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Ideas for establishing a philatelic research habit

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Your PSLC newsletter editor

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There was a time, not so long ago, when researching newspapers meant traveling to libraries with a roll of dimes or quarters and spending hours scrolling through microfilm . . .



But today, you can search within online newspaper archives to find abundant material, on virtually any topic that you are interested in researching, in seconds; and you don't need to leave your home.

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the Newspapers.com website, which includes links for Search, Papers, Clippings, and Topics. The main header features the text "THE PAST: READ ALL ABOUT IT." and a search bar with three input fields: "Keyword" (with the placeholder "Add a keyword or name"), "Date (optional)" (with a calendar icon and the placeholder "Add a date or range"), and "Location (optional)" (with a globe icon and the placeholder "Add a city, state, or country"). Below the search bar, there is a "Search by location" section with a dropdown menu set to "us United States" and a map of the United States with states shaded in various shades of red. A button labeled "Explore all locations" is positioned below the map. At the bottom of the section, a large digital display shows the number "1,148,036,559" with the text "Total newspaper pages" underneath it.

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Using newspapers.com to do research is very easy! My purpose in this short presentation is not to give you a tutorial, but to show you some of the ways it has been useful in my philatelic and personal research, so that you can determine whether to use old newspapers to explore your own interests.



PATIENT READERS!

For the many letters that have come either to Mr. Gordon Fister, Associate Editor of the Allentown Morning Call, or directly to the Editor of the Eck on the occasion of its thirtieth anniversary, the latter expresses his humble gratitude, knowing full well that the writers of these letters have responded to their generous impulses rather than their critical acumen. Frailty overcomes our reticence, and so we continue to share these letters with our readers. — P.A.B.

Dear Mr. Fister,

Thank you very much for your invitation to contribute to the Eck.

Dear Mr. Fister:

Thank you for reminding me of the 30th anniversary of Dr. Barba's **Pennsylvaniaanisch Deitsch Eck**. All of us who are interested in the study of the various aspects of the life and culture of the Pennsylvania Germans owe a great debt of gratitude to Dr. Preston A. Barba for the vast amount of important historical, dialect, and folkloristic material he has published in his **Pennsylvaniaanisch Deitsch Eck** during the past 30 years, and it is my sincere hope that he may be able to continue to edit this weekly column for many more years.

ALBERT F. BUFFINGTON
Professor of German and

APRIL

Der April kummt nooch em Maerz, un fer viel Leit kummt er gans zu gschwind. Der aerscht April iss en grosser Bisnessdaag, wu die Leit als minanner absettle un Bills un Interesse kollechte, un waer noh' bezaahle soll un kann's Geld net in Zeit uff-dreiwe, der winscht, der April waer noch weiter ab odder schunn vorbei. So Leit sin alsemol noch iwweler draa ass die, wu in der April gschickt warre.

Sell haepent em arrig gaun am seeme Daag, wann mer net scharref uffbasst. Die Leit duhne em gaun fer che em ebbes saahr iss, un

< > The Morning Call > Sat, Apr 10, 1965 > Page: 6

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Indonesia	North Carolina	Lehighton	Lebanon Semi-Weekly News ⓘ	1977	April	Jun 5, 1985, Wed
Ireland	North Dakota	Levittown	Sunday-The Daily News ⬢ ⓘ	1978	May	Jun 6, 1985, Thu
New Zealand	Ohio	Lewisburg	The Daily News ⬢ ⓘ	1979	June	Jun 7, 1985, Fri
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The Daily News - Sat, Jun 08, 1985 - Page 1 - (Lebanon, Pennsylvania)

SATURDAY MORNING

Lebanon 272-5611
Hershey 533-5742
Pine Grove 345-8812

Lebanon's Polka Pals Intrigued By Poland Visit
See Page 8



Open House Draws The Curious To Factory
See Page 13

WEATHER
Rain today with highs in the low to middle 70s. Clear tonight with lows in the middle to upper 50s. Details on Page 10.

