



OPEN ACCESS TO OUR HERITAGE

The Gateway to Oklahoma History

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GATEWAY TO OKLAHOMA HISTORY



The screenshot shows the website's header with the Oklahoma Historical Society logo and navigation links for Search, Explore, About, and Help. Below the header is a search bar with a dropdown menu set to 'fulltext' and a 'Submit' button. A link for 'Advanced Search | Search Help' is provided below the search bar. The main content area features a collage of historical newspaper clippings, including one titled 'A Victim of Suspicion.' Below the collage is a 'Featured Items' section with two items: 'Durant Weekly News' from August 12, 1904, and 'The Weekly Times-Journal' from August 12, 1904. To the right of the main content area are three sections: 'About the Gateway', 'Other Resources', and 'Recent Additions', each with a right-pointing arrow. The 'About the Gateway' section describes the online repository of Oklahoma history. The 'Other Resources' section mentions the Research Center section. The 'Recent Additions' section notes that new digital newspapers are continually added.

The Gateway to Oklahoma History

Search Explore About Help

fulltext Submit

[Advanced Search | Search Help](#)

About the Gateway

The Gateway is an online repository of Oklahoma history. You may browse through hundreds of thousands of newspaper pages dating from the 1840s to the 1920s.

The Gateway provides free access to **90,694** issues and **681,474** pages of historical newspaper content.

Other Resources

The Oklahoma Historical Society has numerous resources for Oklahoma history. Visit the [Research Center section](#) to find out more about our books, manuscripts, maps, photographs, audio, video and other newspapers.

Recent Additions

The Gateway is continually adding new digital newspapers. View some of the latest materials here.

Featured Items

109 years ago: Durant Weekly News. (Durant, Indian Terr), Vol. 9, No. 24, Ed. 1, Friday, August 12, 1904

109 years ago: The Weekly Times-Journal. (Oklahoma City, Okla.), Vol. 16, No. 17, Ed. 1 Friday, August 12, 1904

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HISTORY OF THE PARTNERSHIP

- OHS contributes items to The Portal to Texas History
- 2009, 2011, 2013: OHS receives Chronicling America grants from Library of Congress and NEH to digitize 100,000 newspaper pages in 2 years
 - UNT serves as technical coordinator
- OHS receives Ethics and Excellence in Journalism Grant: 5 million Oklahoma newspaper pages online



UNT HAD IN PLACE...

- Established workflows:
 - Newspaper digitization to preservation standards
 - Hosting content online in an open access format
- Digital curation utilities
 - To manage data over time
- Content delivery system
 - Can quickly scale



ADVANTAGES FOR UNT

- Expands our newspaper digitization operation
- Benefits our students and scholars
- Improves access to the collection



DEVELOPING THE GATEWAY

- Aubrey
 - UNT's public-facing content delivery and metadata management system
 - Funded by a grant from IMLS
 - One large collection of content from the same servers
 - Gateway is an interface within Aubrey



DEVELOPING THE GATEWAY, CONTD.

- User Interfaces Unit at UNT Libraries worked with OHS to design the Gateway
- Similar look to the Portal to Texas History and UNT Digital Library with OHS branding; matches their website
- 2 month process from design to launch
 - Kickoff meeting at UNT in December 2011
 - UI created design mockups, OHS created icons and content descriptions
 - Communication with Basecamp (project management software)



WORKFLOW

- OHS digitizes content and delivers to UNT via hard drive
- At UNT:
 - Run OCR software for full-text searching
 - Generate: Raw XML, Text file, PDF file for each newspaper page
 - Create additional “super” metadata
- Data is ingested and uploaded
- Derivatives are delivered to Oklahoma on drives for long-term storage and also moved to the network at UNT
- Collection descriptions and icons created by OHS and UNT



[About this Newspaper](#)[Read this Newspaper](#)[Other items in this serial \(209\)](#)

The Tulsa Star (Tulsa, Okla.), Vol. 1, No. 24, Ed. 1, Friday, April 11, 1913

[Brief Record](#)[Full Record](#)[Statistics](#)**Creator (Editor):**

[Smitherman, Andrew Jackson](#)
A. J. Smitherman, Editor & General Mgr.

