

FLORIDA NEWSPAPER CHRONOLOGY

1783-2000

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INTRODUCTION

Our chronology looks at the history of Florida newspapers. It begins in 1783 during the last days of British rule and ends with the first year of the 21st century.

Each generation of Florida journalists has reported the news that becomes tomorrow's history, and in the process they have created one of the most innovative newspaper states in the country.

Old yellowed newspapers, rolls of microfilm, and archived web pages not only preserve stories about the history of Florida and the world, but they also give us insight into the people who have managed and worked for the state's newspapers.

This chronology only scratches the surface of a very long and complex story, but hopefully it will serve as a useful reference tool for researchers and journalism historians.

We also hope this chronology serves as a reminder of the important role our state's newspapers have played in preserving the news that becomes the first rough draft of Florida history.

CHRONOLOGY

(1783 - 1820)

1783

- September 3, 1783 -- The Treaty of Paris between Britain and the United States ends the Revolutionary War.
- The British return Florida back to Spain.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

The East-Florida Gazette, St. Augustine, 1783-1784

> February 1, 1783 -- Florida's first newspaper, *The East-Florida Gazette*, prints its first issue. The publishers are William and John Wells, former publishers of a pro-British newspaper in South Carolina. *The East-Florida Gazette* is founded in St. Augustine during the last days of British rule in Florida. In their third issue, dated February 22 to March 1, the front page is filled with two official proclamations and five advertisements. With a British coat of arms printed across the top of the page, the reader learns about a new liquor regulation, the quality of local bread, and the "disorders which have happened in this province."

1784

- East Florida Governor: Manuel de Zespedes
- West Florida Governor: Arturo O'Neill
- Many of Florida's British colonists leave the state and move to the British East Indies.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

The East-Florida Gazette, St. Augustine, 1783-1784

> March 22, 1784 -- *The East-Florida Gazette* prints its final issue.

1785-1816

- There is no record of any newspapers in Florida between the years 1785-1816.

1817

- Gregor MacGregor, soldier of fortune, captures the Florida city of Fernandina on Amelia Island.
- Luis Aury declares Amelia Island annexed to Mexico but American forces soon retake the island.
- U.S. President: James Monroe, 1817-1825
- The First Seminole War begins. It lasts until 1819.

NASSAU COUNTY

El Telegrafo de las Floridas, Fernandina, 1817

> December 1817 -- Florida's second newspaper, *El Telegrafo de las Floridas*, is published in Fernandina. This short lived Spanish language newspaper serves as a partisan supporter of the government of Luis Aury.

1818-1820

- There is no record of any newspapers in Florida between the years 1818-1820.

CHRONOLOGY

(1820s)

1821

- July 17, 1821 -- Florida military territorial governor Andrew Jackson, acting on behalf of the United States, formally receives East and West Florida from the Spanish government.
- November 1821 -- Andrew Jackson resigns as military governor and returns to Tennessee.
- Congressional Delegate: Joseph M. Hernandez, 1821-1823

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Floridian, Pensacola, 1821-1824

> August 18, 1821 -- The Pensacola *Floridian* is established.

> Cary Nicholas and George Tunstall are the newspaper's publishers. They also serve as the first official printers in the territory of Florida.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

Florida Gazette, St. Augustine, 1821

> July 14, 1821 -- The first territorial newspaper, the *Florida Gazette*, is founded in St. Augustine by Richard W. Edes.

> October 15, 1821 -- The newspaper stops when Edes dies from yellow fever shortly after he launches the *Gazette*.

1822

- Territorial Governor: William P. Duval, 1822-1834
- March 30, 1822 -- East and West Florida are unified into a single United States territory.
- July 1822 -- The first territorial legislative council meets in Pensacola.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

East Florida Herald / later: **Florida Herald**, St. Augustine, 1822-1850s

> August 1822 -- Elias B. Gould is the founder of the *East Florida Herald* in St. Augustine.

1823

- Congressional Delegate: Richard K. Call, 1823-1825
- Tallahassee is selected as the permanent capital of Florida.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Floridian, Pensacola, 1821-1824

> John Fitzgerald is the new publisher of the Pensacola *Floridian*.

1824

- The territorial legislature meets in Tallahassee for the first time.
- The Fort Brooke military outpost is established at Tampa Bay.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Pensacola Gazette, Pensacola, 1824-1860s?

> March 13, 1824 -- The *Pensacola Gazette* is started in the former office of the Pensacola *Floridian*.

West Florida Advertiser, Pensacola, 1824-1860s?

1825

- Congressional Delegate: Joseph M. White, 1825-1837
- U.S. President: John Quincy Adams, 1825-1829
- A United States navy yard is established in Pensacola.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Pensacola Gazette, Pensacola, 1824-1860s

> Hasell Hunt, like many newspaper editors, is active in state and local politics. He serves as tax assessor of Escambia County, clerk of the superior court of West Florida, Pensacola postmaster, and a member of the Florida legislative council.

LEON COUNTY

The Florida Intelligencer, Tallahassee, 1825-1826?

> February 19, 1825 -- Tallahassee's first newspaper, *The Florida Intelligencer*, is started by Ambrose Crane and Adam Gordon.

> The new state capital draws businesses in search of government contracts and the *Intelligencer* obtains a public printing contract. Government publications printed on the newspaper's press includes the imprint: "Tallahassee, Printed at the Office of the *Florida Intelligencer*."

1826

- A small two-story Tallahassee building replaces the log cabin which served as Florida's first capital building. (Another capital is begun in 1839 and completed in 1845 just prior to statehood. A dome is built in 1891 and additional wings are added in 1901, 1921 and 1940. Florida's 22-story capital building is dedicated in 1978.)

LEON COUNTY

The Florida Intelligencer, Tallahassee, 1825-1826?

> The newspaper suspends publication sometime between December 1826 and March 1827.

1827

- Steamboat service begins on the Apalachicola River.

LEON COUNTY

Florida Advocate, Tallahassee, 1827-1829

> Edgar Macon purchases the former office of the *Florida Intelligencer* and starts the *Florida Advocate*.

1828

- The Bank of Florida is chartered in Tallahassee.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Florida Argus, Pensacola, 1828

> June 17, 1828 -- Thomas Eastin establishes the *Florida Argus* in Pensacola.

> November 18, 1828 -- The *Florida Argus* prints its final issue.

LEON COUNTY

Floridian, Tallahassee, 1828-?

> October 7, 1828 -- William Wilson establishes the *Floridian*.

> The newspaper receives a contract to print government documents.

Magnolia Advertiser, Tallahassee, 1828-1830

> December 12, 1828 -- Augustus Steele establishes the *Magnolia Advertiser*.

1829

- U.S. President: Andrew Jackson, 1829-1837
- The Chipola Canal Company is chartered to build a canal or railroad across Florida.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Pensacola Gazette, Pensacola, 1824-1860s

> July 1829 -- William Hasell Hunt sells the *Pensacola Gazette*.

LEON COUNTY

Florida Advocate, Tallahassee, 1827-1829

> August 1829 -- The *Advocate* is sold to the *Floridian*.

MONROE COUNTY

Key West Register, Key West, 1829-1830?

> January 8, 1830 -- Thomas Eastin establishes the *Key West Register*.

Commercial Advertiser, Key West, 1829-1830?

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

East Florida Herald / later: **Florida Herald**, St. Augustine, 1822-1850s

> The newspaper's title is shortened to the *Florida Herald*.

CHRONOLOGY

(1830s)

1830

- Florida population: 34,730
- The first federal census in Florida takes place.

LEON COUNTY

Florida Courier, Tallahassee, 1830-1832

> December 1830 -- The *Florida Courier* is established in Tallahassee.

Magnolia Advertiser, Tallahassee, 1828-1830

> The *Magnolia Advertiser* folds during 1830.

MONROE COUNTY

Key West Register, Key West, 1829-1830

> The *Key West Register* is discontinued during 1830.

> The editor, Thomas Eastin, later becomes the U.S. Marshal in Key West.

1831

- Florida's cigar industry begins when W.H. Hall selects a factory site in Key West.

MONROE COUNTY

Key West Gazette, Key West, 1831-1832

> Spring 1831 -- Benjamin B. Strobel and L.M. Stone establish the *Key West Gazette*.

1832

- March 1832 -- The Treaty of Payne's Landing attempts to relocate Indians from Florida to Arkansas.
- Columbia and Franklin counties are created.

LEON COUNTY

Florida Courier, Tallahassee, 1830-1832

> The *Florida Courier* prints its final issue.

1833

- September 1833 -- President Andrew Jackson orders that government funds be withdrawn from the Second Bank of the United States.

FRANKLIN COUNTY

Advertiser, Apalachicola, 1833-1835

> Apalachicola's first newspaper, the *Advertiser*, is started by R. Dinsmore Westcott.

1834

- Territorial Governor: John H. Eaton, 1834-1836
- Florida's first railroad is established. It runs from Tallahassee to St. Marks.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Pensacola Gazette, Pensacola, 1824-1860s

> Benjamin Drake Wright becomes the new owner of the *Pensacola Gazette*.

> John M'Kinlay is the newspaper's printer and publisher.

MONROE COUNTY

Key West Enquirer, Key West, 1834-1836

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

Florida Herald, St. Augustine, 1822-1850s

> James M. Gould succeeds his father, Elias B. Gould, as the publisher of the newspaper.

1835

- December 28, 1835 -- The Second Seminole War begins shortly after Major Francis L. Dade and his force of 112 soldiers are killed by Seminole Indians during a confrontation which has become known as the Dade Massacre. Thousands of soldiers, settlers, and Indians will be killed before the war ends in 1842.

DUVAL COUNTY

Jacksonville Courier, Jacksonville, 1835-1839

- > January 1, 1835 -- The *Jacksonville Courier* is established.
- > Elijah Williams is the editor.

FRANKLIN COUNTY

St. Joseph Telegraph, St. Joseph, 1835-1836

- > October 1835 -- R. Dinsmore Westcott establishes the *St. Joseph Telegraph*.
- > November 1835 -- Westcott combines the *Apalachicola Advertiser* with the *Telegraph*.

LEON COUNTY

Tallahassee Gazette, Tallahassee, 1835

- > David Sheffer and John Baldwin publish the *Gazette* during 1835.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

Florida Herald, St. Augustine, 1822-1850s

- > January 1835 -- A fire destroys the *Herald's* building and the newspaper closes until April.

1836

- Territorial Governor: Richard K. Call, 1836-1839
- January 1836 -- President Jackson orders General Winfield Scott to take command of U.S. troops in Florida.

DUVAL COUNTY

Jacksonville Courier, Jacksonville, 1835-1839

- > Lorenzo Currier sells the paper in 1836.

FRANKLIN COUNTY

Apalachicola Gazette, Apalachicola, 1836-1840

- > March 10, 1836 -- Cosam Emir Bartlett establishes the *Apalachicola Gazette*.

St. Joseph Telegraph / later: **St. Joseph Times**, St. Joseph, 1835-1836

- > July 1836 -- The *St. Joseph Telegraph* becomes the *St. Joseph Times*.

1837

- Congressional Delegate: Charles Downing, 1837-1841
- U.S. President: Martin Van Buren, 1837-1841
- December 25, 1837 -- Colonel Zachary Taylor's troops fight the Seminoles in the Battle of Okeechobee.
- A destructive frost destroys citrus crops.
- The national financial depression weakens state finances already strained by the Seminole War.

LEON COUNTY

Floridian, Tallahassee, 1828-?

- > Samuel Shute Sibley takes over the *Floridian*.

1838

- December 3, 1838 -- A Florida constitutional convention begins in St. Joseph.

DUVAL COUNTY

Jacksonville Courier, Jacksonville, 1835-1839

> The Reverend David Brown becomes the newspaper's editor.

MONROE COUNTY

South Floridian, Key West, 1838-1840

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

News, St. Augustine, 1838-1852

> November 1838 -- Daniel W. Whitehurst establishes the *St. Augustine News*.

1839

- Territorial Governor: Robert R. Reid, 1839-1841
- January 1839 -- A Florida constitution is adopted.

DUVAL COUNTY

East Florida Advocate, Jacksonville, 1839-1840

> September 1839 -- Aaron Jones, Jr. establishes the *East Florida Gazette*.

FRANKLIN COUNTY

Apalachicola Courier, Apalachicola, 1839-1840

Apalachicola Gazette, Apalachicola, 1836-1840

> The weekly *Apalachicola Gazette* becomes a daily.

> The *Apalachicola Gazette* is the first daily Florida newspaper.

GADSDEN COUNTY

Quincy Sentinel, Quincy, 1839-1841

> November 15, 1839 -- Joshua Knowles establishes the *Quincy Sentinel*.

LEON COUNTY

Tallahassee Star, Tallahassee, 1839-1846

> J.B. Webb establishes the *Tallahassee Star*.

CHRONOLOGY

(1840s)

1840

- Florida population: 54,477
- General Zachary Taylor is the commander of U.S. forces in Florida.

FRANKLIN COUNTY

- **Apalachicola Gazette** / later: **Florida Journal**, Apalachicola, 1840-1843
 - > The *Apalachicola Gazette* becomes the *Florida Journal*.
- **Apalachicolian**, Apalachicola, 1840-1841.

LEON COUNTY

- **Tallahassee Star**, Tallahassee, 1839-1846
 - > Cosam Emir Bartlett purchases the *Tallahassee Star*.
 - > Bartlett is assisted by his two sons, Washington and Cosam Juliam Bartlett. (Washington Bartlett later moves to California and becomes the mayor of San Francisco and Governor of California.)

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

- **News**, St. Augustine, 1838-1852
 - > Thomas T. Russell and Aaron Jones, Jr. become the new publishers of the *News*.

1841

- Territorial Governor: Richard K. Call, 1841-1844
- Congressional Delegate: David Levy Yulee, 1841-1845
- U.S. President: William Henry Harrison, 1841
- U.S. President: John Tyler, 1841-1845
- There is a yellow fever epidemic during 1841.

LEON COUNTY

- **Florida Sentinel**, Tallahassee, 1841-1870s
- **Floridian**, Tallahassee, 1828-?
 - > Publishers Edward R. Gibson and William M. Smith die during the yellow fever epidemic.
- **Quincy Sentinel** / later: **Florida Sentinel**, Tallahassee, 1841-1870s
 - > Editor Knowles moves the former *Quincy Sentinel* to Tallahassee.
 - > The newspaper's name is changed to the *Florida Sentinel*.

1842

- The Second Seminole War comes to an end.

DUVAL COUNTY

- **Tropical Plant**, Jacksonville, 1842-1845
 - > December 1845 -- The *Tropical Plant* is established by George M. Grouard in Jacksonville.

1843

- September 1843 -- A devastating storm destroys the town of Port Leon.

FRANKLIN COUNTY

- **Commercial Advertiser**, Apalachicola, 1843?-1858?
- **Florida Journal** / later: **Watchman of the Gulf**, Apalachicola, 1843
 - > The *Florida Journal* becomes the *Watchman of the Gulf*.

LEON COUNTY

- **Commercial Gazette**, Port Leon, 1843
 - > June 1843 -- Albert R. Alexander is the editor of the *Commercial Gazette*.
 - > September 1843 -- Editor Alexander moves to Newport after the Port Leon storm.

1844

- Territorial Governor: John Branch, 1844-1845
- Marion County is created.

MONROE COUNTY

Light of the Reef / later: **Key West Gazette**, Key West, 1844-?

- > Edwin L. Ware and E. B. Scarborough establish the *Light of the Reef*.
- > The newspaper changes its name to the *Key West Gazette* in 1845.

WAKULLA COUNTY

Newport Patriot, New Port, 1844-?

- > Albert R. Alexander establishes the *Newport Patriot*.

1845

- Florida population: 57,951
- March 3, 1845 -- President John Tyler, on the last day of his administration, signs the act granting statehood to Florida.
- Florida becomes the 27th state in the Union.
- The state of Florida is informally divided into three areas:
 - East Florida, from the Atlantic Ocean to the Suwannee River;
 - Middle Florida, between the Suwannee and the Apalachicola Rivers;
 - and West Florida, which extends from the Apalachicola to the Perdido River.
- Governor: William D. Moseley, 1845-1849
- Senators: David Levy Yulee; James D. Westcott, Jr.
- U.S. President: James K. Polk, 1845-1849

DUVAL COUNTY

Florida Whig, Jacksonville, 1845

- > The *Florida Whig* is created to promote the Whig political party.
- > Thomas T. Russell, formerly of the *St. Augustine News*, publishes the *Florida Whig*.

Florida Statesman, Jacksonville, 1845-1846

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Democrat, Pensacola, 1845-1856

1846

- The first steam locomotive comes to Florida.
- The state's economy is based on agriculture.
- There are six newspapers in Florida. None of the papers are dailies. The total circulation for the state is 5,250.

DUVAL COUNTY

News, St. Augustine / Jacksonville, 1838-1852

- > The newspaper is moved from St. Augustine to Jacksonville.

Whig Banner, Palatka, 1846

- > George M. Grouard sells the *Florida Statesman* and begins the *Banner* in Palatka.

LEON COUNTY

Southern Journal, Tallahassee, 1846-?

WAKULLA COUNTY

Newport Gazette, Newport, 1846

1847

- Senators: David Levy Yulee; James D. Westcott, Jr.
- Fernandina's Fort Clinch is built.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Live Oak, Pensacola, 1847

JACKSON COUNTY

Florida Whig, Marianna, 1847-?

LEON COUNTY

Floridian, Tallahassee, 1828-?

- > Charles Edward Dyke serves as the editor of the Tallahassee *Floridian* from 1847-1883.
- > The newspaper is a supporter of the Democratic party.

1848

- Holmes County is created.
- September 1848 -- A hurricane hits the west coast of Florida.

DUVAL COUNTY

Florida Republican, Jacksonville, 1848-?

- > Jacksonville's *Florida Republican* is founded with Columbus Drew as editor.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Neutral, Pensacola, 1848

FRANKLIN COUNTY

Star of the West, Apalachicola, 1848

1849

- Governor: Thomas Brown, 1849-1853
- Senators: David Levy Yulee; Jackson Morton
- U.S. President: Zachary Taylor, 1849-1850

WAKULLA COUNTY

Wakulla Times, Newport, 1849-?

- > The publisher is James Baker Carlisle.

CHRONOLOGY

(1850s)

1850

- Florida population: 87,445
- U.S. President: Millard Fillmore, 1850-1853
- There are ten newspapers in Florida. None of the papers are dailies. The total circulation for the state is 5,750.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

Ancient City, St. Augustine, 1850-?

1851

- Senators: Jackson Morton; Stephen R. Mallory
- The Florida legislature authorizes the building of a plank toll road between Jacksonville and Alligator (later renamed Lake City).
- Dr. John Gorrie of Apalachicola patents a mechanical cooling machine. His invention will evolve into the air conditioner.
- The “Great Storm of 1851”

MARION COUNTY

Marion Star, Ocala, 1851-?

1852

- Steamboat service begins on the St. James River.
- November 2, 1852 -- Franklin Pierce wins the U.S. presidential race.

DUVAL COUNTY

Florida News, Jacksonville, 1852-1859

MARION COUNTY

Tropical Farmer, Ocala, 1852-1853

1853

- Governor: James E. Broome, 1853-1857 (A.K. Allison, acting Governor, 1853)
- Senators: Jackson Morton; Stephen R. Mallory
- U.S. President: Franklin Pierce, 1853-1857
- The East Florida Seminary takes over the Kingsbury Academy in Ocala.

MARION COUNTY

Florida Mirror, Ocala, 1853-?

1854

- Volusia County is created.
- The U.S. Congress passes the Kansas-Nebraska Act.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Tampa Herald / later: **The Florida Peninsular**, Tampa, 1854-1872

> January 10, 1854 -- Tampa first newspaper, the *Tampa Herald*,

is started by Whit Smith and the Rev. C.S. Reynolds.

> November 1854 -- Smith and Reynolds sell the *Tampa Herald* to James Jones.

> Jones renames the newspaper *The Florida Peninsular*.

NASSAU COUNTY

News-Leader, Fernandina, 1854-Present

1855

- Senators: Stephen R. Mallory; David Levy Yulee
- The Third Seminole War begins in 1855 and ends in 1858.
- State legislators pass the Internal Improvement Act which uses cheap or free public land to interest developers in Florida.

LEON COUNTY

Florida Sentinel, Tallahassee, 1841-1870s

> The *Sentinel* supports the “Know Nothing” political party.

1856

- Taylor and Lafayette counties are created.
- November 4, 1856 -- James Buchanan wins the U.S. presidential race.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

West Florida Times, Pensacola, 1856-1857

1857

- Governor: Madison S. Perry, 1857-1861
- Senators: Stephen R. Mallory; David Levy Yulee
- U.S. President: James Buchanan, 1857-1861
- The West Florida Seminary opens in Tallahassee.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Observer, Pensacola, 1857-1870

MARION COUNTY

Florida Home Companion, Ocala, 1857-?

1858

- The Third Seminole War ends.
- Clay County is created.

PUTNAM COUNTY

Palatka News, Palatka, 1858-Present

1859

- Senators: Stephen R. Mallory; David Levy Yulee
- The state's first telegraph office is opened in Tallahassee.
- Yellow fever spreads throughout Tampa. 275 cases are reported and 30 people die.

DUVAL COUNTY

Jacksonville Standard, Jacksonville, 1859?-?

NASSAU COUNTY

East Floridian, Fernandina, 1859-1860s?

CHRONOLOGY

(1860s)

1860

- Florida population: 140,424
- The first cross-state railroad connects Fernandina, on the east coast, with Cedar Key on the west.
- There are 22 newspapers in Florida. None of the papers are dailies. The total circulation for the state is 15,500.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

Examiner, St. Augustine, 1850s?-?

> The *Examiner* prints the following platform: “The secession of the State of Florida -- The dissolution of the Union -- The formation of a Southern Confederacy.”

