

Newspapers' Dilemma, Libraries' Challenge, and the Dance of Shiva

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Not for the Faint of Heart: News Preservation

- NewspaperTransformation
- The Bad, The Bad, and The Ugly
- From Doorstep to Pocket
- Vendor Squeeze
- Library Challenge



Global Perspective

- Print Newspapers thriving in Developing world
 - Latin America; India; Asia strong print circulation growth
 - But this will change
- In Developed nations, newspapers are under siege

Storms

- Radio
- Television
- Direct Mail
- Cable Television

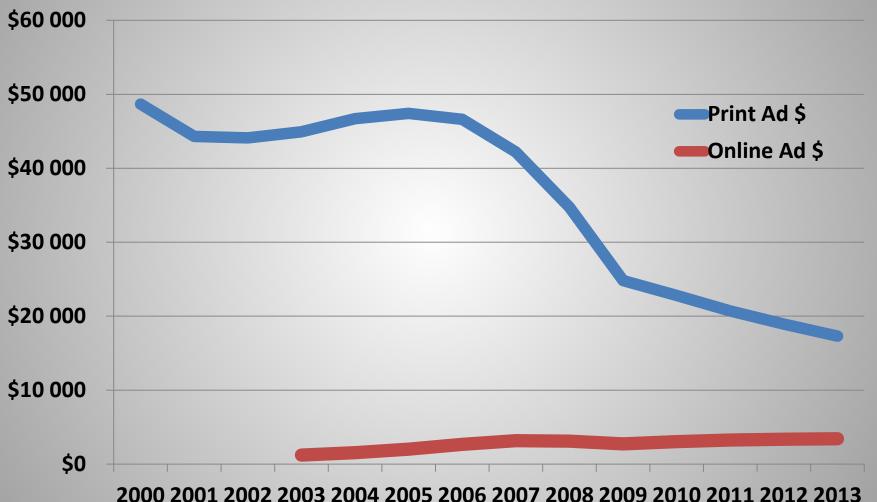
• But, the Internet is different



Newspaper Market



Newspaper Advertising Revenues: 2000-2013 (\$MM)



Newspaper Assoc. of America,

2014

New News Reality

Since 2006

- Third of US Newsroom Jobs eliminated
- 45% Ad Revenue decline
- 17% Circulation Revenue decline
- 100+ newspapers shut down the presses
- Reduced number of days of print product
- Reduce geographic distribution, offer eEdition
- Reduce physical size of papers, switch to tabloids
- Cutting expenses to stay/get profitable not a long term winning strategy.
- Shifting to digital business. Late to the game. Wrong skill sets.

Drinking the Kool-Aid

information wants to be free

Stewart Brand, First Editor of The Whole Earth Catalog.
 First International Hackers Conference, 1984

The Kool-Aid Conundrum

On the one hand information wants to be expensive, because it's so valuable. The right information in the right place just changes your life. On the other hand, information wants to be free, because the cost of getting it out is getting lower and lower all the time. So you have these two fighting against each other.

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Not your father's newspaper



From Doorstep to Pocket



Online Competitors

- Bloomberg, Politico (now in Europe), Huffington
 Post
- News Aggregators Google, Yahoo, Flipboard,
 Mashable, News 360
- Cable, TV News online
- Facebook, Twitter
- Born digital news: GlobalPost; MinnPost; Texas
 Tribune
- Anyone with a keyboard and internet access

