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➤ **Bob and Rob Littin** ◀

Historical Newspaper Collection, 1875-2008

MSS-232

Size: 2 lin.ft.

Provenance: Gift of Bob and Rob Littin, Hilton Head, South Carolina. In October 2009, the Littins sent their newspaper collection to Dr. Lloyd Jacobs, president of The University of Toledo. Dr. Jacobs transferred the collection to the Canaday Center in November 2009.

Collection Summary: The Bob and Rob Littin Historical Newspaper Collection consists of newspapers from both U.S. and foreign cities documenting important events in our nation's history. Newspaper dates range from 1875 to 2008

Subjects: [Collectors and Collecting](#)

Access: Open

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Biographical Sketch

Bob Littin began collecting newspapers documenting important historical events while a teenager. His son, Rob, began collecting them as well during the past few years. Both are graduates of The University of Toledo: Bob in 1940, and Rob in 1976.

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Scope and Content Note

The Bob and Rob Littin Historical Newspaper Collection consists of newspapers from various U.S. and a few foreign cities documenting important events in our nation's history dating 1875 to 2008. A majority of the papers are from Toledo. The collection was housed in two large leather portfolios, with most unfolded and placed in plastic sleeves. They have been removed from the portfolios and placed in acid-free boxes. Because of the fragility of the newspapers, no attempt has been made to arrange the collection. Earlier newspapers are located in Box 1, and later newspapers in Box 2. Box 2 also contains some loose papers, and these are filed at the end.

Of particular note because of the geographic location of the newspaper covering the story are the *Honolulu Star-Bulletin* of December 7, 1941 (bombing of Pearl Harbor); the *London Daily Mail* of July 30, 1981 (the wedding of Prince Charles and Princess Diana); and the *Wall Street Journal* of October 20, 1987 (the stock market crash).

The inventory identifies the historical event, date, and newspaper.

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Folder List

Box	Folder	Historical Event
1	1	League of Nations ratified. <i>Toledo Times</i> , April 29, 1919
1	2	Death of Calvin Coolidge. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , January 5, 1933
1	3	Election of Herbert Hoover as President and Al Smith as Governor. <i>The Pottstown News</i> , November 6, 1928
1	4	Election of Herbert Hoover. <i>The Pottstown News</i> , November 7, 1928
1	5	Wreck of the Hindenburg. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , May 7, 1937
1	6	Sinking of U.S. boats by Japanese. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , November 13, 1937
1	7	Russians capture Berlin. <i>San Francisco Chronicle</i> , May 3, 1945
1	8	Funeral of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. <i>Detroit Free Press</i> , April 15, 1945
1	9	V-E Day. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , May 8, 1945; <i>Christian Science Monitor</i> , May 7, 1945
1	10	Bombing of Nagasaki. <i>San Francisco Chronicle</i> , August 9, 1945
1	11	Soviet Union declares war on Japan. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , August 8, 1945
1	12	V-J Day. <i>Los Angeles Times</i> , August 15, 1945
1	13	Surrender terms for Japan. <i>San Francisco Chronicle</i> , August 11, 1945
1	14	Japanese surrender. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , August 14, 1945
1	15	American warships surround Havana. <i>Milwaukee Journal</i> , September 21, 1953
1	16	D-Day. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , June 6, 1945
1	17	Hitler takes power. <i>Toledo News-Bee</i> , March 14, 1938
1	18	Allies declare war on Germany. <i>Detroit News</i> , September 3, 1939
1	19	Germany and Italy declare war on U.S. <i>Raleigh Times</i> , December 11, 1941
1	20	Spanish civil war. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , September 16, 1936
1	21	Landon landslide predicted. <i>Toledo Morning Times</i> , November 2, 1936
1	22	Roosevelt elected. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , November 4, 1936
1	23	Japan declares war on U.S. <i>Raleigh News and Observer</i> , December 8, 1941
1	24	Pearl Harbor bombed. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , December 8, 1941
1	25	U.S. declares war on Axis powers. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , December 11, 1941
1	26	Nazis capture Paris. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , June 16, 1940
1	27	Pearl Harbor bombed. <i>Honolulu Star-Bulletin</i> , December 7, 1941
1	28	Japanese soldier surrenders. <i>The Honolulu Advertiser</i> , March 11, 1974
1	29	Roosevelt assassination attempt. <i>Toledo News-Bee</i> , February 16, 1933
1	30	Roosevelt declares bank holiday. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , March 6, 1933
1	31	Korean War declared. <i>New York Times</i> , June 28, 1950
1	32	Korean War declared. <i>Daily Record</i> , June 28, 1950
1	33	War breaks out in Europe. <i>Toledo News-Bee</i> , October 3, 1935
1	34	Huey Long assassinated. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , September 9, 1935

