

subject guides

Local Newspapers 1780 — 1999

This guide covers finding aids for Pittsburgh and Southwestern Pennsylvania newspapers from 1780 to 1999. The majority of these newspapers will be in **microform**, and will be held in the Microforms Area on the Ground Floor of Hillman Library.

Some of the newspapers may be in **print** form and held either at Hillman Library or the Darlington Room collection, 601 Cathedral of Learning.

Finally, some newspapers from eastern Pennsylvania are available in **electronic** form: access under "Pennsylvania..." on "Electronic Resources A to Z" on the "Online Resources" section of the homepage.

Searching PITTCAT

You can search PITTCAT for specific newspapers by using a journal title search and the newspaper title. To broaden your search, you may also use the Keyword search and search by keyword within the title field. *To get an idea of what Pennsylvania newspapers are available, use the Keyword search, and enter **Pennsylvania** in "Search for" field, and **Title** in "Search by" options. On the second line, enter **newspaper** in "Search for" field and **Keyword Anywhere** in "Search by" options.*

Because issues from a particular title may be split up between two or more libraries, be sure to check the holdings of each catalog entry, and look under all locations within each record. To find reference resources on newspapers, drop down the **Subject** search field in the "Search by" options. Try entering, for example, **American newspapers** or **Pennsylvania newspapers** in the "Search for" field.

Indexes for Locating Newspapers

The following paper indexes are located the Microforms Area on the Ground Floor of Hillman Library. There are several other newspaper indexes located between Z6945 and Z6954 in the Reference Section of Hillman Library, also on the Ground Floor.

Newspapers in the University of Pittsburgh Libraries, 1970. **Reference. Z6945 R82**. This index lists local, national, and international newspapers alphabetically by place of publication, and details the locations and holdings within the University Library System. The index also includes an alphabetic newspaper title index in the back of the book.

Pittsburgh Regional Library Center Newspaper List, 1976. **Hillman Microforms. Z6945 P66 1976**. Indexes newspaper holdings for several Western Pennsylvania libraries alphabetically by either newspaper title or place of publication. The listing deals with local, national, and international newspapers and details the date periods held. Since the index is old, contact the holding library listed to confirm newspaper holdings and any use restrictions.

United States Newspaper Program National Union List, **Hillman Microforms. Z6951 U5 1989 (Third ed.) and 1993 (Fourth ed.)**. These collections of microfiche list newspapers alphabetically by title, identify location and the date periods held at locations, and offer a small subject index to selected newspapers. If you wish to use a newspaper held at another library, you should check with Interlibrary Loan to determine how long it might take to obtain the newspaper.

Indexes for Finding Articles

Niles' Register: Cumulative Index 1811-1849. (CD-ROM: Call no. JK1 N53 1995). This database indexes articles from the *Niles' Weekly Register*, a widely circulated newspaper that offered unbiased, comprehensive coverage of national events, and news from foreign countries. *The Niles' Register* is available using the CD-ROM and is searchable by keyword, phrase, or by selecting a topic from an index list. *The Niles' Register* newspapers are housed in the Darlington Room collection.

New York Times Index. Hillman Library has indexes for the *New York Times* back to the first issue of the *New York Daily Times* in 1851. *The New York Times Index* provides indexing by subject. A paper edition is shelved in the Reference area on the ground floor. (Volumes 1851-1950 are shelved in the Reference stacks under the call number AI21 N53. Volumes for years 1951-present are shelved on Index Carrel #7). *The New York Times Index* is also available on microfilm for the following years: 1851-1858, 1860, 1863-1905. This microfilm set is shelved just before the *New York Times* in the Microforms Area on the Ground Floor of Hillman Library.

Electronic Resources

The following databases are available online through the library's home page (look either under "**Electronic Texts**," or just under "**Electronic Resources A to Z**" on the "Online Resources" section of the page). All databases are full-text searchable by keyword or phrase, and allow Boolean searching.