Top 10 News Sites













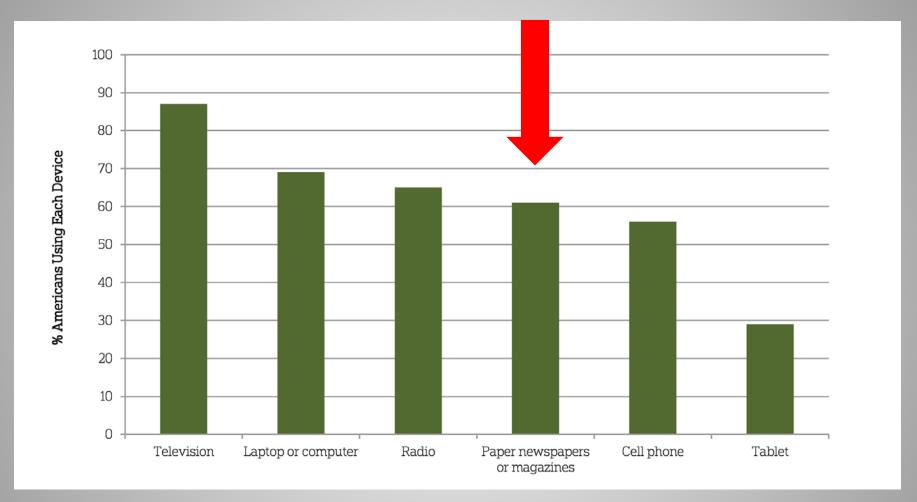








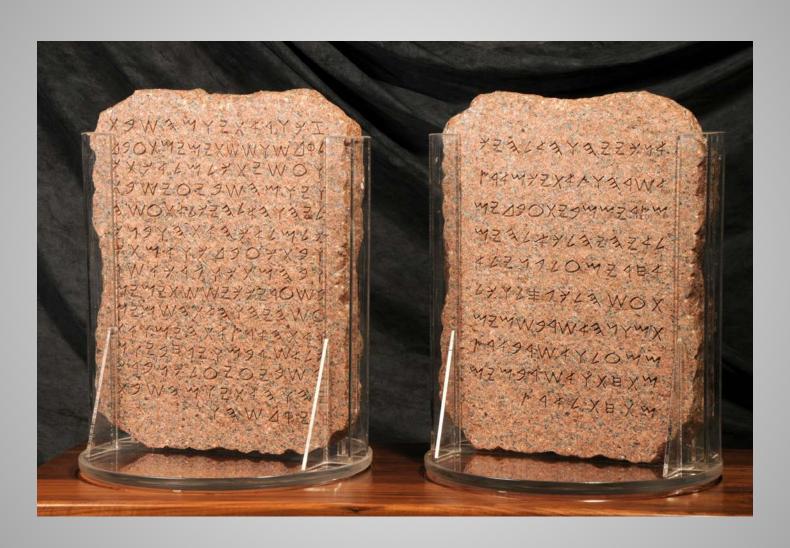
How Americans Consume News



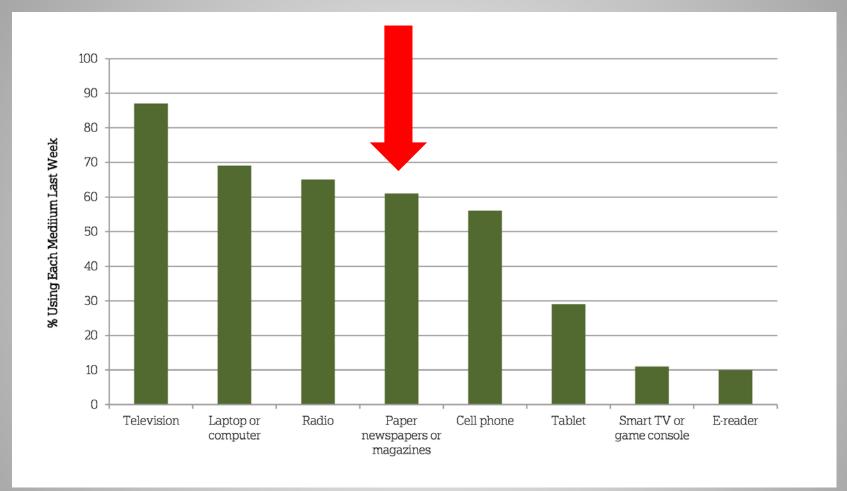
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The Personal News Cycle, Media Insight Project, 2014

No, Not That Kind



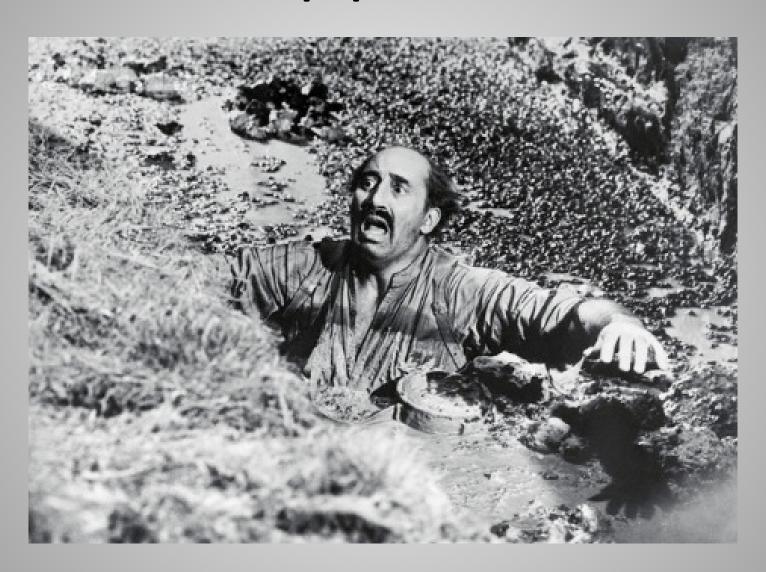
Most Americans Use Many Media Devices for News