1861

- Governor: John Milton, 1861-1865
- Senators: Florida is not represented in Washington during the Civil War and the beginning of the Reconstruction period, 1861-1867.
- U.S. President: Abraham Lincoln, 1861-1865
- January 10, 1861 -- The ordinance of secession is passed and Florida secedes from the Union.
- February 4, 1861 -- Florida is admitted to the Confederacy.
- April 12, 1861 -- Confederate forces attack Fort Sumter and the Civil War begins.

DUVAL COUNTY

The Southern Confederacy, Jacksonville, 1861-?

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Florida Peninsular, Tampa, 1854-1872

> May 25, 1861 -- *The Florida Peninsular* suspends publication when publisher William Spencer enlists in the Confederate army. Spencer is killed by typhoid during the war, but his brothers resume publication on April 28, 1866.

Sunny South, Tampa, 1861-?

> January 29, 1861 -- Alfonso DeLaunay starts Tampa's *Sunny South* newspaper.

1862

- May 1862 -- Union troops occupy Pensacola after the evacuation of Confederate forces.
- President Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation frees slaves in the Confederate states.
- More than 16,000 Floridians serve in the Civil War.

MONROE COUNTY

New Era, Key West, 1862-1863

> The *New Era* prints the following: “...In the limited space allowed us we shall strive to do what we can for the Union.”

1863

- The Confederacy relies on Florida to supply salt, cattle and other supplies to the war effort.
- Although there are only a few battles fought on Florida soil, the damage to the state's economy is severe.

NASSAU COUNTY

Peninsula, Fernandina, 1863-1864?

> The *Peninsula* is published while Union troops occupy Fernandina.

1864

- February 20, 1864 -- The Battle of Olustee, the largest Civil War battle fought in Florida, ends with a Confederate victory.
- The Battle of Natural Bridge is won by Confederate troops.

DUVAL COUNTY

Florida Union / later: **Florida Times-Union**, Jacksonville, 1864-Present

1865

- Governors: There are four Florida governors during 1865: John Milton; Abraham K. Allison, acting; William Marvin, provisional; and David S. Walker who serves until 1868.
- January 31, 1865 -- The U.S. Congress ratifies the 13th Amendment which abolishes slavery.
- April 9, 1865 -- General Robert E. Lee surrenders to General Grant at Appomattox Court House.
- April 14, 1865 -- President Abraham Lincoln is shot at Ford's Theater in Washington, DC. He dies the following day.
- U.S. President: Andrew Johnson, 1865-1869
- Governor John Milton commits suicide.
- October 1865 -- A legislative convention is assembled to annul secession, accept emancipation, and write a new state constitution.

ALACHUA COUNTY

Gainesville New Era, Gainesville, 1865-1874

MADISON COUNTY

Madison Enterprise-Recorder, Madison, 1865-Present

1866

- April 2, 1866 -- President Andrew Johnson proclaims "that the insurrection which heretofore existed in the State of Florida is at an end and is henceforth to be so regarded."
- After the war, ports at Jacksonville and Pensacola flourish as America's cities rebuild and the demand for products increases.

MARION COUNTY

East Marion Banner / later: **Ocala Star-Banner**, Ocala, 1866-Present

1867

- Senators: Thomas W. Osborn; Adonijah S. Welch
- The southern reconstruction period begins.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Commercial, Pensacola, 1867-1871

1868

- Governor: Harrison Reed, 1868-1873
- May 1868 -- A fourth Florida constitution is ratified.
- Commercial agriculture and other related businesses begin to make a slow economic comeback.
- A state seal is adopted.

DUVAL COUNTY

East Floridian, Jacksonville, 1868-1869?

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The True Southerner, Tampa, 1868

> *The True Southerner* is started in Tampa to challenge the *Florida Peninsular*, but *The True Southerner* is discontinued after the November election.

1869

- Senators: Thomas W. Osborn; Abijah Gilbert
- U.S. President: Ulysses S. Grant, 1869-1877

JEFFERSON COUNTY

Monticello News, Monticello, 1869-Present

CHRONOLOGY

(1870s)

1870

- Florida population: 187,748
- The Fifteenth Amendment to the Constitution is passed by Congress. It states that the right to vote shall not be denied on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude.
- There are 23 newspapers in Florida. None of the papers are dailies. The total circulation for the state decreased during the 1860s and is now 10,545.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Express, Pensacola, 1870-1875

SUWANNEE COUNTY

The Jasper News, Live Oak, 1870-Present

1871

- Senators: Thomas W. Osborn; Abijah Gilbert
- Josiah T. Walls becomes Florida's first African-American congressman.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Mail, Pensacola, 1871-1872

1872

- The Florida Railroad Company is renamed the Atlantic, Gulf and West Indies Transit Company.
- November 5, 1872 -- President Ulysses S. Grant is reelected for a second term.

LEON COUNTY

Floridian, Tallahassee, 1828-?

> July 2, 1872 -- The *Floridian* uses its entire front page to print a speech called "The Political Crisis."

1873

- Governor: Ossian B. Hart, 1873-1874
- Senators: Abijah Gilbert; Simon B. Conover
- There is a financial panic and depression.

ALACHUA COUNTY

Gainesville New Era, Gainesville, 1865-1874

> September 1873 -- African-American Josiah T. Walls purchases the *Gainesville New Era*.

> This is Florida's first black-owned newspaper.

> The paper is published until 1876.

PINELLAS COUNTY

Clearwater Times, Clearwater, 1873-1880s

> The Reverend Cooley S. Reynolds establishes Clearwater's first newspaper.

1874

- March 1874 -- Florida Governor Ossian B. Hart dies of pneumonia.
- Acting Governor: Marcellus L. Stearns, 1874-1877

COLUMBIA COUNTY

Lake City Reporter, Lake City, 1874-Present

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Republican, Pensacola, 1874

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Tampa Guardian, Tampa, 1874-1886

1875

- Senators: Simon B. Conover; Charles W. Jones
- Congress passes the Civil Rights Act.

LAKE COUNTY

Sumter County Advance / later: **Daily Commercial**, Leesburg, 1875-Present

1876

- The state hospital for the insane is established at Chattahoochee.
- November 8, 1876 -- The disputed presidential race between Rutherford B. Hayes and Samuel Tilden takes place.

ALACHUA COUNTY

The Gainesville Times / later: **The Gainesville Sun**, Gainesville, 1876-Present
> July 6, 1876 -- The first issue of *The Gainesville Times* is published.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Sunland Tribune, Tampa, 1876-1880s?
> March 2, 1876 -- The first issue of *The Sunland Tribune* is published.

ORANGE COUNTY

Orange County Reporter / later: **Orlando Sentinel**, Orlando, 1876-Present

1877

- Governor: George F. Drew, 1877-1881
- Senators: Simon B. Conover; Charles W. Jones
- U.S. President: Rutherford B. Hayes, 1877-1881
- The Reconstruction period ends.

ORANGE COUNTY

Florida Crescent, Fort Read, 1877-?

VOLUSIA COUNTY

Volusia County Herald / later: **Deland Sun News**, Deland, 1877-Present

1878

- A yellow-fever epidemic sweeps the state.
- Most Florida newspapers print with Washington hand presses.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Advance, Pensacola, 1878-1881
Echo, Pensacola, 1878

1879

- Senators: Charles W. Jones; Wilkinson Call
- February 19, 1879 -- The Florida Press Association is formed.

ALACHUA COUNTY

The Gainesville Sun, Gainesville, 1876-Present
> *The Gainesville Times* merges with *The Gainesville News* to form *The Gainesville Sun*.

BRADFORD COUNTY

Florida Telegraph / later: **Bradford County Telegraph**, Starke, 1879-Present

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Gulf Coast Progress, Tampa, 1879-?
> Oliver J. Andreu establishes Tampa's *Gulf Coast Progress*.

LEVY COUNTY

Williston Sun-Suwannee Valley News, Williston, 1879-Present

MONROE COUNTY

The Key West Citizen, Key West, 1879-Present

CHRONOLOGY

(1880s)

1880

- Florida population: 269,493
- Pensacola's business district is destroyed by fire.
- There are approximately 45 newspapers in Florida. Only three of the papers are dailies and they are all located in Jacksonville.
- The average circulation for a weekly Florida newspaper is 685.

BREVARD COUNTY

Star-Advocate, Titusville, 1880-Present

1881

- Governor: William D. Bloxham, 1881-1885
- Senators: Charles W. Jones; Wilkinson Call
- U.S. President: James A. Garfield, 1881
- July 2, 1881 -- President Garfield is shot in Washington, DC. He dies on September 19th.
- U.S. President: Chester A. Arthur, 1881-1885
- Hamilton Disston purchases four million acres of Florida land south of Ocala for one million dollars.

DUVAL COUNTY

The Florida Daily Times, Jacksonville, 1881-1883

FRANKLIN COUNTY

Apalachicola Tribune, Apalachicola, 1881-1884

MANATEE COUNTY

Gulf Coast Progress, Bradenton, 1881-1885

SUMTER COUNTY

Sumter County Times, Bushnell, 1881-Present

1882

- An inland water route from the Matanzas to the Halifax River is established by the Florida Coast Line Canal & Transportation Company.
- The typical Florida newspaper is a four-page weekly.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Advance-Gazette, Pensacola, 1882-1885

Commercial, Pensacola, 1882-1889

LAKE COUNTY

Herald, Tavares, 1882-?

MONROE COUNTY

Key West News, African-American newspaper / later: **Florida News**, Key West, 1882-1885

SUWANNEE COUNTY

Banner, Live Oak, 1882-?

VOLUSIA COUNTY

Halifax Journal, Daytona, 1882-1914

WALTON COUNTY

Signal, De Funiak Springs, 1882-?

1883

- Senators: Charles W. Jones; Wilkinson Call
- Deland Academy, later renamed Stetson University, is founded.
- The first electric lights in Florida are installed at the St. James Hotel in Jacksonville.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Pensacolian, Pensacola, 1883-1889

DUVAL COUNTY

Florida Union \ later: **Florida Times-Union**, Jacksonville, 1864-Present

> February 4, 1883 -- The newspaper changes its name to the *Florida Times-Union* when it merges with *The Florida Daily Times*.

People's Journal, African-American newspaper, Jacksonville, 1883-1893

> September 15, 1883 -- The newspaper is founded by J.W. Thompson.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Sunland Tribune, Tampa, 1876-1880s?

> March 1, 1883 -- *The Sunland Tribune* changes its name to *The Tampa Tribune*.

(This is not the modern *Tribune*.)

LAKE COUNTY

The Eustis News, Eustis, 1864-Present

1884

- Phosphate deposits are discovered along the Peace River area by J. Francis Le Baron.
- A railroad from Tampa to Kissimmee is completed by Henry Plant.

DUVAL COUNTY

Florida Baptist Witness, Jacksonville, 1884-Present

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Republican, Pensacola, 1884

FRANKLIN COUNTY

Apalachicola Herald, Apalachicola, 1884

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Courier, Plant City, 1884-Present

LEE COUNTY

Fort Myers Press / later: **News-Press**, Fort Myers, 1884-Present

> November 22, 1884 -- The first issue of the *Fort Myers Press* is published.

PINELLAS COUNTY

West Hillsborough Times / later: **St. Petersburg Times**, Dunedin, 1884-Present

> July 25, 1884 -- The first issue of the *West Hillsborough Times* is published.

> Dr. J.L. Edgar, J.M. "Doc" Baggett, and M. Joel McMullen are the founders of what will become the *St. Petersburg Times*.

> December 1884 -- Arthur C. Turner buys the *West Hillsborough Times* and moves the newspaper to Clearwater.

SUWANNEE COUNTY

Suwannee Democrat, Live Oak, 1884-Present

1885

- Governor: Edward A. Perry, 1885-1889
- Senators: Charles W. Jones; Wilkinson Call
- U.S. President: Grover Cleveland, 1885-1889
- Henry Flagler develops railroads on the east coast while Henry B. Plant introduces a railroad system on the west coast. Luxury hotels are built in Palm Beach and Tampa to attract wealthy tourists from Northern states.
- August 3, 1885 -- A new state constitution is adopted.
- Rollins College is founded in Winter Park.
- Florida Southern College is established in Leesburg and later moved to Lakeland.

DUVAL COUNTY

- **Florida News** / later: **Southern Leader**, African-American newspaper, Jacksonville, 1885-1888
 - > John Willis Menard moves the *Florida News* from Key West to Jacksonville.
 - > The newspaper is renamed the *Southern Leader*.

FRANKLIN COUNTY

- **Apalachicola Times**, Apalachicola, 1885-Present

ORANGE COUNTY

- **Advocate**, African-American newspaper, Winter Park, 1885

PUTNUM COUNTY

- **Palatka Daily News**, Palatka, 1885-Present

1886

- The state's agriculture industry is damaged by a disastrous freeze.
- Half of Key West is destroyed by fire.
- Vicente Martinez Ybor chooses Tampa for his new cigar factory. (There will be 200 cigar factories in Tampa by 1900.)
- 1886 is a big year for newspaper start-ups. There are 66 new Florida papers established.

DUVAL COUNTY

- **Florida Templar**, African-American temperance newspaper, Jacksonville, 1886-1888

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

- **Southern Progress**, African-American newspaper, Tampa, 1886-?
- **Tampa Journal**, Tampa, 1886-?
 - > The former publisher of the *Tampa Guardian*, H.J. Cooper, starts a new paper called the *Tampa Journal*.

ORANGE COUNTY

- **Eatonville Ledger**, African-American newspaper, Eatonville, 1886-1889

PINELLAS COUNTY

- **Seabreeze**, Gulfport (Disston City), 1886-1887
 - > W.J. McPherson and E.B. McPherson publish the *Seabreeze*.

1887

- Senators: Wilkinson Call; Samuel Pasco
- The school which will later become FAMU is established in Tallahassee.

ALACHUA COUNTY

Gainesville Sentinel, African-American newspaper / later: **Florida Sentinel**, 1887-1894

> The newspaper is founded by M.H. Lewey.

DUVAL COUNTY

Jacksonville Journal, Jacksonville, 1887-1988

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Pensacola Enterprise, African-American newspaper, Pensacola, 1887-?

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Daily News, Tampa, 1887-1896

> Tampa's first daily newspaper is founded by O.H. Jackson.

LIBERTY COUNTY

Bristol Free Press, Bristol, 1887-1940s?

MARION COUNTY

Ocala Ledger, African-American newspaper, Ocala Ledger, 1887-1890

> May 1887 -- The newspaper is founded by R.B. Brooks.

PINELLAS COUNTY

Point Pinellas Herald, Gulfport (Disston City), 1887-?

POLK COUNTY

Advance Courier, Bartow, 1887-1888

1888

- An epidemic of yellow fever spreads throughout Florida.
- Peter Demens completes his Orange Belt Railroad line to St. Petersburg.
- 34 new Florida papers are established during 1888. Most the new papers during the 1880s are small weeklies which do not survive very long.

DUVAL COUNTY

Florida Cyclone, African-American newspaper, Jacksonville, 1888

Liberator, African-American newspaper, Jacksonville, 1888

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Pensacola Enterprise, African-American newspaper, Pensacola, 1888

HERNANDO COUNTY

Brooksville Star / later: **Sun Journal**, Brooksville, 1888-1990s

LAFAYETTE COUNTY

The Mayo Free Press, Mayo, 1888-Present

MANATEE COUNTY

Manatee River Journal, Bradenton, 1888-1922

PINELLAS COUNTY

South Florida Home, Charlotte Harbor, 1888-1896

1889

- Governor: Francis P. Fleming, 1889-1893
- Senators: Wilkinson Call; Samuel Pasco
- U.S. President: Benjamin Harrison, 1889-1893
- The state board of health is established to help battle the yellow fever epidemic.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Daily News / later: **Pensacola News Journal**, Pensacola, 1889-Present

ORANGE COUNTY

Eatonville Speaker, African-American newspaper, Eatonville, 1889-?

POLK COUNTY

Courier-Informant, Bartow, 1889-1919

TAYLOR COUNTY

Perry News-Herald, Perry, 1889-Present

VOLUSIA COUNTY

Daytona Gazette-News, Daytona, 1889-1923

CHRONOLOGY

(1890s)

1890

- Florida population: 391,422
- The National Farmers' Alliance meets in Ocala and drafts its "Ocala Demands" national platform.
- There are 122 newspapers in Florida. The total circulation for the state is 107,257.
- 38 new papers are started in Florida during 1890.

CITRUS COUNTY

Citrus County Chronicle, Crystal River, 1890-Present

LAKE COUNTY

Florida Facts, St. Francis, 1890-?

LEVY COUNTY

Levy Times-Democrat, Bronson, 1890-1924

PINELLAS COUNTY

South Florida Home, Charlotte Harbor / St. Petersburg, 1888-1896

> St. Petersburg gets its first newspaper when Young G. Lee moves the *South Florida Home* from Charlotte Harbor.

POLK COUNTY

Polk County News, Bartow, 1890-1893

VOLUSIA COUNTY

De Funiak Herald, De Funiak Springs, 1890-Present

1891

- Senators: Wilkinson Call; Samuel Pasco
- June 17, 1891 -- The city of Pensacola unveils its Confederate monument.
- Eight new papers are started in Florida during 1891.

CLAY COUNTY

Clay County Crescent, Green Cove Springs, 1891-1990s?

LEON COUNTY

Daily Floridian, Tallahassee, 1891-1890s?

1892

- The Populist Party becomes active in state politics.
- J.E. Ingraham explores the Everglades.
- There are 22 new papers started in Florida during 1892.

DUVAL COUNTY

Edward Waters Globe, African-American newspaper, Jacksonville, 1892-?

HOLMES COUNTY

Holmes County Advertiser, Bonifay, 1892-Present

PINELLAS COUNTY

West Hillsborough Times / later: **St. Petersburg Times**, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> Fall 1892 -- Richard James Morgan buys the *West Hillsborough Times* and moves it from Clearwater to St. Petersburg.

1893

- Governor: Henry L. Mitchell, 1893-1897
- Senators: Wilkinson Call; Samuel Pasco
- U.S. President: Grover Cleveland, 1893-1897
- There are 15 new papers started in Florida during 1893.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY

Charlotte Sun Herald, Charlotte Harbor, 1893-Present

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Florida Argus, Pensacola, 1893-1894

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Daily Times, Tampa, 1893-1982

> William Henderson and Colonel S.A. Jones buy the *Tampa Tribune* and the *Tampa Journal* and merge both newspapers into a new paper called *The Tampa Daily Times*.

PINELLAS COUNTY

Clearwater News, Clearwater, 1893-?

1894

- December 1894 -- A freeze destroys much of Florida's citrus industry.
- The national Pullman railway strike continues.

DUVAL COUNTY

Daily American, African-American newspaper, Jacksonville, 1894

> The newspaper is founded by James Weldon Johnson.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Gainesville Sentinel, African-American newspaper / later: **Florida Sentinel**, 1894-1914

> The former *Gainesville Sentinel* moves to Pensacola.

PALM BEACH COUNTY

The Daily Lake Worth News / later: **Palm Beach Daily News**, Palm Beach, 1894-Present

PINELLAS COUNTY

Sub-Peninsular, St. Petersburg, 1894-1896

PUTNAM COUNTY

Crescent City News, Putnam, 1894?-1902

ORANGE COUNTY

Arcadia Enterprise, Arcadia, 1894-1924

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

Daily Herald / later: **The St. Augustine Record**, St. Augustine, 1894-Present

1895

- Senators: Wilkinson Call; Samuel Pasco
- February 1895 -- A freeze cripples Florida's citrus industry for the second time in three months.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, 1895-Present

> January 1, 1895 -- The Tampa Tribune Publishing Company is incorporated and editor W.F. Stovall begins a new weekly *Tampa Tribune*.

Tampa Herald, Tampa, 1895-1902

WAKULLA COUNTY

The Wakulla News, Crawfordville, 1895-Present

1896

- Henry Flagler's Florida East Coast Railway begins continuous service from Jacksonville to Miami.
- The first modern Olympics takes place in Athens, Greece.

DADE COUNTY

Miami Metropolis / later: **The Miami News**, Miami, 1896-1988

DUVAL COUNTY

The Florida Evangelist, African-American newspaper, Jacksonville, 1896-1902

1897

- Governor: William D. Bloxham, 1897-1901
- Senators: Samuel Pasco; Stephen R. Mallory
- U.S. President: William McKinley, 1897-1901
- Legislators pass a law calling for railroads to provide cattle protection.
- There are four new papers started in Florida during 1897.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Morning News, Tampa, 1897-?

MANATEE COUNTY

Bradenton News, Bradenton, 1897-?

OSCEOLA COUNTY

Osceola News-Gazette, Kissimmee, 1897-Present

1898

- Tampa serves as a chief port of embarkation for about three months during the Spanish-American War. Lieutenant Colonel Theodore Roosevelt and his Rough Riders are among the soldiers who stay in Tampa. Other embarkation sites include Jacksonville and Miami.
- Hundreds of newspapers and magazines send reporters, artists, and photographers to Florida embarkation cities during the war.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Journal, Pensacola, 1898-1924

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Daily Times, Tampa, 1893-1982
> D.B. McKay takes over *The Tampa Daily Times*.

ORANGE COUNTY

DeSoto County News, Arcadia, 1898-1924

1899

- Senators: Samuel Pasco; Stephen R. Mallory (Appointed to fill vacancy: James P. Taliaferro)
- February 13, 1899 -- Tallahassee records a temperature of 2 degrees below zero.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Sentinel, Pensacola, 1899

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

Daily Herald / later: **The St. Augustine Record**, St. Augustine, 1894-Present
> Henry M. Flagler purchases St. Augustine's *Daily Herald*.
> August 30, 1899 -- The newspaper merges with the *Evening Record*.

CHRONOLOGY

(1900-1909)

1900

- Florida population: 528,542
- Florida's state flag is adopted.
- Newspapers in Florida begin using stories from the reorganized Associated Press Service.