Gerhart Qualifies For Pocono Race

SPORTS

The Daily News

113th Year — No. 232 JUNE 8, 1985 LEBANON, PA. 20 PAGES 2 SECTIONS 25¢ Daily News/Sunday Morning edition \$1.00 per week by carrier

AT A GLANCE
Crane, Met-Ed Agree To Pay

An out-of-court settlement has been reached in a 15-year-old lawsuit by Michael A. Yeagley against Metropolitan Edison Company and United Crane and Shovel Corp., New Berlin, Wis., stemming from the death of her husband.

The lawsuit was scheduled to go to trial on Monday and court observers expected the proceedings to last for about five weeks.

Yeagley's husband, Frank, was electrocuted on Nov. 9, 1977, in an industrial accident in the storage yard of Clover Brook. According to Bernard Roegner, whoaling with Harry Rowel Jr., were the lawyers for Mrs. Yeagley, one condition of the settlement was that the amount would not be publicly revealed.

According to the lawsuit, Yeagley was helping a crane operator move metal boiler shells when the crane came into contact with a high voltage line, killing Yeagley.

The original complaint, seeking damages in excess of \$10,000, charged that Met-Ed was negligent because the firm should have known a crane was operated in an unenclosed transmission line, and

Appeals Court Blocks TMI Restart



PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A federal appeals court delayed the restart of the endangered reactor at the Three Mile Island nuclear plant Friday, just five days before it was to reopen for the first time since the 1979 accident at an adjacent unit.

The 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, citing "the public interest involved," unanimously granted a stay of the restart approved two weeks ago by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

The court scheduled a hearing June 17 for arguments on whether plant owner General Public Utilities, of Pennsylvania, N.J., should be allowed to resume producing electricity at Unit 1.

The unit has not operated for six years, since Unit 2 was crippled on March 28, 1979, in the worst accident in U.S. commercial nuclear history.

Neither reactor has reopened after such a long hiatus, the NRC has said.

Gov. Dick Thornburgh, who has fought TMI's reopening on behalf of residents of the Middletown area near the state capital, hailed the order signed by Judge Calow. J. Sarno and supported by Judge Arlin (Continued on Page 2—Col. 1)

Costing towers at Three Mile Island rise from the scenic landscape along the Susquehanna River.

The search feature allows you to search by keyword, date range, and location. This unlocks a treasure-trove of data that was previously unavailable outside of a library, and sometimes, very difficult and time-consuming to unearth. Here I searched “Lancaster Philatelic Society” in “Pennsylvania, Lancaster County” and, in a matter of seconds, received 342 matches.

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Intelligencer Journal • Page 8

Saturday, April 14, 1979

Lancaster, Pennsylvania

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Lancaster New Era • Page 9

Monday, February 28, 1949

Lancaster, Pennsylvania

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Lancaster New Era • Page 14

Wednesday, March 14, 1979

Lancaster, Pennsylvania

through the mail. The cachet costs 40
Those interested in obtaining
send a check in the amount of 40 cent
large self-addressed stamped envel
County **Philatelic Society**, P.O. Bo
17604. The stamp club will also have
at the farm museum on April 10 a

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I was able to create a history of LEBPEX, the Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club's annual philatelic exposition, which ran from 1973 – 2001, using online newspaper clippings. You can access it on our [affiliate page](#) on the PSLC website.




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The LSCC thanks Dick Colberg for preparing and sharing the history of the LSCC, and the naming the Club newsletter. If you find a broken link, contact Dr. Charles J. DiComo at charlesdicomo@gmail.com.


The LEBPEX Show Covers Catalog

We are pleased to share the LEBPEX Show Covers Catalog and Golden Retrospective, containing memories and memorabilia from the long run of LEBPEX events (1973-2000) staged by the Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club and its many distinguished members. Enjoy!

 [LEBPEX Show Covers Catalog 2024](#)

LEBPEX In the News

The *Lebanon Daily News* was Lebanon County's newspaper of record for many years. This document is a collection of LEBPEX items that were recorded in its pages. It is divided into two sections: Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club exhibitions which occurred before LEBPEX was begun in 1973, and the accounts and advertisements for the LEBPEX exhibition, which was for many years hosted by Boscov's and the Lebanon Valley Mall. These clippings were collected from key-word searches conducted on Newspapers.com. The little yellow highlight boxes indicate the search term that turned up the result. The website requires a subscription, which anyone whose hobbies include local history would get plenty of value out of; I found most of these items within my seven-day free trial period. Enjoy this step into the past – it's a tribute to our members, past and present! by Scott Ney, April 2025.

