Historical Newspapers for Genealogy Sue Mueller suepasta@roadrunner.com

Libraries, city/county, university libraries, local library, as well as library where ancestors lived. Often have subscriptions available to patrons only (require card #); may have informational indexes. Always check public library to determine what genealogical resources are available.

Links to local library web sites throughout the world https://librarytechnology.org/libraries/

To find US libraries websites: https://librarytechnology.org/libraries/uspublic/

Most libraries have an <u>ancestry.com</u> subscription (use in library only). Libraries may also have onsite microfilmed newspapers, special in-house-created indexes; family files, etc. Libraries usually have a Heritagequest subscription available online (library card holders only)

Global catalog of library holdings: https://www.worldcat.org/

How-to and General Resources

Lessons on researching historical newspapers: http://www.theancestorhunt.com/newspapers.html
Step-by-step guide to researching historical newspapers: https://www.legacytree.com/blog/historical-newspapers

Find and use historical newspapers in your genealogy research: https://lisalisson.com/historical-newspapers-2/

Free online historical newspapers for genealogy research: https://www.familytreemagazine.com/ records/newspapers/free-press-using-free-online-historical-newspapers/

US newspapers: https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/United States Newspapers

Guide to understanding and using historical US newspapers (1800-1860)

https://guides.library.illinois.edu/c.php?g=347656&p=2348312

Assorted newspaper information: https://www.sassyjanegenealogy.com/?s=newspapers

Obituaries/Death Records

Major newspaper obituaries (2000-forward); while older obituaries are reduced in content, funeral home name is supplied, as website is affiliated with funeral homes http://www.legacy.com
Recent obituaries (complete) can also be found on funeral home and local newspaper websites.
Search SSDI (through Feb 2014) in one step: https://stevemorse.org/ssdi/ssdi.html

Links to Historical Newspapers: newspaper links organized by states

Cyndi's List: https://www.cyndislist.com/newspapers

Chronicling America: Newspapers from 1790 to 1924. Also listing of newspapers (1690 to present) and libraries holdings, either microfilm or paper copy http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/search/titles/

Godfrey Online Library: http://godfrey.org/index.html Set up Godfrey Scholar guest level free account. Links to a variety of other resources too.

Google archives: old newspapers, index: https://news.google.com/newspapers

Historic newspapers around the world: https://www.thoughtco.com/historic-newspapers-online-1422221

Historical US newspapers by state: https://advantage-preservation.com/SiteDirectory

Historical newspapers, US, Australia, Mexico, Ireland, and Canada:

https://sites.google.com/site/onlinenewspapersite/Home

British newspapers for family history:

https://blog.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk/2017/02/05/newspapers-for-family-history/

Historical U.S. newspapers by state (Jun 2019) https://libguides.bgsu.edu/USNewspapersInternet

Links to free newspapers by state: https://theancestorhunt.com/newspaper-research-links.html
US small town newspapers) https://www.accessgenealogy.com/america/small-town-newspapers.htm
More US small town newspapers, fully searchable: http://www.stparchive.com/landing.php
Online Historical newspapers: https://norcocollege.libguides.com/c.php?g=33030&p=209263
Online world newspaper archives and some magazines and journals, including both free and pay https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:List_of_online_newspaper_archives

US newspapers and obituary directory (LDS) http://ldsgenealogy.com/newspapers-obituaries/
Online newspapers by state http://genealogysstar.blogspot.com/2014/07/online-digital-newspaper-collections-by.html; http://www.genealogybuff.com/np/index.html (has many dead links);

ICON (International Coalition on newspapers) Newspaper Digitization Projects by country and state (some free, some fee; many dead links): http://icon.crl.edu/digitization.php#USA

University of Pennsylvania libraries, American newspapers, links and guides, from 17th through 19th centuries https://guides.library.upenn.edu/c.php?g=475901

University of Northern Iowa, links to historic newspapers, by state: https://guides.lib.uni.edu/ historical-newspapers/newspaper-archives-by-state#s-lg-box-wrapper-31860797

Purdue University links to historic newspapers: https://guides.lib.purdue.edu/digitalUSnewspapers
Miriam Robbins links to both free and fee-based sites, both US (organized by state) and international http://onlinehistoricalnewspapers.blogspot.com/

Leslie Lawson newspapers links of old (links last checked 2014) https://lawsonresearch.net/forensic-toolbox/newspaper-links-of-old/

Newspapers, specific limited locations

Many states have a statewide projects (often through a university library), see also theancestorhunt and others (above) for newspaper links organized by state. Some states have a central online repository, see listings below. City, county and university libraries may be a source for newspapers (sometimes available online).

Online NY historical newspapers: https://www.newyorkfamilyhistory.org/subject-guide/online-historical-new-york-newspapers#NY%20newspapers%20online

Old Fulton History: http://fultonhistory.com/Fulton.html; use alternate search site for better results https://fultonsearch.org/

Use ancestry.com for newspaper searches (searching is free): Restrict search criteria to newspapers/magazines. Also can limit by state (bottom left of ancestry webpage); choose county of interest and view available newspapers. From there, search specific locations or specific newspapers. Determine what dates are available and/or browse newspaper of a specific date. Don't search for what's not there!

Statewide Historical Newspapers (may be others)

Due to copyright restrictions, newspapers published after 1925 may not be included, but projects can digitize beyond 1926 when publisher permission has been secured.

