# An Introduction to The Portal to Texas History

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- 471 collaborative partners
- About 1.9 million visible digital objects
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~10K added each month

159K+ added last year

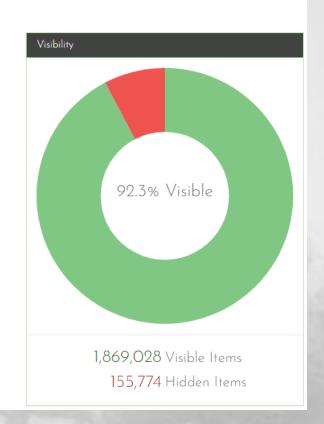
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- 430,550 photographs
- 877,276 newspaper issues
- 142,995 scripts
- 7,167 books
- 83,750 maps
- 15,109 legislative docs







# Examples of Other Resources in the Portal

- Scrapbooks
- Probate records
- Family letters
- Gammel's Laws of Texas and other state docs
- Genealogical publications, yearbooks, serials
- Course curriculum







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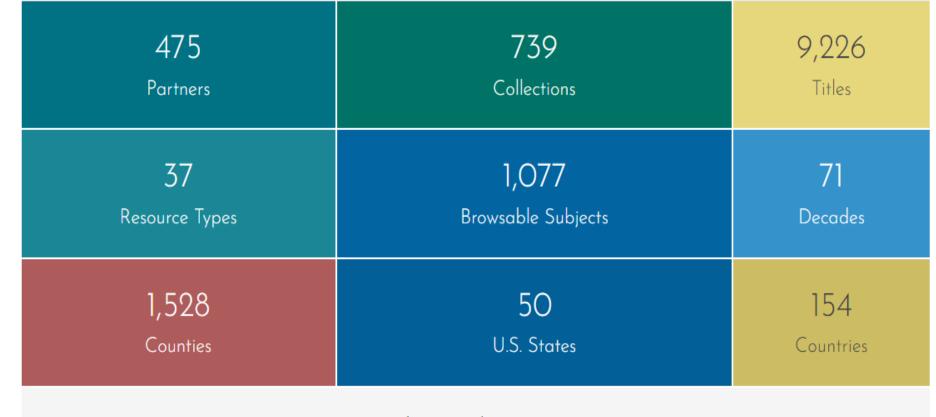
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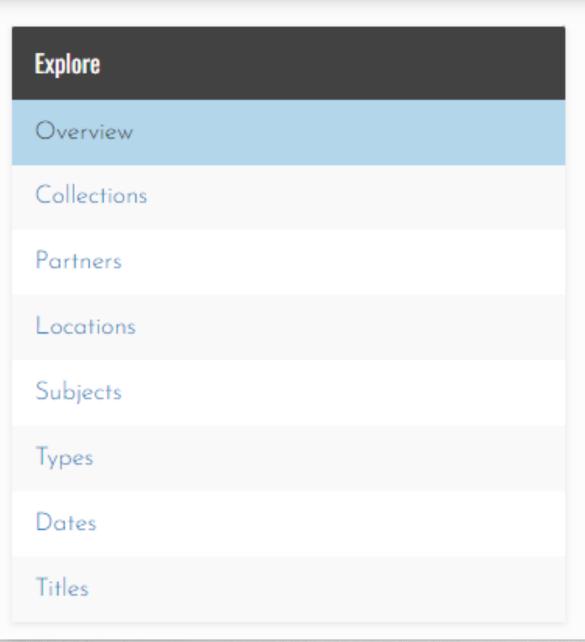
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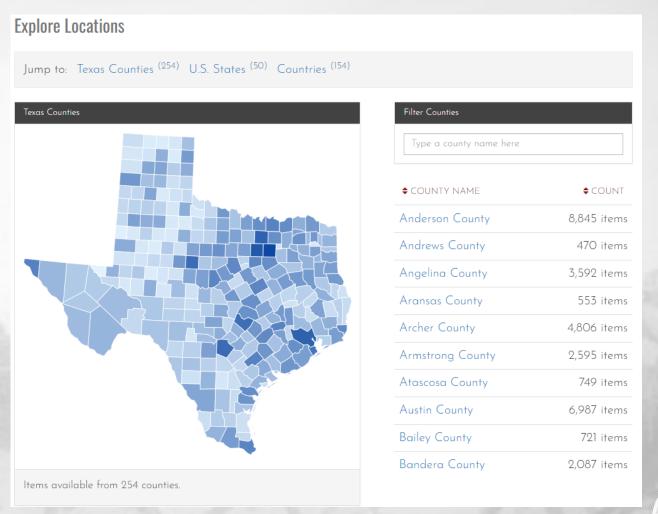
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- Museums
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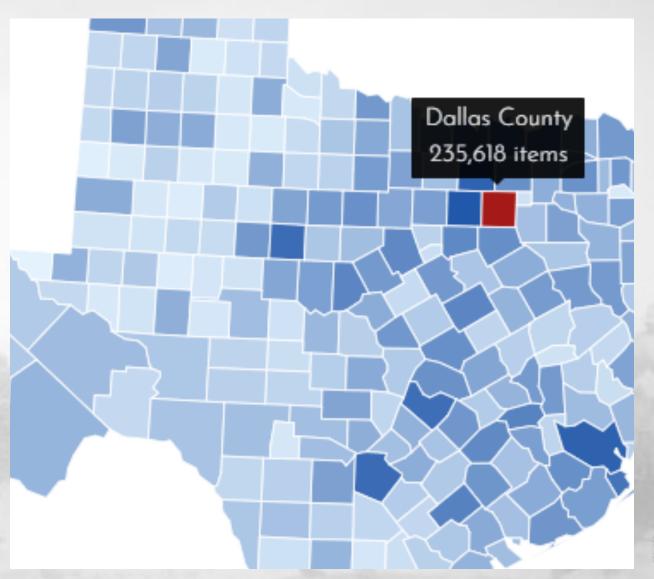