DADE COUNTY

Miami Metropolis / later: **The Miami News**, Miami, 1896-1988

> January 1900 -- All of the newspaper's files are destroyed in a fire.

HARDEE COUNTY

Florida Advocate / later: **The Herald-Advocate**, Wauchula, 1900-Present

1901

- Governor: W.S. Jennings, 1901-1905
- Senators: Stephen R. Mallory; James P. Taliaferro
- May 1901 -- Jacksonville's fire destroys 1700 buildings and leaves 10,000 persons homeless.
- September 6, 1901 -- President McKinley is assassinated during a visit to the Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo, New York.
- U.S. President: Theodore Roosevelt, 1901-1909

DUVAL COUNTY

Florida Labor Templar, African-American newspaper, Jacksonville, 1901-1920s?

GADSDEN COUNTY

Gadsden County Times, Quincy, 1901-Present

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Daily Herald, Orlando, 1901-1903

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> April 1, 1901 -- William Lincoln Straub, A.P. Avery, and A.H. Lindelie buy the *St. Petersburg Times* from the Gore family for \$1,300.

1902

- May 21, 1902 -- St. Augustine is hit by a small earthquake shock.
- The annual subscription rate for a typical Florida weekly is approximately \$1.50.

PUTNAM COUNTY

Florida Enterpriser, Palatka, 1902-?

1903

- Senators: Stephen R. Mallory; James P. Taliaferro
- Florida officially obtains title to the Everglades from the United States government.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Evening Record / later: **The Miami Herald**, Miami, 1903-Present

> Frank B. Stoneman and A.L. LaSalle, who were formally with the *Orlando Daily Herald*, establish Miami's first daily newspaper.

JACKSON COUNTY

The Graceville News, Graceville, 1903-Present

PINELLAS COUNTY

Tarpon Springs Herald, Tarpon Springs, 1903-?

ST. LUCIE COUNTY

Fort Pierce News / later: **The Tribune**, Fort Pierce, 1903-Present

1904

- Mary McLeod Bethune opens the Daytona Normal and Industrial Institute, which later becomes Bethune-Cookman College.
- November 8, 1904 -- President Theodore Roosevelt is reelected.
- There are approximately 20 daily and 115 weekly Florida newspapers in 1904.

PASCO COUNTY

Dade City Banner / later: **Pasco News**, Dade City, 1904-Present

VOLUSIA COUNTY

Daytona Daily News / later: **Daytona Beach News-Journal**, Daytona Beach, 1904-Present

1905

- Governor: Napoleon Bonaparte Broward, 1905-1909
- Senators: Stephen R. Mallory; James P. Taliaferro
- The Buckman Act consolidates various state-subsidized learning institutions into the University of Florida in Gainesville, Florida State College for Women in Tallahassee, and Florida Agricultural and Mechanical College in Tallahassee.

LEON COUNTY

Weekly True Democrat / later: **Tallahassee Democrat**, Tallahassee, 1905-Present

> The *Weekly True Democrat* is founded by Monticello printer John Collins.

PALM BEACH COUNTY

The Daily Lake Worth News / later: **Palm Beach Daily News**, Palm Beach, 1894-Present

> Henry Flagler's company sells the newspaper to Richard Davies.

1906

- Governor Broward launches the Everglades drainage project.
- Progressive state reforms are made in the areas of education, child labor, health, and public utilities.

ALACHUA COUNTY

The University News / later: **The Independent Florida Alligator**, Gainesville, 1906-Present

> October 19, 1906 -- The first issue of the University of Florida's student newspaper is published. It is originally called *The University News*, but in 1912 the name is changed to *The Florida Alligator*. In 1973 it becomes *The Independent Florida Alligator*.

DUVAL COUNTY

Florida Standard / later: **Standard-Sentinel**, African-American newspaper, 1906-1919

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Reporter / later: **Orlando Sentinel**, Orlando, 1876-Present

> The *Orlando Reporter* and the *Orlando Evening Star* are merged.

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Independent / later: **Evening Independent**, St. Petersburg, 1906-1986

1907

- Senators: Stephen R. Mallory; William J. Bryan
(Appointed to fill vacancies: William H. Milton; James P. Taliaferro)
- The employment of children becomes a major issue for legislators.
- The United Press news service is formed. In 1909 the International News Service is also offered to newspapers.

CALHOUN COUNTY

The County Record, Blountstown, 1907-Present

DADE COUNTY

Miami Morning News-Record / later: **The Miami Herald**, Miami, 1903-Present

> The *Miami Morning News* merges with *The Miami Evening Record* to create Miami's first morning daily. Frank B. Stoneman is the editor and A.L. LaSalle and his son are co-owners.

Miami Metropolis / later: **The Miami News**, Miami, 1896-1988

> The newspaper's circulation grows when the *Metropolis* and Publisher Bobo Dean criticize the powerful Henry Flagler.

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Independent / later: **Evening Independent**, St. Petersburg, 1906-1986

> November 7, 1907 -- The *St. Petersburg Independent* changes its name to the *Evening Independent*.

SANTA ROSA COUNTY

Santa Rosa Press Gazette, Milton, 1907-Present

1908

- The Choctawhatchee National Forest is established.
- Florida becomes a site for the production of silent films.

PALM BEACH COUNTY

The Palm Beach Post, West Palm Beach, 1908-Present

SEMINOLE COUNTY

Sanford Herald / later: **Seminole Herald**, Sanford, 1908-Present

1909

- Governor: Albert W. Gilchrist, 1909-1913
- Senators: James P. Taliaferro; Duncan U. Fletcher
- U.S. President: William H. Taft, 1909-1913
- A hurricane halts construction of the overwater railroad to Key West.

DADE COUNTY

Miami Morning News-Record, Miami, 1907-1910

> Frank Shutts takes over the paper and pays off the paper's debts with Henry Flagler's backing.

POLK COUNTY

Mulberry Press, Mulberry, 1909-Present

CHRONOLOGY

(1910s)

1910

- Florida population: 752,619
- There is a violent nine-month long cigar strike in Tampa.

DADE COUNTY

Miami Morning News-Record / later: **The Miami Herald**, Miami, 1903-Present
> December 1, 1910 -- The *Miami Morning News-Record* changes its name and becomes *The Miami Herald*.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Pensacola Brother / later: **Colored Citizen**, African-American newspaper, Pensacola, 1910-1965

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, 1895-Present
> *The Tampa Tribune* building is set on fire during a violent Tampa cigar strike.

PINELLAS COUNTY

Evening Independent, St. Petersburg, 1906-1986
> September 1, 1910 -- Major Lew B. Brown launches his famous Sunshine Offer where the newspaper is given away free any day the sun does not shine.

POLK COUNTY

Fort Meade Leader, Fort Meade, 1910-Present

1911

- Senators: Duncan U. Fletcher; Nathan P. Bryan
- May 23, 1911 -- Pinellas County is created in an area formally known as West Hillsborough County.

DUVAL COUNTY

Afro-American Gazette, African-American newspaper, Jacksonville, 1911-1912

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Free Press, Tampa, 1911-Present

PASCO COUNTY

Zephyrhills News, Zephyrhills, 1911-Present

POLK COUNTY

The Winter Haven News Chief, Winter Haven, 1911-Present

1912

- The overseas railroad to Key West is opened after eight years of construction.
- April 14, 1912 -- The British steamship *Titanic* strikes an iceberg in the North Atlantic.

DADE COUNTY

South Florida Banner / later: **South Dade News Leader**, Homestead, 1912-Present

OKALOOSA COUNTY

Niceville Bayou Times, Crestview, 1912-Present
Okaloosa News-Journal, Crestview, 1912-Present

PALM BEACH COUNTY

Lake Worth Herald, Lake Worth, 1912-Present

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present
> September 1912 -- Paul Poynter purchases the *St. Petersburg Times* from W.L. Straub.

1913

- Governor: Park Trammell, 1913-1917
- Senators: Duncan U. Fletcher; Nathan P. Bryan
- U.S. President: Woodrow Wilson, 1913-1921
- A state child labor law is enacted which prohibits employment of minors in factories.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> Frank Shutts purchases the *Herald* from Henry M. Flagler.

FLAGLER COUNTY

Flagler / Palm Coast News-Tribune, Bunnell, 1913-Present

LAKE COUNTY

Clermont Clarion / later: **South Lake Press**, Clermont, 1913-Present

MARTIN COUNTY

The Stuart Times / later: **The Stuart News**, Stuart, 1913-Present

ORANGE COUNTY

West Orange Times, Winter Garden, 1913-Present

VOLUSIA COUNTY

New Smyrna News / later: **New Smyrna Beach Observer**, New Smyrna Beach, 1913-Present

1914

- July 1914 -- World War One begins in Europe.
- Newspapers across the state print World War One extras.
- There are approximately 25 daily and 140 weekly Florida newspapers in 1914.
- The annual subscription rate for a typical daily Florida newspaper is \$5.00 a year.

DUVAL COUNTY

Florida Sentinel, African-American newspaper, Jacksonville, 1914-1931

PINELLAS COUNTY

Clearwater Sun, Clearwater, 1914-1990

> May 1, 1914 -- *The Clearwater Sun* is founded with Willis B. Powell as editor.

POLK COUNTY

Highland News / later: **Frostproof News**, Frostproof, 1914-Present

1915

- Senators: Duncan U. Fletcher; Nathan P. Bryan
- Florida's state road department is established.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> Marjory Stoneman Douglas, who will publish *River of Grass* in 1947, joins her father, editor Frank B. Stoneman at *The Miami Herald*.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Afro-American Monthly, African-American newspaper, Tampa, 1915-?

OKEECHOBEE COUNTY

Okeechobee Call / later: **The Daily Okeechobee News**, Okeechobee, 1915-Present

1916

- Sidney J. Catts, a Baptist minister and insurance salesman, wins the election for Governor.
- November 11, 1916 -- President Woodrow Wilson is reelected.

LAKE COUNTY

Mt. Dora Topic, Mount Dora, 1916-Present

PALM BEACH COUNTY

The Palm Beach Post, West Palm Beach, 1916-Present

PASCO COUNTY

Suncoast News, New Port Richey, 1916-Present

West Pasco Press, New Port Richey, 1916-Present

POLK COUNTY

The Highlander, Lake Wales, 1916-Present

1917

- Governor: Sidney J. Catts, 1917-1921
- Senators: Duncan U. Fletcher; Park Trammell
- April 1917 -- The United States declares war on Germany and enters World War One.

POLK COUNTY

The Haines City Herald, Haines City, 1917-Present

PUTNAM COUNTY

Palatka Advocate, African-American newspaper, Palatka, 1917-1927?

> The newspaper is founded by Clarence C. Walker.

1918

- Military training camps are set up in Florida during the war.
- November 11, 1918 -- Florida newspapers report that the Armistice ending World War One has been signed.

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> March 17, 1918 -- The *St. Petersburg Times* announces that the weekly *Times* will be consolidated with the Sunday *Times*. The weekly was an extra edition containing a round-up of the week's news.

1919

- Senators: Duncan U. Fletcher; Park Trammell
- The Florida legislature abolishes the leasing of convict labor.

HIGHLANDS COUNTY

The News-Sun, Sebring, 1919-Present

CHRONOLOGY

(1920s)

1920

- Florida population: 968,470
- Florida's first non-commercial radio station, WFAW / WQAM, begins broadcasting in Miami.
- There are approximately 35 daily and 140 weekly Florida newspapers in 1920.

ST. LUCIE COUNTY

Fort Pierce News / later: **The Tribune**, Fort Pierce, 1903-Present
> March 1, 1920 -- *The Tribune* is established when *The Fort Pierce News* and the *St. Lucie County Tribune* merge.

1921

- Governor: Cary A. Hardee, 1921-1925
- Senators: Duncan U. Fletcher; Park Trammell
- U.S. President: Warren G. Harding, 1921-1923
- There is a disastrous 1921 Florida hurricane.

PINELLAS COUNTY

The Pinellas Post, St. Petersburg, 1921-?

UNION COUNTY

Union County Times, Lake Butler, 1921-Present

1922

- Florida's first commercial radio station, WDAE, begins broadcasting in Tampa.
- May 30, 1922 -- The Lincoln Memorial is dedicated in Washington, DC.

GLADES COUNTY

Glades County Democrat, Moore Haven, 1922-Present

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

La Gaceta, Tampa / Ybor City, 1922-Present

> *La Gaceta* is founded by Victoriano Manteiga.

The Tampa Daily Times, Tampa, 1893-1982

> February 15, 1922 -- *The Tampa Daily Times* starts the commercially licensed radio station, WDAE. The studios are located in the newspaper's building.

JACKSON COUNTY

Jackson County Floridan, Marianna, 1922-Present

MANATEE COUNTY

The Bradenton Herald, Bradenton, 1922-Present

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Sun / briefly called: **Florida Earth**, African-American newspaper, Orlando, 1922-1975?

> The newspaper was founded by H.M. Alexander and acquired by J.L. Bowden in 1931.

PALM BEACH COUNTY

The Palm Beach Times / later: **The Evening Times**, West Palm Beach, 1922-1987

1923

- Senators: Duncan U. Fletcher; Park Trammell
- August 2, 1923 -- President Warren G. Harding dies from a stroke in San Francisco.
- U.S. President: Calvin Coolidge, 1923-1929
- January 1923 -- Six African-Americans are killed when an angry mob burns the town of Rosewood to the ground. This will become known as the Rosewood massacre.

COLLIER COUNTY

Collier County News / later: **Naples Daily News**, Naples, 1923-Present

DADE COUNTY

Miami Times, African-American newspaper, Miami, 1923-Present
> September 1923 -- The newspaper is founded by H.E.S. Reeves.

DIXIE COUNTY

Dixie County Advocate, Cross City, 1923-Present

HENDRY COUNTY

Caloosa Belle, La Belle, 1923-Present

LAKE COUNTY

Clermont Press, Clermont, 1923-1966

PALM BEACH COUNTY

Belle Glade Herald?; **Everglades Observer?** / later: **The Sun**, Belle Glade, 1923-Present

PINELLAS COUNTY

The Dunedin Times / later: **The Palm Harbor Sounder**, Dunedin, 1923-Present

1924

- October 1924 -- The head of South Florida's Ashley gang is killed in Palm Beach County after years of avoiding law enforcement officials.
- Steamship service between Miami and New York begins.
- The Florida real estate boom fills Florida newspapers with advertisements.

DADE COUNTY

East Coast Dispatch, African-American newspaper, Miami, 1924?-1965
> The newspaper becomes the *Tropical Dispatch* in 1929.

Miami Metropolis / later: **Miami Daily News**, Miami, 1896-1988

> The newspaper's name is changed from the *Miami Metropolis* to the *Miami Daily News*.

DE SOTO COUNTY

The Arcadian, Arcadia, 1924-Present

MARION COUNTY

Florida Watchman, African-American newspaper, Ocala, 1924-?

> The newspaper is founded by Mattie J. Shaw.

POLK COUNTY

The Lakeland Evening Ledger / later: **The Ledger**, Lakeland, 1924-Present

WASHINGTON COUNTY

Washington County News, Chipley, 1924-Present

1925

- Governor: John W. Martin, 1925-1929
- Senators: Duncan U. Fletcher; Park Trammell
- July 1925 -- The Scopes “Monkey Trial” takes place in Dayton, Tennessee.

BROWARD COUNTY

Daily News, Fort Lauderdale, 1925-1958

DADE COUNTY

Daily Tab, Miami, 1920s

> Cornelius Vanderbilt publishes a boom-time tabloid called the *Daily Tab*.

GULF COUNTY

The Gulf County Breeze, Wewahitchka, 1925-Present

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Tampa Telegraph, Tampa, 1925-1926

Tampa Globe, Tampa, 1925-1926

The *Tampa Globe*, a tabloid, is started in December and lasts until May 1926.

SARASOTA COUNTY

Sarasota Herald / later: **Sarasota Herald-Tribune**, Sarasota, 1925-Present

> October 4, 1925 -- The *Sarasota Herald* is founded by David and Dick Lindsay.

1926

- Florida’s real estate boom collapses.
- September 1926 -- A violent hurricane destroys property along Florida’s east coast. 300 people are killed by a Lake Okeechobee flood after the hurricane.
- Florida’s program to stop the spread of the Mediterranean fruit fly cuts citrus production by more than fifty percent.

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY

Vero Beach Journal / later: **Press-Journal**, Vero Beach, 1926-Present

> February 21, 1926 -- The first issue of the *Vero Beach Journal* is published.

POLK COUNTY

The Lake Wales News, Lake Wales, 1926-Present

1927

- Senators: Duncan U. Fletcher; Park Trammell
- The sugar cane industry begins its first large scale Everglades development in Clewiston.
- May 1927 -- Charles Lindbergh completes his solo plane flight from New York to Paris.

DADE COUNTY

The Floridian Newspaper / later: **The Florida Newspaper**, Miami, 1927-Present

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, 1895-Present

> March 1927 -- *The Tampa Tribune* is purchased by S.E. Thomason, former general manager of the *Chicago Tribune*, and John Stewart Bryan, editor and publisher of the *Richmond News-Leader*.

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY

Vero Beach Press-Journal, Vero Beach, 1919-Present

> The *Vero Beach Journal* and the *Vero Beach Press* merge to become the *Vero Beach Press-Journal*.

1928

- April 25, 1928 -- The Tamiami Trail, connecting east and west Florida, opens to the public.
- September 16, 1928 -- Hundreds of deaths are reported after a hurricane sweeps over the Palm Beaches area.

DADE COUNTY

Jewish Floridian, Miami, 1928-1990

HENDRY COUNTY

Clewiston News, Clewiston, 1928-Present

HERNANDO COUNTY

Brooksville Journal, Brooksville, 1928-1960

POLK COUNTY

The Lakeland Evening Ledger / later: **The Ledger**, Lakeland, 1924-Present

> January 11, 1928 -- *The Lakeland Evening Ledger* merges with *The Lakeland Star-Telegram*.

1929

- Governor: Doyle E. Carlton, 1929-1933
- Senators: Duncan U. Fletcher; Park Trammell
- U.S. President: Herbert C. Hoover, 1929-1933
- February 1, 1929 -- Calvin Coolidge dedicates the Bok Singing Tower.
- John Ringling selects Sarasota as the winter quarters for his circus.

BAKER COUNTY

The Baker County Press, MacClenny, 1929-Present

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Florida Labor Advocate, Tampa, 1929?-1958

LEON COUNTY

Daily Democrat / later: **Tallahassee Democrat**, Tallahassee, 1905-Present

> Milton Smith sells the newspaper to Lloyd Griscom.

CHRONOLOGY

(1930s)

1930

- Florida population: 1,468,211
- The Great Depression continues to force banks to close.
- There are approximately 40 daily and 110 weekly Florida newspapers in 1930.

LEVY COUNTY

Levy County Journal, Bronson, 1930-Present

NASSAU COUNTY

Nassau County Record, Callahan, 1930-Present

1931

- Senators: Duncan U. Fletcher; Park Trammell
- Legalized pari-mutuel wagering at dog and horse tracks is allowed.

DUVAL COUNTY

Florida Sentinel, African-American newspaper, Jacksonville, 1914-1931

> The Jacksonville version of this African-American newspaper closes.

> Publication is resumed in 1944 as the *Tampa Florida Sentinel*.

> In 1945 the newspaper becomes the *Florida Sentinel-Bulletin*.

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Mirror / later: **Florida Sun Review**, African-American newspaper, 1931-Present

Orlando Reporter Star / later: **Orlando Sentinel**, Orlando, 1876-Present

> The *Reporter Star* is purchased by the *Orlando Morning Sentinel*.

The owner, Texas publisher Charles E. Marsh, hires Martin Anderson to manage both newspapers.

POLK COUNTY

The Polk County Democrat, Bartow, 1931-Present

1932

- The U.S. Congress passes the Emergency Relief and Construction Act.
- March 1, 1932 -- The baby of aviator Charles Lindbergh is kidnapped.

GILCHRIST COUNTY

Gilchrist County Journal, Trenton, 1932-Present

HERNANDO COUNTY

Brooksville Sun, Brooksville, 1932-1960

PALM BEACH COUNTY

Amerikan Uutiset, Lantana, 1932-Present

1933

- Governor: David Sholtz, 1933-1937
- Senators: Duncan U. Fletcher; Park Trammell
- U.S. President: Franklin D. Roosevelt, 1933-1945
- February 16, 1933 -- There is an assassination attempt against Franklin Roosevelt during his visit to Miami.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Daily Times, Tampa, 1893-1982

> D.B. McKay leases *The Tampa Daily Times* to David E. Smiley and Ralph Nicholson. (They buy all of the company's properties in 1935.)

Temple Terrace Beacon, Temple Terrace, 1933?-Present

1934

- A Florida constitutional amendment exempts homesteads from taxation up to \$5,000.
- New Deal programs bring millions of federal dollars to Florida.

DADE COUNTY

Miami Whip, African-American newspaper, Miami, 1934-1950

DUVAL COUNTY

Jacksonville Tattler, African-American newspaper, Jacksonville, 1934-1962.

PINELLAS COUNTY

Gulf Beach News, St. Petersburg Beach, 1934-1949.

1935

- Senators: Duncan U. Fletcher; Park Trammell (Term vacancies filled by: William L. Hill; Claude Pepper; Scott M. Loftin; Charles O. Andrews)
- September 2, 1935 -- A hurricane kills more than four-hundred persons, including a group of World War One veterans who were working on the Florida Key's overwater highway.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Pensacola Courier, African-American newspaper, Pensacola, 1935-1960s?

> The newspaper is founded by Nathaniel N. Baker.

PINELLAS COUNTY

Financial Journal, Pinellas County, 1930s

1936

- Florida's economy starts to recover as tourists begin to return to the state.
- A major Florida tourist attraction, Cypress Gardens, opens near Winter Haven.

