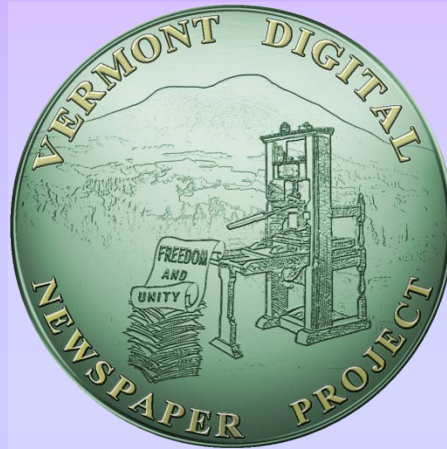




From Reel to Real



The Vermont Digital Newspaper Project framework for grant development

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Background Information – National Digital Newspaper Program (NDNP) and the Vermont Digital Newspaper Project (VTDNP)



The Vermont Digital Newspaper Project is part of the

National Digital Newspaper Program

A partnership between the Library & the National Endowment for the Humanities



A long-term effort to provide permanent access to a national digital resource of newspaper bibliographic information and historic newspapers, selected and digitized by NEH-funded institutions (awardees) from all U.S. states and territories.



Builds upon work completed under a [US Newspaper Program](#) grant ([Vermont Newspaper Project, 1996-2001](#)) to identify, catalog, and selectively preserve on microfilm “at-risk” newspapers.

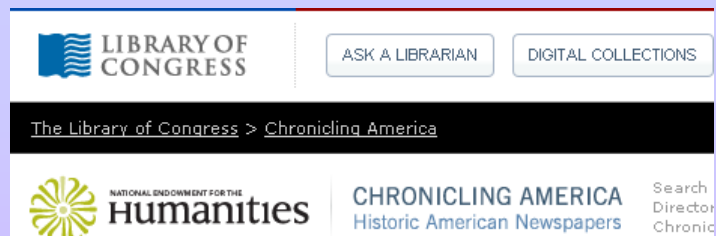
Scope of the Vermont Digital Newspaper Project



Select, digitize, and make available to the Library of Congress 100,000 pages of Vermont newspapers published between 1836 and 1922 from microfilm collections at the Vermont Department of Libraries, the University of Vermont, and the Vermont State Archives & Records Administration.



Content will be made freely available at:
<http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/> (see: [Vermont](#) content)



State-wide Advisory Committee applies selection criteria for digitization; (papers “of record”, representative of state history, geographical coverage, extended period of time, availability and quality of master microfilm negatives).

Deliverables (or to-do list) of the Vermont Digital Newspaper Project



Digital files for each original page or target on microfilm reels, including: TIFF, PDF, JPEG2000, OCR output (ALTO XML schema) and metadata files to conform to NDNP guidelines.



Technical analysis of microfilm (reduction ratio, skew, density, duplicate pages, targets, sequencing, etc.) & Metadata collation (frame-by-frame or page-by-page inspection of microfilm)



Cataloging record updates in CONSER/OCLC databases and provision of links to digital content. Updates to local libraries records and [VT Newspaper Project database](#).

OCLC Catalog Record for Vermont Farmer


Record

Comments

Vermont farmer.

T H Hoskins; C Horace Hubbard


1870-1877

English  Serial Publication : Newspaper : Weekly v. ; 70 cm.
St. Johnsbury, Vt. : Cummings & Hoskins,

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Title: Vermont farmer.

Author(s): [Hoskins, T. H.](#)
[Hubbard, C. Horace](#) ; (Charles Horace)

Publication: St. Johnsbury, Vt. : Cummings & Hoskins,

Place: United States; Vermont; Caledonia; Saint Johnsbury.; United States; Vermont; Orleans; Newport.

Year: 1870-1877

Frequency: Weekly

Description: v. ; 70 cm. Began in Dec. 1870?-v. 7, no. 24 (May 18, 1877) = whole no. 336.

Language: English

Standard No: LCCN: sn 84-23255

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SUBJECT(S)

Descriptor: [Agriculture -- Vermont -- Newspapers](#)

Geographic: [Saint Johnsbury \(Vt.\) -- Newspapers](#).
[Vermont -- Newspapers](#).

Note(s): Description based on: Vol. 2, no. 42 (Sept. 20, 1872)./ Editors: T.H. Hoskins, <1873>; C.H. Hubbard, <1876>./ Published at Newport, Vt., <1871-1872>./ Publisher: Royal Cummings, <1876>./ "An agricultural and family newspaper for the ruralists of the Green Mountain State."/ "Republican." Cf. Rowell, 1873./ Archived issues are available in digital format as part of the Library of Congress Chronicling America online collection.

Other Titles: Vermont farmer (Saint Johnsbury, Vt.); Vermont farmer: an agricultural and family newspaper

Later Title: American cultivator; (DLC)sn 91057084; (OCoLC)9219789

Material Type: Newspaper (new); Internet resource (url)

Document Type: Serial; Internet Resource

Date of Entry: 19840618

Update: 20110801

Accession No: OCLC: 10853223

Database: WorldCat

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Equipment of the Vermont Digital Newspaper Project



Oregon Digital Newspaper Program set-up

Vermont set-up (modeled on Oregon)



Outcomes and Future Direction



Inventory of available master negatives in the state of Vermont (700,000 pages within the scope of this grant!)



Historical assessment and summary of titles.



Outreach... Vermont Press Association, schools.



Research impact (historians, researchers, genealogists, etc.)



Partnerships – state, regional and national



Sustainability – supplemental funding quests ; potential to complement and expand and digitization efforts and awareness in Vermont. NDNP Awardees meeting.



VT digital newspapers beyond NDNP !?