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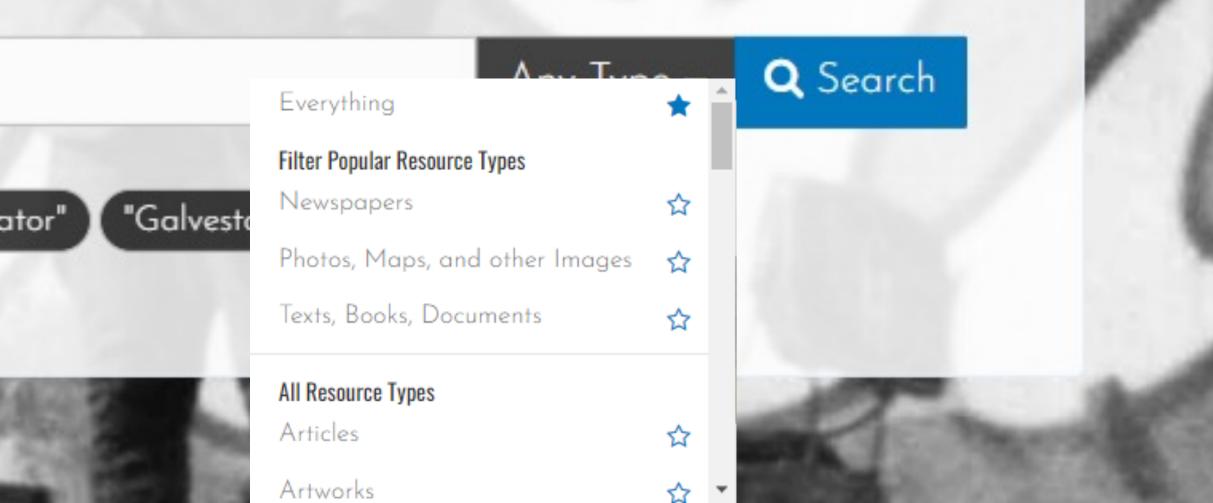
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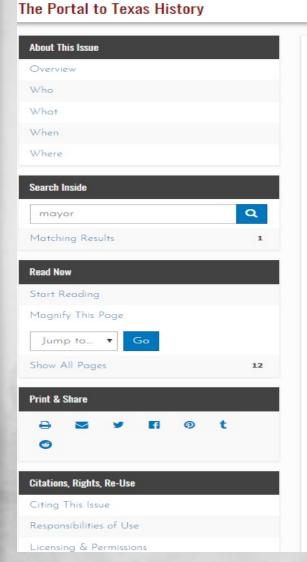
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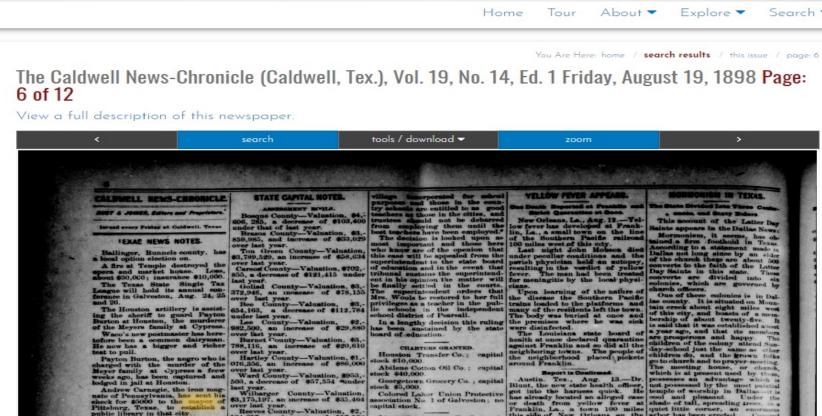
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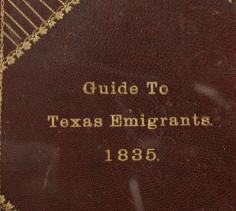
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College District







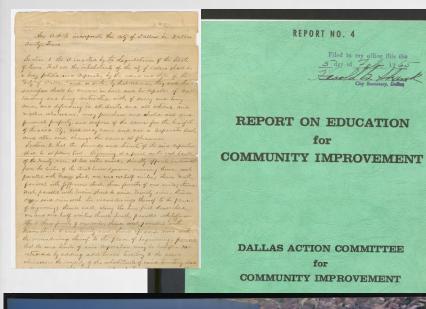




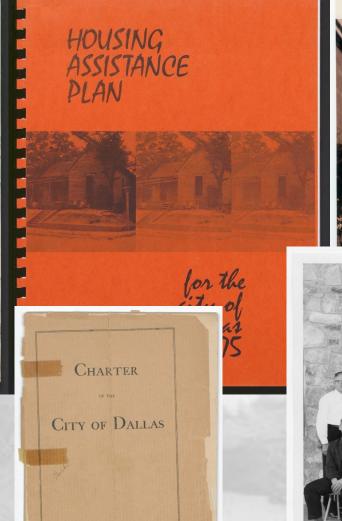


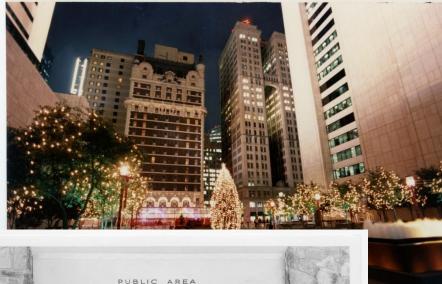


# Governmental Collections: Dallas Municipal Archives



CITY OF DALLAS







# Genealogical and Historical Collections: Dallas Genealogical Society

**Dallas County, Texas Probate Cases** 1846 - Early 1900's

Case Number 1

Dallas Genealogical Society Founded 1955

www.dallasgenealogy.org

#### The Dallas Journal



Journal of the Dallas Genealogical Society



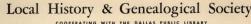
PREMIERE ISSUE 2013 VOLUME 1, NUMBER 1

DALLAS GENERALOGICAL SOCIETY A Texas Non-profit Corporation Dallas, Texas

NEW NAME. Have you noticed? We have a new name. The name, "DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY," was selected by the membership at the November general meeting. This is

ear year are to be submitted as soon as possible sturn it to the Treasurer, Mrs. Ed B. Trickett.

ERLY." Members of the Dallas Genealogical Society are ne "Quarterly," per year. This service was recently being offered to the membership.



