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NEWSPAPERS

Newspapers on Microfilm

The following newspapers for Madison County, Nebraska are on microfilm. The dates available are listed with each paper. The microfilms are available for use at the Norfolk Public Library. The Library is located at 308 W. Prospect Ave in Norfolk, Nebraska. These papers were mostly weekly issues but a few are dailies. Some of the papers have issues that were missing or lost when the microfilming project was done.

Battle Creek Blade April 2, 1885 – October 2, 1885

<u>Battle Creek Enterprise</u> April 19, 1888 – November 25, 1909 December 2, 1909 – June 1, 1911 June 15, 1911 – January 23, 1913 January 30, 1913 – April 10, 1996 There is a total of 32 reels for this paper.

<u>The Burnett Blade</u> August 14, 1884 – June 15, 1888

<u>Elkhorn Valley Mirror</u> May 13, 1926 – May 12, 1927

<u>The Madison Mail</u> January 24, 1902 – February 20, 1903

Madison Star-Mail June 19, 1896 – February 23, 1900 March 1900 – April 1901 is not available April 26, 1901 – November 16, 1906 Nov/Dec. 1906 & Jan. 1907 is not available January 18, 1907 – September 3, 1909 Sept. to Dec. 1909 is not available January to March 1910 is not available March 11, 1910 – July 20, 1995 There is a total of 36 reels for this paper.

The Madison News

January 27, 1927 – July 27, 1933 There is a total of 3 reels for this paper.

<u>Meadow Grove News</u> May 16, 1919 – January 27, 1955 There is a total of 13 reels for this paper.

<u>The Norfolk Journal</u> November 30, 1877 – February 23, 1883 March 2, 1883 – August 19, 1886 August 26, 1886 – October 24, 1889 Nov. and Dec. 1889 is not available Jan. to Dec. 1890 is not available January 1, 1891 – October 6, 1892 October 13, 1892 – April 30, 1897 May 7, 1897 – November 16, 1900 There is a total of 6 reels for this paper.

<u>The Norfolk Press</u> September 23, 1904 – October 20, 1938 There is a total of 10 reels for this paper.

<u>The Norfolk Times</u> September 16, 1880 – September 7, 1881

<u>Norfolk Times-Tribune</u> February 28, 1896 – January 15, 1909 There is a total of 4 reels for this paper.

Norfolk Daily Times-Tribune

October 21, 1898 – June 22, 1900

<u>Norfolk Weekly News-Journal</u> September 4, 1884 – December 11, 1914 There is a total of 7 reels for this paper.

<u>Norfolk Daily News</u> January 1, 1888 – June 2001 There is a total of 403 reels for this paper at the time of this writing.

Sittler's Index of Nebraska Newspapers

The State of Nebraska did not keep vital records until after 1904, so the best and often only [way] to obtain vital record information before that date is with <u>Sittler's Index of Surnames</u>. Melvin E. Sittler went through all the NE newspapers from 1873-1900, indexing all surnames associated with significant events. His Index is available on a set of microfiche at your nearest LDS Family History Center, filed under Nebraska State Vital Records. The call number is Salt Lake Book Area US/CAN 978.2293 D22si. If it is not there, it can be acquired on permanent loan at no cost to you.

The first 16 microfiche cover 1873-1899, and 1 fiche covers the year 1900: v.1 (4 fiches), #6093604; v.2 (4 fiches), #6093605; v.3 (4 fiches), #6093606; v.4 (4 fiches), #6093607; v. 5 (1 fiche), #6117319.

With the information from Sittler's, you can send \$1 per article to the Nebraska State Historical Society (include a SASE), refer to Sittler's as your source, provide names, date, volume, page, and in 1-2 weeks you will have a photocopy of the original item.

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