- *The Pennsylvania Gazette* 1728-1800
- *The Civil War: A Newspaper Perspective*, November 1860 - April 1865 (*The Charleston Mercury*, *The New York Herald*, *Richmond Enquirer*)
- *African American Newspapers: The 19th Century* (*Freedom's Journal*, *The Colored American [Weekly Advocate]*, *The North Star*, *National Era*, and *Provincial Freeman*). 1827-1860. Contains early biographical material, essays and editorials concerned with slavery and emancipation, poetry and prose, vital statistics, and advertisements.
- *The Pennsylvania Newspaper Record: Delaware County 1819-1870*. Documents the industrialization of predominantly agrarian culture established by Quaker farmers in the 18th century. Includes material from *Delaware County American* (Media, PA), *Delaware County Republican* (Darby & Chester, PA), *The Upland Union* (Chester, PA), *Delaware County Democrat* (Chester, PA), and *The Post Boy* (Chester, PA).
- *The Pennsylvania Genealogical Catalogue: Chester County 1809-1870*. Primarily a listing of marriages, deaths and obituaries from the *Village Record* (West Chester, PA). Includes some information about emigration patterns, customs and traditions, events, medical history, and biographical data.

Pittsburgh Newspapers on Microfilm in Hillman Library — 1780 – 1999 (Listed by Decade)

1780-1789 *Pittsburgh Gazette* 7/29/1786 - 12/31/1789

1790-1799 *Pittsburgh Gazette* 1/1/1790 - 5/8/1790
1/19/1793 - 12/31/1799

1800-1809 *Pittsburgh Gazette*

1810-1819 *Pittsburgh Gazette*

1820-1829 *Pittsburgh Gazette* 1/1/1820 - 6/4/1820
9/22/1829 - 12/31/1829
Pittsburgh Gazette & Manufacturing & Mercantile Advertiser 6/5/1820 - 9/16/1825

1830-1839 *Daily Pittsburgh Gazette* 7/31/1833 - 12/31/1839
Pittsburgh Gazette 1/1/1830 - 7/30/1833

1840-1849 *Daily Pittsburgh Gazette* 1/1/1840 - 8/26/1841
4/1/1847 - 12/31/1849
Pittsburgh Daily Morning Post 9/10/1842 - 12/31/1849
Pittsburgh Daily Gazette & Advertiser 7/29/1844 - 3/31/1847
Pittsburgh Evening Telegraph Weekly 3/27/1847 - 3/22/1848
Pittsburgh Gazette 8/27/1841 - 1/3/1842

1850-1859 *Daily Pittsburgh Gazette*
Pittsburgh Daily Morning Post 1/1/1850 - 11/24/1855
Pittsburgh Morning Post 11/26/1855 - 2/20/1859
Pittsburgh Post 2/21/1859 - 12/31/1859
Washington Reporter (Washington, PA) 4/21/1858-12/31/1859

1860-1869 *Daily Pittsburgh Gazette*
Pittsburgh Post
Washington Reporter (Washington, PA) 1/1/1860-11/14/1866

1870-1879 *Daily Pittsburgh Gazette* 1/1/1870 - 2/14/1877.
National Labor Tribune 11/21/1873 - 12/31/1879
Pittsburgh Commercial Gazette 2/26/1877 - 12/31/1879
Pittsburgh Evening Telegraph 4/16/1873 - 12/31/1879
Pittsburgh Evening Telegraph Weekly 4/17/1875 - 4/7/1877
12/1/1877 - 12/31/1879
Pittsburgh Gazette-Commercial 2/15/1877 - 2/24/1877
Pittsburgh Post

1880-1889 *Duquesne Times* 3/7/89-5/2/89
National Labor Tribune
Pittsburgh Commercial Gazette
Pittsburgh Evening Telegraph Daily 1/1/1880 - 12/31/1883
Pittsburgh Evening Telegraph Weekly 1/1/1880 - 8/21/1880
Pittsburgh Post

1890-1899 *Amerikansky Russky Viestnik* 12/21/1893 - 12/31/1899
National Labor Tribune
Pittsburgh Commercial Gazette
Pittsburgh Daily Dispatch 12/29/1895 - 12/31/1899
Pittsburgh Post

1900-1909 *Amerikansky Russky Viestnik*
Duquesne Times 12/9/04-12/31/09
(Pittsburgh) Gazette-Times 5/1/1906 - 12/31/1909
National Labor Journal 8/31/1908 - 12/31/1909
National Labor Tribune
The Observer (Duquesne, PA) 1/5/00-12/31/09
Pittsburgh Commercial Gazette 1/1/1900 - 11/2/1901
Pittsburgh Daily Dispatch
Pittsburgh Gazette 11/4/1901 - 4/30/1906
Pittsburgh Post
Pittsburgh Sun 3/1/1906 - 12/31/1909
Wilmerding News 1/16/1903-10/4/1907