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What's a Newspaper Publisher To Do?



BANKRUPTCY LIQUIDATION



Insert
Publisher
Name
here

YOUR ADDRESS HERE

Individuals Purchasing Newspaper Companies

- Washington Post Jeff Bezos
- Boston Globe John Henry
- Dozens of local newspapers Warren Buffett
- Dow Jones Murdoch
- Minneapolis Star Tribune Michael Klingensmith

Unwinding Media Companies

- E.W. Scripps / The Journal Communications
- Gannett
- Tribune



Shift to Digital Business Models

- "Trading Dollars for Dimes"
- Smaller, local newspapers are the most threatened. Don't have the resources to adapt
- Rapid business model experimentation
- Pay walls emerging and will prevail. 700+ today (150 two yrs ago)
- Subscription models (Wall St. Jnl., Financial Times)
- Freemium some content free, then pay
- Holistic customer focus: Print and Online subs, any device
- Lots of Dimes: daily coupons, eEditions, eBooks, local data
- Ultimately, the daily print newspaper is not a sustainable business. The end-user market requires the industry to change.

Shift to Digital – Journalistic Impacts

- Cacophony of Digital Noise, Editorial Voice lost in the mix
- Web 2.0 Social Media User involvement, user generated value
- Citizen Journalism
- Corporate Journalism
- Video, multimedia
- News starts with mobile
- Reporters specialize in topics and facilitate communities
 (Journalist need thicker skins equal footing with end users)
- Hyper-local capture unique local strength
- National, International news deemphasized
- Advertising integrated everywhere
- Journalism becomes a state of mind. Physical newsroom disappears.

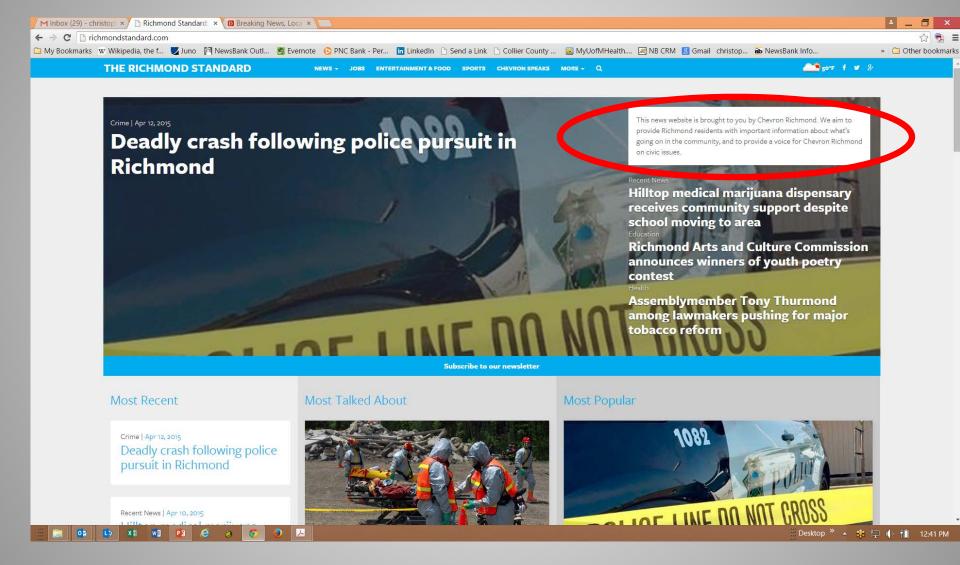
Impacts on Academic Research

- Digital News will be recognized and utilized as discreet units of information. Print version constrained the true value content.
- News is instantaneous end user expectation
- More "news" content will be available. Web > Print
- Quality of news content will vary widely.
- New sources of news will continue to emerge verticals, topical.
- Highly end-user centric. Accessed and used when, where, and how the end-user wants.
- Research will rapidly migrate to mobile devices.
- Analytic tools will become required.
 - Data & text mining, Visualization, Sentiment Analysis,
 Relational and Geographic Analysis, Timelines
 - Sharing and Collaboration quickly, Research Workflow

