## Using Newspapers.com for Genealogical Research JGASGP January 17, 2021

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Newspapers.com is a digitized searchable archive containing scanned newspapers from across the country and some international papers. It is a subscription service associated with Ancestry.com and offers a seven-day free trial. Vintage newspapers are a treasure trove of information for genealogists. Use Newspapers.com to search for:

- Birth, marriage, and death notices
- Obituaries
- Wedding announcements
- Local Events
- Society pages
- Human interest stories
- Advertisements for businesses
- Legal notices

## Search Tips

- Create a timeline and begin with what you already know
- Use quotation marks with proper names to keep first and last names together
- Try searching with alternate name spellings
- Add dates and newspaper locations to filter your results
- Sort your results by newspaper date or by relevance to pinpoint an event
- Use wildcard [?] to replace one letter and [\*] to replace multiple letters
- Use Boolean operators such as "or" and "not"
- When searching for a town, also search for nearby towns, rivers, mountains, etc.
- Use the "Clip" button to share articles or to download them to your computer
- Take time to enjoy yourself vintage newspapers are a window into the world of our ancestors

For more search tips check out Newspapers.com's blog Fishwrap: https://blog.newspapers.com

## Suggested Reading Jewish Life on World War I's Eastern Front

The Enemy at his Pleasure by S. Ansky, Metropolitan Books, 2002

Memorial Book of Tlumacz: The Zloczow Episode, Y. Jung, https://www.jewishgen.org/yizkor/tlumacz/tlue007.html#PageXX