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# Lesser Known Resources



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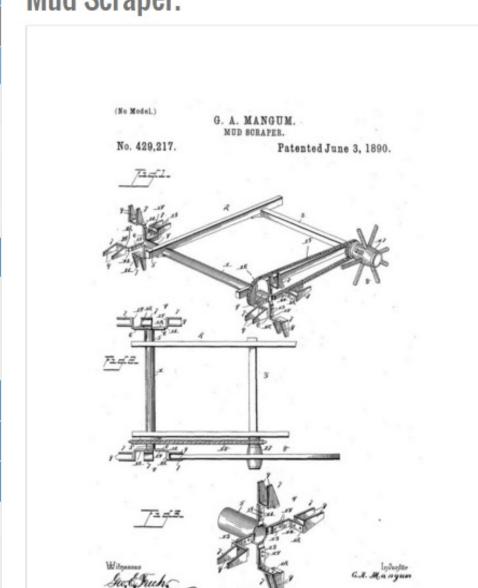
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#### Description

Patent for a new and improved mud-scraper. This design consists, "with a vehicle, of the transverse shaft geared to one of the wheels and provided at one of its ends with spiders, having its arms provided with perforations, the approximately U-shaped scrapers arranged to straddle the wheel, and the L-shaped plates or knees having one arm secured to a scraper and the other arm provided with perforations adjustably connected to the spider" (lines 88-102).

#### Physical Description

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#### Creation Information

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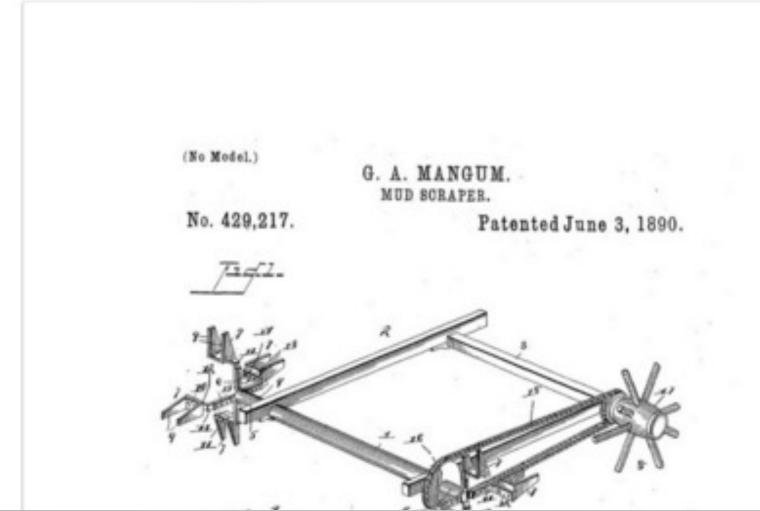
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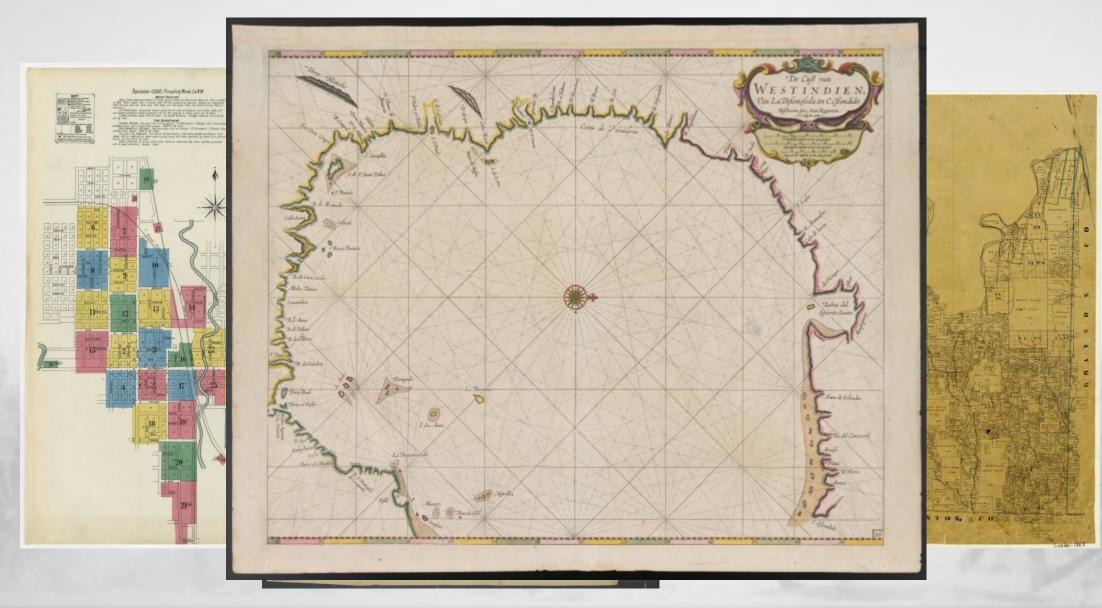
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### Gammel's Law

- Hans Peter Mareus Neilsen Gammel
- •31 Volumes
- Early colonization laws
- Proceedings from constitutional conventions
- •All laws and resolutions passed from every congressional and legislative session from statehood to 1897

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States and the Reconstruction Acts of Congress.

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H. P. N. GAMMEL

WITH AN INTRODUCTION BY C. W. RAINES.

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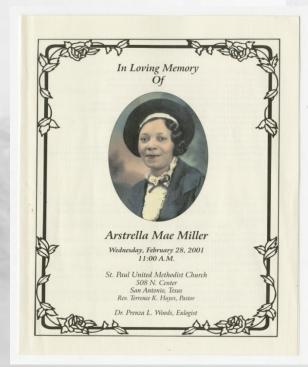