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| 1 | 35 | Roosevelt nominated. <i>New York Times</i> , July 2, 1932 |
| 1 | 36 | Will Rogers and Wiley Post die in plane crash. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , August 16, 1935 |
| 1 | 37 | Davey elected governor. <i>Toledo News-Bee</i> , November 4, 1936 |
| 1 | 38 | Roosevelt elected president. <i>Toledo Morning Times</i> , November 4, 1936 |
| 1 | 39 | Edward VIII abdicates. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , December 10, 1936 |
| 1 | 40 | Civil war in Austria. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , July 26, 1934 |
| 1 | 41 | Lindbergh baby kidnapping. <i>Toledo News-Bee</i> , September 25, 1934 |
| 1 | 42 | King George V ill. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , January 18, 1936 |
| 1 | 43 | King George V dies. <i>Toledo Morning Times</i> , January 21, 1936 |
| 1 | 44 | Miscellaneous papers, 1975-1904 |
| 2 | 1 | Eisenhower elected. <i>Boston Herald</i> , November 5, 1952 |
| 2 | 2 | Eisenhower re-elected. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , November 7, 1956 |
| 2 | 3 | Death of Stalin. <i>Toledo Times</i> , March 6, 1953 |
| 2 | 4 | Satellite launched by Soviet Union. <i>Philadelphia Inquirer and Philadelphia Evening Bulletin</i> , October 8, 1957 |
| 2 | 5 | U.S. spy plane over Soviet Union. <i>Cincinnati Enquirer</i> , May 8, 1960 |
| 2 | 6 | Kennedy leading in election returns. <i>Cincinnati Enquirer</i> , November 10, 1960 |
| 2 | 7 | Sputnik launched. <i>Cincinnati Post</i> , April 12, 1961 |
| 2 | 8 | First U.S. space flight. <i>Cincinnati Post</i> , May 5, 1961 |
| 2 | 9 | Glenn orbits earth. <i>Cincinnati Post</i> , February 20, 1962 |
| 2 | 10 | Kennedy assassinated. <i>Monroe Evening News</i> , November 22, 1936 |
| 2 | 11 | Death of Pope John XXIII. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , June 3, 1963 |
| 2 | 12 | U.S. blockades Cuba. <i>Toledo Times</i> , October 23, 1962 |
| 2 | 13 | Ruby kills Oswald. <i>Chicago Tribune</i> , November 25, 1963 |
| 2 | 14 | Kennedy assassinated. <i>Le Soire</i> (France), November 24, 1963 |
| 2 | 15 | Douglas MacArthur dies. <i>Chicago Tribune</i> , April 6, 1964 |
| 2 | 16 | Lyndon Johnson elected. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , November 4, 1964 |
| 2 | 17 | Churchill dies. <i>Toledo Times</i> , January 25, 1965 |
| 2 | 18 | Six Day War. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , June 5, 1967 |
| 2 | 19 | Robert Kennedy shot. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , June 5, 1968 |
| 2 | 20 | Stock market crashes. <i>Detroit News</i> , October 20, 1987 |
| 2 | 21 | Nixon elected. <i>Miami Herald</i> , November 7, 1968 |
| 2 | 22 | Man walks on moon. <i>Toledo Times</i> and <i>Cleveland Plain Dealer</i> , July 21, 1969 |
| 2 | 23 | Martin Luther King Jr. assassinated. <i>Chicago Sun-Times</i> , April 5, 1968 |
| 2 | 24 | Man walks on moon. <i>Nice-Matin</i> (France), July 21, 1969 |
| 2 | 25 | Nixon re-elected. <i>Toledo Times</i> , November 8, 1972 |
| 2 | 26 | Vietnam escalation. <i>Houston Chronicle</i> , May 9, 1972 |
| 2 | 27 | Agnew resigns. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , October 10, 1973 |
| 2 | 28 | Vietnam peace treaty signed. <i>New York Times</i> , January 28, 1973 |
| 2 | 29 | Reagan elected. <i>Toledo Blade</i> , November 5, 1980 |

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- 2 30 Reagan shot. *Toledo Blade*, March 31, 1981
- 2 31 Pope shot. *New York Post*, May 13, 1981
- 2 32 Reagan inaugurated and hostages freed. *Toledo Blade*, January 21, 1981
- 2 33 Princess Diana and Prince Charles married. *London Daily News*, July 30, 1981
- 2 34 Stock market crashes. *Detroit Free Press* and *Wall Street Journal*, October 20, 1987
- 2 35 Challenger disaster. *El Telegrafo* (Mexico),
- 2 36 U.S. bombs Bagdad. *USA Today*, January 17, 1991
- 2 37 Victory in Iraq war. *New Orleans Times-Picayune*, February 28, 1991
- 2 38 World Cup final. *The West Australian* (Perth), February 5, 1987
- 2 39 Bush elected. *Detroit News*, November 8, 1988
- 2 40 Iraq war begins. *Island Packet* (Hilton Head) and *Detroit News*, January 17, 1991
- 2 41 Soviet Union collapses. *Detroit News* and *Free Press*, August 25, 1991
- 2 42 Princess Diana dies. *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, August 11, 1997
- 2 43 Terrorist attack on New York and Washington. *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, September 11, 2001
- 2 44 American troops invade Philippines. *Chicago Sun-Times*, February 4, 1945
- 2 45 Johnson elected. *Toledo Times*, November 4, 1964
- 2 46 Man walks on moon. *Toledo Blade* and *St. Louis Globe Democrat*, July 21, 1969
- 2 47 Charles DeGaulle dies. *Toledo Blade*, November 10, 1970
- 2 48 Reagan inaugurated and hostages released. *Toledo Blade*, January 20, 1981
- 2 49 Reagan elected. *International Herald Tribune*, November 5, 1980
- 2 50 Clinton elected. *USA Today*, November 4, 1992
- 2 51 Clinton's impeachment. *The Island Packet*, August 16, 1998
- 2 52 Release of the Starr Report. *The Island Packet*, September 12, 1998
- 2 53 Celebration of new century. *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, January 1, 2000
- 2 54 Space Shuttle Columbia disaster. *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, February 2, 2003
- 2 55 Iraq war begins. *The Island Packet*, March 20, 2003
- 2 56 Obama elected. *The Island Packet*, November 5, 2008