Blurring the lines – Journalism vs. PR OR Journalism And PR



Corporate Funded Journalism



News Changes

- News will be more expensive
- News content will become more diverse, segmented, niche, vertical
- Unique news sources will proliferate
- Digital only
- Mobile
- Convergence of news & data, news as data

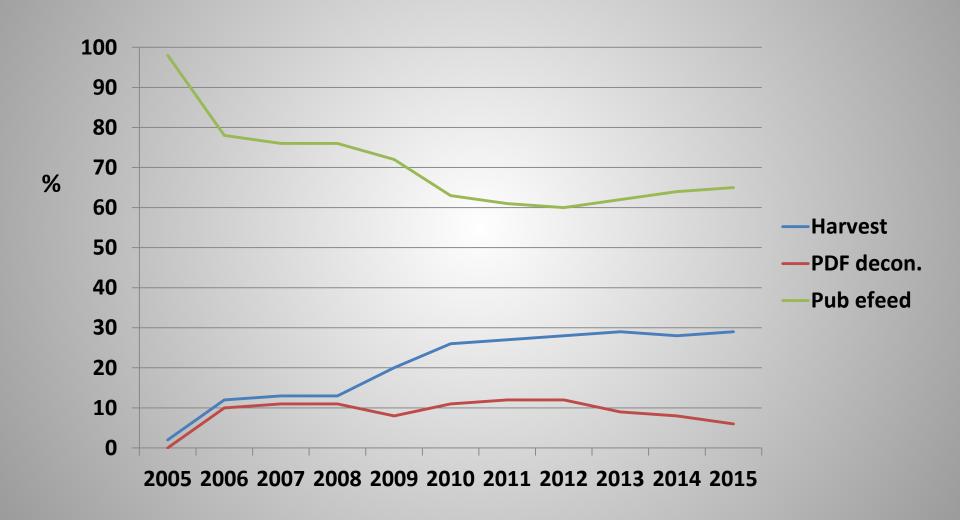
A Vendor Response

- Harvest Web content
- PDF deconstruction
- SAVE editorial archiving system
- NewsLibrary article sales
- MicroSite Event Marketing Publisher editorial,
 Vendor technology
- Copyright deposit
- Library distribution

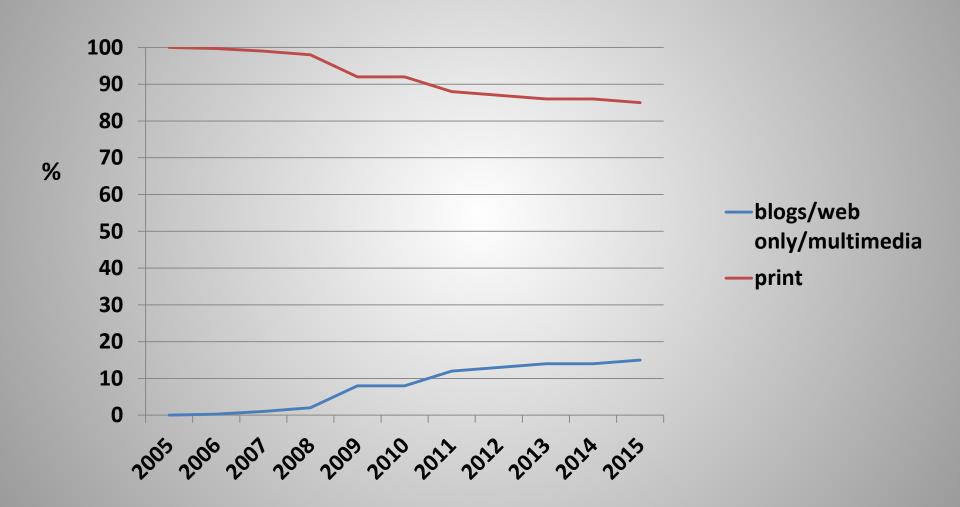
Event Driven Microsite - Augusta Chronicle, GA



Gathering of News



Types of News Gathered



Preservation - Vendor Limitations

- We don't harvest and/or utilize everything
- Need for commercial sustainability
- Vendors compete with each other
- Vendors sometimes "don't get it"

Libraries' Challenge: Preserve Why?