VOLUSIA COUNTY

Daytona Beach Evening News, Daytona Beach, 1936-?

1937

- Governor: Frederick P. Cone, 1937-1941
- Senators: Charles O. Andrews; Claude Pepper
- Poll taxes are repealed.

BAY COUNTY

The News-Herald, Panama City, 1937-Present

DADE COUNTY

Morning Tribune, Miami, ?-1937

> December 1, 1937 -- After he purchases *The Miami Herald*, John S. Knight buys and closes Moe L. Annenberg's *Morning Tribune*.

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> October 15, 1937 -- John S. Knight purchases the *Miami Herald* from Frank Shutts.

> John S. Knight becomes the editor and publisher, James L. Knight becomes business manager, and Frank B. Stoneman remains as a *Herald* editor until his death in 1941.

GULF COUNTY

The Star, Port St. Joe, 1937-Present

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Tampa Bulletin, African-American newspaper, Tampa, 1930s?

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Public Informer, St. Petersburg, African-American newspaper, 1937-?

St. Petersburg World, St. Petersburg, African-American newspaper, 1930s?

1938

- 55,000 Floridians are using New Deal WPA relief assistance.
- The overseas highway to Key West opens to the public.

DADE COUNTY

Miami Daily News / later: **The Miami News**, Miami, 1896-1988

> The newspaper's aggressive coverage of corruption at City Hall helps lead to a recall election which replaces three city commissioners.

SARASOTA COUNTY

Sarasota Herald / later: **Sarasota Herald-Tribune**, Sarasota, 1925-Present

> The *Sarasota Herald* merges with the *Sarasota Tribune* to become the *Sarasota Herald-Tribune*.

1939

- Senators: Charles O. Andrews; Claude Pepper
- September 1939 -- World War Two begins in Europe when Germany invades Poland.
- U.S. government money is appropriated for military bases in Florida.

DADE COUNTY

Miami Daily News / later: **The Miami News**, Miami, 1896-1988

> The *Miami Daily News* is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for its reporting about corruption at City Hall.

ORANGE COUNTY

The Florida Catholic, Orlando, 1939-Present

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> April 10, 1939 -- Editor W.L. Straub dies at the age of 71. Nelson Poynter becomes the new editor.

CHRONOLOGY

(1940s)

1940

- Florida population: 1,897,414
- January 1940 -- A harsh freeze damages citrus farms.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, 1895-Present

> January 21, 1941 -- *The Tampa Tribune* company is granted a license for radio station WFLA-AM.

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> The *St. Petersburg Times* (the Times Publishing Company) buys radio station WTSP-AM. The radio studio is located in the newspaper's downtown building.

1941

- Governor: Spessard L. Holland, 1941-1945
- Senators: Charles O. Andrews; Claude Pepper
- December 7, 1941 -- Japanese air and naval forces make a surprise attack on the U.S. naval base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. The U.S. declares war on Japan and recognizes a state of war with Germany and Italy.
- Newspapers across the state print World War Two extras when Pearl Harbor is attacked.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> The *Herald* moves into a new three-story building on South Miami Avenue.

PINELLAS COUNTY

The Gulfport Tribune, Gulfport, 1940s

The Gulfport Citizen, Gulfport, 1940s

1942

- World War Two helps reinvigorate Florida's economy.
- German submarines operate in waters off Florida's coast.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> September 1942 -- Lee Hills becomes the newspaper's managing editor.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

The St. Augustine Record, St. Augustine, 1894-Present

> The *Record* is sold by the Flagler System to a group of St. Augustine businessmen headed by A.H. Tebault, Sr.

1943

- Senators: Charles O. Andrews; Claude Pepper
- Florida begins strict rationing of food and materials needed for the war effort.
- Airfield and highway construction is accelerated, laying the foundation for Florida's post-war transportation network.
- Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings, author of *The Yearling*, is sued by Zelma Cason for the way Cason was portrayed in Rawlings's book *Cross Creek*.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, 1895-Present

> Virgil Miller "Red" Newton becomes managing editor of *The Tampa Tribune*.

1944

- June 6, 1944 -- The World War Two D-Day invasion begins.
- The number of Florida airfields increases from six to forty during the war.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> November 10, 1944 -- Circuit judges Paul D. Barns and Marshall C. Wiseheart cite *The Miami Herald* and associate editor John D. Pennekamp for contempt after the newspaper publishes two editorials and a cartoon criticizing the court.

Your Home Town News, Miami, 1944-Present

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Tampa Florida Bulletin, African-American newspaper, Tampa, 1944

PINELLAS COUNTY

Floridian, St. Petersburg, 1944-1959?

1945

- Governor: Millard F. Caldwell, 1945-1949
- Senators: Charles O. Andrews; (Replacement: Spessard L. Holland); Claude Pepper
- April 12, 1945 -- President Roosevelt dies during a trip to his home in Warm Springs, Georgia.
- U.S. President: Harry S. Truman, 1945-1953
- May 7, 1945 -- World War Two ends in Europe with the surrender of Germany.
- August 14, 1945 -- Japan announces its unconditional surrender.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> July 24, 1945 -- The Florida Supreme Court, by a 5 to 2 vote, upholds the 1944 circuit court contempt conviction against *The Miami Herald* and associate editor John D. Pennekamp.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Florida Sentinel-Bulletin, African-American newspaper, Tampa, 1945-Present

ORLANDO SENTINEL

Orlando Reporter Star / later: **Orlando Sentinel**, Orlando, 1876-Present

> The *Reporter Star* and the *Orlando Morning Sentinel* are purchased by Martin Anderson.

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> November 21, 1945 -- The paper begins using cold type/photocomposition when a typographers union strike forces the *St. Petersburg Times* to publish for 66 days without printers.

1946

- March 17, 1946 -- Jackie Robinson plays in the first integrated baseball spring training game. The game between the Montreal Royals and the Brooklyn Dodgers is in Daytona.
- Florida gets its first welcome center. It is located on U.S. 17.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> June 3, 1946 -- In *The Miami Herald* case, *Pennekamp v. Florida*, The U.S. Supreme Court rules that a newspaper can criticize a court without fear of being silenced by a judge's use of contempt. The court's unanimous decision overturns the Florida supreme court's 1945 ruling and the original circuit court conviction.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

The Escambia Sun-Press, Pensacola, 1946-Present

OKALOOSA COUNTY

Playground News / later: **Northwest Florida Daily News**, Fort Walton Beach, 1946-Present

PUTNAM COUNTY

Crescent City Courier-Journal, Crescent City, 1946-Present

SARASOTA COUNTY

The Venice Gondolier, Venice, 1946-Present

1947

- Senators: Claude D. Pepper; Spessard L. Holland
- December 6, 1947 -- President Truman dedicates the Everglades National Park.
- The University of Florida and Florida State University become coeducational institutions.

BROWARD COUNTY

Florida Spur, African-American newspaper, Fort Lauderdale, 1947-1950?

GADSDEN COUNTY

Havana Herald, Havana, 1947-Present

LEON COUNTY

Record-Dispatch, African-American newspaper, Tallahassee, 1947-?

1948

- Congress approves Cape Canaveral as the site for a government missile launching test center.
- A post-war real estate boom takes place.
- As of 1948 the following radio stations are owned by newspapers:

WDMB-AM: Daytona Beach *News-Journal*

WFTL-AM: Fort Lauderdale *News*

WJHP-AM: Jacksonville *Journal*

WIOD-AM: Miami *Daily News*

WQAM-AM: *The Miami Herald*

WTMC-AM: Ocala *Star-Banner*

WHOO-AM: Orlando *Sentinel-Star*

WOLF-AM: Leesburg *Commercial*

WCOA-AM: Pensacola *News Journal*

WTSP-AM: St. Petersburg *Times*

WDAE-AM: Tampa *Times*

WFLA-AM: Tampa *Tribune*

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> December 22, 1948 -- *Miami Herald* printers go on strike over a contract dispute.

Newspaper management temporarily replaces the linotype operators with trained teletypesetters and other *Herald* personnel.

1949

- Governor: Fuller Warren, 1949-1953
- Senators: Claude D. Pepper; Spessard L. Holland
- African-American Virgil Darnell Hawkins is denied admission to the University of Florida law school.
- The legislature approves the first state sales tax.
- Florida's first television station, WTVJ, begins broadcasting in Miami.
- Florida's open range policy comes to an end when the state declares that cattle can no longer roam freely and fences have to be built.

BROWARD COUNTY

Coral Springs News, Coral Springs, 1949-Present

Quad City News, Pompano Beach, 1949-Present

DADE COUNTY

Plantation Star, Plantation, 1949-Present

LEON COUNTY

The Democrat / later: **Tallahassee Democrat**, Tallahassee, 1905-Present

> *The Democrat* changes its name to the *Tallahassee Democrat*.

CHRONOLOGY

(1950s)

1950

- Florida population: 2,771,305
- The U.S. Senate Crime Investigating Committee, headed by Senator Estes Kefauver, holds hearings in Tampa and Miami about organized crime operations in Florida.
- President Truman authorizes the use of U.S. forces in Korea.
- July 24, 1950 -- The first missile is launched from Cape Canaveral.

LEVY COUNTY

Chiefland Citizen, Chiefland, 1950-Present

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> A new four-story annex is built next to the *Times* building and four additional Goss press units are purchased.

1951

- Senators: Spessard L. Holland; George A. Smathers
- NAACP field secretary Harry T. Moore is murdered.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> The newspaper is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for its reporting on organized crime.

LEE COUNTY

Beach Bulletin / later: **Fort Myers Beach Bulletin**, Fort Myers Beach, 1951-Present

1952

- Floridians vote to use motor vehicle tax revenue for the construction of schools.
- November 4, 1952 -- Dwight Eisenhower wins the U.S. presidential race.

ALACHUA COUNTY

The High Springs Herald, High Springs, 1952-Present

OKALOOSA COUNTY

West Florida Daily Globe, Crestview, 1952 -?

PINELLAS COUNTY

Pinellas County Review / later: **Tampa Bay Review**, Clearwater, 1952-Present

SARASOTA COUNTY

Sarasota Journal, Sarasota, 1952-1982

1953

- Governor: Daniel T. McCarthy, 1953 (McCarthy dies a few months after he becomes Governor.)
- Governor: Charley E. Johns, acting governor, 1953-1955
- Senators: Spessard L. Holland; George A. Smathers
- U.S. President: Dwight D. Eisenhower, 1953-1961

DADE COUNTY

Diario Las Americas, Miami, 1953-Present

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

La Gaceta, Tampa / Ybor City, 1922-Present

> The Spanish daily *La Gaceta* becomes a weekly and adds English and Italian columns.

> A political column is started by Roland Manteiga.

MONROE COUNTY

Florida Keys Keynoter, Marathon, 1953-Present

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> September 1953 -- Alvah H. Chapman becomes vice president and general manager of the *St. Petersburg Times*. He leaves the newspaper in 1957. A few years later he joins *The Miami Herald*.

POLK COUNTY

Auburndale Star, Auburndale, 1953-Present

1954

- September 6, 1954 -- The Sunshine Skyway Bridge connecting St. Petersburg and Bradenton opens.
- May 17, 1954 -- The U.S. Supreme Court rules in the landmark *Brown v. Board of Education* decision that racial segregation in public schools is unconstitutional.
- Leroy Collins is elected to complete the term of the late Governor McCarthy.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> At the beginning of a debate between the Democratic runoff candidates Leroy Collins and Charley Johns, Collins exhibits an early edition of the next day's *Herald* with an ad where Johns claims victory for the debate which has not even taken place yet. Johns is unable to fully recover from the embarrassment and the episode helps lead to his loss in the election.

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> September 6, 1954 -- A large photo of the Sunshine Skyway Bridge is one of the newspaper's first full-color front page news photos.

1955

- Governor: LeRoy Collins, 1955-1961
- Senators: Spessard L. Holland; George A. Smathers
- October 19, 1955 -- The Florida Supreme Court rules that the University of Florida can not deny admission to a person based solely on race.
- A state-wide highway and turnpike system is approved by the Florida legislature.
- April 1955 -- The new vaccine developed by Jonas Salk for polio is distributed to Florida schools.
- November 1955 -- The Florida Society of Editors is formed. In 1969 FSE becomes the Florida Society of Newspaper Editors.

PALM BEACH COUNTY

Delray Beach News / later: **The News**, Boca Raton, 1955-Present

SARASOTA COUNTY

Englewood Sun Herald, Venice Beach, 1955-Present

1956

- May 27, 1956 -- The Tallahassee bus boycott begins.
- It is announced that Hillsborough County will be the site of the University of South Florida.
- A seven-member Florida legislative investigation committee (later known as the Johns Committee) is formed. The committee remains active until 1965.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, 1895-Present

> Richmond Newspapers Inc. acquires controlling interest in The Tampa Tribune Company.

1957

- Senators: Spessard L. Holland; George A. Smathers
- Florida's state legislature attempts to defy the U.S. Supreme Court's *Brown v. Board of Education*

ruling by adopting an interposition resolution denying that the court had the right to enact law.

- The legislature authorizes the creation of Florida educational television stations.
- October 4, 1957 -- The Soviet Union launches *Sputnik 1*, the first man-made space satellite.

LAKE COUNTY

Lake News, Mount Dora, 1957-Present

PALM BEACH COUNTY

Highlights / later: **Jupiter Courier Journal**, Jupiter, 1957-Present

ST. LUCIE COUNTY

Fort Pierce Chronicle, African-American newspaper, Fort Pierce, 1957-?

1958

- January 31, 1958 -- The first U.S. satellite, *Explorer I*, is launched from Cape Canaveral.
- March 1958 -- The Tallahassee bus boycott ends.
- Federal district Judge Dozier DeVane orders the desegregation of the University of Florida's graduate schools.

BROWARD COUNTY

News and Sentinel, Fort Lauderdale, 1958-1960

DADE COUNTY

Coral Gables News, Coral Gables, 1958-Present

Kendall News, Kendall, 1958-Present

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Independent, Tampa, 1958-?

The Tampa Daily Times, Tampa, 1893-1982

> May 31, 1958 -- *The Tampa Times* is sold to The Tampa Tribune Company.

> *The Tampa Tribune* will publish *The Tampa Times* as an afternoon paper with a separate news staff.

1959

- Senators: Spessard L. Holland; George A. Smathers
- January 1, 1959 -- Thousands of Cubans begin migrating to South Florida when Cuban President Batista flees the country and leaves Cuba in the hands of Fidel Castro.

DADE COUNTY

El Nuevo Patria, Miami, 1959-Present

The Miami News, Miami, 1896-1988

> *Miami News* staff writer Howard Van Smith is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for national reporting. His stories dealt with the living conditions of migrant workers exposed to freezing temperatures during an especially cold Florida winter.

HIGHLANDS COUNTY

Journal, Lake Placid, 1959-Present

LEE COUNTY

Bonita Banner, Bonita Springs, 1959-Present

SARASOTA COUNTY

The Bulletin, African-American newspaper, Sarasota, 1959-Present

CHRONOLOGY

(1960s)

1960

- Florida population: 4,951,560
- Picketing and sit-ins help lead to the desegregation of Florida lunch counters, theaters, and other establishments during the early 1960s.
- March 20, 1960 -- Governor Leroy Collins delivers a statewide television address on racial justice.
- Hurricane Donna sweeps across South Florida.

BROWARD COUNTY

News, Fort Lauderdale, 1960-1992

Sun-Sentinel, Fort Lauderdale, 1960-Present

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Lutz Community News, Lutz, 1960?-Present

SANTA ROSA COUNTY

The Gulf Breeze Sentinel, Gulf Breeze, 1960-Present

1961

- Governor: C. Farris Bryant, 1961-1965
- U.S. President: John F. Kennedy, 1961-1963
- April 17, 1961 -- 1,300 Cuban exiles trained by the U.S. make an unsuccessful attempt to invade Cuba and overthrow Premier Castro. President Kennedy accepts full responsibility for the "Bay of Pigs" failure.
- May 5, 1961 -- The first U.S. manned flight into space is launched from Cape Canaveral.

BROWARD COUNTY

Observer Community Newspaper, Deerfield Beach, 1961-Present

LEE COUNTY

Islander, Sanibel, 1961-Present

MARTIN COUNTY

The Mirror, Jensen Beach, 1961-Present

TAYLOR COUNTY

Perry Taco Times, Perry, 1961-Present

1962

- February 20, 1962 -- John Glenn becomes the first U.S. astronaut to orbit the earth.
- October 1962 -- During the Cuban missile crisis President Kennedy orders Cuba blockaded after Russian missile bases were discovered on the island by U.S. surveillance planes.

ALACHUA COUNTY

The Gainesville Sun, Gainesville, 1876-Present

> The Pepper family sells *The Gainesville Sun* to the Cowles company.

BAY COUNTY

The News-Herald, Panama City, 1937-Present

> The Panama City *News-Herald* is awarded the Pulitzer Prize.

LEE COUNTY

Lehigh Acres News Weekly / later: **News-Star**, Lehigh Acres, 1962-Present

MANATEE COUNTY

Morning Call, Bradenton, 1962-1963

PINELLAS COUNTY

Evening Independent, St. Petersburg, 1906-1986

> June 29, 1962 -- The *St. Petersburg Times* purchases the *Evening Independent* from Thomson Newspapers.

1963

- Senators: Spessard L. Holland; George A. Smathers
- November 22, 1963 -- President John Kennedy is assassinated in Dallas, Texas. (Kennedy visited Florida four days before his assassination.)
- U.S. President: Lyndon B. Johnson, 1963-1969

BROWARD COUNTY

Hallandale Digest, Hallandale, 1963-Present

DADE COUNTY

The Miami News, Miami, 1896-1988

> May 1963 -- *Miami News* staff writer Harold V. Hendrix is awarded the 1963 Pulitzer Prize for international reporting for his investigation which revealed that the Soviet Union was installing missile launching pads in Cuba and sending in large numbers of MIG-21 aircraft in 1962.

DUVAL COUNTY

Beaches Leader, Jacksonville Beach, 1963-Present

PINELLAS COUNTY

Pinellas Park News / later: **Pinellas News**, Pinellas Park, 1963-Present

1964

- The state establishes two new universities: The University of West Florida in Pensacola and Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton.
- August 7, 1964 -- The U.S. Congress passes the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution which gives President Johnson power to use any action necessary to repel armed attacks on U.S. forces in Vietnam.
- August 27, 1964 -- Southeast Florida is damaged by Hurricane Cleo.

BROWARD COUNTY

Hometown Herald, Fort Lauderdale, 1964-Present

DADE COUNTY

Broward Neighbors, Miami, 1964-Present

LEON COUNTY

Capital Outlook, Tallahassee, 1964-Present

MADISON COUNTY

Madison County Carrier, Madison, 1964-Present

MANATEE COUNTY

Manatee County Call, Bradenton, 1964-?

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> May 1964 -- The Pulitzer Prize for meritorious public service is awarded to the *St. Petersburg Times* and reporter Martin Waldron for coverage of financial abuses at the Florida Turnpike Authority. The paper's investigation leads to the reorganization of state auditing and bonding practices.

VOLUSIA COUNTY

The New Volusian, Daytona Beach, 1964-Present

1965

- Governor: Haydon Burns, 1965-1967
- Senators: Spessard L. Holland; George A. Smathers
- A National Football League franchise is awarded to Miami.
- October 25, 1965 -- It is announced that Walt Disney World will be built in Florida.

ALACHUA COUNTY

The Gainesville Sun, Gainesville, 1876-Present

> John R. Harrison of the *Gainesville Sun* is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for editorials supporting passage of a minimum housing standard code in Gainesville.

BROWARD COUNTY

Broward Jewish Journal, Deerfield Beach, 1965-Present

Coral Springs Forum, Coral Springs, 1965-Present

Deerfield Beach Thursday Times, Deerfield Beach, 1965-Present

Margate / Coconut Creek Forum, Margate, 1965-Present

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Pensacola Voice, African-American newspaper, Pensacola, 1965-Present

LEON COUNTY

Tallahassee Democrat, Tallahassee, 1905-Present

> The Griscom family sells the *Tallahassee Democrat* to Knight Newspapers.

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Sentinel, Orlando, 1876-Present

> July 15, 1965 -- It is announced that Martin Andersen will sell the *Orlando Sentinel* and the *Orlando Evening Star* to the Tribune Company.

> October 21, 1965 -- Emily Bavar writes an article titled "Is Our Mystery Industry Disneyland," which is the first to report that Walt Disney may build a theme park in Central Florida.

The Planter Newspaper, Apopka, 1965-Present

PALM BEACH COUNTY

Boca Raton Thursday Times, Boca Raton, 1965-Present

Central Boca Times, Boca Raton, 1965-Present

West Boca Times, Boca Raton, 1965-Present

1966

- The governor's race is between Democrat Robert King High and Republican Claude R. Kirk.
- June 2, 1966 -- *Surveyor 1*, an unmanned spacecraft launched from Cape Kennedy, makes the first U.S. soft landing on the moon.

BREVARD COUNTY

Florida Today, Melbourne, 1966-Present

DADE COUNTY

The Islander Key Biscayne Weekly Bulletin / later: **The Islander News**, 1966-Present

Libre, Miami, 1966-Present

The Miami News, Miami, 1896-1988

> July 30, 1966 -- *The Miami News*, which is owned by the Cox Publishing company, moves to *The Miami Herald* plant under an operating agreement where the *Herald* manages business affairs of the evening *News*.

> Don Wright of *The Miami News* is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for editorial cartooning. Among the topics his cartoons dealt with were the exodus of Cuban exiles, the Ku Klux Klan, nativism, and the Vietnam War.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, 1895-Present

> Reporter John Frasca is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for a series of articles about an unjustly jailed Polk County man.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

The St. Augustine Record, St. Augustine, 1894-Present

> July 1, 1966 -- The Tebault family sells the newspaper to the Florida Publishing Company of Jacksonville, publishers of the *Florida Times-Union* and the *Jacksonville Journal*.

