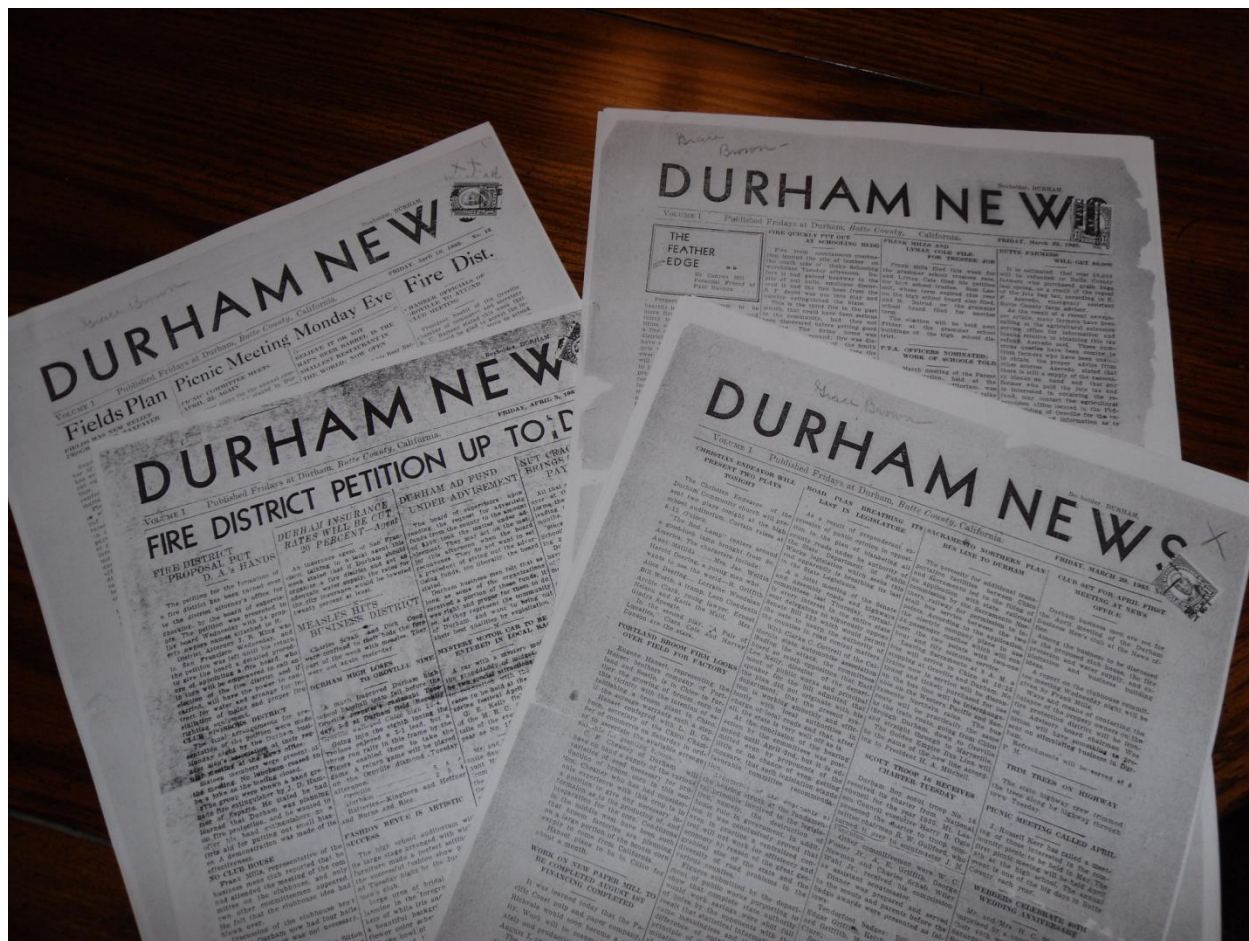


Durham News, 1935
by Rian Farley



Recent “Finds” by the Preservation and Digitization, a sub-group of the Durham Friends of the Library include the 1935 Durham News, which was published locally by George A. Dawley.

Mr. Dawley, long the editor and publisher of the Biggs News stated on January 25, 1935 at the end of his Feather Edge Column in the Biggs edition: ‘With this our third birthday in Biggs we launch a new newspaper enterprise in Durham, a few miles north of Biggs. This action has been contemplated for several months but proper arrangements could not be made. We feel we have done so now, and Durham gets its first newspaper today. Ye Ed will also edit the Durham News.’” [Biggs News, January 25, 1935, pg 8 col 5].

The newspapers now in the collection of the Preservation and Digitization committee were originally mailed to Grace Lurine (née Morgue) Brown, daughter of Henry Clay and Rose Ellen (née Hewston) Morgue, born California May 24, 1881; died in Butte County on March 10, 1973.

Mrs. Brown’s 1935 newspapers, complete with the 1-cent postage were mailed to her, which is similar to how many local residents get The Forum on a weekly basis today. The collection was held by Jan Holman of Durham, who shared the information with the Durham Library. These scanned and digitized copies will soon find their way on to the new website of

the Durham Friends of the Library – DurhamMediaPreserved.com / DurhamMediaPreserved.net
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