- What is the real objective?
- Who needs this and why?
- What will be the value of your efforts?

 The reason to ask: This digital stuff is complicated and more challenging

Libraries' Challenge: Preserve What?

- Dynamic content articles change multiple times
- Articles, information derived from multiple sources
- Infographics
- Photos
- Videos
- Blogs
- End user generated content
- Advertisements
- eEdition (daily image products)
- eBooks
- Special sites

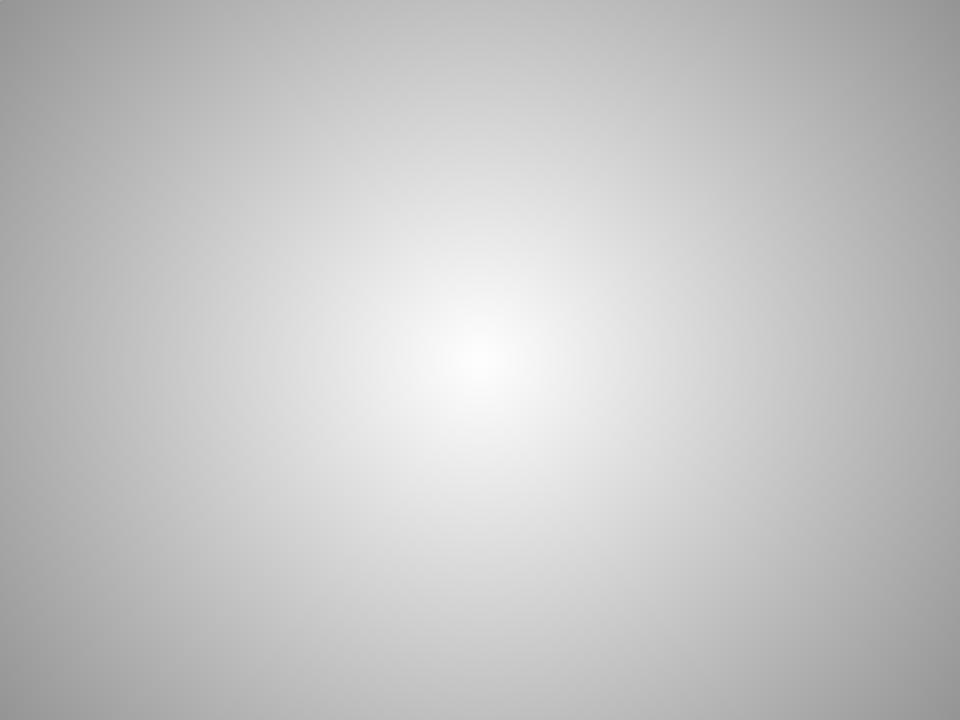
Who's tracking this stuff? Who archives it now?