1910-1919 *Americansky Russky Viestnik*
Daily News-Herald (Braddock, PA) 7/2/1917-12/31/1919
Duquesne Times
(Pittsburgh) Gazette-Times
Justice 10/11/1913 - 2/28/1914
National Labor Journal
National Labor Tribune
The Observer (Duquesne, PA) 1/1/10-11/8/12
Pitt Weekly 9/26/1910-12/31/1919
Pittsburgh Courier 3/25/1911 - 12/27/1912
Pittsburgh Daily Dispatch
Pittsburgh Post
Pittsburgh Sun
Wilmerding News Tribune 9/6/1912-12/31/1919

1920-1929 *Amerikansky Russky Viestnik*
Daily News-Herald (Braddock, PA) 1/1/20-12/31/29
Duquesne Times
(Pittsburgh) Gazette-Times /1/1920 - 7/31/1927
Mt. Pleasant Journal 1/10/1923-12/31/1929
National Labor Journal 11/1/1920 - 3/7/1924
National Labor Tribune
Pitt Weekly
Pittsburgher 1/2/1924-12/31/1929
Pittsburgh Courier 1/13/1923 - 12/31/1929
Pittsburgh Daily Dispatch 1/1/1920 - 1/25/1922
Pittsburgh Post 1/1/1920 - 8/1/1927
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette 8/2/1927 - 12/31/1929
Pittsburgh Sun 1/1/1920 - 8/1/1927
Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph 8/2/1927 - 12/31/1929
Wilmerding News Tribune 1/1/1920-10/22/1925

1930-1939 *Amerikansky Russky Viestnik*
Daily News-Herald (Braddock, PA) 1/1/30-9/29/33
Duquesne Times
Mt. Pleasant Journal
National Labor Tribune
Pitt News 5/2/1936-12/31/39
Pitt Weekly 1/1/1930-10/4/32
Pittsburgher
Pittsburgh Courier
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph
Unione 2/28/1930-12/31/1939
Zivena 1/7/1932-1/10/1936

1940-1949 *Duquesne Star* 10/19/1944-11/14/1946
Duquesne Times
Mt. Pleasant Journal
National Labor Tribune
Pitt News
Pittsburgher
Pittsburgh Courier
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph

1950-1959 *Duquesne Times*
Mt. Pleasant Journal
National Labor Tribune 1/1/1950-11/1958
Pitt News
Pittsburgher
Pittsburgh Courier
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
Pittsburgh Press 1/1/1954-12/31/1959
Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph

1960-1969 *Duquesne Times* 1/1/1960-8/25/1960
Mt. Pleasant Journal
Pitt News
Pittsburghzanin
Pittsburgh Courier
Pittsburgh Point 11/3/1966-12/31/1969
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette 1/1/1960-4/24/1960
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette & Sun-Telegraph 4/25/1960-12/31/1969
Pittsburgh Press
Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph 1/1/1960-4/24/1960
University Times 4/29/1969-12/31/1969

1970-1979 *The Decoder* (Pittsburgh) 7/18/1971-4/16/1972
Mt. Pleasant Journal
Pitt News
Pittsburghzanin 1/1/1970-12/28/1973
Pittsburgh Courier
Pittsburgh Forum 10/30/1970-8/8/1975
Pittsburgh Point 1/1/1970-6/10/1970
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette 1/1/1978-12/31/1979
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette & Sun-Telegraph 1/1/1970-12/31/1977
Pittsburgh Press (suspended May 14-Sept. 19, 1971)
University Times

1980-1989 *Mt. Pleasant Journal*
New Pittsburgh Courier 1/1/1983-12/31/1989
Pitt News
Pittsburgh Business Journal 9/21/1981-3/25/1985
Pittsburgh Business Times 8/31/1981-3/31/1985
8/20/1989-12/31/1989
Pittsburgh Business Times Journal 4/1/1985-7/31/1989
Pittsburgh Courier 1/1/1980-12/25/1982
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
Pittsburgh Press
University Times

1990-1999 *Mt. Pleasant Journal* 1/1/1990-6/1995
New Pittsburgh Courier
Pitt News
Pittsburgh Business Times
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
Pittsburgh Press 1/1/1990-4/30/1992
University Times 1/1/1990-7/23/1998

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