 [LEBPEX in Lebanon Daily News](#)

What follows are a few clippings from *LEBPEX in the News*; the yellow box indicates the keyword that I used in my search.

LEBPEX in the News


PLUS — LEBPEX 75
(Lebanon Philatelic Exhibition)

**THIRD
ANNUAL
LEBANON
STAMP SHOW**


Boscov's
Auditorium
Fri., Oct. 17
12 Noon till 10 P.M.
Sat., Oct. 18
10 A.M. till 8 P.M.

Featuring
*Many Interesting
Exhibits and Displays
Plus A Stamp
Dealer's Arcade*

Boscov's



LEBPEX 1975



LEBANON STAMP CLUB
LEBANON, PA. 17042

OLD SALEM 1798

*"Old Salem Church and
Lebanon's Liberty Bell"*

The NEW Cachet cover collectors envelope will
go on sale at the show. Sold only through the
Lebanon County Stamp Club.

Compiled by Scott Ney

2025

Clothes, for instance.

*There's A Growing
Excitement At Pomeroy's*



Stamp Collector's Exhibit

Friday, April 28th — 6 to 9 P.M.

Saturday, April 29th — 9:30 to 4:30 P.M.

Exhibited By Members Of The

Lebanon Stamp Club

United States and Foreign Stamps and Covers	Philip Seltzer
United States and Canadian Stamps ..	William Levingood
Mexican Stamps	Frank Preisler
Stamps of the Allied Government in Trieste	Henry G. Umberger
Paintings on Stamps	Sterling Hoffman
United States Post Cards	Wayne Fox

—Street Floor,
Pomeroy's, Downtown Lebanon



ANNIVERSARY ENVELOPE—The special cachet envelope shown above is representative of those which will be available to listeners at the 120-year performance of the Perseverance Band of Lebanon, this weekend at the Lebanon Valley Mall. The envelopes, each enclosing a bit of historical commentary, are being made available by the **Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club**. (Daily News Photo)

I'm currently working on a presentation to deliver to the PSLC in August 2026, tentatively titled, "A Journey to the Ney Post Office: A Rural Mountain P.O. in Late 19th Century Pennsylvania". As you might guess, this is part family history project as well. I am using an MS Word document to collect the clippings I find, which I will use later to put the presentation together.

The postoffice at Cold Springs, Lebanon county, has been named **Ney**, and **Elias Ney** has been appointed postmaster.

COLD SPRINGS HOTEL,
COLD SPRINGS, LEBANON CO., PA.
TWENTY-SIX MILES FROM HARRISBURG, offers rare attractions for summer boarders. Large, airy rooms, fine piazzas, elegant groves, billiard rooms and bowling alleys. Finest springs in the State. Will open June 15. Furnished new throughout.
176 **C. N. BLACKWELL, Manager,**
Ney P. O., Lebanon Co., Pa.

Cold Spring Hotel
A delightful mountain resort.
Excellent table,
cool and quiet. Send for circular.
H. MOYER,
Ney P. O., Lebanon County, Pa.

One interesting feature of many old newspapers is their social columns; this was the “social media” of the olden days, preserved for us on newsprint. You might be able to find an event or two in the life of your grandparents, or a person one of your postal history covers was sent to . .

IONA

Iona, Sept. 12.

Mr. and Mrs. John Haak and Mrs. Sahaeffer were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Heagey, at Mt. Gretna, on Sunday.

A Ford Roadster occupied by two colored people crashed into a tree opposite the Iona store. The car was damaged to some extent and the occupants were slightly injured.

The state road was opened to traffic on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bomberger and son, and Nimrod Dohner, visited Samuel Crouse and family.

The harvest home services were largely attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Gingrich attended the Gingrich reunion on Sunday.