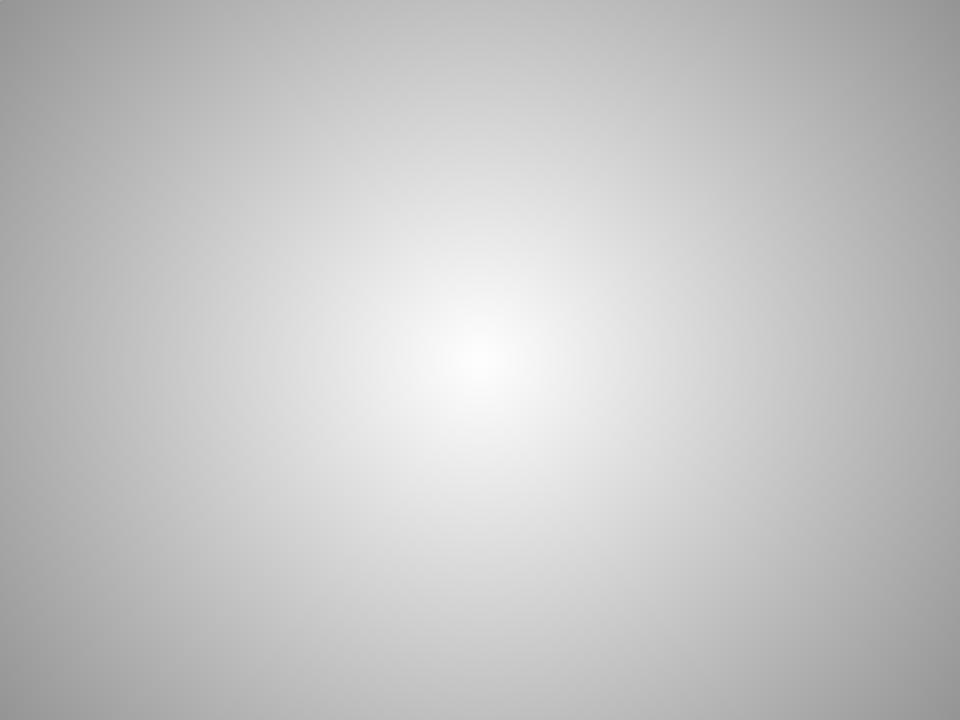
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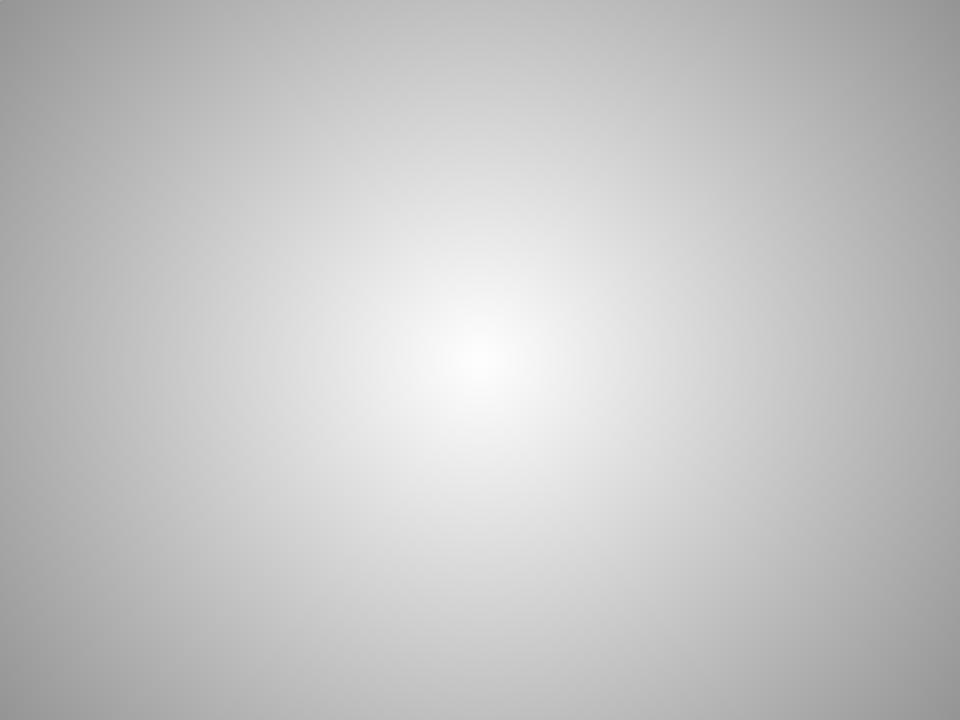
- How will we determine what to preserve?
- What are the standards?
- How will it scale?
- How will we manage it?
- How will we determine governance?
- How will preservation be achieved?
- Institutionally led initiatives
- Collaboration publisher / library
- Collaboration vendor / library
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- How will we handle digital degradation?