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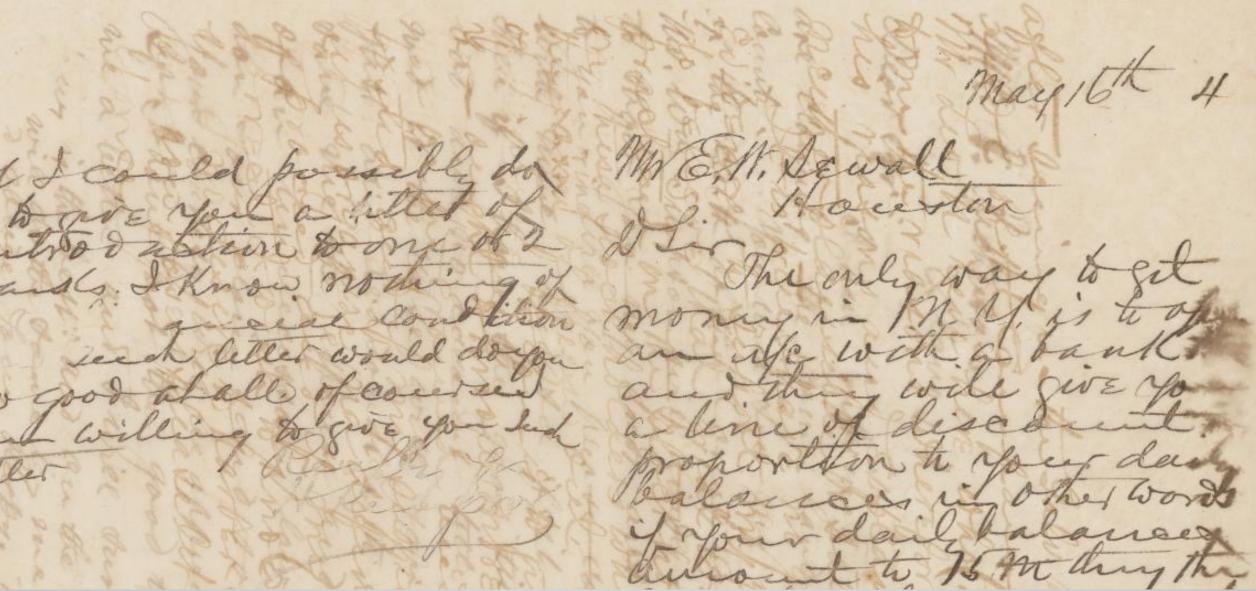
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•1930's to Present

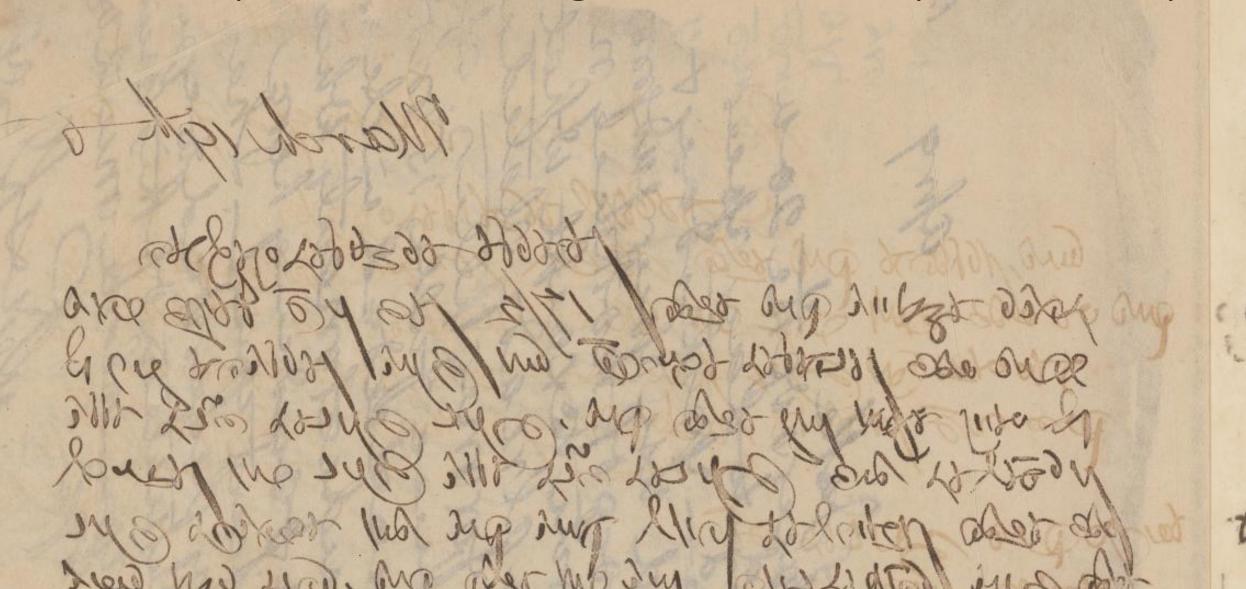




# Correspondence Ledger of the Kempner Family



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# Types of Information in Newspapers

- Births and deaths
- Marriage announcements
- Military service
- Land purchases
- Promotions
- Advertisements: Family businesses
- Travel announcements
- Social activities



## Texas Digital Newspaper Program

- Hosts newspapers from across Texas, with 1780 titles.
- Ever-growing: if you research something today and don't find it—check tomorrow!
- Spans 1813 to the present.
- Fully text-searchable.
- Some newspaper collections have materials from across the U.S.

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# Early Texas Newspaper Collection

- Earliest microfilmed newspapers held at UT's Dolph Briscoe Center for American History.
- Texas newspapers, spanning 1829-1950, with heavy coverage from 1840-1873.
- Digitized through support of an IMLS-funded TexTreasures grant, awarded through the Texas State Library & Archives Commission.



