

Wisconsin Historical Society: To digitize 100,000 pages of historic Wisconsin newspapers

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Madison, Wis. – The Wisconsin Historical Society has been awarded a second National Endowment for the Humanities grant to continue its work as part of the National Digital Newspaper Program. Through this grant, 100,000 pages of historic Wisconsin newspapers are set to be digitized and added to the online database at [Chronicling America](#), the free online repository of historical American newspapers created through the National Digital Newspaper Program.

“This grant allows for additional historically significant titles from Wisconsin to be added to this free platform offering researcher’s unparalleled access to the historic publications,” said Randi Ramsden, program coordinator for the National Digital Newspaper Program at the Wisconsin Historical Society. “This will provide an even more geographically, socially and politically diverse insight into our state’s history.”

The titles are selected by an advisory committee of 11 members, representing historical societies, public libraries, educators and journalists from across the state. All articles, advertisements, and images can be viewed online, downloaded, and printed from any computer. All digitized publications are also full text searchable.

The selection of newspapers that the Society will digitize over the next two years

include:

Ashland Chronicle (1916), Baraboo News (1906-1911), Baraboo Weekly News (1912-1922), Iron County News (1913-1922), Jugend-Post/Kinder-Post (1890-1895), La Nostra Terra (1904-1911), Ladysmith News and Ingram News (1905-1906), Ladysmith News (1905-1907), Ladysmith News-Budget (1907-1922), Nord Stern (1900-1921), Northern Wisconsin Advertiser (1902-1922), Odanah Star (1912-1916), Our Land=Nostra Terra (1913), Sonntagsbote und der Seebote (1912-1922), Sonntagsbote (1906-1912), Vernon County Censor (1900-1922), Washburn Times (1900-1922), Wausau Pilot (1900-1922), Wauwatosa News (1900-1922), Wisconsin Tobacco Reporter (1903-1922), Wisconsin Weekly Blade (1916-1922).

Since 2015, the Society has been a part of the National Digital Newspaper Program, a partnership between the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) and the Library of Congress. The National Digital Newspaper Program provides access to historic newspapers published between 1789 and 1924.

The National Digital Newspaper Program, a partnership between NEH, the Library of Congress, and state projects, is responsible for producing Chronicling America. Chronicling America is a great resource for researchers, genealogist and those who are curious about history. For more information, visit <http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/>.

About Wisconsin Historical Society

The Wisconsin Historical Society, founded in 1846, ranks as one of the largest, most active and most diversified state historical societies in the nation. As both a state agency and a private membership organization, its mission is to help people connect to the past by collecting, preserving and sharing stories. The Wisconsin Historical Society serves millions of people every year through a wide range of sites, programs and services. For more information, visit wisconsinhistory.org.