1967

- Governor: Claude Kirk Jr., 1967-1971. Kirk is the first Republican governor since 1872.
- Senators: Spessard L. Holland; George A. Smathers
- January 27, 1967 -- Three astronauts are killed when a flash fire consumes their Apollo 1 capsule during a rehearsal countdown at Cape Kennedy.

BROWARD COUNTY

The High Riser, Deerfield Beach, 1967-Present

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> Gene Miller is awarded a Pulitzer Prize for his reporting which led to the freeing of two people who were innocently jailed on murder charges.

OKALOOSA COUNTY

Okaloosa County Reporter, Fort Walton Beach, 1967-Present

PINELLAS COUNTY

Weekly Challenger, African American newspaper, St. Petersburg, 1967-Present

SUWANNEE COUNTY

The Branford News, Branford, 1967-Present

1968

- A new state constitution is ratified. (The last Florida constitution was adopted in 1885.)
- Florida teachers go on strike over a wage dispute.
- April 4, 1968 -- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is assassinated.
- June 5, 1968 -- Senator Robert F. Kennedy is shot and dies the next day.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> May 6, 1968 -- John S. Knight is awarded a Pulitzer Prize for his Sunday editorial column, the "Publisher's Notebook."

> December 15, 1968 -- *The Miami Herald* publishes an article titled "Computer Reveals Patterns of Dade Crime." This is one of the first examples of computer-assisted journalism.

South Miami News, Miami, 1968-Present

South West News, Miami, 1968-Present

COLLIER COUNTY

The Marco Island Eagle, Marco Island, 1968-Present

DADE COUNTY

Palmetto Bay News, Homestead, 1968-Present

DUVAL COUNTY

Jacksonville Journal, Jacksonville, 1887-1988

> Rocco Morabito is awarded the Pulitzer Prize in spot news photography.

1969

- Senators: Spessard L. Holland; Edward J. Gurney
- U.S. President: Richard M. Nixon, 1969-1974
- July 18, 1969 -- Journalists from around the world come to the Kennedy Space Center to report on the launch of Apollo 11, the first manned space flight to the moon.
- July 20, 1969 -- Apollo 11 lands on the lunar surface at 4:18 p.m. EDT.
- The Florida Society of Editors, which was formed in 1955, becomes the Florida Society of Newspaper Editors.

ALACHUA COUNTY

The Record, Gainesville, 1969-Present

DADE COUNTY

El Sol de Hialeah, Hialeah, 1969-Present

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> August 14, 1969 -- The *Miami Herald's* parent company, Knight Newspapers, becomes a publically traded company.

> The Knight Newspapers company purchases the *Boca Raton News*.

DUVAL COUNTY

Both Sides Now, Jacksonville, 1969-?

PALM BEACH COUNTY

Palm Beach Post, West Palm Beach, 1916-Present

> July 1, 1969 -- Cox Enterprises purchases the *Palm Beach Post* from Perry Publications.

Other related newspapers are also purchased.

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> The 1967 Florida Sunshine Law is tested in *Times Publishing Company v. Williams* where a district court of appeal states that "personnel matters are not sacred, not legally privileged, nor do they enjoy any insulation from legislative control." The Pinellas County School Board was found negligent under the statute for not keeping meetings on personnel matters open before the public.

MARION COUNTY

Voice of South Marion, Belleview, 1969-Present

CHRONOLOGY

(1970s)

1970

- Florida population: 6,791,418
- February 13, 1970 -- A Greek oil tanker leaks approximately 10,000 gallons of oil near Tampa Bay.
- April 8, 1970 -- G. Harold Carswell of Tallahassee is rejected as a candidate for the U.S. Supreme Court.
- August 1970 -- Hurricane Celia strikes Florida with winds up to 146 miles per hour.
- November 1970 -- Lawton Chiles wins the U.S. Senate seat.
- November 1970 -- Reuben Askew defeats Claude Kirk for governor.

DADE COUNTY

North Miami Beach News, North Miami, 1970-Present

PALM BEACH COUNTY

The Palm Beach Post, West Palm Beach, 1916-Present

> Dallas Kinney is awarded the Pulitzer Prize in feature photography for photographs portraying the terrible working conditions of farm workers.

PINELLAS COUNTY

The Suncoast Beacon, Clearwater, 1970-Present

1971

- Governor: Reubin Askew, 1971-1979
- Senators: Edward J. Gurney; Lawton Chiles
- January 1971 -- Construction of the Cross-Florida Barge Canal, which was authorized in 1942 and begun in the 1960s, is halted.
- October 1971 -- Walt Disney World opens.
- November 28, 1971 -- Six inmates at Raiford prison surrender after holding four guards hostage.

ALACHUA COUNTY

The Gainesville Sun, Gainesville, 1876-Present

> Buddy Davis is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for editorials about the community's reaction to school integration.

BROWARD COUNTY

Westside Gazette, African-American newspaper, Fort Lauderdale, 1971-Present

DADE COUNTY

Carol City-Opa Locka News, Miami, 1971-Present

MARION COUNTY

Ocala Star-Banner, Ocala, 1866-Present

> April 30, 1971 -- The New York Times Company purchases the *Ocala Star-Banner*.
The New York Times also purchases *The Gainesville Sun* and *The Lakeland Ledger*.

ORANGE COUNTY

Winter Park Outlook, Winter Park, 1971-1990s

SARASOTA COUNTY

Key News to the Key / later: **Pelican Press**, Sarasota, 1971-Present

1972

- March 31, 1972 -- An Air Force B-52 crashes in Orlando.
- May 9, 1972 -- Protests against U.S. involvement in Vietnam are held in Tampa, Tallahassee and Gainesville.
- June 23, 1972 -- Florida is one of five states declared disaster areas by President Nixon after Hurricane Agnes.
- July 10-13, 1972 -- The Democratic Convention is held in Miami Beach.
- November 7, 1972 -- Meyer Lansky is arrested in Miami on charges of racketeering and tax evasion.
- December 29, 1972 -- An Eastern Airlines jet crashes in the Everglades.

DADE COUNTY

Miami Shores News, Miami Shores, 1972-Present

PALM BEACH COUNTY

Boca Raton / Delray Beach Monday Paper, Boca Raton, 1972-Present

1973

- Senators: Edward J. Gurney; Lawton Chiles
- April 3-4, 1973 -- Florida's first atomic generator malfunctions and millions are left without electricity in South Florida.
- The U.S. agrees to a cease-fire and the end of the Vietnam War. (The last Americans leave in 1975.)
- The international oil crisis triggers an economic downturn in the newspaper industry.

ALACHUA COUNTY

The Independent Florida Alligator, Gainesville, 1906-Present

> February 1, 1973 -- The University of Florida's student newspaper gains its independence from the university.

LEE COUNTY

Island Reporter, Sanibel, 1973-Present

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Sentinel, Orlando, 1876-Present

> The *Evening Star* and the *Orlando Sentinel* merge into the *Sentinel Star*.

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> November 1, 1973 -- Reporter Lucy Morgan is sentenced to jail for refusing to tell the state attorney the name of a source. (This case will end in 1976 with the Florida Supreme Court's ruling, *Morgan v. State*, overturning Lucy Morgan's conviction for refusing to reveal her sources.)

1974

- August 8, 1974 -- Richard Nixon resigns as President of the United States.
- President: Gerald R. Ford, 1974-1977
- The following Florida state officials are charged with bribery and perjury during 1974:
Floyd Christian, Florida Commissioner of Education; Fred Dickinson, State Comptroller;
Tom O'Malley, State Treasurer.
- A National Football League franchise is awarded to Tampa.

BROWARD COUNTY

El Heraldo de Broward y Palm Beach, Fort Lauderdale, 1974-Present

CLAY COUNTY

Clay Today, Orange Park, 1974-Present

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> June 25, 1974 -- The U.S. Supreme Court, in *Miami Herald Publishing Co. v. Tornillo*, overturns the Florida Supreme Court's ruling that declared that newspapers must print a political candidate's reply to a paper's criticism.

> November 30, 1974 -- Shareholders from Knight Newspapers and Ridder Publications approve a merger of the two firms.

OKALOOSA COUNTY

The Destin Log, Destin, 1974-Present

1975

- Senators: Lawton Chiles; Richard Stone
- April 28, 1975 -- Eglin Air Force Base is named as one of three United States processing centers for Vietnamese refugees.
- July 14, 1975 -- NASA announces that the end of the Apollo space program will result in the layoff of 1,500 employees at the Kennedy Space Center.
- September 26, 1975 -- The area between Pensacola and Panama City is severely damaged by Hurricane Eloise.
- A large number of newspaper newsrooms begin replacing their typewriters with computer front-end systems that include video display terminals (VDTs) and cathode ray tubes (CRTs). Among the first newspapers to use front-end systems in the early 1970s were *Cocoa Today*, the *Daytona Beach Journal* and the *St. Petersburg Times*.

BROWARD COUNTY

The Broward Informer, Sunrise, 1975-Present

LEE COUNTY

The Daily Breeze, Cape Coral, 1975-Present

OKALOOSA COUNTY

North Okaloosa Bulletin, Crestview, 1975-Present

ORANGE COUNTY

The Orlando Times, African-American newspaper, Orlando, 1975-Present

1976

- March 2, 1976 -- The United States Supreme Court rules in favor of Florida socialite Mary Firestone in her libel suit against *Time* magazine.
- July 2, 1976 -- The United States Supreme Court upholds the constitutionality of the death penalty in Florida.

ALACHUA COUNTY

The Gainesville Sun, Gainesville, 1876-Present

> July 6, 1976 -- *The Gainesville Sun* celebrates its 100th anniversary.

DADE COUNTY

El Herald / later: **El Nuevo Herald**, Miami, 1976-Present

Hialeah News, Hialeah, 1976-Present

La Nacion, Miami, 1976-Present

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> Reporter Gene Miller is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for his investigation which exonerated two men sentenced to death for two North Florida murders.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, 1895-Present

> John Stewart Bryan III is named publisher of *The Tampa Tribune* and *The Tampa Times*.

LEE COUNTY

The Pine Island Eagle, Cape Coral, 1976-Present

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> A three-year legal battle ends with new rights for reporters when the Florida Supreme Court's ruling, *Morgan v. State*, overturns Lucy Morgan's earlier conviction for refusing to reveal her sources.

1977

- Senators: Lawton Chiles; Richard Stone
- U.S. President: Jimmy Carter, 1977-1981
- October 1977 -- The Ronny Zamora murder trial is the first major Florida case to allow cameras in the courtroom.

BROWARD COUNTY

Alligator Times, Seminole Indian Tribe, Hollywood, 1977-1983

> Earlier Seminole newspaper: *Seminole News*, late 1950s-1977?

> Later Seminole newspaper: *Seminole Tribune*, 1983-Present

FRANKLIN COUNTY

Carrabelle Times, Apalachicola, 1977-Present

LEON COUNTY

The Elder Update, Tallahassee, 1977-Present

The Leon County News, Woodville, 1977-Present

Tallahassee Democrat, Tallahassee, 1905-Present

> The afternoon *Tallahassee Democrat* becomes a morning paper.

PALM BEACH

Delray Beach Times, Delray Beach, 1977-Present

SARASOTA COUNTY

North Port Sun Herald, North Port, 1977-Present

WAKULLA COUNTY

The Leon County News, Crawfordville, 1977-Present

1978

- A proposal for casino gambling in Florida is defeated.
- Two female students are murdered at Florida State University. (It will be later learned that the killer was Ted Bundy.)

BAY COUNTY

Beach Bay News, Panama City Beach, 1978-Present

LEE COUNTY

Peoples' Press, African-American newspaper, Fort Myers, 1978-?

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> June 1978 -- Eugene Patterson becomes the new chief executive officer of the Times Publishing Company following the death of Nelson Poynter.

VOLUSIA COUNTY

Daytona Times, African-American newspaper, Daytona Beach, 1978-Present

1979

- Governor: Robert Graham, 1979-1987
- Senators: Lawton Chiles; Richard Stone
- May 25, 1979 -- Florida murderer John Spenkelink is the first American inmate executed since Gary Gilmore's execution at 1977.
- July 31, 1979 -- Ted Bundy is found guilty and sentenced to death for his 1978 FSU sorority house murders and the attempted murder of three other women.
- September 3, 1979 -- People are evacuated along the Palm Beach coast in preparation for Hurricane David. \$60 million dollars in property damage will be reported and five people die from the hurricane.

COLLIER COUNTY

Everglades Echo, Everglades City, 1979-Present

PALM BEACH COUNTY

Boynton Beach Times, Boynton Beach, 1979-Present

The Palm Beach Times / later: **The Evening Times**, 1922-1987

> *The Palm Beach Times* changes its name to *The Evening Times*.

CHRONOLOGY

(1980s)

1980

- Florida population: 9,746,324
- February 4, 1980 -- Eight men from the “Black Tuna” ring are convicted for smuggling \$300 million of marijuana.
- May 9, 1980 -- The Sunshine Skyway Bridge is rammed by a freighter and more than 30 people die when a 1,200-foot section of the bridge falls 140 feet into the water.
- May 17-19, 1980 -- Fourteen people die and more than 300 are injured after violence breaks out in Miami following the acquittal of four policemen in the death of an African-American insurance executive.
- Thousands of small boats bring 120,000 Cuban refugees to Florida in the “Mariel Boatlift.”

BROWARD COUNTY

The Pompano Ledger, Pompano Beach, 1980-Present

South Florida Business Journal, Fort Lauderdale, 1980-Present

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> Madeleine Blais is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for feature writing. The stories cited included an interview with Tennessee Williams, a story about a family dealing with cancer, and a story of a World War One veteran trying to overturn his dishonorable discharge for being a conscientious objector.

> The Knight-Ridder company and AT&T run a test of their experimental videotex system in Coral Gables, Florida. (They will officially launch their Viewtron videotex system in 1983.)

The Miami News, Miami, 1896-1988

> Don Wright is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for editorial cartooning.

Among the topics his cartoons dealt with were the death penalty, Cambodian refugees, nuclear energy and the hostages in Iran.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Carrollwood News, Tampa, 1980-Present

PALM BEACH COUNTY

Greenacres / Suburban Lake Worth Town-Crier, Greenacres, 1980-Present

Royal Palm Beach / Loxahatchee Town-Crier, Royal Palm Beach, 1980-Present

Wellington Town-Crier, West Palm Beach, 1980-Present

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> April 1980 -- The *St. Petersburg Times* is awarded a Pulitzer Prize for national reporting. The Pulitzer is for coverage of the Church of the Scientology by Charles Stafford and Bette Swenson Orsini.

1981

- Senators: Lawton Chiles; Paula Hawkins
- U.S. President: Ronald Reagan, 1981-1989
- January 20, 1981 -- The 52 American hostages in Iran are released.
- March 30, 1981 -- There is an assassination attempt against President Ronald Reagan.
- April 12, 1981 -- The first Space Shuttle is launched from Cape Kennedy.
- Richard Kelly, Florida U.S. Congressman, is found guilty in the ABSCAM bribery case.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> Shirley Christian's coverage from El Salvador and Guatemala is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for international reporting.

DUVAL COUNTY

Sun-Times, Jacksonville Beach, 1981-Present

LIBERTY COUNTY

The Calhoun-Liberty Journal, Bristol, 1981-Present

ORANGE COUNTY

La Semana, Orlando, 1981-Present

PASCO COUNTY

The Laker, Zephyrhills, 1981-Present

SEMINOLE COUNTY

La Prensa Newspaper, Longwood, 1981-Present

1982

- January 13, 1982 -- Seventy-eight people are killed when Air Florida flight 90 crashes into the Potomac River after taking off from Washington DC's National Airport.
- June 21, 1982 -- The Equal Rights Amendment is rejected by the Florida Senate.
- October 1, 1982 -- Walt Disney World opens EPCOT: Experimental Prototype Community of Tomorrow.

DADE COUNTY

La Voz Catolica, Miami Shores, 1982-Present

HILLBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Daily Times, Tampa, 1893-1982

> August 14, 1982 -- The 90-year-old *Tampa Times* prints its final issue.

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Sentinel, Orlando, 1876-Present

> The newspaper officially changes its name to *The Orlando Sentinel*.

PASCO COUNTY

The Laker, Land O'Lakes, 1982?-Present

SARASOTA COUNTY

Sarasota Herald-Tribune, Sarasota, 1925-Present

> November 30, 1982 -- The New York Times Company purchases the *Sarasota Herald-Tribune*.

Sarasota Journal, Sarasota, 1952-1982

> July 8, 1982 -- The *Sarasota Journal* prints its final issue.

1983

- Senators: Lawton Chiles; Paula Hawkins
- December 1983 -- Thirty percent of Florida's citrus crop is destroyed by a cold front and freeze.

BROWARD COUNTY

Broward News, Coral Springs, 1983-Present

Seminole Tribune, Seminole Indian Tribe, Hollywood, 1983-Present

> Earlier Seminole newspaper: *Alligator Times*, 1977-1983

> Earlier Seminole newspaper: *Seminole News*, late 1950s-1977?

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> April 1983 -- *The Miami Herald* editorial board is awarded a Pulitzer Prize for a series of editorials condemning the U.S. government's discriminatory imprisonment of Haitian refugees at the Krome Avenue detention center.

> October 1983 -- The Knight-Ridder company officially starts its Viewtron videotex system in Miami with approximately 2,500 subscribers. AT&T develops a special Viewtron console unit that is placed in homes.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

East Bay Breeze, Sun City Center, 1983-Present

1984

- Three abortion clinics are bombed in Pensacola.
- Citrus owners across the state worry about the possibility of an infestation of citrus canker.
- April 26, 1984 -- David Kennedy is found dead, apparently from a drug overdose, in a West Palm Beach hotel room.

BROWARD COUNTY

Waterfront News, Fort Lauderdale, 1984-Present

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> April 30, 1984 -- *The Herald* is named by *Time* magazine as one of the ten best newspapers in America.

> The Knight-Ridder Vu/Text database service is started with full-text editions of *The Miami Herald*.

LEE COUNTY

News-Press, Fort Myers, 1884-Present

> November 22, 1984 -- The Fort Myers *News-Press* celebrates its 100th anniversary.

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Business Journal, Orlando, 1984-Present

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> April 30, 1984 -- The *St. Petersburg Times* is named by *Time* magazine as one of the ten best newspapers in America.

> July 25, 1984 -- The *St. Petersburg Times* celebrates its 100th anniversary.

POLK COUNTY

Polk City Press, Polk City, 1984-Present

SARASOTA COUNTY

The Beach Weekly, Sarasota, 1984-Present

Sarasota Times, Sarasota, 1984-Present

1985

- Senators: Lawton Chiles; Paula Hawkins
- May 9, 1985 -- Roswell Gilbert, age 75, is sentenced for the murder of his incurably sick wife.
- Rosemary Barkett is appointed as the first woman Florida Supreme Court justice.
- September 1985 -- Hurricane Elena forces thousands of Floridians to evacuate their homes.

PINELLAS COUNTY

Clearwater Sun, Clearwater, 1914-1990

> The Jefferson Pilot Corporation sells the *Clearwater Sun* to the Hearst Corporation.

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> April 1985 -- The *St. Petersburg Times* is awarded a Pulitzer Prize for investigative reporting for its coverage of the Pasco County Sheriff's office by Lucy Morgan and Jack Reed.

1986

- January 28, 1986 -- Seven astronauts are killed when the space shuttle *Challenger* explodes after liftoff.
- The 1986 U.S. Senate race in Florida is between Governor Bob Graham and Paula Hawkins.

BAY COUNTY

The News-Herald, Panama City, 1937-Present

> The *News-Herald* is nominated as a Pulitzer Prize finalist for its investigation into allegations of torture of prison inmates in the Jackson County Jail in Marianna, Florida.

Seven prison guards were indicted after their investigation.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> Edna Buchanan is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for her versatile police beat reporting.

> Carol Guzy and Michel duCille are awarded the spot news photography Pulitzer Prize for their coverage of the eruption of the Nevado del Ruiz volcano in Colombia.

> March 1986 -- the Knight-Ridder company ends its Viewtron videotex project.

The Post, Miami Beach, 1986-Present

PINELLAS COUNTY

Evening Independent, St. Petersburg, 1906-1986

November 7, 1986 -- The St. Petersburg *Evening Independent* prints its final issue.

1987

- Governor: Robert Martinez, 1987-1991
- Lt. Governor Wayne Mixon serves as Governor for three days in January 1987 in order for Robert Graham to be sworn in as a U.S. Senator.
- Senators: Lawton Chiles; Robert Graham
- September 10, 1987 -- Pope John Paul II visits Miami during his 10-day tour of the United States.
- National Basketball Association franchises are awarded to Miami and Orlando.
- The state lottery begins.

BREVARD COUNTY

Florida Today, Melbourne, 1966-Present

> The newspaper is nominated as a Pulitzer Prize finalist for Malcolm A. Denmark's photographs of the space shuttle *Challenger* explosion.

BROWARD COUNTY

Community News, Hollywood, 1987-Present

Sun-Sentinel, Fort Lauderdale, 1960-Present

> The *Sun-Sentinel* is nominated as a Pulitzer Prize finalist for an investigation led by Fred Schulte which exposed serious medical mishaps at Veterans Administration hospitals.

> The *Sun-Sentinel* is nominated as a Pulitzer Prize finalist for "Into the Storm -- the Story of Flight 191," by Michael Connelly, Robert McClure and Malinda Reinke.

DADE COUNTY

Mi Casa, Miami, 1987-Present

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> The *Herald* is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for its exclusive reporting and persistent coverage of the United States-Iran-Contra connection.

