

**The available newspapers and their time period coverage varies between Newspapers.com and NewspaperArchive.com. It may be necessary to conduct searches using both services.**

### **Free Access to Digitized Kansas Newspapers via Newspapers.com for Kansas Residents**

Directions for using Newspapers.com through the Kansas State Historical Society's website:

1. Go to <http://www.kshs.org>
2. Select the 3rd tab "Research" and "Digital newspapers" under the Online collections heading. The following page will be returned: <http://www.kshs.org/p/kansas-digital-newspaper-program/16126>
3. Select Newspapers.com on the page.
4. The KSHS digital partner websites page will be displayed where you will need to enter your name and valid Kansas Driver's License Number and Date of Birth. Select the Finish button.
5. If your information was verified, you will be taken to a page where you can select either Ancestry.com or Newspapers.com. Select Newspapers.com.
6. Enter your search string using quotation marks before and after search string; ex. "pool hall". The More Tips link provides instructions for adding additional criteria such as paper location and/or a date or date ranges. Example: "pool hall" in Lawrence, Kansas in the 1920's. Press "Enter" once search criteria has been entered.
7. The results of your search will be displayed on a new page and you can select the preview window of each newspaper to review the articles. The search terms will be highlighted in yellow. You can navigate through the matches for the search term using the "<" and ">".

*Tips:*

*Males are frequently referenced using their first and middle initials.*

*Use the location of "Wakarusa, Kansas" to search the Kansas Herald of Freedom newspaper or "Lecompton, Kansas" for the Lecompton newspapers.*

### **Free Access to Digitized Newspapers via NewspaperArchive.com for Lawrence Public Library Card Holders**

1. <https://lplks.org/resource/>
2. Select "N" and scroll down to NewspaperArchive
3. After selecting NewspaperArchive, you will be prompted to enter your library card number and pin. Press the Login button.
4. Select "Search". Enter your search terms and specify the location information.

Country: United States of America, State: Kansas, City: Lawrence

## Newspaper Searches of *Lawrence Journal-World* using GoogleNews

1. Go to <https://lplks.org/resources/genealogy-and-local-history/>
2. Select "Lawrence Journal-World Archives (via Google News Archives)";  
[https://news.google.com/newspapers?nid=H3xT48m3F74C&dat=19751226&b\\_mode=2&hl=en](https://news.google.com/newspapers?nid=H3xT48m3F74C&dat=19751226&b_mode=2&hl=en)  
Scanned images of Lawrence Journal-World printed newspapers, 1911 to 2008. Some issues are not available. **This option does not allow searching for specific phrases.** You will need to page through the newspapers and manually search.

To help you get the most out of historical newspapers, the following is a list of some of the most common abbreviations and terms:

1. **Relict** – This term is used to describe a surviving spouse, often a widow. It comes from the Latin term "relictus," meaning "relinquished" or "left behind."
2. **Née** – This term is French and means "born." It is used to indicate a woman's maiden name.
3. **Instant (Inst.)** – This is used to refer to the current month. For example, a newspaper article published in December that says "12th inst." means December 12th.
4. **Proximo (Prox.)** – Essentially meaning "next," this is used in newspapers to indicate the upcoming month. So "12th prox." in a December newspaper would mean January 12th.
5. **Ultimo (Ult.)** – This refers to the previous month. A December newspaper that says "12th ult." is referring to November 12th.
6. **Old style/New style (O.S./N.S.)** – These terms refer to dates that are either prior to approximately 1752 ("old style") or after about 1752 ("new style"). This is because in 1752, Britain (including its American colonies) adopted the Gregorian calendar, which resulted in skipping 11 days that year. To make matters even more complicated, the first of the year was moved from March to January. So to remove confusion, newspapers around the time of the change included "O.S" or "N.S" to indicate which system was being used for the dates they provided.
7. **Name abbreviations** – Name abbreviations are common in old newspapers. Some abbreviations are merely the first few letters of the name followed by a period, while others are contractions (the first part of the name plus the final letter). Some abbreviations are derived from the name's Latin equivalent, which makes them a bit trickier to decipher. Below are the most common name abbreviations:
  - Chas – Charles
  - Wm – William
  - Geo. – George
  - Jno – John
  - Jas – James
  - Thos – Thomas

source: [https://blog.newspapers.com/7-common-historical-newspaper-abbreviations-and-terms/?xid=1639&utm\\_source=tip&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=tip-apr-2018](https://blog.newspapers.com/7-common-historical-newspaper-abbreviations-and-terms/?xid=1639&utm_source=tip&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=tip-apr-2018)