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News-Gazette Logbooks, 1939; 1950-1966, 1973-1991 Collection 402

Champaign County Historical Archives

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Creator/Corporate Name: News-Gazette (Champaign, III.)

Inclusive Dates: 1939; 1950-1966, 1973-1991 **Physical Description**: 6 boxes, (3.0 linear ft.)

Language: English

Provenance:

The News-Gazette Logbooks were donated to the Champaign County Historical Archives.

Access:

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Historical Note:

The earliest known ancestor of *The News-Gazette* was *The Spirit of the Agricultural Press,* published by Albert Gore. After over half a century of name and ownership changes, in 1919, David W. Stevick purchased *The Champaign Daily Gazette* and merged it with another local newspaper, *The Champaign Daily News*, which he had bought from E. B. Chapin in 1915, creating what we know today as *The News-Gazette*. Only *The Courier* would remain the last major newspaper rival until its closure in 1979.

Three Stevick family members led *The News-Gazette* from its inception in 1919: David, his wife Helen, and finally, their daughter, Marajen. Marajen Stevick Chinigo led the paper until she died in 2002. Community Media Group now owns and operates *The News-Gazette* (2019-).

Scope and Content Note:

This collection contains logbooks primarily detailing *News-Gazette* photographers' daily assignments from March 1950 to December 1966 and January 1973 to December 1991. The assignments are listed under each day's date and include a keyword or phrase about the articles the photographs will accompany, next to the assigned photographer's name. The photographer's names are entered as either initials, first name, or last name. These logbooks are an excellent resource for locating images in our News-Gazette Negative Collection.

Also present is an Advertisement Record logbook from 1939.

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Arrangement:

This collection is arranged chronologically by year.

Related Material:

News-Gazette Negative Collection (1940-2002)

Subject Terms:

Advertising

News-Gazette (Champaign, III.)

Photographers Photojournalism

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