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COLUMBIA, MO, May 27, 2021 – The State Historical Society of Missouri continues to expand the scope of the Missouri Digital Newspaper Project by adding 333,000 pages of digital newspaper content from seven counties along the Mississippi River and four counties from central and north Missouri: Clark, Ralls, Jefferson, Perry, Madison, New Madrid, Dunklin, Johnson, Callaway, Worth and Nodaway. Newspapers are the first draft of history, serving as primary sources for historical research and providing a glimpse into society at the time of publication.

New content from 42 titles spanning the years 1860 through 1946 has been added through grant funding supported by Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Missouri State Library, a division of the Office of the Secretary of State.

These recently digitized newspapers are freely available to the public and are keyword searchable. They can be found on the State Historical Society of Missouri website at shsmo.org/mdnp.

Clark County

The Clark County Courier of Kahoka has been digitized from 1895-1946 and is now available online.

Dunklin County

Three newspapers from Dunklin County spanning the years 1893 through 1944 have been digitized. The Dunklin County News, 1917-1931; The Dunklin Democrat, 1893-1925; and the Twice-A-Week Dunklin Democrat, 1925-1944 can all be found on the State Historical Society of Missouri website.

Jefferson County

Four historic Jefferson County newspapers have been digitized: the Jefferson County Republican, 1906-1946; Jefferson County Democrat and the Jefferson County Leader, 1866-1940; and the Tri-City Independent, 1913-1952. These titles can be found on the SHSMO website.

Johnson County

Eleven unique newspapers from Warrentsburg, spanning the years 1865-1945, have been digitized and are online. The digitized titles include the Johnson County Star, the Star-Journal, the Warrentsburg Journal, the Journal-Democrat, the Warrentsburg Standard, the Standard-Herald, and others.
Madison County

The Democrat-News of Fredericktown has been digitized from 1898-1946 and is available online.

New Madrid County

Two newspapers from New Madrid County spanning the years 1876 through 1944 have been digitized and can be found on the SHSMO website. This includes the Southeast Missourian from 1876-1944 and the Weekly Record from 1876-1924.

Nodaway County

Five newspapers from Nodaway County spanning the years 1870-1925 have been digitized. The Maryville Republican (weekly edition) from 1870-1910, the Maryville Republican (daily edition) from 1907-1910, the Maryville Times from 1881-1885, the Maryville Tribune (weekly edition) from 1890-1923, and the Maryville Tribune (daily edition) from 1915-1925 are all available online.

Perry County

Three newspapers from Perry County spanning the years 1862 through 1946 have been digitized and can be found on the SHSMO website. The Perry County Republican from 1897-1946, the Perry County Sun from 1881-1946, and the Perryville Weekly Union from 1862-1883 are all available.

Ralls County

The Ralls County Record of New London has been digitized from 1865-1946 and can be found on the State Historical Society of Missouri website.

Worth County

Three newspapers from Worth County spanning the years 1876 through 1946 have been digitized for viewing online. The Worth County Times from 1876-1928, the Worth County Tribune from 1918-1928, and the Times-Tribune from 1929-1946 are now available.

Over the past 11 years, more than three million pages of Missouri newspapers have been digitized through the Missouri Digital Newspaper Project, with the goal of providing free, searchable newspaper content from every county. The collection now includes over 350 titles from 108 of Missouri’s 114 counties and the city of St. Louis. Focused on merging meaningful historic content with innovative modern technology, the State Historical Society of Missouri employs the highest national digitization standards: newspapers in its collection are digitized to Library of Congress National Digital Newspaper Program specifications. More about this program can be found online at shs mo.org/mdnp.

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