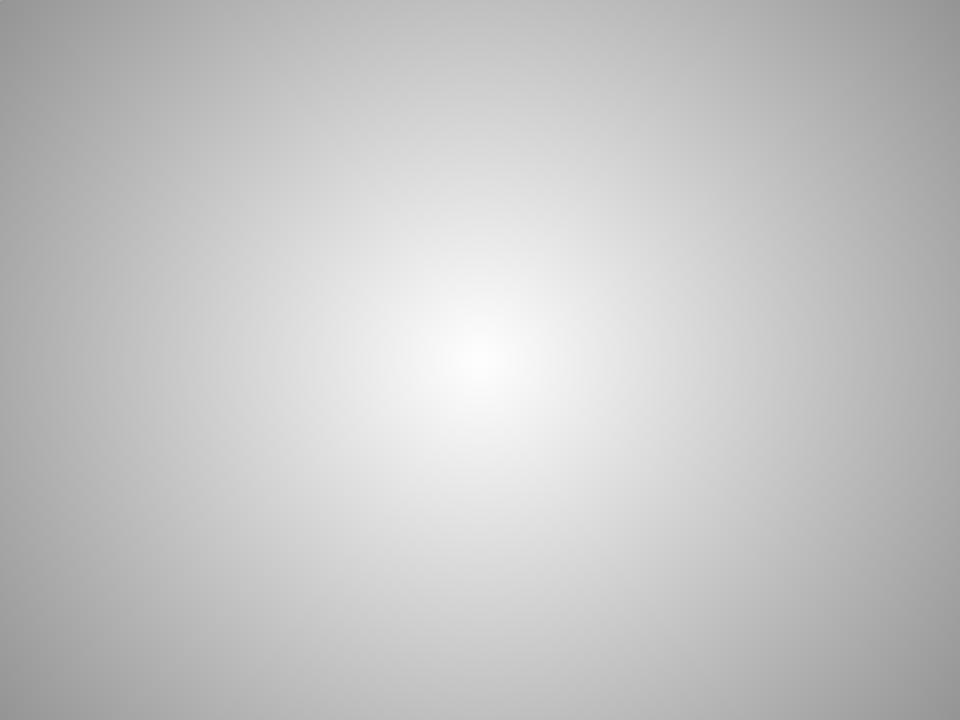
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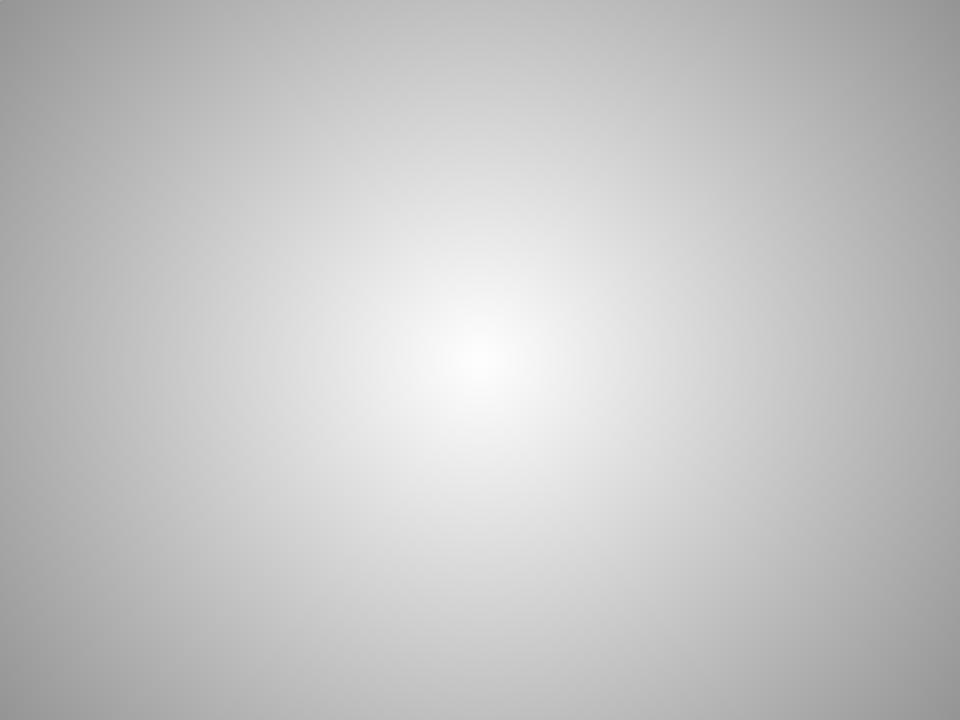