**Publisher Info:**

Publisher Name: [The Tulsa Star Printing and Publishing Co. and](#)
Publisher Info: 501 North Greenwood Street
Place of Publication: Tulsa, Oklahoma

Publisher Info:

Publisher Name: [Andrew Jackson Smitherman](#)
Publisher Info: A. J. Smitherman
Place of Publication: Tulsa, Oklahoma

Original Creation Date:

April 11, 1913

Coverage:

Place
[United States - Oklahoma - Tulsa County - Tulsa](#)
Era
[New South, Populism, Progressivism, and the Great Depression, 1877-1939](#)

Description:

Weekly newspaper from Tulsa, Oklahoma. Coverage includes local, state, and national news, along with advertising.

Search Inside[Return to Search Results](#)[Citation](#)[Metadata](#)[Share](#)**More Options**[All Pages](#)**Other Resources**

The Oklahoma Historical Society has served as the centralized repository for records dealing with the history of Oklahoma since before statehood.

For more information about these rich collections [learn more here](#).



ADDING CONTENT

- Currently over 90,000 newspaper issues
 - 680,000 pages
- Full-text searching
- Collections: titles and subjects
- Date range: 1840s to 1920s



Statistics for The Gateway to Oklahoma History

Item Usage

Items Added

More Data

442,915 Total Uses / 67,173 in the last 29 days.



Usage by Month/Year

Year	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
2013	37,549	39,694	44,918	51,774	47,342	48,687	65,034	30,465					365,463
2012	0	0	0	248	2,167	5,641	6,202	8,605	6,433	12,273	14,884	20,999	77,452

