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Four additional South Dakota newspaper titles now available online

PIERRE, S.D. -- The South Dakota State Historical Society announced that four additional South Dakota newspapers have been added to the growing online database of historical United States newspapers.

In 2014 the State Historical Society-Archives at the Cultural Heritage Center in Pierre received a two-year \$294,655 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to digitize historical newspapers. The project is part of Chronicling America, a Library of Congress initiative to develop an online database of select historical newspapers from around the United States. As part of the grant the State Historical Society-Archives will digitize around 100 rolls of microfilmed newspapers pre-dating 1922 to be included in this collection.

The Forest City Press 1903-1919, Hot Springs Star 1887-1892, Hot Springs Weekly Star 1892-1917 and Turner County Herald 1883-1896 have recently been added to the Chronicling America site and are available for researchers.

"This is the second batch of newspapers that have been added to the site during our grant cycle, and we're excited to make these newspapers more widely available through this grant," said Chelle (SHEL-ee) Somsen, state archivist.

These titles join others that are already available, including the Canton Advocate, Dakota Farmers' Advocate, Daily Dakota Farmers' Leader, Lincoln County Advocate, Canton Daily Leader, The Daily Press and Dakotaian, Yankton Daily Press and Dakotaian and the Press and Daily Dakotaian.

To view these newspapers, visit the Chronicling America website <u>http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/newspapers/?state=South+Dakotaðnicity=&langua</u> <u>ge</u>.

For more information, contact the State Historical Society-Archives at (605) 773-3804.

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About the South Dakota State Historical Society

The South Dakota State Historical Society is a division of the Department of Education. The State Historical Society, an Affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, is headquartered at the South Dakota Cultural Heritage Center in Pierre. The center houses the society's world-class museum, the archives, and the historic preservation, publishing and administrative/development offices. Call (605) 773-3458 or visit <u>www.history.sd.gov</u> for more information. The society also has an archaeology office in Rapid City; call (605) 394-1936 for more information.