# Searching in the Portal



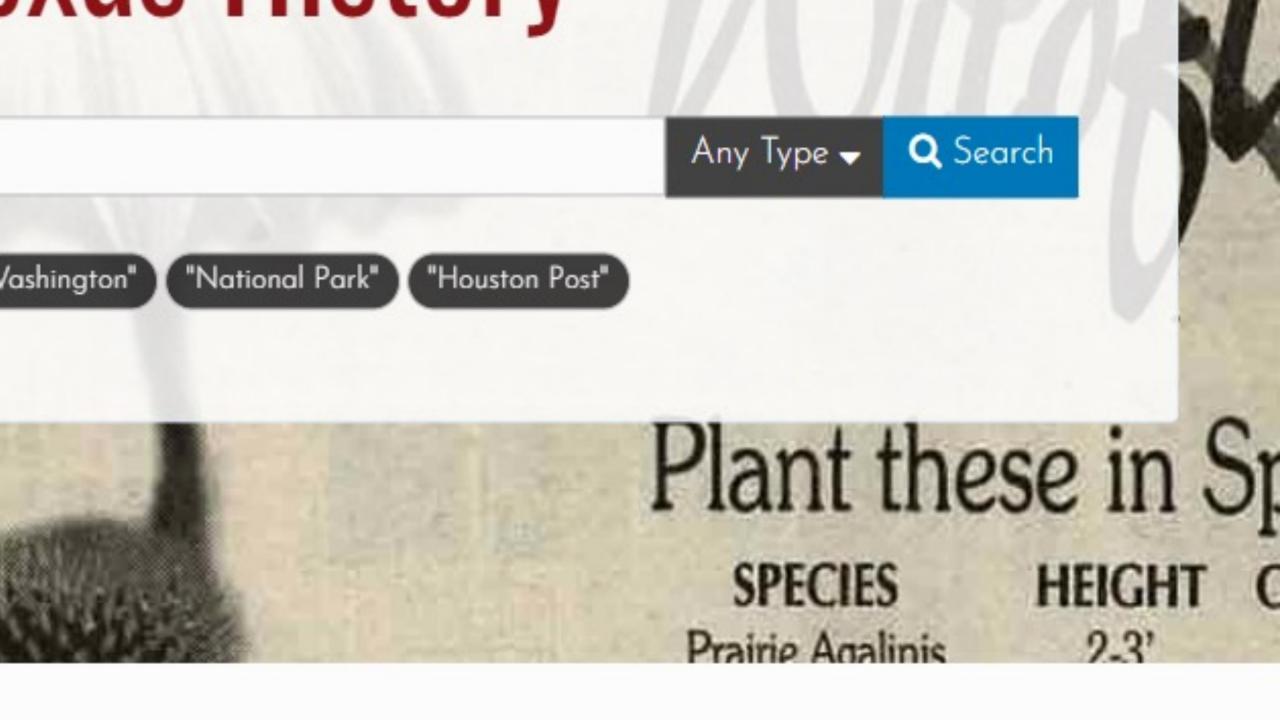
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# The Ballinger Ledger (Ballinger, Tex.), Vol. 78, No. 44, Ed. 1 Thursday, April 22, 1965

Weekly newspaper from Ballinger, Texas that includes local, state, and national news along with advertising.

**DATE:** April 22, 1965

CREATOR: Perry, Richard H.

**ITEM TYPE**: Newspaper

PARTNER: Carnegie Library of Ballinger



Brenham Banner-Press (Brenham, Tex.), Vol. 44, No. 211, Ed. 1 Saturday, December 3, 1927

Daily newspaper from Brenham, Texas that includes local, state, and national news along



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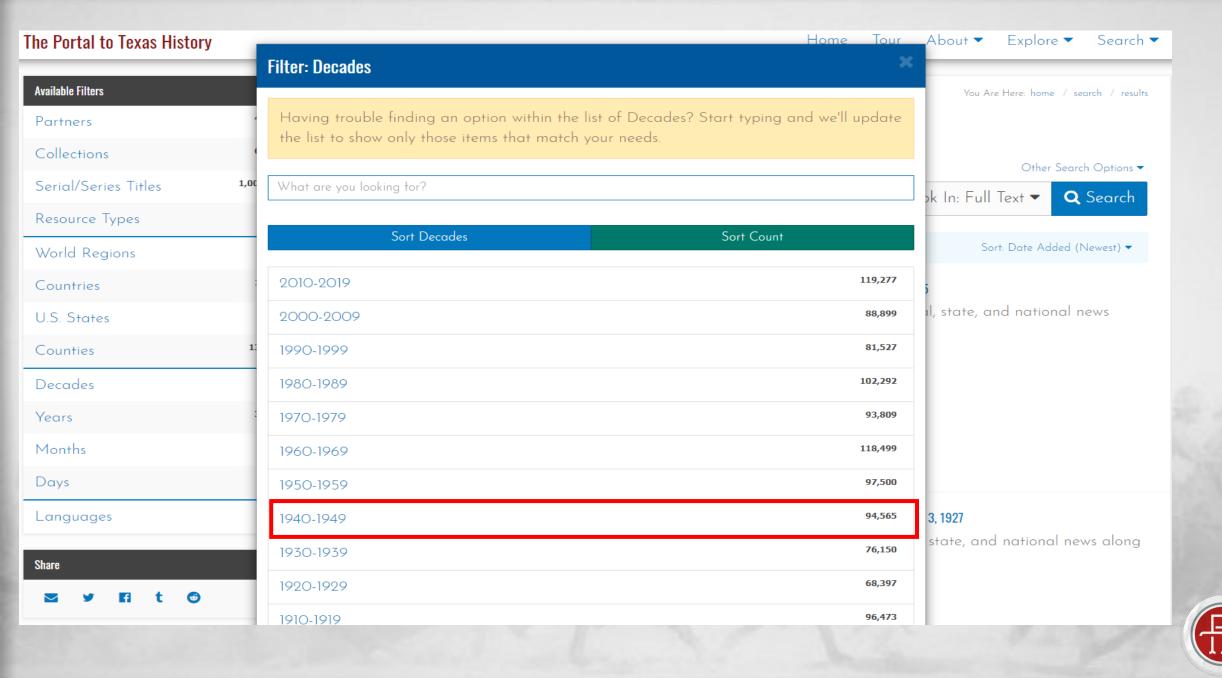
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#### The Lavaca County Tribune (Hallettsville, Tex.), Vol. 18, No. 48, Ed. 1 Tuesday, June 21, 1949

Semi-weekly newspaper from Hallettsville, Texas that includes local, state, and national news along with advertising.