Miami New Times, Miami, 1987-Present

PostMortem, Miami Beach, 1987-Present

DUVAL COUNTY

Folio Weekly, Jacksonville, 1987-Present

HERNANDO COUNTY

Hernando Today, Brooksville, 1987-Present

MONROE COUNTY

Free Press, Islamorada, 1987-Present

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Sentinel, Orlando, 1876-Present

> The *Sentinel* is nominated as a Pulitzer Prize finalist for a series by Gary Marx and John Wark documenting misuse of funds by the Shrine of North America.

PALM BEACH COUNTY

The Evening Times, West Palm Beach, 1922-1987

> September 25, 1987 -- Although it continued to publish as a merged newspaper with the *Palm Beach Post* after May 4, 1987, *The Evening Times* officially ceases publication on September 25, 1987.

1988

- August 3, 1988 -- U.S. District Judge Alcee L. Hastings is impeached for high crimes and misdemeanors.
- The 1988 U.S. Senate race in Florida is between Connie Mack and Buddy McKay.

BROWARD COUNTY

Fort Lauderdale Downtown, Fort Lauderdale, 1988-Present

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> Dave Barry is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for his effective use of humor as a device for presenting fresh insights into serious concerns.

> Michel duCille is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for his photographs portraying the decay and subsequent rehabilitation of a housing project overrun with the drug crack.

The Miami News, Miami, 1896-1988

> December 31, 1988 -- *The Miami News* prints its final issue.

> The *News* is nominated as a Pulitzer Prize finalist for the editorial cartoons of Don Wright.

DUVAL COUNTY

Jacksonville Journal, Jacksonville, 1887-1988

> October 28, 1988 -- The 101-year-old *Jacksonville Journal* prints its final issue.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Creative Loafing / later: **Weekly Planet**, Tampa, 1988-Present

Temple Terrace News, Temple Terrace, 1988-Present

OKALOOSA COUNTY

N.W. Florida Business Journal, Fort Walton Beach, 1988-Present

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Sentinel, Orlando, 1876-Present

> The Pulitzer Prize for editorial writing is awarded to Jane Healy for the *Sentinel's* editorial series on mismanaged growth called "Florida's Shame."

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> October 31, 1988 -- Andrew Barnes succeeds Eugene Patterson as chief executive officer of the Times Publishing Company.

1989

- Senators: Robert Graham; Connie Mack
- U.S. President: George Bush, 1989-1993
- June 5, 1989 -- Governor Bob Martinez announces that he will call a special session of the state legislature to consider strict new abortion laws.
- June 21, 1989 -- The U.S. Supreme Court rules in *B.J.F. v. Florida Star* that only in rare instances can sanctions be applied to the press for publishing truthful information obtained legally about matters of public interest.
- The child abuse death of baby Bradley McGee brings calls for reform at the Florida HRS department.
- Churches in north and central Florida are set on fire by arsonists.

ALACHUA COUNTY

University of Florida

> John Paul Jones, the former dean of the University of Florida College of Journalism, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame. During the 1950s and 1960s Jones served as the secretary-manager of the Florida Press Association. He began his nine-year term as a UF dean in 1968.

BRADFORD COUNTY

Bradford County Telegraph, Starke, 1879-Present

> Eugene L. Matthews, the former publisher of the *Bradford County Telegraph* (1933-1973), is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> The *Herald* is nominated as a Pulitzer Prize finalist for Justin Gillis and Lisa Getter's investigation into financial wrongdoing by a popular county manager. Their investigation ultimately led to the official's resignation.

> John S. Knight, the former publisher of *The Miami Herald* (1937-1976), is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame.

DUVAL COUNTY

Florida Times-Union, Jacksonville, 1864-Present

> Hugh B. McCallum, the former publisher of the *Daily Florida Union* (1880s), which later became the *Florida Times-Union*, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Town 'N Country News, Tampa, 1989-Present

PALM BEACH COUNTY

Perry Publications

> John H. Perry, Jr., the former president of Perry Publications, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame. The company sold its publishing properties in 1969.

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> Nelson Poynter, former *Times* owner and editor, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame. He was editor of the *Times* between 1939 and 1969 and then served as chairman of the board from 1969 until 1978.

POLK COUNTY

The Polk County Democrat, Bartow, 1931-Present

> Loyal Frishie, former editor and publisher of the *Polk County Democrat*, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame.

SANTA ROSA COUNTY

Perido Pelican, Gulf Breeze, 1989-Present

VOLUSIA COUNTY

Daytona Beach News-Journal, Daytona Beach, 1904-Present

> Herbert M. Davidson, the *News-Journal's* editor from 1928-1985, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame.

CHRONOLOGY

(1990s)

1990

- Florida population: 12,937,926
- August 26-28, 1990 -- Three University of Florida students and two students from Santa Fe Community College are murdered in their Gainesville apartments. (It will be later learned that the killer is Danny Rolling.)
- November 7, 1990 -- FBI agents arrest 14 members of the Miami based 'Yahweh' religious sect on charges of racketeering.

ALACHUA COUNTY

The Independent Florida Alligator, Gainesville, 1906-Present

> *The Independent Florida Alligator* forms a for-profit subsidiary and purchases the *High Springs Herald*.

University of Florida

> Rae O. Weimer, the former dean of the University of Florida College of Journalism, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame. He came to the university in 1949 and retired in 1968.

BROWARD COUNTY

The Broward Times, African-American newspaper, Pompano Beach, 1990-Present

Sun-Sentinel, Fort Lauderdale, 1960-Present

> Editorial cartoonist Chan Lowe is nominated as a finalist for a Pulitzer Prize.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> Editorial cartoonist Jim Morin is nominated as a finalist for a Pulitzer Prize.

> James L. Knight, who along with his brother John helped build the modern *Miami Herald*, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY

Pensacola News Journal, Pensacola, 1889-Present

> James H. Jesse, who served as the publisher for a number of newspapers, including the *Pensacola News Journal*, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, 1895-Present

> Media General Inc., owner of *The Tampa Tribune*, purchases the Sunbelt Publishing Company, a New Port Richey based chain of 13 weekly and biweekly newspapers and shoppers.

LEON COUNTY

Tallahassee Democrat, Tallahassee, 1905-Present

> Malcolm Johnson, who worked in Tallahassee for more than 40 years, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame.

UPI's Florida Bureau, Tallahassee

> Barbara Frye, who worked in UPI's Florida Bureau for 38 years, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame.

MONROE COUNTY

The Keys Advertiser, Marathon, 1990-Present

OKALOOSA COUNTY

The Beach Breeze, Destin, 1990-Present

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Sentinel, Orlando, 1876-Present

> Martin Anderson, the *Orlando Sentinel's* former owner and editor, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame. Anderson became the managing editor in 1931 and purchased the newspaper in 1937. (At that time there were two newspapers, the *Orlando Morning Sentinel* and *Reporter-Star*.) The newspapers were sold to the Tribune company in 1965.

> David Lawrence, Sr., a former *Orlando Sentinel* political columnist and bureau chief, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame. He had worked for the *Sarasota News* before joining the *Sentinel* in the mid-1960s.

PINELLAS COUNTY

Clearwater Sun, Clearwater, 1914-1990

> May 4, 1990 -- The *Clearwater Sun*, now a weekly tabloid, prints its final issue.

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> February 1990 -- A group of investors led by Texas financier Robert M. Bass sue the Times Publishing Company over the ownership of the *St. Petersburg Times*.

WALTON COUNTY

The Herald Breeze, De Funiak Springs, 1990-Present

1991

- Governor: Lawton M. Chiles, 1991-1998
- Senators: Robert Graham; Connie Mack
- A National League baseball franchise is awarded to Miami.
- January 1991 -- A coalition of Allied forces led by the United States drives Iraq out of Kuwait. Air Attacks begin on January 17th and the ground war ends on February 27, 1991.
- March 12, 1991 -- Former Governor Leroy Collins dies at the age of 82.
- April 5, 1991 -- William Kennedy Smith is identified by police as the suspect in a rape at the Kennedy family's vacation estate in Palm Beach. The case raises journalism ethics questions when the name of the woman who accused Smith of the rape is printed in the media.
- During 1991 there is a series of 28 church arson fires in North and Central Florida.

BROWARD COUNTY

City Link, Fort Lauderdale, 1991-Present

Fort Lauderdale News, Fort Lauderdale, 1960-1992

> Fred Pettijohn, a former *Fort Lauderdale News* editor, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame. He retired in 1982 after 30 years at the *News* and other *Gore / Sun Sentinel* publications.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> The *Miami Herald's* local news staff wins the Pulitzer Prize for its coverage of the Yahweh religious sect during 1990.

DUVAL COUNTY

Florida Times-Union, Jacksonville, 1864-Present

> Charles Jones, the founder of what would become the *Florida Times-Union*, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame. He started the *Florida Daily Times* in 1881 and merged it with the *Daily Florida Union* a year later.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, 1895-Present

> James A. Clendinen, the former editorial page editor of *The Tampa Tribune*, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame. He retired from the newspaper in 1985.

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> April 1991 -- The Pulitzer Prize for feature writing is awarded to Sheryl James for "A Gift Abandoned," a series about a woman who abandoned her newborn baby in a cardboard box.

1992

- February 17, 1992 -- The Board of Regents chooses Lee County as the future site of the state's 10th university. The school will be called Florida Gulf Coast University.
- August 24, 1992 -- Hurricane Andrew rips through South Florida destroying parts of Homestead. Eighteen people are killed and thousands are left homeless or without water and power.

BROWARD COUNTY

Fort Lauderdale Daily News, Fort Lauderdale, 1960-1992

> Robert H. Gore, the newspaper's former owner and publisher, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame. He purchased the *Daily News* in 1929 and sold the newspaper in 1963.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> Liz Balmaseda is nominated as a Pulitzer Prize finalist for her columns about local Cuban-Americans and the immigrant community.

OKALOOSA COUNTY

The Bay Beacon, Niceville, 1992-Present

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Sentinel, Orlando, 1876-Present

> Editorial cartoonist Ralph Dunagin is nominated as a Pulitzer Prize finalist.

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> William L. Straub, former *Times* editor, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame. He was editor of the *Times* between 1901 and 1939.

VOLUSIA COUNTY

The Deland Beacon, Deland, 1992-Present

1993

- Senators: Robert Graham; Connie Mack
- U.S. President: Bill Clinton, 1993-2001
- July 1, 1993 -- A new state constitutional amendment opens old legislative records, such as those from the former Johns Committee, which were previously sealed from researchers and the public.
- A National Football League franchise is awarded to Jacksonville.
- A trial is held concerning the legal rights of 14-year-old Kimberly Mays who was switched at birth with another baby.

BREVARD COUNTY

Florida Today, Melbourne, 1966-Present

> February 1993 -- *Florida Today* begins posting some of its content on the CompuServe computer dial-up service.

Star-Advocate, Titusville, 1880-Present

> Robert H. Hudson, who worked for the *Star-Advocate* for 37 years, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> *The Miami Herald* wins the Pulitzer Prize for its coverage of Hurricane Andrew.

> *Herald* columnist Liz Balmaseda is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for criticism or commentary.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, 1895-Present

> Virgil "Red" Newton, the former managing editor of *The Tampa Tribune* (1943-1964), is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame.

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Sentinel, Orlando, 1876-Present

> Reporter Steve Berry is awarded the Pulitzer Prize for his investigative series into racial profiling.

1994

- Six Florida newspapers join forces to cover the 1994 political campaign. Newspapers participating in the “Voices of Florida” project are *The Miami Herald*, the *St. Petersburg Times*, *Tallahassee Democrat*, *Florida Times-Union*, *Bradenton Herald* and the *Boca Raton News*.
- February 1994 -- The trial of Danny Rolling for the 1990 Gainesville murders takes place.
- The Florida legislature passes a bill compensating 56 survivors and descendants of the 1923 Rosewood massacre.
- November 8, 1994 -- Democrat Lawton Chiles wins the governor’s race against Republican Jeb Bush.
- December 8, 1994 -- The Florida Supreme Court rules that the state law making it a crime to publish or broadcast the identity of a rape victim is unconstitutional.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, 1895-Present

> August 1994 -- *The Tampa Tribune* launches *Tampa Bay Online*. The *Tribune* is the second newspaper to team up with the Prodigy online service to start an electronic version of its newspaper.

MARTIN COUNTY

The Stuart News, Stuart, 1913-Present

> Ernest F. Lyons, the former editor of *The Stuart News* (1945-1975), is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame.

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Weekly, Orlando, 1994-Present

1995

- Senators: Robert Graham; Connie Mack
- February 1995 -- The state of Florida files suit against the tobacco industry.
- March 1995 -- Florida celebrates 150 years of statehood.
- March 1995 -- Major league baseball owners award a new franchise to St. Petersburg / Tampa Bay.
- April 19, 1995 -- 169 people are killed when a car bomb explodes at a federal building in Oklahoma.
- October 5, 1995 -- Hurricane Opal causes \$1.8 billion in damage to the Florida Panhandle.

ALACHUA COUNTY

The Gainesville Sun, Gainesville, 1876-Present

The *Gainesville Sun* and the journalism department at the University of Florida begin the Sun.One online BBS service.

HENDRY COUNTY

Clewiston News, Clewiston, 1928-Present

> Beryl Bowden, who served as the publisher of the *Clewiston News* for 27 years, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame.

HIGHLANDS COUNTY

Prensa Hispana, Avon Park, 1995-Present

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Sentinel, Orlando, 1876-Present

> July 1995 -- An online version of the *Orlando Sentinel* is started on America Online.

PALM BEACH COUNTY

Krey'ol Connection, West Palm Beach, 1995-Present

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> February 1995 -- The *Times* launches its first online Web project. The site offers a tour of the "Treasures of Czars" exhibit at the Florida International Museum in St. Petersburg.

> April 1995 -- Reporter Jeff Good wins a Pulitzer Prize for his editorial series, "Final Indignities," which detailed the inadequacies of Florida's probate system.

SARASOTA COUNTY

Sarasota Herald-Tribune, Sarasota, 1925-Present

> July 17, 1995 -- The *Sarasota Herald-Tribune* launches a 24-hour cable television news operation called "Sarasota News Now." (SNN is later renamed "Six News Now.")

1996

- May 11, 1996 -- ValuJet 592 crashes into the Everglades killing all 110 passengers and crew.
- July 27, 1996 -- A bomb explodes in Centennial Olympic Park during the Summer Olympic Games in Atlanta.
- November 1996 -- Bill Clinton defeats Bob Dole in the presidential race.
- November 1996 -- Republicans win control of the Florida House of Representatives for the first time in 120 years.

BREVARD COUNTY

Florida Today, Melbourne, 1966-Present

> Al Neuharth, the former president and chairman of Gannett, who launched *Florida Today* (1966) and *USA Today* (1982), is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame.

DUVAL COUNTY

Florida Times-Union, Jacksonville, 1864-Present

> April 1, 1996 -- The newspaper launches its first Internet service, Connect-U.

In 1997 Connect-U is replaced by Jacksonville.com.

HIGHLANDS COUNTY

Highlands Today, Sebring, 1996-Present

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY

Press-Journal, Vero Beach, 1919-Present

> The E.W. Scripps Company acquires the Vero Beach *Press-Journal*. The newspaper had been owned by the Schumann family.

1997

- Senators: Robert Graham; Connie Mack
- The state's tobacco lawsuit ends with a \$11 billion settlement.
- Gianni Versace is murdered in Miami Beach.
- The Florida Supreme Court rules that the use of the state's electric chair is legal.
- Barnett Banks of Florida is purchased by North Carolina's NationsBank.

BROWARD COUNTY

New Times Broward - Palm Beach, Fort Lauderdale, 1997-Present

HERNANDO COUNTY

Hernando Today, Brooksville, 1987-Present

> May 1997 -- The newspaper begins offering internet access to people living in Hernando County.

LAKE COUNTY

The Villages Daily Sun, The Villages, 1997-Present

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Sentinel, Orlando, 1876-Present

> The *Orlando Sentinel* joins with Time Warner Communications to create a local 24-hour cable news operation.

PALM BEACH COUNTY

The Village Beat, African-American newspaper, Delray Beach, 1997-Present

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> Eugene Patterson is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame. He was editor of the *St. Petersburg Times* between 1972 and 1984 and then served as chairman of the board from 1984 until 1988.

ST. LUCIE COUNTY

Fort Pierce News, Fort Pierce, 1997-Present

SARASOTA COUNTY

Sarasota Herald-Tribune, Sarasota, 1925-Present

> April 6, 1997 -- The *Sarasota Herald-Tribune* and its television operation, SNN, launch a website called "newscoast.com".

1998

- February 1998 -- Tornados kill 42 people in Central Florida.
- Summer 1998 -- Wildfires in Northern and Central Florida burn 500,000 acres.
- October 1998 -- Astronaut John Glenn returns to space at age 77.
- November 1998 -- Republican Jeb Bush wins the governor's race against Democrat Buddy MacKay.
- December 12, 1998 -- Governor Lawton Chiles dies at the age of 68. Lieutenant Governor Buddy MacKay finishes out Chiles's term.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> *The Miami Herald* spins off *El Nuevo Herald*, its Spanish-language section, as a stand-alone daily.

> December 1998 -- *Tropic*, the newspaper's Sunday magazine, ceases publication.

The magazine began on October 15, 1967.

HERNANDO COUNTY

Hernando Today, Brooksville, 1987-Present

> The newspaper launches its website.

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY

Press-Journal, Vero Beach, 1919-Present

> John J. Schumann, Sr., the founder of the Vero Beach *Press-Journal*, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame.

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Weekly, Orlando, 1994-Present

> *Orlando Weekly* launches its website.

PINELLAS COUNTY

St. Petersburg Times, St. Petersburg, 1884-Present

> April 1998 -- Tom French wins a Pulitzer Prize for his seven-part series, "Angels & Demons," which chronicled the events surrounding the 1989 murders of Jo, Michelle and Christe Rogers.

> December 1998 -- The newspaper ends its six-year-old "TimesLine" audiotex telephone information service.

POLK COUNTY

The Ledger, Lakeland, 1924-Present

> October 12, 1998 -- *The Ledger* launches its website.

SEMINOLE COUNTY

Sanford Herald / later: **Seminole Herald**, Sanford, 1908-Present

> The *Sanford Herald* changes its name to the *Seminole Herald*.

1999

- Governor: Jeb Bush, 1999-
- Senators: Robert Graham; Connie Mack
- January 1999 -- The U.S. Senate acquits President Clinton of perjury and obstruction of justice.
- September 1999 -- Hurricane Floyd forces statewide evacuations.
- December 31, 1999 -- Floridians celebrate the new millennium and worry about potential Y2K computer problems.

DADE COUNTY

The Miami Herald, Miami, 1903-Present

> *The Miami Herald*, like many newspapers across the country, announces that it is converting to a 50-inch web width to save on newsprint.

HERNANDO COUNTY

Hernando Today, Brooksville, 1987-Present

> November 7, 1999 -- The newspaper begins a Sunday edition.

ORANGE COUNTY

Orlando Sentinel, Orlando, 1876-Present

> The *Orlando Sentinel* and Puerto Rico's *El Nuevo Dia* newspaper announce a news sharing agreement.

POLK COUNTY

The Ledger, Lakeland, 1924-Present

> August 1999 -- *The Ledger* celebrates its 75th anniversary.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

The St. Augustine Record, St. Augustine, 1894-Present

> Nina Hawkins, a former editor for the *St. Augustine Record*, is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame. She began her 43-year career with the newspaper in 1910.

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2000

- Florida population: 15,982,378
- April 22, 2000 -- Armed federal agents seize six-year-old Elian Gonzalez from his Miami home. Alan Diaz records the moment in an AP photograph seen around the world. Gonzalez is returned to his father and eventually back to Cuba.
- Central Florida experiences serious drought conditions during the second part of the year.
- November 7, 2000 -- Newspapers struggle under presidential election night deadlines to find accurate front page headlines. Among the banner headlines: "Photo Finish," "Florida Finish," "Oh, So Close," "Bush Wins," "Is It Bush?" "Recount." The 2000 presidential election between Al Gore and George W. Bush ends with a controversial Florida vote recount. The winner is not officially decided until December.
- December 11, 2000 -- Federal legislation to help restore the Everglades is signed into law.

BREVARD COUNTY

Florida Today, Melbourne, 1966-Present

> Vince Spezzano, the former publisher of *Florida Today* (1975-1985), is inducted into the Florida Newspaper Hall of Fame. As a Gannett company executive he helped launch *Florida Today* in 1966.

BROWARD COUNTY

Sun-Sentinel, Fort Lauderdale, 1960-Present

> The Fort Lauderdale newspaper adds "South Florida" to its nameplate.

DADE COUNTY

El Diario, Miami, 2000-Present

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, 1895-Present

> April 2000 -- The Media General company opens its News Center building in Tampa for *The Tampa Tribune*, WFLA-TV, and TBO.com.

MONROE COUNTY

Key West Citizen, Key West, 1879-Present

> The Thomson Corporation sells the *Key West Citizen*. They also sell the *Jackson County Floridan*.

NASSAU COUNTY

News-Leader, Fernandina, 1854-Present

> September 8, 2000 -- The New York Times Company sells the *News-Leader*. They also sell the *Palatka Daily News* and the *Lake City Reporter*. On September 29th the New York Times Company sells the *Marco Island Eagle* and the *News-Sun* in Sebring.

ST. LUCIE COUNTY

The Tribune, Fort Pierce, 1903-Present

> March 31, 2000 -- *The Tribune* is sold to the E.W. Scripps Company.

SARASOTA COUNTY

Sarasota Herald-Tribune, Sarasota, 1925-Present

> October 2000 -- The *Sarasota Herald-Tribune* celebrates its 75th anniversary.