<http://gateway.okhistory.org/stats/>

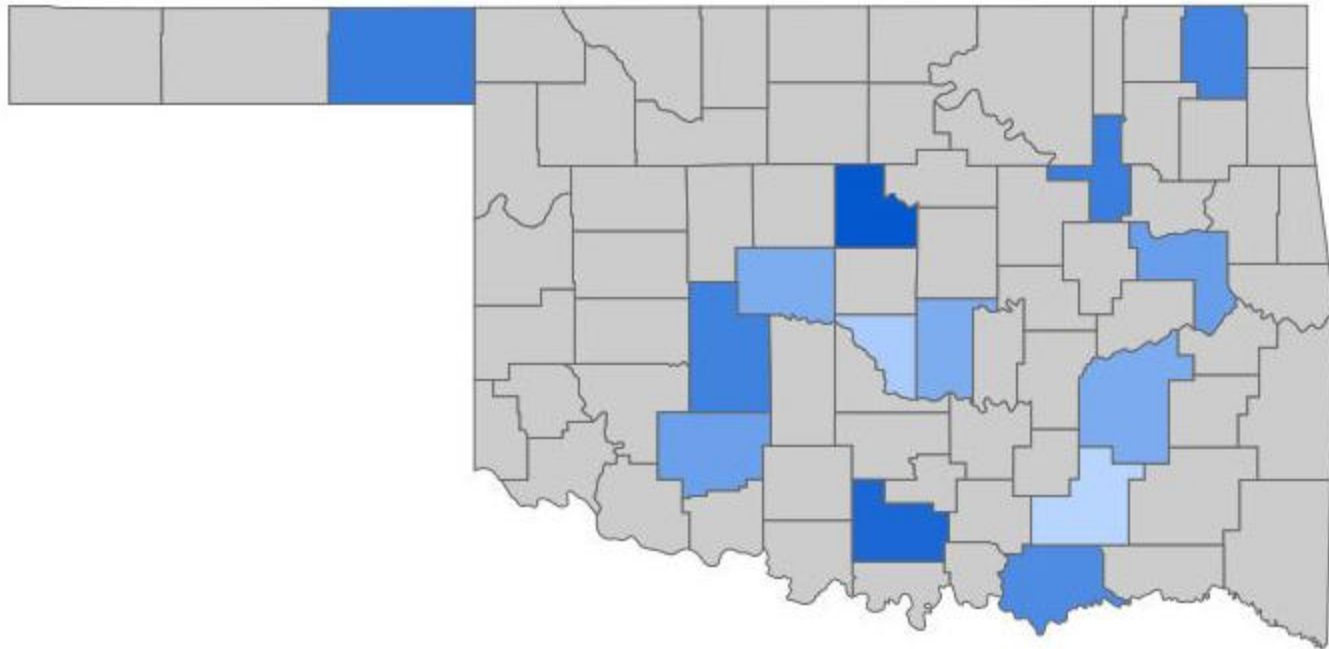


2012-07-06

Explore by Locations

Oklahoma Map

List of Oklahoma Counties



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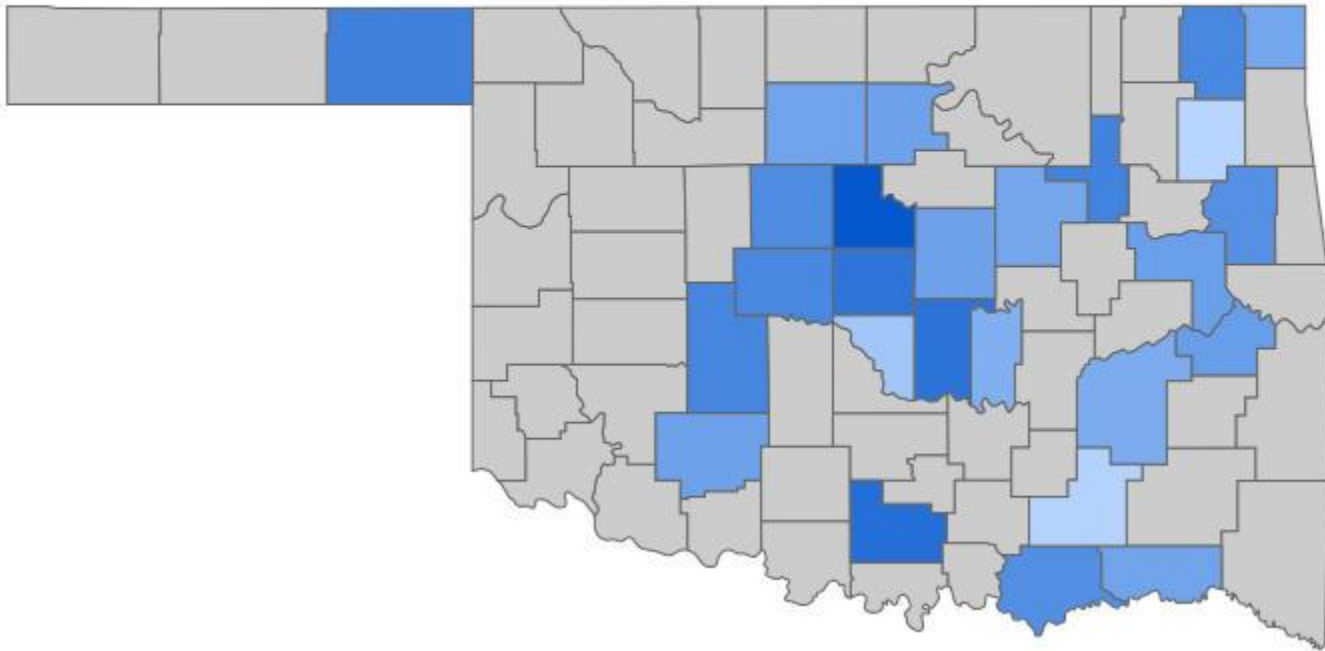