Arizona, 120 historical newspapers and newsletters, 1859 to present: https://azmemory.azlibrary.gov/
California, 263 historical newspapers and newsletters, 1846 - 2021 https://cdnc.ucr.edu/
Colorado, 553 historical newspapers, 1859 - 2020: https://www.coloradohistoricnewspapers.org/
Connecticut, 99 historical newspapers, 1821 – 1947: http://hdl.handle.net/11134/30002:newspapers
Florida, 683 historical newspapers, 1830 - 2020 (for many titles only limited issues are available): https://newspapers.uflib.ufl.edu/

Georgia, 840 historical newspapers, 1763 – 2018:

https://gahistoricnewspapers.galileo.usg.edu/newspapers/

Illinois, 133 historical newspapers, 1831 – 2017: https://idnc.library.illinois.edu/

Indiana, 279 historical newspapers, 1804 – 2010: https://newspapers.library.in.gov.

lowa, directory of over 300 local newspaper archives, 1836 to the present: https://guides.lib.uni.edu/iowa-historical-newspapers

Kansas, 2,499 historical newspapers from (open access provided by Newspapers.com). - 1876 – 1923:

https://kansashistoricalopencontent.newspapers.com/

Kentucky, 78 historical newspapers, 1787 – 2018: https://saalck-

uky.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/discovery/search?vid=01SAA_UKY:KDNP

Louisiana, 55 newspapers from 24 Louisiana parishes, 1820 to the present:

https://louisianadigitallibrary.org/louisiananewspapers

Maine, 164 historical newspapers, 1769 – present: https://digitalmaine.com/newspapers/

Maryland, 88 historical newspapers, 1728 – 1956:

http://speccol.msa.maryland.gov/pages/newspaper/digitized.aspx

Michigan, 101 historical newspapers, 1830 – 2020: https://digmichnews.cmich.edu/

Minnesota, 1849 to present. "Due to potential copyright restrictions most issues published less than 95 years ago can only be accessed from the Gale Family Library at the Minnesota History Center." https://www.mnhs.org/newspapers/hub/titles

Missouri, 418 historical newspapers, 1808 – 1994: https://shsmo.org/collections/newspapers/mdnp

Montana, 131 historical newspapers, 1873 – 2018: http://montananewspapers.org/newspapers/

Nebraska, 76 historical newspapers, 1854 – 1963: https://nebnewspapers.unl.edu/newspapers/

New Jersey, directory of commercial and freely available historical newspapers. "This guide indexes all known digitized newspapers published in New Jersey, whether currently available or in process, including links and other access information." --- New Jersey State Library: https://libguides.njstatelib.org/digitized-newspapers

New Mexico, 65 historical newspapers, 1852 – 2002: https://digitalrepository.unm.edu/nm newspapers/

New York, 853 historical newspapers, 1725 – 2019 https://nyshistoricnewspapers.org/

North Carolina, 362 historical newspapers and newsletters, 1751 – present:

https://www.digitalnc.org/newspapers/

Ohio, 293 historical newspapers, 1809 – 2019, provides free access to over 1,000,000 full-text searchable pages: https://www.digitalnc.org/newspapers/

Oklahoma, 990 historical newspapers, 1851 – 2019:

https://gateway.okhistory.org/explore/collections/ODNP/titles/

Oregon, 315 historical newspapers, 1846 – present: https://oregonnews.uoregon.edu/newspapers/

Pennsylvania, 223 historical newspapers, 1789 – 2012: https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/newspapers/

South Carolina, 167 historical newspapers, 1815 – 2016: https://historicnewspapers.sc.edu/

Texas. 1689 historical newspapers, 1813 – present:

https://texashistory.unt.edu/explore/collections/TDNP/titles/

Utah, 182 historical newspapers, 1850 – 2018: https://digitalnewspapers.org/browse/holdings

Virginia, 305 historical newspapers, 1787 – present: https://virginiachronicle.com/

Washingon, 86 historical newspapers, 1852 – 2010: https://washingtondigitalnewspapers.org/

Wyoming, 363 historical newspapers, 1849 – 1989: https://wyomingnewspapers.org/

Genealogy and History Books

Out-of-copyright books and other media: https://archive.org/

FamilySearch digital library: https://www.familysearch.org/library/books/

10 sources for family history books online https://www.thoughtco.com/sources-for-family-history-books-online-1421831

Online and e-books: https://www.cyndislist.com/books/ebooks/

Locating family history/genealogy books: https://www.sassyjanegenealogy.com/?s=books Where to find free genealogy books: https://bespokegenealogy.com/free-genealogy-books/ AND

https://thegenealogyguide.com/where-to-find-free-genealogy-books

Search 80,000 genealogy and family history books: https://www.gengophers.com/#/

Where to find free genealogy books: https://bespokegenealogy.com/free-genealogy-books/ AND https://thegenealogyguide.com/where-to-find-free-genealogy-books

Free genealogy digital publications http://www.genealogysearch.org/free/digitalpublications.html Genealogical resources available through the Free Library of Philadelphia:

https://libwww.freelibrary.org/explore/topic/genealogy

Terms Used in Historical Newspapers

7 Common historical newspaper abbreviations and terms: https://blog.newspapers.com/7-common-historical-newspaper-abbreviations-and-terms/

Understanding terms used in historical newspapers: https://blog.genealogybank.com/understanding-terms-found-in-historical-newspapers.html

Facebook:

Genealogy and history (in English) Facebook groups/pages, a 436-page PDF file containing 16,700+ links (updated Jan 2021): https://moonswings.files.wordpress.com/2021/01/genealogy-on-facebook-jan-2021.pdf File includes clickable table of contents. *Note:* As of January 2021, future updates and maintenance of list is being handled by Cyndi's List at https://cyndislist.com/facebook. Download Canadian list that includes French-speaking groups at https://genealogyalacarte.ca/?page_id=10169, and an Australian list at https://www.lonetester.com/2020/12/facebook-for-australian-history-and-genealogy-2/

FB groups such as for look-ups, photo restoration, family groups, genealogy software and/or website help may be particularly helpful; see also city/county/regional genealogy and historical society groups.