APPENDIXES

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Daily Newspapers -- General Distribution

CITY	NEWSPAPER (Most Recent Name)	COUNTY	DATES
Apalachicola	Apalachicola Gazette	Franklin	1839-1840
Boca Raton	The Boca Raton News	Palm Beach	1955-Present
Bradenton	The Bradenton Herald	Manatee	1922-Present
Brooksville	Sun Journal	Hernando	1888-1990s
Brooksville	Hernando Today	Hernando	1987-Present
Cape Coral	Cape Coral Daily Breeze	Lee	1975-Present
Clearwater	Clearwater Sun	Pinellas	1914-1990
Crestview	West Florida Daily Globe	Okaloosa	1952-?
Crystal River	Citrus County Chronicle	Citrus	1890-Present
Daytona Beach	The Evening News	Volusia	1936-?
Daytona Beach	The News-Journal	Volusia	1904-Present
Deland	Deland Sun News	Volusia	1877-Present
Fort Lauderdale	Daily News	Broward	1925-1958
Fort Lauderdale	News	Broward	1960-1992
Fort Lauderdale	News and Sentinel	Broward	1958-1960
Fort Lauderdale	Sun-Sentinel	Broward	1960-Present
Fort Myers	News-Press	Lee	1884-Present
Fort Pierce	The Tribune	St. Lucie	1903-Present
Fort Walton Beach	Northwest Florida Daily News	Okaloosa	1946-Present
Gainesville	The Gainesville Sun	Alachua	1876-Present
Jacksonville	The Daily Record	Duval	?-Present
Jacksonville	The Florida Daily Times	Duval	1881-1883
Jacksonville	The Florida Times-Union	Duval	1864-Present
Jacksonville	Jacksonville Journal	Duval	1887-1988
Key West	The Key West Citizen	Monroe	1879-Present
Lake City	Lake City Reporter	Columbia	1874-Present
Lake Wales	The Highlander	Polk	1916-Present
Lakeland	The Ledger	Polk	1924-Present
Leesburg	Daily Commercial	Lake	1875-Present
Marianna	Jackson County Floridan	Jackson	1922-Present
Melbourne	Florida Today	Brevard	1966-Present
Miami	Daily Tab	Dade	1920s
Miami	Daily Business Review	Dade	?-Present
Miami	Diario Las Americas	Dade	1953-Present
Miami	El Nuevo Herald	Dade	1976-Present
Miami	Metropolis / later: The Miami News	Dade	1896-1988
Miami	Miami Evening News-Record	Dade	1907-1910
Miami	The Miami Evening Record	Dade	1903-1907
Miami	The Miami Herald	Dade	1903-Present
Miami	Morning Tribune	Dade	?-1937
Naples	Naples Daily News	Collier	1923-Present
New Smyrna	The Observer	Volusia	1913-Present
Ocala	Ocala Star-Banner	Marion	1866-Present
Okeechobee	The Daily Okeechobee News	Okeechobee	1915-Present
Orlando	Orlando Daily Herald	Orange	1901-1903
Orlando	Orlando Sentinel	Orange	1876-Present
Palatka	Palatka Daily News	Putnam	1885-Present
Palm Beach	Palm Beach Daily News	Palm Beach	1894-Present

Panama City	The News-Herald	Bay	1937-Present
Pensacola	Pensacola News Journal	Escambia	1889-Present
Port Charlotte	Charlotte Sun Herald	Charlotte	1893-Present
St. Augustine	The St. Augustine Record	St. Johns	1894-Present
St. Petersburg	Evening Independent	Pinellas	1906-1986
St. Petersburg	St. Petersburg Times	Pinellas	1884-Present
Sanford	Seminole Herald	Seminole	1908-Present
Sarasota	Sarasota Herald-Tribune	Sarasota	1925-Present
Sarasota	Sarasota Journal	Sarasota	1952-1982
Sebring	Highlands Today	Highlands	1996-Present
Stuart	The Stuart News	Martin	1913-Present
Tallahassee	Tallahassee Democrat	Leon	1905-Present
Tampa	Tampa Daily News	Hillsborough	1887-1896
Tampa	The Tampa Daily Times	Hillsborough	1893-1982
Tampa	The Tampa Evening News	Hillsborough	1907
Tampa	Tampa Globe	Hillsborough	1925-1926
Tampa	The Tampa Morning News	Hillsborough	1897-?
Tampa	Tampa Telegraph	Hillsborough	1925
Tampa	The Tampa Tribune	Hillsborough	1883-1893
Tampa	The Tampa Tribune	Hillsborough	1895-Present
Vero Beach	Press-Journal	Indian River	1926-Present
The Villages	The Villages Daily Sun	Lake	1997-Present
West Palm Beach	The Palm Beach Post	Palm Beach	1916-Present
West Palm Beach	Palm Beach Times / later: Evening Times	Palm Beach	1922-1987
Winter Haven	Winter Haven News Chief	Polk	1911-Present

Weekly Newspapers and other Non-Dailies -- General Distribution

CITY	NEWSPAPER (Most Recent Name)	COUNTY	DATES
Apalachicola	Advertiser	Franklin	1833-1835
Apalachicola	Apalachicola Courier	Franklin	1839-1840
Apalachicola	Apalachicola Gazette	Franklin	1836-1840
Apalachicola	Apalachicola Herald	Franklin	1884
Apalachicola	Apalachicola Times	Franklin	1885-Present
Apalachicola	Apalachicola Tribune	Franklin	1881-1884
Apalachicola	Apalachicolian	Franklin	1840-1841
Apalachicola	Carrabelle Times	Franklin	1977-Present
Apalachicola	Commercial Advertiser	Franklin	1843?-1858?
Apalachicola	Florida Journal	Franklin	1840-1843
Apalachicola	Star of the West	Franklin	1848
Apalachicola	Watchman of the Gulf	Franklin	1843
Apopka	Apopka Chief	Orange	?-Present
Apopka	Arcadia Enterprise	Orange	1894-1924
Apopka	Citizen	Orange	1880s?-?
Apopka	Florida Pioneer	Orange	1870s?-?
Apopka	The Planter Newspaper	Orange	1965-Present
Arcadia	The Arcadian	DeSoto	1924-Present
Arcadia	Champion	DeSoto	1880s?-?
Arcadia	DeSoto County News	DeSoto	1898-1924
Arcadia	DeSoto County Times	DeSoto	?-Present
Auburndale	Auburndale Star	Polk	1953-Present
Avon Park	Idea	Highlands	1880s?-?
Avon Park	The News-Sun / Avon Park	Highlands	?-Present
Avon Park	Prensa Hispana	Highlands	1995-Present
Bagdad	Gulf Coast Women's News	Santa Rosa	?-Present
Bartow	Advance Courier	Polk	1887-1888
Bartow	Courier-Informant	Polk	1889-1919
Bartow	Informant	Polk	1881-1888
Bartow	The Polk County Democrat	Polk	1931-Present
Bartow	Polk County News	Polk	1890-1893
Belleair	Belleair Bee	Pinellas	?-Present
Bellevue	Blade	Marion	1880s?-?
Bellevue	Voice of South Marion	Marion	1969-Present
Blountstown	The County Record	Calhoun	1907-Present
Boca Grande	Boca Beacon	Lee	?-Present
Boca Grande	Gasparilla Gazette	Lee	?-Present
Boca Raton	Almanber	Palm Beach	1990s-Present
Boca Raton	Boca Raton Thursday Times	Palm Beach	1965-Present
Boca Raton	Central Boca Times	Palm Beach	1965-Present
Boca Raton	The Monday Paper	Palm Beach	1972-Present
Boca Raton	West Boca Times	Palm Beach	1965-Present
Bokeelia	Pine Island Eagle	Lee	?-Present
Bonifay	Holmes County Advertiser	Holmes	1892-Present
Bonifay	Holmes County Times	Holmes	?-Present

Bonita Springs	Bonita Banner	Lee	1959-Present
Boynton Beach	Boynton Beach Times	Palm Beach	1979-Present
Bradenton	Bradenton News	Manatee	1897-?
Bradenton	Gulf Coast Progress	Manatee	1881-1885
Bradenton	Journal	Manatee	1880s?-?
Bradenton	Manatee County Call	Manatee	1964-?
Bradenton	Manatee River Journal	Manatee	1888-1922
Bradenton	Morning Call	Manatee	1962-1963
Brandon	The Brandon News	Hillsborough	?-Present
Branford	The Branford News	Suwannee	1967-Present
Bristol	Bristol Free Press	Liberty	1887-1940s?
Bristol	The Calhoun-Liberty Journal	Liberty	1981-Present
Bronson	Levy County Journal	Levy	1930-Present
Bronson	Levy County Times-Democrat	Levy	1890-1924
Brooksville	Brooksville Journal	Hernando	1928-1960
Brooksville	Brooksville Sun	Hernando	1932-1960
Brooksville	Hernando News	Hernando	1880s?-?
Brooksville	Hernando Today	Hernando	1987-Present
Brooksville	Register	Hernando	1880s?-?
Bunnell	Flagler / Palm Coast News-Tribune	Flagler	1913-Present
Bushnell	Sumter County Times	Sumter	1881-Present
Callahan	Nassau County Record	Nassau	1930-Present
Canal Point	Everglades News	Palm Beach	1924-1967
Cape Coral	The Pine Island Eagle	Lee	1976-Present
Carrollwood	Carrollwood News	Hillsborough	1980-Present
Cedar Key	Cedar Key Beacon	Levy	?-Present
Cedar Key	Commercial	Levy	1880s?-?
Cedar Key	Florida State Journal	Levy	1870s?-?
Chattahoochee	Twin City News	Gadsden	1946-Present
Chiefland	Chiefland Citizen	Levy	1950-Present
Chipley	Washington County News	Washington	1924-Present
Clearwater	Clearwater News	Pinellas	1893-?
Clearwater	Clearwater Times	Pinellas	1873-1880s
Clearwater	Tampa Bay Review	Pinellas	1952-Present
Clearwater	The Suncoast Beacon	Pinellas	1970-Present
Clermont	Clermont Press	Lake	1923-1966
Clermont	South Lake Press	Lake	1913-Present
Clewiston	Clewiston News	Henry	1928-Present
Cocoa	Public Spirit	Brevard	1880s?-?
Cocoa	The Tribune	Brevard	?-Present
Coral Gables	Coral Gables Gazette	Dade	?-Present
Coral Gables	Coral Gables News	Dade	1958-Present
Coral Springs	Broward News	Broward	1983-Present
Coral Springs	Coral Springs Forum	Broward	1965-Present
Coral Springs	Coral Springs News	Broward	1949-Present
Crawfordville	The Leon County News	Wakulla	1977-Present
Crawfordville	The Wakulla News	Wakulla	1895-Present
Crescent City	Courier-Journal	Putnam	1946-Present
Crescent City	Crescent City News	Putnam	1894?-1902
Crestview	Niceville Bayou Times	Okaloosa	1912-Present
Crestview	News-Journal	Okaloosa	1912-Present
Crestview	North Okaloosa Bulletin	Okaloosa	1975-Present
Cross City	Dixie County Advocate	Dixie	1923-Present
Dade City	Democrat	Pasco	1880s?-?

Dade City	Pasco News	Pasco	1904-Present
Daytona	Daytona Gazette-News	Volusia	1889-1923
Daytona	Halifax Journal	Volusia	1882-1914
Daytona Beach	The New Volusian	Volusia	1964-Present
Daytona Beach	Daytona Times	Volusia	1978-Present
De Funiak Springs	De Funiak Herald	Walton	1890-Present
De Funiak Springs	Graphic	Walton	1880s?-?
De Funiak Springs	The Herald Breeze	Walton	1990-Present
De Funiak Springs	Signal	Walton	1882-?
De Funiak Springs	Times	Walton	1880s?-?
Deerfield Beach	Broward Jewish Journal	Broward	1965-Present
Deerfield Beach	Deerfield Beach Times	Broward	1965-Present
Deerfield Beach	Hi-Riser North / Hi-Riser South	Broward	1967-Present
Deerfield Beach	Lighthouse Point	Broward	?-Present
Deland	Agriculturist	Volusia	1880s?-?
Deland	The Deland Beacon	Volusia	1992-Present
Deland	The New Volusian	Volusia	1964-Present
Deland	News	Volusia	1880s?-?
Deland	Record	Volusia	1880s?-?
Delray Beach	Delray Beach Times	Palm Beach	1977-Present
Delray Beach	Women's Business Journal	Palm Beach	?-Present
Destin	The Beach Breeze	Okaloosa	1990-Present
Destin	The Destin Log	Okaloosa	1974-Present
Dover	Okeechobee News	Okeechobee	1917-Present
Dunedin	Dunedin Times / Palm Harbor Sounder	Pinellas	1923-Present
Dunnellon	Riverland News	Marion	?-Present
Eastpoint	Franklin County Chronicle	Franklin	?-Present
Englewood	Englewood Sun-Times	Sarasota	1955-Present
Eustis	Eustis News	Lake	?-Present
Eustis	Lake Region	Lake	1880s?-?
Everglades City	Everglades Echo	Collier	1979-Present
Everglades City	Everglades Floridian	Collier	?-Present
Fern Park	Heritage Florida Jewish News	Seminole	?-Present
Fernandina	East Floridian	Nassau	1859-1860s?
Fernandina	El Telegrafo de las Floridas	Nassau	1817
Fernandina	Express	Nassau	1870s?-?
Fernandina	Mirror	Nassau	1880s?-?
Fernandina	News-Leader	Nassau	1854-Present
Fernandina	Peninsula	Nassau	1863-1864?
Fort Lauderdale	City Link	Broward	1991-Present
Fort Lauderdale	Eastsider	Broward	?-Present
Fort Lauderdale	El Heraldo de Broward y Palm Beach	Broward	1974-Present
Fort Lauderdale	Fort Lauderdale Downtown	Broward	1988-Present
Fort Lauderdale	The Highriser	Broward	1967-Present
Fort Lauderdale	Hometown Herald	Broward	1964-Present
Fort Lauderdale	New Times Broward-Palm Beach	Broward	1997-Present
Fort Lauderdale	South Florida Business Journal	Broward	1980-Present
Fort Lauderdale	Waterfront News	Broward	1984-Present
Fort Meade	The Fort Meade Leader	Polk	1910-Present
Fort Meade	South Florida Progress	Polk	1880s?-?
Fort Myers	Fort Myers Beach Observer	Lee	?-Present
Fort Myers Beach	Fort Myers Beach Bulletin	Lee	1951-Present
Fort Pierce	Fort Pierce News	St. Lucie	1997-Present
Fort Read	Florida Crescent	Orange	1877-?

Fort Walton Beach	N.W. Florida Business Journal	Okaloosa	1988-Present
Fort Walton Beach	Okaloosa County Reporter	Okaloosa	1967-Present
Fort White	Boomer	Columbia	1880s?-?
Frostproof	Frostproof News	Polk	1914-Present
Gainesville	Gainesville New Era	Alachua	1865-1874
Gainesville	Gainesville Times	Alachua	1876-1879
Gainesville	Home Seeker	Alachua	1880s?-?
Gainesville	The Record	Alachua	1969-Present
Graceville	The Graceville News	Jackson	1903-Present
Green Cove Springs	Clay County Crescent	Clay	1891-1990s
Greenacres	Suburban Lake Worth Town-Crier	Palm Beach	1980-Present
Gulf Breeze	The Gulf Breeze	Santa Rosa	1960-Present
Gulf Breeze	Gulf Breeze Sentinel	Santa Rosa	1960-Present
Gulf Breeze	Islander Newspaper	Santa Rosa	?-Present
Gulf Breeze	Perido Pelican	Santa Rosa	1989-Present
Gulf Breeze	Santa Rosa Sun	Santa Rosa	?-Present
Gulfport	The Gulfport Gabber	Pinellas	?-Present
Gulfport	Gulfport Citizen	Pinellas	1940s
Gulfport	Gulfport Tribune	Pinellas	1940s
Gulfport (Disston City)	Point Pinellas Herald	Pinellas	1887-?
Gulfport (Disston City)	Seabreeze	Pinellas	1886-1887
Haines City	Haines City Herald	Polk	1917-Present
Hallandale	Hallandale Digest	Broward	1963-Present
Havana	Havana Herald	Gasden	1947-Present
Hialeah	Hialeah News	Dade	1976-Present
High Springs	The High Springs Herald	Alachua	1952-Present
High Springs	Sentinel	Alachua	1880s?-?
Hollywood	Alligator Times	Broward	1977-1983
Hollywood	Community News	Broward	1987-Present
Hollywood	Seminole News	Broward	1950s-1977?
Hollywood	Seminole Tribune	Broward	1983-Present
Hollywood	South Florida Business Journal	Broward	?-Present
Holmes Beach	The Islander Bystander	Manatee	?-Present
Homestead	South Dade News-Leader	Dade	1912-Present
Homestead	Palmetto Bay News	Dade	1968-Present
Immokalee	Immokalee Bulletin	Collier	?-Present
Islamorada	Free Press	Monroe	1987-Present
Jacksonville	Both Sides Now	Duval	1969-?
Jacksonville	The Business Journal	Duval	?-Present
Jacksonville	East Florida Advocate	Duval	1839-1840
Jacksonville	East Floridian	Duval	1868-1869?
Jacksonville	Farmer and Fruit Grower	Duval	1880s?-?
Jacksonville	Florida Agriculturist	Duval	1870s?-?
Jacksonville	Florida Baptist Witness	Duval	1884-Present
Jacksonville	Florida News	Duval	1852-1859
Jacksonville	Florida Republican	Duval	1848-?
Jacksonville	Florida Statesman	Duval	1845-1846?
Jacksonville	Florida Whig	Duval	1845
Jacksonville	Folio Weekly	Duval	1987-Present
Jacksonville	Industrial Florida	Duval	1880s?-?
Jacksonville	Jacksonville Courier	Duval	1835-1839
Jacksonville	Jacksonville Standard	Duval	1859?-?
Jacksonville	Labor Journal	Duval	1930s?-?
Jacksonville	Mandarin News	Duval	?-Present

Jacksonville	Northeast Florida Advocate	Duval	?-Present
Jacksonville	Semi-Tropical	Duval	1870s?-?
Jacksonville	The Southern Confederacy	Duval	1861-?
Jacksonville	Standard	Duval	1880s?-?
Jacksonville	Sun and Press	Duval	1870s?-?
Jacksonville	Tropical Plant	Duval	1842-1845
Jacksonville Beach	The Beaches Leader	Duval	1963-Present
Jacksonville Beach	Ponte Vedra Recorder	Duval	?-Present
Jacksonville Beach	Sun-Times	Duval	1981-Present
Jensen Beach	The Mirror	Martin	1961-Present
Jupiter	Jupiter / Tequesta Thursday Paper	Palm Beach	?-Present
Jupiter	The Jupiter Courier	Palm Beach	1957-Present
Kendall	Kendall News	Dade	1958-Present
Key Biscayne	The Islander News	Dade	1966-Present
Key West	Commercial Advertiser	Monroe	1829-1830?
Key West	Dispatch	Monroe	1870s?-?
Key West	Equator-Democrat	Monroe	1880s?-?
Key West	Inter-Ocean	Monroe	1880s?-?
Key West	Key of the Gulf	Monroe	1870s?-?
Key West	Key West Enquirer	Monroe	1834-1836
Key West	Key West Gazette	Monroe	1831-1832
Key West	Key West Gazette	Monroe	1844-?
Key West	Key West Register	Monroe	1829-1830
Key West	New Era	Monroe	1862-1863
Key West	Solares Hill	Monroe	?-Present
Key West	South Floridian	Monroe	1838-1840
Keystone Heights	Lake Region Monitor	Clay	?-Present
Kissimmee	Leader	Osceola	1880s?-?
Kissimmee	Osceola News-Gazette	Osceola	1897-Present
Kissimmee	Valley Gazette	Osceola	1880s?-?
La Belle	Caloosa Belle	Hendry	1923-Present
La Belle	La Belle Leader	Hendry	?-Present
Lake Butler	Bulletin	Union	1880s?-?
Lake Butler	Union County Times	Union	1921-Present
Lake City	Lake City Reporter	Columbia	1874
Lake City	School Journal	Columbia	1880s?-?
Lake City	Tobacco Plant	Columbia	1880s?-?
Lake Panasoffkee	The Sumter Journal	Sumter	?-Present
Lake Placid	Lake Placid Journal	Highlands	1959-Present
Lake Wales	The Lake Wales News	Polk	1926-Present
Lake Worth	Lake Worth Herald	Palm Beach	1912-Present
Lakeland	Advocate	Polk	1880s?-?
Land O'Lakes	The Laker	Pasco	1982?-Present
Lantana	Amerikan Uutiset	Palm Beach	1932-Present
Largo	The Belleair-Beach Bee	Largo	?-Present
Largo	Clearwater-Largo Leader	Pinellas	?-Present
Largo	Countryside-Safety Harbor Journal	Pinellas	?-Present
Largo	St. Pete Beach - Pasadena Today	Pinellas	?-Present
Largo	Seminole Beacon	Pinellas	?-Present
Leesburg	Sumter County Advance	Lake	1870s?-?
Lehigh Acres	Lehigh Acres Citizen	Lee	?-Present
Lehigh Acres	Lehigh Acres News-Star	Lee	1962-Present
Live Oak	Banner	Suwannee	1882-?
Live Oak	Expositor	Suwannee	1870s?-?