**DATE**: June 21, 1949

CREATOR: Malec, Walter

**ITEM TYPE**: Newspaper

PARTNER: Friench Simpson Memorial Library



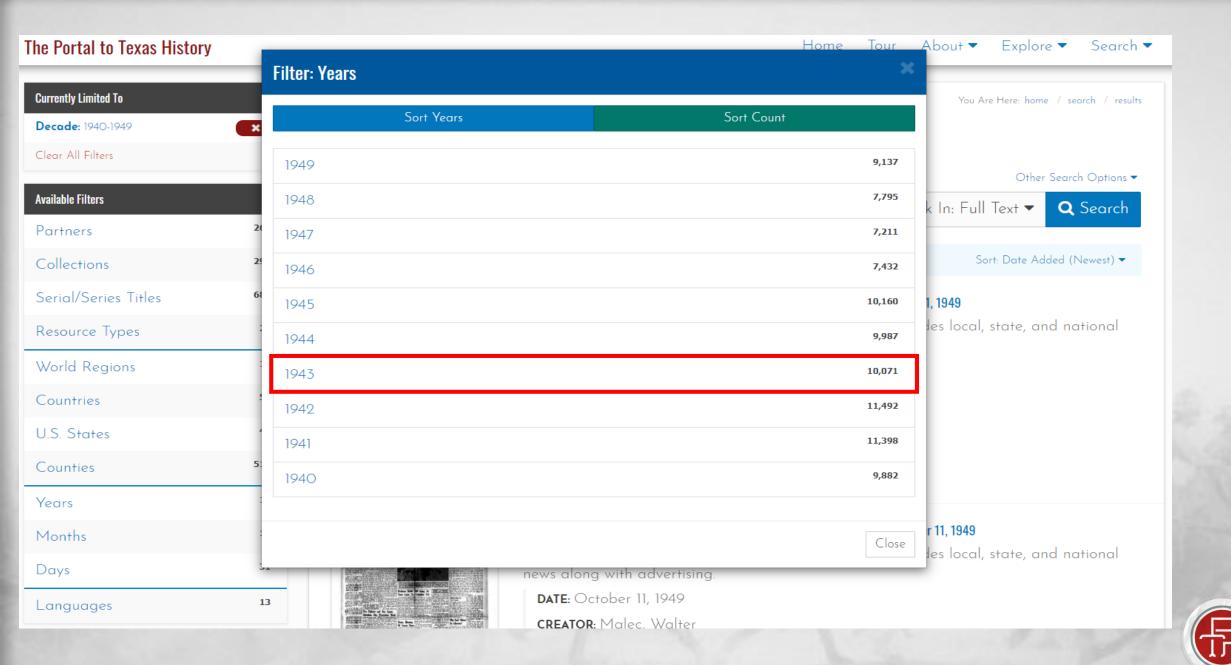
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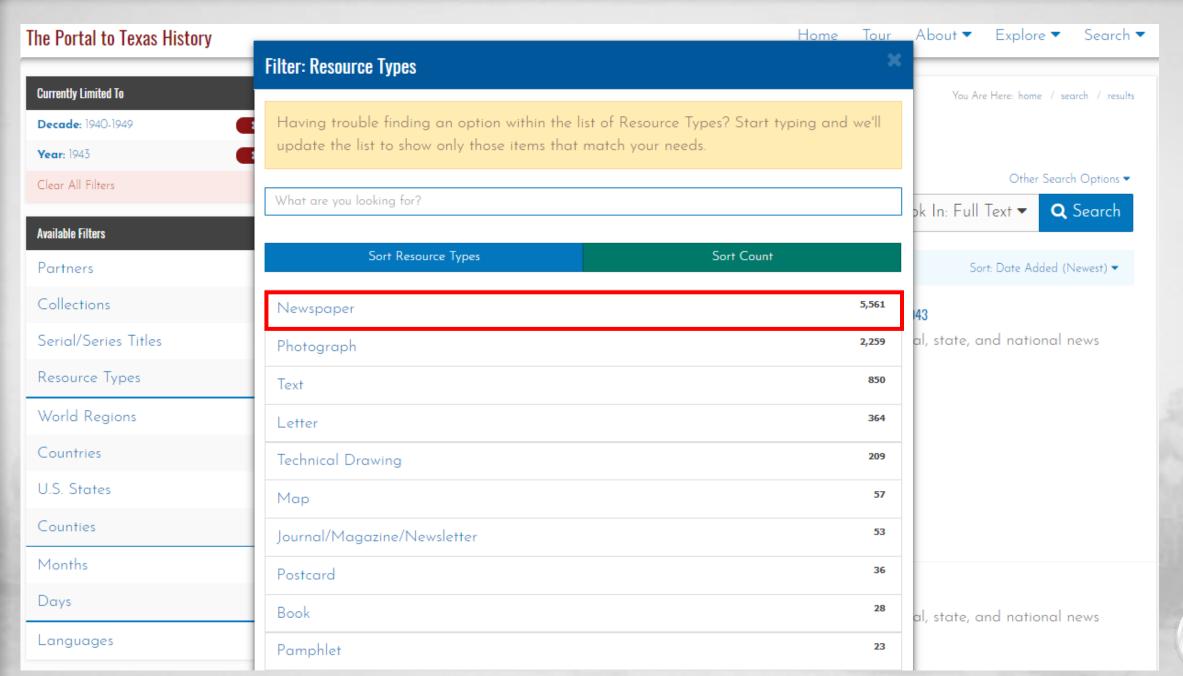
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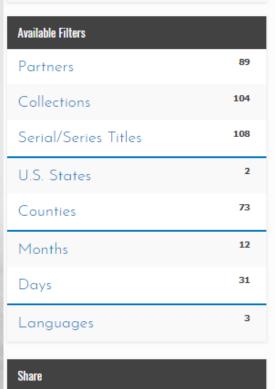
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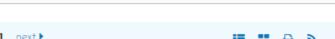
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#### The Wortham Journal (Wortham, Tex.), Vol. 44, No. 43, Ed. 1 Friday, February 26, 1943

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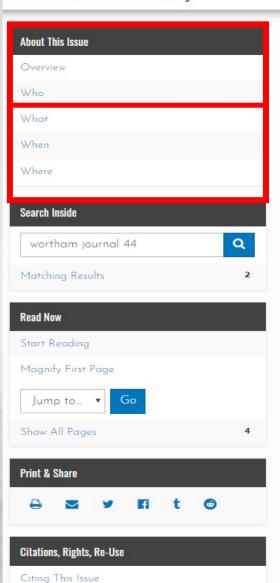


#### The Wortham Journal (Wortham, Tex.), Vol. 45, No. 9, Ed. 1 Friday, July 2, 1943

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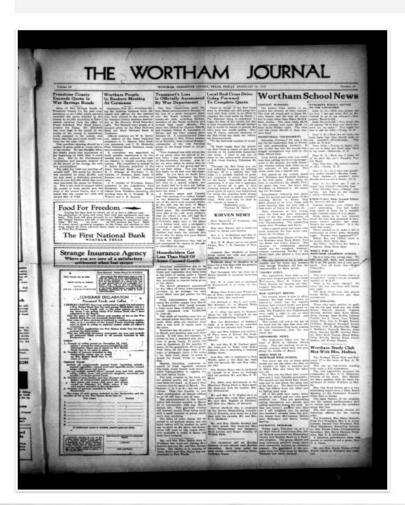


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# The Wortham Journal (Wortham, Tex.), Vol. 44, No. 43, Ed. 1 Friday, February 26, 1943

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# Description

Weekly newspaper from Wortham, Texas that includes local, state, and national news along with advertising.

