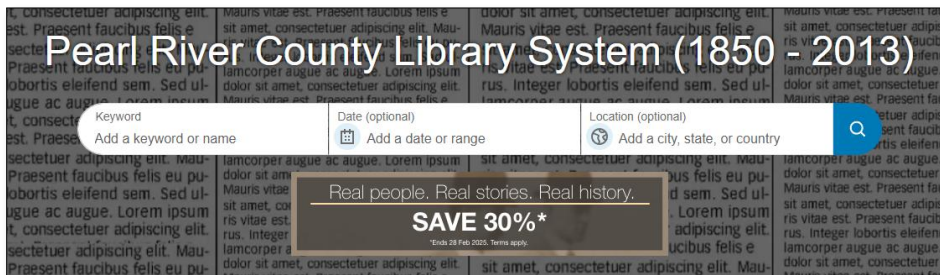


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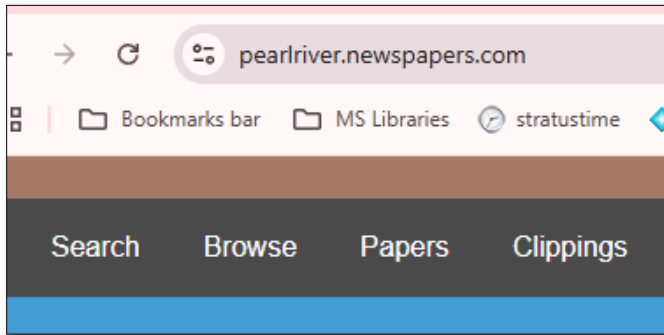
Last Fall, PRCLS sent dozens of newspaper microfilm reels to Newspapers.com for free digitization. The digitization is complete, and PRCLS now has free access to the scanned reels. (Not all reels could be scanned due to damage.) Newspapers.com has also given PRCLS access to all of the Picayune Item and Poplarville Democrat reels they received directly from those publishers.

While PRCLS does not have a paid subscription to Newspapers.com and its thousands of newspapers, PRCLS does have access to Newspapers.com database for the publications listed below. Newspapers.com is a vibrant database, and after a short learning curve, it is easy to navigate.

The PRCLS Newspapers.com database can be accessed on *any* library computer at <https://pearlriver.newspapers.com/>. This home page has a search bar that is a great place to start “Googling.”



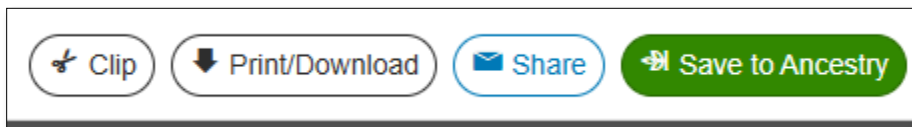
When you click Browse on the homepage, you will see a list of all of the publications available to PRCLS.



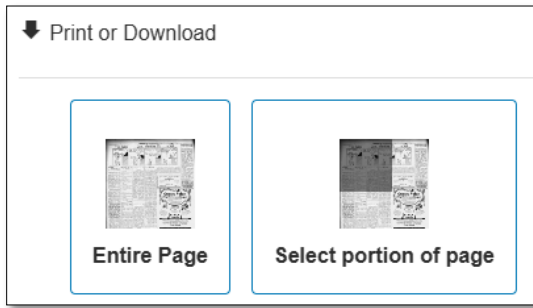
This is the first time many of these publications have been available digitally. The earliest newspaper is the Pine Knot from 1850.



When a search is performed, some options appear in the upper righthand corner of the search bar. The Print/Download option will be the most commonly used since Clip, Share, and Save to Ancestry options require an individual user account.



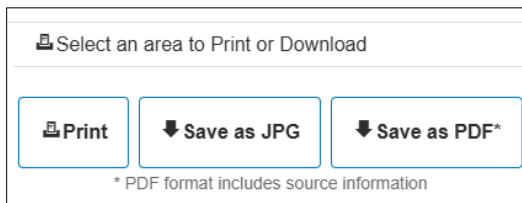
When one selects Print/Download, the following options appear.



One can print or download the Entire Page or Selection Portion of Page.

Printing an entire newspaper page on 8.5" x 11" paper is not ideal, particularly for extremely old newspaper editions.

Save as jpg or pdf allows for zooming into the document whether it be an entire page or a select portion.



Both the Print and Save As options embed the newspaper's publication information at the top of the page. This feature is extremely helpful. However, it does reduce the amount of page space available to the limit the amount of newspaper on a page. This can be an issue when printing.





The [pearlriver.newspapers.com/](https://pearlriver.newspapers.com/) database includes the following newspapers and approximate years.

- a. Picayune Item (Picayune 1904; 1928-2013 some missing years)
- b. Lumberton Headblock (Lumberton 1890-1904)
- c. The Weekly Democrat (Poplarville 1955-1971)
- d. Pine Knot (Gainesville, MS 1850)
- e. Gulf Coast Progress (Bay St Louis 1915-1917)
- f. The Free Press (Poplarville 1891-1923)
- g. The Pearl River Countian (Picayune/Pearl River County 1916)
- h. Pearl River Watchman (Poplarville 1918)

Note: the database is incomplete. Some editions or pages may be damaged, missing, or unreadable.