Live Oak	The Jasper News	Suwannee	1870-Present
Live Oak	Suwannee Democrat	Suwannee	1884-Present
Longboat Key	The Longboat Observer	Manatee	?-Present
Longwood	La Prensa Newspaper	Seminole	1981-Present
Longwood	The Longwood News	Seminole	1880s?
Lutz	In the Loop	Pasco	?-Present
Lutz	Lutz Community News	Hillsborough	1960?-Present
MacClenny	Baker County Press	Baker	1929-Present
MacClenny	Baker County Standard	Baker	?-Present
MacClenny	Sentinel	Baker	1880s?-?
Madison	Madison County Carrier	Madison	1964-Present
Madison	Madison Enterprise-Recorder	Madison	1865-Present
Madison	Sun	Madison	1870s?-?
Magnolia	Magnolia Advertiser	Leon	1828-1830
Manatee	Advocate	Manatee	1880s?-?
Mannfield	Star	Citrus	1880s?-?
Marathon	Florida Keys Keynoter	Monroe	1953-Present
Marathon	The Keys Advertiser	Monroe	1990-Present
Marco Island	Marco Island Eagle	Collier	1968-Present
Margate	Margate / Coconut Creek Forum	Broward	1965-Present
Marianna	The Courier	Jackson	1870s?-?
Marianna	Florida Whig	Jackson	1847-?
Marianna	The Monitor	Jackson	?-Present
Marianna	Times-Courier	Jackson	1880s?-?
Mayo	The Mayo Free Press	Lafayette	1888-Present
Melbourne	Indian River News	Brevard	1880s?-?
Melbourne	Republican	Brevard	1880s?-?
Melbourne	Times	Brevard	1880s?-?
Merritt Island	Space Coast Press	Brevard	?-Present
Miami	Broward Neighbors	Dade	1964-Present
Miami	Carol City-Opa Locka News	Dade	1971-Present
Miami	Community News	Dade	?-Present
Miami	El Nuevo Patria	Dade	1959-Present
Miami	Florida Deutsches Echo	Dade	1920s?-?
Miami	The Florida Newspaper	Dade	1927-Present
Miami	Haitien March	Dade	?-Present
Miami	Jewish Floridian	Dade	1928-1990
Miami	La Estrella de Nicaragua	Dade	?-Present
Miami	La Nacion	Dade	1976-Present
Miami	Libre	Dade	1966-Present
Miami	Mi Casa	Dade	1987-Present
Miami	Miami Morning News	Dade	?-1907
Miami	Miami New Times	Dade	1987-Present
Miami	Miami Springs News	Dade	?-Present
Miami	Miami Today	Dade	1983-Present
Miami	South Miami News	Dade	1968-Present
Miami	South West News	Dade	1968-Present
Miami	Your Home Town News	Dade	1944-Present
Miami Beach	The Post	Dade	1986-Present
Miami Beach	PostMortem	Dade	1987-Present
Miami Beach	Sun	Dade	?-1970s?
Miami Shores	La Voz Catolica	Dade	1982-Present
Miami Shores	Miami Shores News	Dade	1972-Present
Milton	Milton Standard	Santa Rosa	1870s?-?

Milton	Press-Gazette	Santa Rosa	?-Present
Milton	Santa Rosa Free Press	Santa Rosa	?-Present
Milton	Santa Rosa Press-Gazette	Santa Rosa	1907-Present
Monticello	The Constitution	Jefferson	1870s?-?
Monticello	Monticello News	Jefferson	1869-Present
Moore Haven	Glades County Democrat	Glades	1922-Present
Mount Dora	Lake News	Lake	1957-Present
Mount Dora	Mount Dora Topic	Lake	1916-Present
Mulberry	Mulberry Press	Polk	1909-Present
Navarre	Navarre News	Santa Rosa	?-Present
Naples	Everglades Echo	Collier	1979-Present
New Port Richey	Suncoast News	Pasco	1916-Present
New Port Richey	West Pasco Press	Pasco	1916-Present
New Smyrna	Breeze	Volusia	1880s?-?
Newport	Newport Gazette	Wakulla	1846
Newport	Newport Patriot	Wakulla	1844-?
Newport	Waculla Times	Wakulla	1849-?
Niceville	The Bay Beacon	Okaloosa	1992-Present
Niceville	Bayou Times	Okaloosa	?-Present
Niceville	The Beacon Express	Okaloosa	?-Present
North Miami	North Miami Beach News	Dade	1970-Present
North Port	North Port Sun Herald	Sarasota	1977-Present
Oakland Park	Oakland Park / Wilton Manors Tribune	Broward	?-Present
Ocala	East Florida Banner	Marion	1870s?-?
Ocala	Florida Home Companion	Marion	1857-?
Ocala	Florida Mirror	Marion	1853-?
Ocala	Marion Free Press	Marion	1880s?-?
Ocala	Marion Star	Marion	1851-?
Ocala	New Capital	Marion	1880s?-?
Ocala	Witness	Marion	1880s?-?
Okeechobee	Okeechobee News	Okeechobee	1914-Present
Orlando	The Florida Catholic	Okeechobee	1939-Present
Orlando	The Florida Sun	Orange	?-Present
Orlando	La Prensa	Orange	?-Present
Orlando	La Semana	Orange	1981-Present
Orlando	Orlando Business Journal	Orange	1984-Present
Orlando	Orlando Weekly	Orange	1994-Present
Orlando	Record	Orange	1880s?-?
Orange City	Southwest Volusia Reporter	Volusia	?-Present
Orange City	Times	Volusia	1880s?-?
Orange Park	Clay Today	Clay	1974-Present
Oviedo	Chronicle	Orange	1880s?-?
Oviedo	Gazette	Orange	1890s?
Pablo Beach	Pablo Beach Breeze	Duval	1880s?-?
Palatka	Eastern Herald	Putnam	1870s?-?
Palatka	Florida Enterpriser	Putnam	1902-?
Palatka	Times	Putnam	1880s?-?
Palatka	Whig Banner	Putnam	1846
Palm Beach	Palm Beach Thursday Paper	Palm Beach	?-Present
Palm Beach	Palm Beach Today	Palm Beach	?-Present
Palm Coast	Palm Coast / Flagler Community Times	Flagler	?-Present
Panama City Beach	Beach Bay News	Bay	1978-Present
Pensacola	Advance	Escambia	1878-1881
Pensacola	Advance-Gazette	Escambia	1882-1885

Pensacola	Argus	Escambia	1828
Pensacola	Argus	Escambia	1893-1894
Pensacola	Commercial	Escambia	1867-1871
Pensacola	Commercial	Escambia	1882-1889
Pensacola	Democrat	Escambia	1845-1856
Pensacola	Echo	Escambia	1878
Pensacola	Escambia Sun-Press	Escambia	1946-Present
Pensacola	Express	Escambia	1870-1875
Pensacola	Florida Argus	Escambia	1828
Pensacola	Floridian	Escambia	1821-1824
Pensacola	Gazette	Escambia	1870s?-?
Pensacola	Journal	Escambia	1898-1924
Pensacola	Live Oak	Escambia	1847
Pensacola	Mail	Escambia	1871-1872
Pensacola	Neutral	Escambia	1848
Pensacola	News	Escambia	1880s?-?
Pensacola	Observer	Escambia	1857-1870
Pensacola	Pensacola Advance	Escambia	1870s?-?
Pensacola	Pensacola Gazette	Escambia	1824-1860s
Pensacola	Pensacola Herald	Escambia	1870s?-?
Pensacola	Pensacolian	Escambia	1883-1889
Pensacola	Republican	Escambia	1874
Pensacola	Republican	Escambia	1884
Pensacola	Sentinel	Escambia	1899
Pensacola	West Florida Advertiser	Escambia	1824-1860s?
Pensacola	West Florida Times	Escambia	1856-1857
Pensacola Beach	Islander	Escambia	?-Present
Perry	Perry News-Herald	Taylor	1889-Present
Perry	Taco Times	Taylor	1961-Present
Perry	Taylor County Banner	Taylor	1880s-?
Pinellas Park	Pinellas Park News	Pinellas	1963-Present
Plant City	The Courier	Hillsborough	1884-Present
Plantation	Plantation Star	Monroe	1949-Present
Polk City	Polk City Press	Polk	1984-Present
Ponte Vedra Recorder	Ponte Vedra Beach	St. Johns	?-Present
Pompano Beach	The Pompano Ledger	Broward	1980-Present
Pompano Beach	Pompano Pelican	Broward	?-Present
Pompano Beach	Quad City News	Broward	1949-Present
Port Leon	Commercial Gazette	Leon	1843
Port St. Joe	The Star	Gulf	1937-Present
Quincy	Gadsden County Times	Gadsden	1901-Present
Quincy	Herald	Gadsden	1870s?-?
Quincy	Quincy Sentinel	Gadsden	1839-1841
Rockledge	Rockledge Reporter	Brevard	?-Present
Royal Palm Beach	Loxahatchee Town-Crier	Palm Beach	1980-Present
St. Andrews	Messenger	Washington	1880s?-?
St. Augustine	Ancient City	St. Johns	1850-?
St. Augustine	East Florida Gazette	St. Johns	1783-1784
St. Augustine	Examiner	St. Johns	1850s?-?
St. Augustine	Florida Gazette	St. Johns	1821
St. Augustine	East Florida Herald /later: Florida Herald	St. Johns	1822-1850s
St. Augustine	Florida Press	St. Johns	1870s?-?
St. Augustine	News	St. Johns	1838-1852
St. Augustine	News	St. Johns	1880s?-?

St. Francis	Florida Facts	Lake	1880s?-?
St. Joseph	St. Joseph Telegraph	Franklin	1835-1836
St. Petersburg	Advocate	Pinellas	1930s?-?
St. Petersburg	Floridian	Pinellas	1944-1959?
St. Petersburg	Northeast Neighborhood News	Pinellas	?-Present
St. Petersburg	The Pinellas News	Pinellas	1963-Present
St. Petersburg	The Pinellas Post	Pinellas	1921-?
St. Petersburg	South Florida Home	Pinellas	1888-1896
St. Petersburg	Sub-Peninsular	Pinellas	1894-1896
St. Petersburg Beach	Gulf Beach News	Pinellas	1934-1949
Sanford	Gate City Chronicle	Seminole	1880s?-?
Sanford	South Florida Journal	Seminole	1870s?-?
Sanibel	Captiva Current	Lee	?-Present
Sanibel	The Island Reporter	Lee	1973-Present
Sanibel	Island Sun	Lee	?-Present
Sanibel	Islander	Lee	1961-Present
Sarasota	The Beach Weekly	Sarasota	1984-Present
Sarasota	Pelican Press	Sarasota	1971-Present
Sarasota	Sarasota Times	Sarasota	1984-Present
Sebastian	Sebastian Sun	Indian River	?-Present
Sebring	The News-Sun	Highlands	1919-Present
South Miami	South Miami News	Dade	?-Present
Starke	Bradford County Telegraph	Bradford	1879-Present
Sun City Center	East Bay Breeze	Hillsborough	1983-Present
Sunrise	The Broward Informer	Broward	1975-Present
Tallahassee	Agricultural Bulletin	Leon	1880s-?
Tallahassee	Capital Outlook	Leon	1964-Present
Tallahassee	Daily Floridian	Leon	1891-1890s?
Tallahassee	Elder Update	Leon	1977-Present
Tallahassee	Florida Advocate	Leon	1827-1829
Tallahassee	Florida Courier	Leon	1830-1832
Tallahassee	Florida Immigrant	Leon	1870s?-?
Tallahassee	The Florida Intelligencer	Leon	1825-1826?
Tallahassee	Florida Patriot	Leon	1870s?-?
Tallahassee	Florida Sentinel	Leon	1841-1870s
Tallahassee	Floridian	Leon	1828-?
Tallahassee	Magnolia Advertiser	Leon	1828-1830
Tallahassee	Republican	Leon	1880s?-?
Tallahassee	The Sentinel	Leon	1845-?
Tallahassee	Southern Journal	Leon	1846-?
Tallahassee	The Tallahasseean	Leon	?-Present
Tallahassee	Tallahassee Gazette	Leon	1835
Tallahassee	Tallahassee Star	Leon	1839-1846
Tampa	Advocate	Hillsborough	1880s?-?
Tampa	Community News	Hillsborough	?-Present
Tampa	The Courier	Hillsborough	?-Present
Tampa	Florida Labor Advocate	Hillsborough	1929?-1958
Tampa	Free Press	Hillsborough	1911-Present
Tampa	Gulf Coast Progress	Hillsborough	1879-?
Tampa	Neighbor Newspaper	Hillsborough	1980s?
Tampa	South Tampa News	Hillsborough	?-Present
Tampa	Southern Pythian	Hillsborough	1880s?-?
Tampa	Sunland Tribune	Hillsborough	1876-1880s?
Tampa	Sunny South	Hillsborough	1861-?

Tampa	The Tampa Advance / Advance-News	Hillsborough	1890s?
Tampa	Tampa Bay Business	Hillsborough	?-Present
Tampa	Tampa Guardian / Steel Blade	Hillsborough	1874-1886
Tampa	Tampa Herald / Florida Peninsular	Hillsborough	1854-1872
Tampa	Tampa Independent	Hillsborough	1958-?
Tampa	Tampa Journal	Hillsborough	1886-?
Tampa	Town 'N Country News	Hillsborough	1989-Present
Tampa	The True Southerner	Hillsborough	1868
Tampa	Weekly Planet	Hillsborough	1988-Present
Tampa / Ybor City	La Gaceta	Hillsborough	1922-Present
Tarpon Springs	Holiday Herald	Pinellas	?-Present
Tarpon Springs	Tarpon Springs Herald	Pinellas	1903-?
Tarpon Springs	Tarpon Springs Leader	Pinellas	?-Present
Tarpon Springs	Truth	Pinellas	1880s-?
Tavares	Citizen	Lake	?-Present
Tavares	Herald	Lake	1882-?
Tavernier	The Reporter	Monroe	?-Present
Temple Terrace	Temple Terrace Beacon	Hillsborough	1933?-Present
Temple Terrace	Temple Terrace News	Hillsborough	1988-Present
Titusville	Star-Advocate	Brevard	1880-Present
Umatilla	Fair Florida	Lake	1880?-?
Umatilla	North Lake Outpost	Lake	?-Present
Venice	The Venice Gondolier	Sarasota	1946-Present
Venice Beach	Englewood Sun Herald	Sarasota	1955-Present
Wauchula	The Herald Advocate	Hardee	1900-Present
Wellington	Wellington Town Crier	Palm Beach	1980-Present
Wesley Chapel	Wesley Chapel Connection	Pasco	?-Present
West Palm Beach	Krey'ol Connection	Palm Beach	1995-Present
West Palm Beach	Union Labor News	Palm Beach	1930s?-?
Wewahitchka	Gulf County Breeze	Gulf	1925-Present
Wildwood	Courier	Sumter	1880s?-?
Williston	Sun-Suwanee Valley News	Levy	1879-Present
Williston	The Williston Pioneer	Levy	?-Present
Winter Garden	The West Orange Times	Orange	1913-Present
Winter Park	Outlook	Orange	1971-1990s
Winter Park	Sun Herald	Orange	?-Present
Winter Park	Winter Park-Maitland Observer	Orange	?-Present
Woodville	The Leon County News	Leon	1977-Present
Zephyrhills	The Laker	Pasco	1981-Present
Zephyrhills	Zephyrhills News	Pasco	1911-Present
Zephyrhills	Zephyrhills Sun	Pasco	?-Present

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Daytona Beach	Daytona Times	Volusia	1978-Present
Delray Beach	The Village Beat	Palm Beach	1997-Present
Eatonville	Eatonville Ledger	Orange	1886-1889
Eatonville	Eatonville Speaker	Orange	1889-?
Fort Lauderdale	The Broward Times	Broward	?-Present
Fort Lauderdale	Colored Bulletin	Broward	1930s?
Fort Lauderdale	Florida Spur	Broward	1947-1950?
Fort Lauderdale	Westside Gazette	Broward	1971-Present
Fort Myers	Community Voice	Lee	1988-Present
Fort Myers	Ebony Star	Lee	1960s-1970s
Fort Myers	The Messenger	Lee	1917?-?
Fort Myers	Peoples' Press	Lee	1978-?
Fort Pierce	Fort Pierce Chronicle	St. Lucie	1957-?
Gainesville	Gainesville New Era	Alachua	1873-1876
Gainesville	Gainesville Sentinel	Alachua	1887-1894
Jacksonville	Afro-American Gazette	Duval	1911-1912
Jacksonville	Bulletin	Duval	1930s?
Jacksonville	Chronicle	Duval	1988-Present
Jacksonville	Daily American	Duval	1894
Jacksonville	Edward Waters Globe	Duval	1892-?
Jacksonville	Florida Cyclone	Duval	1888
Jacksonville	Florida Evangelist	Duval	1896-1902
Jacksonville	Florida Sentinel	Duval	1914-1931
Jacksonville	Florida Standard	Duval	1906-1919
Jacksonville	Florida Star	Duval	1951-Present
Jacksonville	Florida Templar	Duval	1886-1888
Jacksonville	Florida Labor Templar	Duval	1901-1920s?
Jacksonville	Jacksonville Advocate	Duval	1930s-Present
Jacksonville	Jacksonville Free Press	Duval	1987-Present
Jacksonville	Jacksonville Tattler	Duval	1934-1962
Jacksonville	Liberator	Duval	1888
Jacksonville	Northeast Florida Advocate	Duval	?-Present
Jacksonville	People's Journal	Duval	1883-1893
Jacksonville	Southern Leader	Duval	1885-1888
Key West	Key West News	Monroe	1882-1885
Marianna	West Florida Bugle	Jackson	1880s-1920s?
Miami	East Coast Dispatch	Dade	1924?-1965
Miami	Florida Courier	Dade	?
Miami	Miami-Dade Journal	Dade	1970s?
Miami	Miami Times	Dade	1923-Present
Miami	Miami Whip	Dade	1934-1950
Milton	Colored Signal	Santa Rosa	1920s?
Ocala	Florida Watchman	Marion	1924-?
Ocala	Ocala Ledger	Marion	1887-1890
Orlando	Orlando Mirror	Orange	1931-Present
Orlando	Orlando Times	Orange	1975-Present
Palatka	Palatka Advocate	Orange	1917-1927?

Palm Beach	Tribune	Palm Beach	1937?
Pensacola	Florida Sentinel	Escambia	1894-1914
Pensacola	New American Press	Escambia	1979-Present
Pensacola	Pensacola Brotherhood	Escambia	1910-1965
Pensacola	Pensacola Courier	Escambia	1935-1960s?
Pensacola	Pensacola Enterprise	Escambia	1887-?
Pensacola	Pensacola Times	Escambia	1888
Pensacola	Pensacola Voice	Escambia	1965-Present
Pompano Beach	The Broward Times	Broward	1990-Present
Rivera Beach	Gold Coast Star News	Palm Beach	?
St. Augustine	Post	St. Johns	1930s?-?
St. Petersburg	Public Informer	Pinellas	1937-?
St. Petersburg	Weekly Challenger	Pinellas	1967-Present
St. Petersburg	World	Pinellas	1930s?
Sarasota	The Bulletin	Sarasota	1959-Present
Tallahassee	Capitol Outlook	Leon	1964-Present
Tallahassee	Metropolitan	Leon	1920s
Tallahassee	Record-Dispatch	Leon	1947-?
Tampa	Afro-American Monthly	Hillsborough	1915-?
Tampa	Bulletin	Hillsborough	1930s?-?
Tampa	Florida Sentinel-Bulletin	Hillsborough	1945-Present
Tampa	News-Reporter	Hillsborough	1959-?
Tampa	Southern Progress	Hillsborough	1886-?
Tampa	Tampa Gazette and Land Bulletin	Hillsborough	1900?-?
Titusville	Florida Advertiser	Brevard	1937?
West Palm Beach	Advocate	Palm Beach	1925?
West Palm Beach	Florida News	Palm Beach	1930s?-?
West Palm Beach	Florida Photo News and Image	Palm Beach	1955-Present
West Palm Beach	Palm Beach Gazette	Palm Beach	?-Present?
Winter Park	Advocate	Orange	1885

College Newspapers

SCHOOL	NEWSPAPER	CITY
Barry University	Barry Buccaneer	Miami Shores
Bethune-Cookman College	Voice of the Wildcats	Daytona Beach
Brevard Community College	Capsule	Cocoa
Broward Community College	The Observer	Davie
Daytona Beach Community College	In Motion	Daytona Beach
Eckerd College	Eckerd College Triton	St. Petersburg
Embry-Riddle Aero University	Avion	Daytona Beach
Flagler College	Fargoyle	St. Augustine
Florida A&M University	Famuan	Tallahassee
Florida Community College	The Campus Voice	Jacksonville
Florida Institute of Technology	Crimson	Melbourne
Florida International University	Beacon	North Miami
Florida Memorial College	The Lion's Tale	Miami
Florida Southern College	Southern	Lakeland
Florida State University	FSView	Tallahassee
Florida State University	Florida Flambeau	Tallahassee
Hillsborough Community College	Hawkeye	Tampa
Jacksonville University	Navigator	Jacksonville
Lake Sumter Community College	Angler	Leesburg
Miami-Dade Community College-Kendall	Catalyst	Miami
Miami-Dade Community College-North	Falcon Times	Miami
Nova Southeastern University	Knight	Fort Lauderdale
Nova Southeastern University Law School	Broadly Speaking	Fort Lauderdale
Palm Beach Atlantic College	Compass	West Palm Beach
Pensacola Junior College	Corsair	Pensacola
Polk Community College	PCC Press	Winter Haven
Rollins College	Sandspur	Winter Park
Saint Leo College	Monarch	St. Leo
St. Petersburg Junior College	Wooden Horse	St. Petersburg
St. Thomas University	Sentinel	Miami
Southeastern College	Flame	Lakeland
Stetson University	The Reporter	Deland
Tallahassee Community College	Talon	Tallahassee
University of Central Florida	Central Florida Future	Orlando
University of Central Florida	Knight Times	Orlando
University of Florida	The Independent Florida Alligator	Gainesville
University of Florida	Orange and Blue Newspaper	Gainesville
University of Miami	Miami Hurricane	Coral Gables
University of North Florida	Spinnaker	Jacksonville
University of South Florida	Oracle	Tampa
University of Tampa	Minaret	Tampa
University of West Florida	Voyager	Pensacola
Valencia Community College	The Paper: Valencia Source	Orlando