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# **Physical Description**

four pages : ill. ; page 20 x 15 in. Digitized from 35 mm. microfilm.

## Creation Information

Satterwhite, Ed February 26, 1943.

#### Context

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# Who

People and organizations associated with either the creation of this newspaper or its content.

# Editor

• Satterwhite, Ed Ed. Satterwhite

# **Publisher**

• Ed Satterwhite

Publisher Info: Ed. Satterwhite

Place of Publication: Wortham, Texas

# **Audiences**

We've identified this **newspaper** as a **primary source** within our collections. Researchers, educators, and students may find this issue useful in their work.

# **Provided By**

## Fairfield Library

The Fairfield Library first opened its doors August 2, 1954, in a small brick house on the Courthouse square with just 224 books. In 1957, the library moved to the rear of the History Club clubhouse with hours from 4:00-5:30 Thursday afternoon. Through generous efforts from many families in the community and a donation of the Moody Grant Foundation, the Fairfield Library became a place where families could spend time together reading and enjoying the abundant resources.

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# What

Descriptive information to help identify this newspaper. Follow the links below to find similar items on the Portal.

## **Titles**

- Main Title: The Wortham Journal (Wortham, Tex.), Vol. 44, No. 43, Ed. 1 Friday, February 26, 1943
- Serial Title: The Wortham Journal

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# **Notes**

Published every Friday.

# **Subjects**

#### Keyword

Wortham

Library of Congress Subject Headings

• Freestone County (Tex.) -- Newspapers.

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#### Collections

This issue is part of the following collections of related materials.

#### Freestone County Area Newspaper Collection

The Freestone County Area Newspaper Collection spans eleven decades and represents five newspaper titles, include *The Fairfield Recorder, The Teague Chronicle, The Wortham Journal, The Bi-Stone Weekly Review,* and *The Streetman News.* 

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#### **Tocker Foundation Grant**

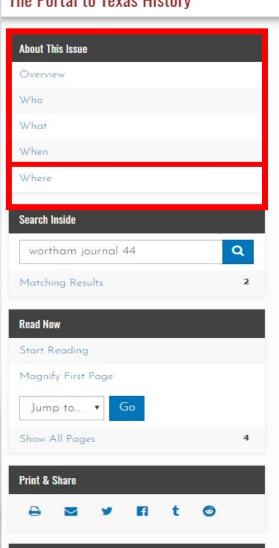
Collections funded by the Tocker Foundation, which distributes funds principally for the support, encouragement, and assistance to small rural libraries in Texas.

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#### Texas Digital Newspaper Program

The Texas Digital Newspaper Program (TDNP)





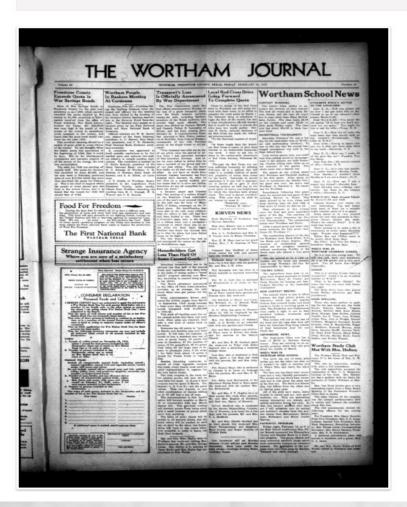
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# When

Dates and time periods associated with this newspaper.

# **Creation Date**

• February 26, 1943

# **Covered Time Period**

• Into Modern Times, 1939-Present

# Added to The The Portal to Texas History

• Jan. 18, 2019, 10:14 p.m.

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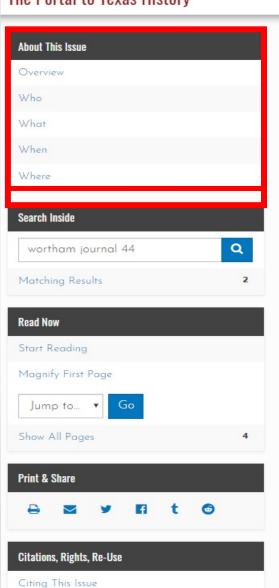
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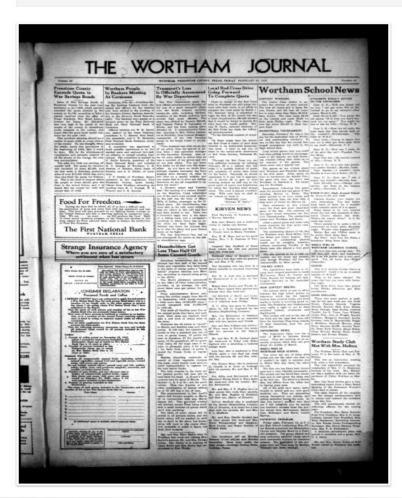


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# Where

Geographical information about where this newspaper originated or about its content.

