's Waynesboro Quadrangle: Tennessee. 000150	1947
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Locality Information.  
001060

Locality information. Catalog of localities: Tennessee. 000149	1947
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Stratigraphic Sections.  
001059

Stratigraphic sections: Tennessee. 000151	1947
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Stratigraphic sections: Tennessee. 000152	1947
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## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Geographic Names**

Connecticut  
Tennessee

### **Genres / Formats**

Field notebooks  
Locality information  
Maps

### **Corporate Bodies**

Yale Peabody Museum  
Yale University