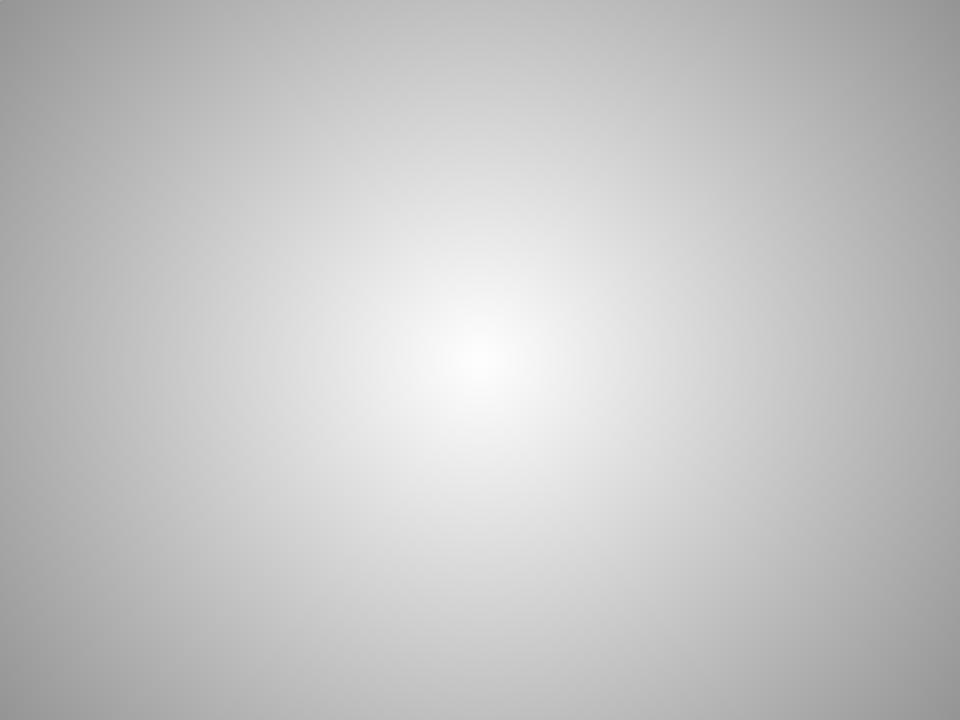




Create Anew







Inquiring Minds Need Space to Exercise



Data
Gyrations
can be
Challenging



Tools of the Future



Workflow changes



Predict Future Will See Vest Pocket Newspapers

The Automatic News , ny.

The automatic newsboy is a device for supplying newspapers to the public, and again emphasizes the progress and utility of mechanism which has wrought such great changes during the past years in the newspaper industry. It is a slot machine where the public can conveniently buy morning and evening papers, and offers the greatest advantage of opening channels heretofore untouched through which sales and circulation can be greatly increased. This machine can be made and regulated for any size paper or maga-

Washington Post, Nov. 6, 1896

The Newspaper of the Future.

Mr. Noah Brooks, who is a well known

zine.

journalist, contributes an article to the July Forum on the newspaper of the future. Mr. Brooks has very high hopes of the future of the newspaper. The evolution in journalism that is now going on will, according to his view, develop a wonderful newspaper. It is to be clean, bright, honest, impartial, accurate, painstaking and absolutely just. Men of culture and experience are to write all its reports, and specialists are to write its editorial articles. In politics it is to be honest and impartial, and special pains are to be taken to verify its news. The "crude methods, conscienceless habits

and reckless haste of the journalism of to-

day will be avoided."

NEW YORK NEWSBOYS.

Although they are so much in evidence and so constantly at one's service, newsboys, as a class, are little understood as to their habits or considered in their opportunities by their numberless patrons. A particularly diminutive specimen entering upon the economic struggle may by his diminutiveness provoke not only compassion but patronage from sentimental elders-whereby parents may be the more encouraged to push their mere babies into the mart. The passerby may moralize upon their unrestrained instincts when he finds newsboys, with flaming cheeks, settling questions of "beats" by primitive methods of justice. The philanthropist generously builds newsboys' homes-which youngsters of less regular or legitimate pursuits largely occupy. But the newsboy himself, who usually lives at home, attends school, and, on the whole, approximates an ordered though a peculiarly independent life, eludes penetrating notice.

Chicago Tribune, July 24, 1900

Atlanta Constitution, July 6, 1890

Guardian, Nov. 12, 1959

FUTURE OF NEWSPAPERS Los Angeles Times, Nov. 16, 1966

Publisher Predicts Electronic Innovations

Hartford Courant, Nov. 10, 1930

PUBLISHERS OPPOSE THE 44-HOUR WEEK

American Newspaper Association Asks Mechanical Trades to Abandon Their Demand.

WOULD REDUCE PRODUCTION

Economic Limit, in Present Conditions, is the 48-Hour Week,
Says Appeal.

New York Times, April 24, 1920

NEWSPAPERS IN COLOUR

Mr Roy Thomson's answer to TV

Mr Roy Thomson, the newspaper proprietor, said in London yesterday that newspapers must have colour printing if they were to operate successfully against colour television.

Web Harvesting