# Place Name

• United States - Texas - Freestone County - Wortham

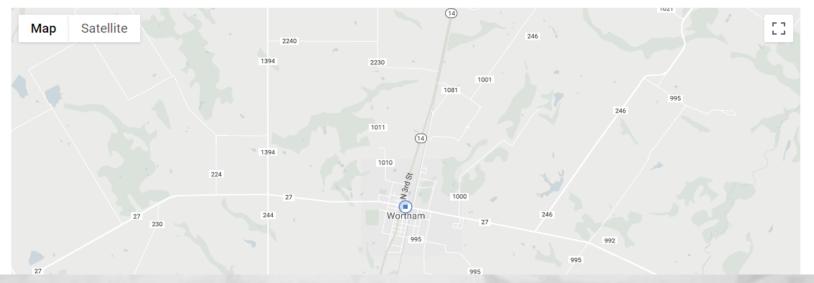
# **Publication Place**

• Wortham, Texas (Ed Satterwhite)

# **Map Information**

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# **Mapped Locations**





# 2. Keyword Searching

Search for an exact phrase by adding quotation marks around the phrase

"Dallas County"

"Probate Case"

"World War II"





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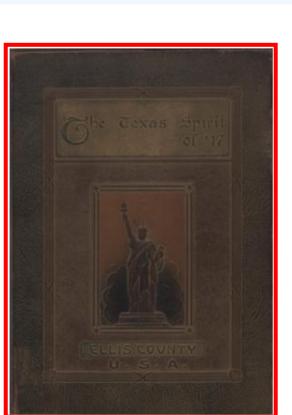
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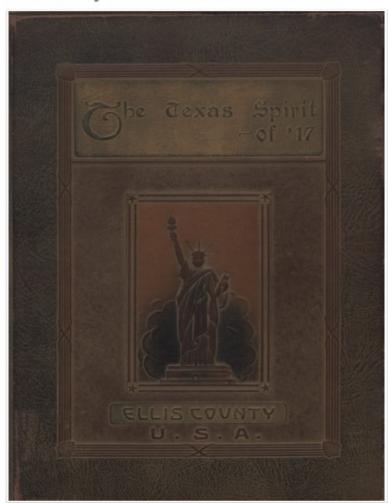
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"great war"

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# The Texas spirit of '17: a pictorial and biographical record of the gallant and courageous men from Ellis County who served in the Great War



# Description

Book that details the World War I military service of the citizens of Ellis County. Includes photographs and biographies.

# **Physical Description**

197 p., [4] leaves of plates : ill. (some col.) ; 28 cm.

## Creation Information

Army and Navy History Company. 1919.

## Context

This **book** is part of the collection entitled: Texas
History Collection and was provided by Tarrant County
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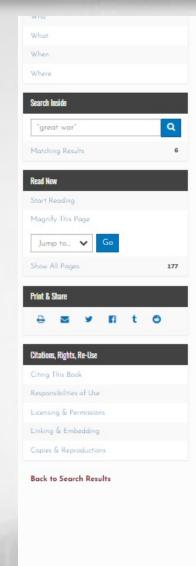
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PRIVATE LUDIE W. JACKSON, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Jackson, of Maypearl, was born in Ellis County, July 11, 1895. He finished his education at Fort Worth, Texas. The date of his entry into the service of his country was February 25, 1918. Private Jackson was attached to Company C, 357th Infantry, 90th Division. This Division received its training at Camp Travis, San Antonio, Texas. He was sent to France with his Division, June 20, 1918, and saw action in the battle of St. Mihiel, the first offensive conducted by all-American troops under American leadership, in which a salient occupied by the Germans for more than three years was taken by the Americans in less than two days in the advance on September 12, 1918. Private Jackson received a wound from a machine gun bullet in the left foot. Because of this wound he participated in no further action while in France. Private Jackson had been discharged from the Army, at the time of the collection of this data (August, 1919) and returned to civil life.



PRIVATE CHARLES MONROE WITHERSPOON, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Witherspoon, of Midlothian, was born in Ellis County, August 26, 1897, and received his education in the public schools of Midlothian. He entered the service of his country July 22, 1918, and was attached to 34th Company, 165th Depot Brigade, which trained at Camp Travis. On September 25, 1918, Private Witherspoon was company. After the armistice was signed, he was cordered to the United States and his discharge followed, after which he returned to civil life.



CLIFFORD SMITH WITHERSPOON, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Witherspoon, of Midlothian, Texas, was born January 7, 1900, at Midlothian and it was here that he received his early education. Although only eighteen years of age, Mr. Witherspoon volunteered for service in the United States Navy, August 7, 1918, and was sent for training to the Naval Training Station at San Pedro, California. Signing of the armistice prevented his assignment to active duty on the high seas during the Great War, as his course of training had not yet been completed at that time. After receiving his discharge, he returned to civil life.



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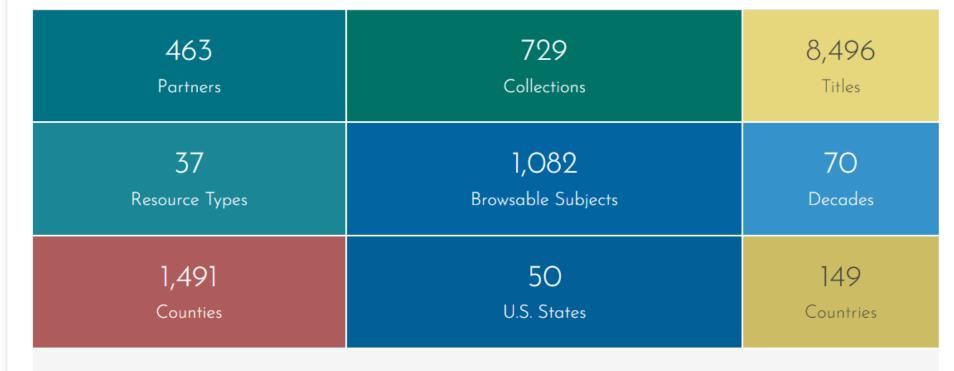
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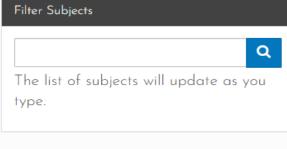
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# Resources from Other States

# Chronicling America: http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov

"Chronicling America is a Website providing access to historic newspapers and select digitized newspaper pages and is produced by the National Digital Newspaper Program (NDNP). NDNP, a partnership between the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) and the Library of Congress (LC), is a long-term effort to develop an Internet-based, searchable database of U.S. newspapers with descriptive information and select digitization of historic pages."

# Gateway to Oklahoma History: http://gateway.okhistory.org

Supported by UNT Libraries, the Gateway functions exactly like the Portal and is a resource for digital newspapers and photographs from Oklahoma history, spanning 1854-2006, and growing!









State Memory Project Listing

# **Library of Congress State Memory Projects:**

http://www.loc.gov/rr/program/bib/statememory/

Links to primary source repositories across all fifty states. Different state projects vary, but each can be useful for enriching your understanding about your ancestors' lives.



Compiled by Christine A. Pruzin, Digital Reference Specialist

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