





100 Years of Community Service

A century of service by a newspaper to a community means that the history of a town, a county, a state—even a nation—has been inerasably written for future generations to read. From no other source can the same facts be learned; in no other way could the saga of the past have been so relentlessly compiled.

A good newspaper succeeds only to the extent that it renders good service to its people. A good newspaper is ever the faithful servant of its readers, bringing to them each week, news, information, announcements, the steady procession of daily happenings, pleasant and unpleasant, the strands from which the fabric of history is woven.

An ever willing instrument of converse between people, it is the accepted medium by which messages — community, spiritual, civic, social — are circulated; a ready medium for the profitable use of the progressive merchant in search of patronage of his place of business.

Across the pages of this newspaper have passed the stories of the lives of countless thousands of Aroostook County people. Birth, school days, marriage — childhood and manhood achievements—work, play, patriotic service, parenthood, death. The joys and the sorrows, the triumphs and the trials. The newspaper has mirrored them all; the growth of the community as reflected by the lives of the people who have built it.

A newspaper is the product of people. The eyes, the ears, the hearts, the hands, the minds of human beings who have made to it their precious contribution. It is greater than those who have made it; bigger than those who defame it. It will outlive both.

One hundred years has brought vast changes to this community. There has been progress, advancement, modernization, civic accomplishments. Moving forward, too, its newspaper has been a potent factor in the creation of the wonderful town that Houlton is. It will continue to perform its vital role in the future.

The dual circumstance of the 150th birthday of this town and the 100th anniversary of this newspaper is a fitting occasion for we of the Houlton Pioneer Times to pledge anew our continuing efforts in behalf of our home town and the community of fine people it has been our privilege to serve so long. Though new faces appear, different minds direct, new problems arise, it is a safe guarantee that the constructive force of this newspaper shall endure in, with and for, this community.

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