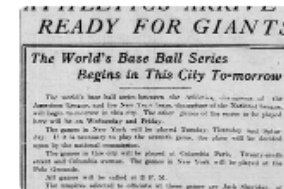
Sunday School at 9. Preaching at 10, every Sunday.

The research possibilities that old newspapers provide are practically endless! I follow a baseball blog on Substack that heavily utilizes newspaper clippings. The author is an APBA baseball simulation game aficionado; I'm sure many of you remember the APBA headquarters on the road to Millersville before the company relocated to Georgia.

Buildup To The 1905 World Series

A look at the incredible hype

NOV 1 • DANIEL EVENSEN



The REAL First World Series

The terminology began in 1905

OCT 31 • DANIEL EVENSEN



The 1905 National League Pennant Race

Yes, there was a race - sort of

OCT 30 • DANIEL EVENSEN

YESTERDAY'S GAMES	
New York	4-Philadelphia
Philadelphia	1-New York
Boston	4-Brooklyn
Brooklyn	1-Boston
Cincinnati	4-Cincinnati
Pittsburgh	1-Pittsburgh
Pittsburg and St. Louis not scheduled.	

STANDING NOW AND A YEAR AGO	
Team	W. L. Pct.
1-New York	96 59 .617
2-Pittsburgh	90 67 .572
3-Chicago	79 64 .55
4-Philadelphia	74 61 .544
5-Cincinnati	64 69 .479
6-St. Louis	53 84 .387
7-Boston	49 81 .355
8-Brooklyn	30 94 .242

The Disputed 1905 American League Pennant

The scandal you've never heard of

OCT 29 • DANIEL EVENSEN

no movement, no important coaching on the chess position. No club ever won the pennant without a bit of luck. This held good today, though it was not luck, but the fact that the Athletics had had a shade on the Athletics in the number nine, ten, and eleven, and their drivers were clear cut. But they had the inside probability of a win as was evidenced by the fact that thirteen runners were left on bases. Two of the Athletics' long hitters, by Mr. B. J. H

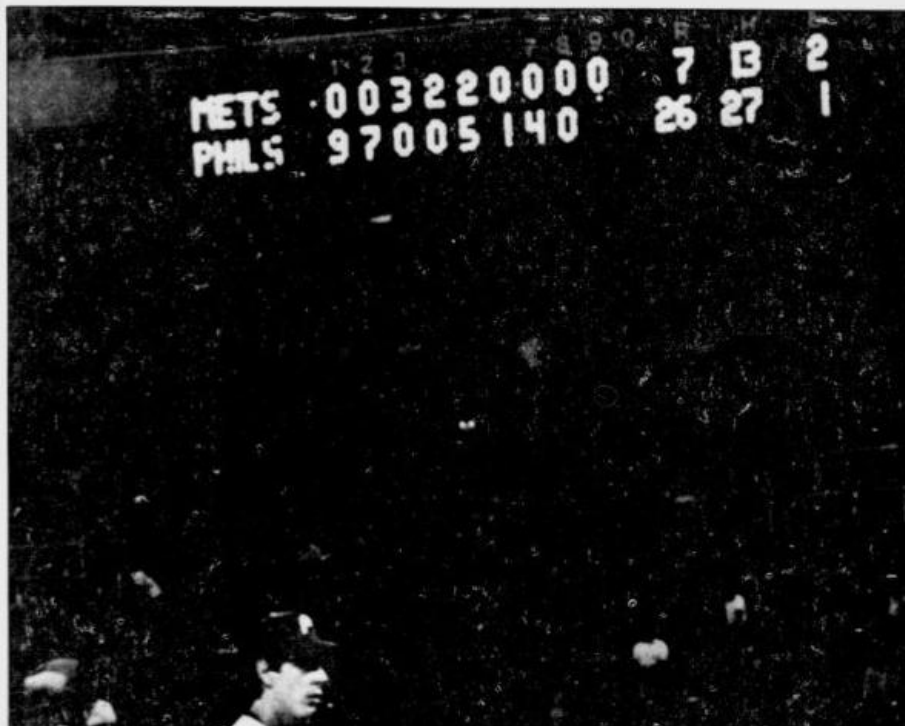
If you can't or would rather not pay a subscription fee, you might be able to find newspapers that are available for no cost through Google news, or online via your subscription to a current newspaper. I enjoy revisiting Mike Schmidt's Phillies via the *Reading Eagle* on Google News.