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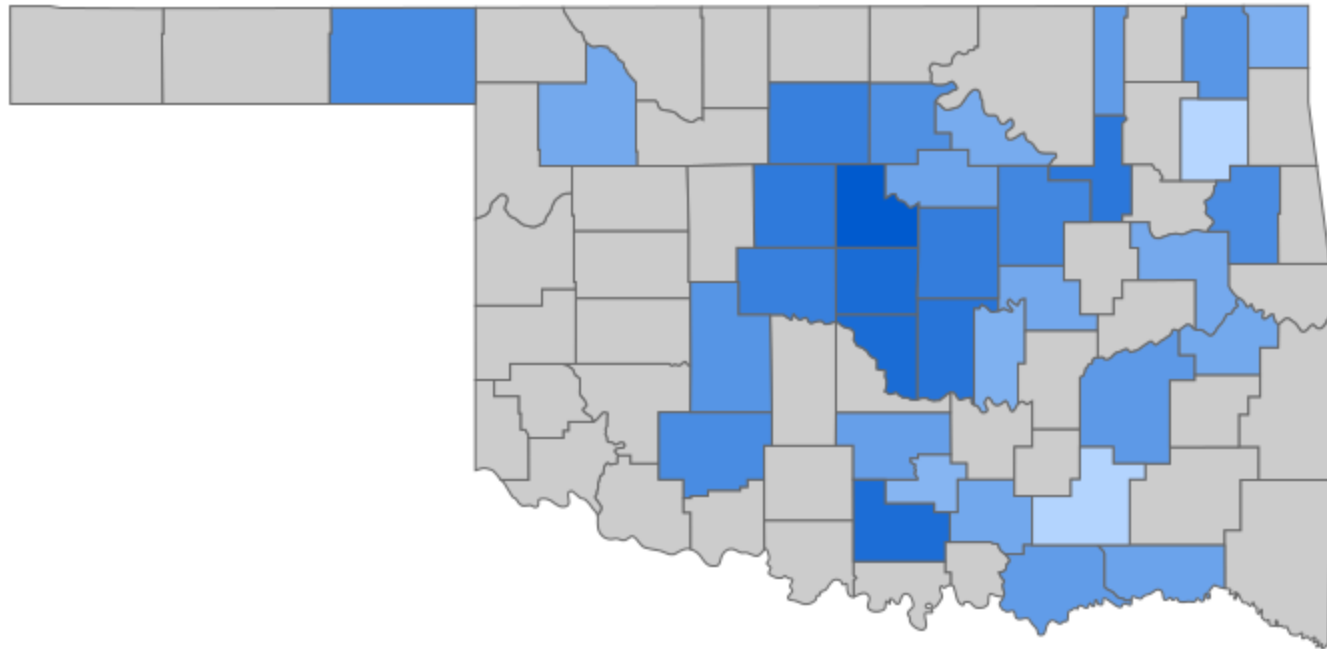
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2013-05-16

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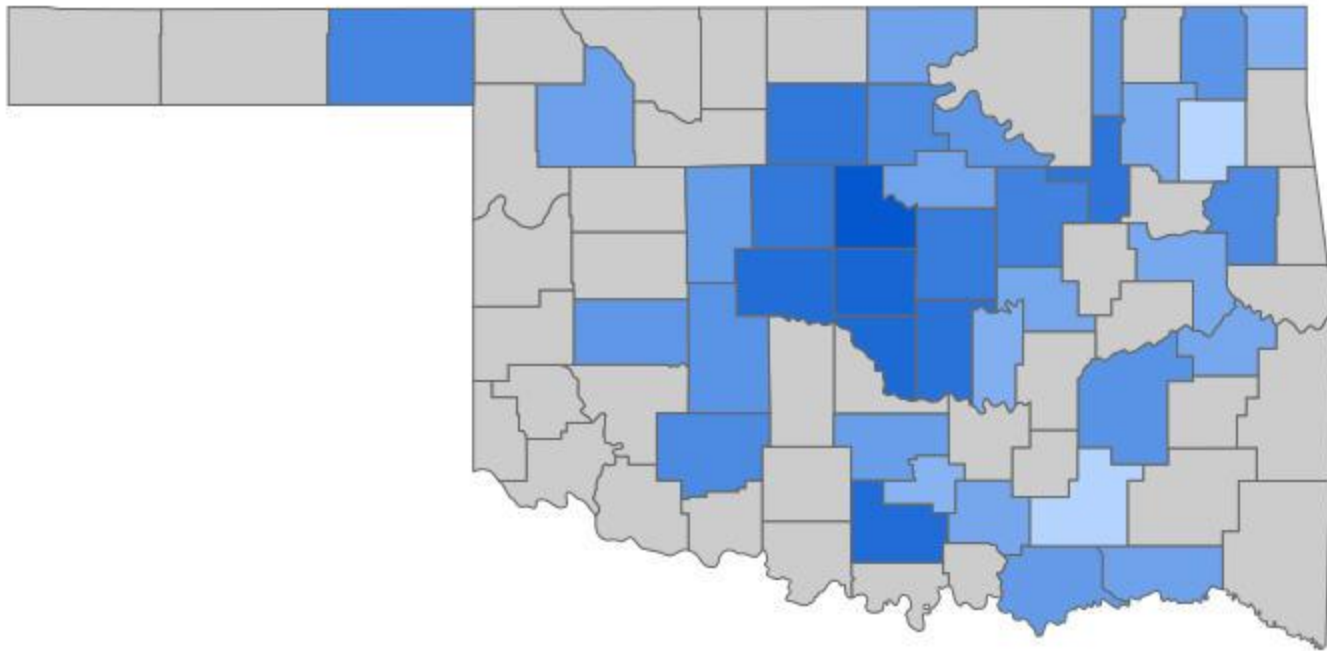


2013-08-12

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