Sports

READING
EAGLE

Fourth section
Wednesday, June 12, 1985
Page 37

Phillies give Mets a Hayesing



*Von sets the stage in record
26-7 rout in grand fashion*

From our news services

PHILADELPHIA — Von Hayes walked into the Philadelphia Phillies clubhouse, looked at the lineup card and dropped his head in disappointment.

"I looked at the middle of the lineup and I wasn't there," said Hayes, who usually bats third or fourth. "Then I saw my name at the top of the lineup. I thought, 'They got to be kidding me.'"

"I never led off before (for the Phillies). Two days ago I was cleanup hitter. From cleanup to number one, it made me think."

But manager John Felske wasn't kidding Tuesday night. He was giving left fielder Jeff Stone a night off and, not wanting to change anyone else, just moved Hayes to the top.

All Hayes did was lead the greatest single game offensive in the 103-year history of the Phillies — a 26-7 thumping of the New York Mets.

HAYES, MIRED in a paralyzing slump, hit two home runs and a single, scored four times, drove in six runs and joined an exclusive major league hitter's club.

In a nine-run first inning, Hayes led off with his fourth home run and capped the inning with his first career grand slam, becoming the 13th National Leaguer and one of only 21 players in major league history to hit two homers in one

The rundown

Phillies First — Von Hayes homered to right. Rick Schu fired to left. Juan Samuel singled to left and stole second. Mike Schmidt walked. Samuel stole third. Glenn Wilson singled to left. Samuel scored. Schmidt to second. Bo Diaz doubled to left-center. Schmidt scored. Wilson to third. Gary Maddox was intentionally walked. Calvin Schradin relieved Tom Gorman. Luis Aguayo hit by pitch. Wilson scored. Diaz to third. Maddox to second. Charles Hudson struck out. Hayes homered to right-center, also scoring Diaz. Maddox and Aguayo. Schu tried to left. On Schmidt's wild pitch, Schu scored. Samuel grounded out to third.

Phillies 9, Mets 0

Phillies Second — Schmidt singled to left. Wilson doubled to left. Schmidt to third. Diaz doubled to right. Schmidt and Wilson scored. Maddox tried to right. Diaz scored. Aguayo grounded out to pitcher. Hudson singled to right. Maddox scored. Hayes singled to left. Hudson to second. Schu popped out to first. Samuel singled to center. Hudson scored. Hayes to third. Schmidt doubled to left-center. Hayes and Samuel scored. Doug Seak relieved Schmidt. Wilson fired out to right.

Phillies 16, Mets 0

Mets Third — Clint Hurdle singled to right. Rafael Santana doubled to left. Hurdle to third. Seak grounded out to short. Hurdle scored. Santana to third. Wally Backman singled to center. Santana scored. Howard Johnson singled to center. Backman to second. Keith Hernandez grounded out to pitcher. Backman to third. Johnson to second. Gary Carter singled to third. Backman scored. Johnson to third. Danny Heep fired out to center.

Phillies 16, Mets 3

Mets Fourth — George Foster doubled to right. Hurdle grounded out to first. Foster to third. Santana hit sacrifice fly to center. Foster scored. Seak safe on left fielder Hayes' fielding error. Backman singled to left. Seak to second.

Why not try it out for yourself?

Happy hunting!

Wednesday, June 7, 1905

Lebanon Courier and Semi-Weekly Report

Stage Route Ended.

On Thursday the Schaefferstown-Lebanon daily stage ran for the last time over the route, having been abandoned by the Post-office Department. The driver, George Corl, of Schaefferstown, intends to run a tri-weekly hack for the accommodation of passengers and carrying freight between the two places. The Iona postoffice will continue two weeks more and then also be closed, as well as the Reistville postoffice.